

The Barnesville Lantern

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Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path (Psalm 119:105).

The Pastor's Spotlight

Thanksgiving is a time we have set aside to say thank you to the Lord. So let us, as the psalmist wrote in *Psalm* 105:1, tell the Lord that we are thankful for His goodness



I was blessed to share Jesus with the children on Oct 2. One of the children came forward to be baptized. God is so good!

and mighty deeds, that we seek Him out every day, and that we can't help but tell of His many blessings to everyone.

As we sit down to enjoy turkey and pumpkin pie later this month, let us also reflect upon and praise God for His mercy, love, and guidance for the days ahead. True thanksgiving comes from your heart! We have been covered by

God's mighty hand of protection, blessing, and direction in so many different ways this past year as we have sought to do His will. My greatest joy and praise is how God has drawn us all closer to Him through His Word, His love, and His fellowship. God has richly blessed us with what He promised in Ezekiel 34:26: "I will make them and the places all around My hill a blessing; and I will cause showers to come down in their season; there shall be showers of blessing". Think about that just for a moment. The Lord Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, is ready to pour out His storehouse of blessings upon us, His people and all those around us as we share the love of Jesus with our community and those around the world. The question is, are our hearts and spirits ready to receive those blessings so we can pass them on to others?

Pray for me please as I pray for you to be all that God wants each of us to be! From Cindy and I and our family, have a blessed, happy, and safe Thanksgiving!

God Bless,





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Upcoming Events

November 2 Business Meeting; Deacons' Meeting

November 11 Veterans Day

November 12 Fall Festival

November 19 Baptist Men's Breakfast; Fall Church

Clean-Up Day

November 23 Thanksgiving Eve Service

November 24 Thanksgiving; Church Office Closed

November 28 Deacons' Meeting



"Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; Let such as love Your salvation say continually, "The Lord be magnified" (Psalm 40:16)!

The Pew Perspective

Lee Michael

In addition to Thanksgiving, November is also when we commemorate Veterans Day, formerly called Armistice Day,



An honor guard watches over the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier 24 hours a day

because in 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, the Great War, or World War I, came to an end. As a country, the focal point of our remembrance of the lives lost in that war and so many other conflicts in our nation's history is at Arlington National Cemetery in nearby Arlington, Virginia, at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Surrounded by thousands upon thousands of white marble tombstones, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier houses the remains of a WWI soldier whose identity was lost amid the battlefields of France. The inscription reads "Here Rests In Honored Glory An American Solider Known But to God". In addition to common soldiers, sailors, and airmen are buried presidents, generals, cabinet officials, and astronauts.

To walk among the tombstones of

Arlington is to be surrounded by silent stone sentinels from American history. *Hebrews 12:1* comes to mind, that we as Christians are similarly "...surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses..." as we struggle through this life to follow Jesus as we are weighed down by sin and temptation and distracted by this world's pleasures and pitfalls. As Paul told Timothy. "you therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ" (II Timothy 2:3). Yet Jesus, our role model and our captain, overcame everything that was put in His way, even the shame of the cross, and is now a victorious hero over death and hell, honored by His Father in Heaven. We too can please the Lord just like Jesus when we put our faith in Him and rely on His strength to guide us. The members of the "Faith Hall of Fame" in the preceding chapter, Hebrews 11, serve as our examples of real-life people who trusted in God as they accomplished amazing feats and suffered terrible losses in His name and for His purposes: Abel, Enoch, and Noah, Abraham & Sarah, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, and Moses. They are among the unnumbered throngs of saints in heaven who are watching us as we serve God's Kingdom. Again, as Paul encouraged Timothy, we are to "fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of *many witnesses*" (*I Timothy 6:12*). Not only for the memory of the dead but for the sake of living are we called to flee from selfishness and pride and devote ourselves to righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, and gentleness.

Yes, we are being watched by heaven, but we are also being closely observed by fellow believers and unbelieving family members, neighbors, and coworkers, who are evaluating us to see if our words match our deeds as we profess to love Jesus and put Him first in our lives. Our first loyalty is to the God who redeemed us but we also owe an example of spiritual integrity to those who come after us, so that we too can serve as a pattern of faithful discipleship (*Philippians 3:17*) and be worthy of remembrance by generations to come.

Thankful People Scramble

Can you match these 20 thankful ones in the Bible with what they thanked God for? See answers on page 3, column 1.

| 1. | 24 elders | A. | everything |
|-----|----------------|----|----------------------|
| 2. | Anna | B. | restored health |
| 3. | Christians | C. | delivered from Saul |
| 4. | Daniel | D. | crossed Red Sea |
| 5. | David | E. | fish and loaves |
| 6. | Deborah | F. | Colossians' faith |
| 7. | Elizabeth | G. | birth of John |
| 8. | Eve | H. | Philippian believers |
| 9. | Hannah | I. | wisdom and power |
| 10. | Hezekiah | J. | defeat of Canaanites |
| 11. | Jehoshaphat | K. | God's great power |
| 12. | Jesus | L. | saw Messiah |
| 13. | Jonah | M. | birth of Jesus |
| 14. | leper | N. | building of Temple |
| 15. | Mary | O. | birth of Samuel |
| 16. | Miriam | P. | fulfilled promise |
| 17. | Paul | Q. | got a second chance |
| 18. | Paul & Timothy | R. | birth of Seth |
| 19. | Simeon | S. | defeat of Moab |
| 20. | Solomon | T. | healed by Jesus |
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Thankfulness Word Search

Can you find 20 of the things mentioned in the Scriptures that we can thank God for? Scripture references are on page 3, column 2.

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CMIGHTYWORKSRMBGJKB
NRTMKLRRTNBIRIOKP
AEFKZMDTXBEXBTJDN
THSEYOFRLNDLMTMVSNY
ITGYLBNODJEJDMJBZIL
RONYBLDSOTKPNZMBD
ENIVZBOWHDMPONZTX
HASNJTRWSIAKWLRKGJT
NESVGXXASNSNTTOGXOT
INEKRWLEOHVGDRYVMDN
MOLGHVFIYIIPODEOELM
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PPTLAITLRRLVRDIARN
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BONRARQDNNNWPBDREKP
NOCFYJGBBDPRMMDYDSL
LRVMVYVZZOKLLMDJLMS
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Word Bank: Bible, blessings, creation, family, fellowship, food and drink, friends, His goodness, hope, inheritance, long life, love, mighty works, one another, peace, prayer, salvation, tomorrow, victory, wisdom

November Birthdays

- 4 Laura Luhn Hiatt
- 5 Randy Gilliam
- 6 Sam Berry
- 12 Cris Driver
- **16** Sherry Morrison
- **22** Michelle Ennis
- **23** Dan Yates, Kitty Cooley
- **26** Joyce Dunn
- 27 Margie Stream
- 29 Connie Connelly



Prayer Concerns

Members: Roy & Maggie Leibrand at the passing of Maggie's mother; Pastor Danny Moore, breathing issues Family and Friends: Stephanie Runkles, back pain; the men & women of the Upper Montgomery Co. V.F.D. Seniors: Arlene Luhn, Betty James, Cortland "Pop" Moore, Dot Fowler, Eddie Fowler, Gene Bennett, Janet Magruder, Linda Roberts, Margie Stream, Ollie Baumbaugh, Ralph Cooley, Rebecca Umstead, Susan Rice

Cancer patients: Bill Appleton, recovering from successful leukemia treatment; Kitty Cooley Missions: NAMB and IMB missionaries; all the church planters in MD/DE; King of Glory Church in Pakistan; MBA-sponsored church plant Hope Fellowship Church in Ashburn, VA



"The LORD is righteous in all His ways,
Gracious in all His works.
The LORD is near to all who call upon Him,
To all who call upon Him in truth.
He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him;
He also will hear their cry and save them"
(Psalm 145:17-19).

Thankful People Scramble Answers

1. **K** (Revelation 11:15); 2. **L** (Luke 2:38); 3. **A** (I Thessalonians 5:18); 4. **I** (Daniel 2:23); 5. **C** (II Samuel 22); 6. **J** (Judges 5); 7. **G** (Luke 1:24-25); 8. **R** (Genesis 4:25); 9. **O** (I Samuel 2); 10. **B** (Isaiah 38:19); 11. **S** (II Chronicles 20); 12. **E** (John 6:11); 13. **Q** (Jonah 2:9); 14. **T** (Luke 17:15-19); 15. **M** (Luke 1:46-55); 16. **D** (Exodus 15:20-21); 17. **H** (Philippians 1:3-5); 18. **F** (Colossians 1:3-4); 19. **P** (Luke 2:28); 20. **N** (I Kings 8:14-21).

Business Meeting Briefs

Report from the 151st Annual Business Meeting:

- Pastor Danny Moore, Cindy Moore, Lee Michael, and Luke Fedders were elected to serve as messengers to the 87th Montgomery Baptist Association Annual Meeting, held on Sunday, Oct. 16 at BBC.
- The Church approved a resolution to begin the annual budget process for 2023; the standing committees will report to the Treasurer by Sunday, Nov. 6.
- The Church voted to approve the Select Committee on Nominations' recommendations for 2022-2024 church officers.

Expected at the November Business Meeting:

 As of press time, there were no new motions ready for action at the November business meeting.

Thankfulness Word Search Scriptures

Bible (Psalm 119:47); blessings (Ephesians 1:3); creation (Psalm 19:1); family (Psalm 127:3); fellowship (II Thessalonians 1:3); food and drink (Matthew 6:26); friends (Proverbs 27:17); His goodness (Psalm 106:1); hope (Romans 15:13); inheritance (Colossians 1:12); long life (Proverbs 16:31); love (John 4:16); mighty works (Psalm 72:18); one another (I Thessalonians 1:2); peace (Colossians 3:15); prayer (Psalm 66:20); salvation (John 3:16); tomorrow (Psalm 3:5); victory (I Corinthians 15:57); wisdom (Proverbs 3:13).

COTCD Cartoon

CHURCH OF THE COVERED DISH by Thom Tapp

After Clarence's choir debut, his other Spiritual gifts were quickly discovered.

News You Can Use

Full Sunday. Nov. 6 will be a day of worship and celebration. As the first Sunday of the month, we will observe communion, and will also observe the ordinance of baptism for Aleena Malik, who has made a profession of faith in the Lord. Captain Lawrence "LT" Tyler will be leading us in worship through song. Last year, LT recorded a new gospel album "God of Second Chances".

MBA annual meeting report. Four BBC messengers, as members of the host church, attended the 87th Montgomery Baptist Association annual meeting held at BBC on



Sherrie Riggs receiving a recognition plaque from MBA Moderator Rev. Gayle Clifton, MBA Language Church Missionary Rev. Michael Mattar, and MBA Director of Missions Dr. Ron Blankenship

Sunday, Oct. 16.
BCM/D Executive
Director Michael
Crawford spoke about
evidence of collaboration in the early
church, showing the
importance of working
and associating
together as sister
churches. Sherrie
Riggs was recognized
for her 29 years of

service to the MBA as the Missions Office Manager in advance of her retirement in 2023. In addition to approving the 2023 budget and officers, an Ethiopian church and a Ghanian church received full membership affiliation. A Hispanic congregation was placed in watch care status for future membership.

Rescheduled. The October deacons' meeting will be held after the November business meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 2.

Daylight savings ends. At 2:00 am on Sunday, Nov. 6, we revert to Eastern Standard Time. Fall back one hour and reset your clocks or you may show up to church early!

November events. A Thanksgiving Eve service will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 23 at 7:00 pm to thank the Lord for

BARNESVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
FALL FESTIVAL
NOVEMBER 12TH — 12PM — 3PM
Food – Games – Moon Bounce
Fellowship & more
Fun For All Ages
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all His many blessings and kindnesses this past year. This is a great way to start the holiday season by focusing on all our blessings from the Lord. On Saturday, Nov. 12, we will enjoy a Fall Festival sponsored by the Youth Ministry on the

BBC grounds from noon to 3:00 pm. Invite your friends and neighbors to participate in this time of fellowship.

Christmas project. For this year's Christmas project, our efforts will benefit two local Christian ministries who support infants and those in need. We will be providing gifts for children from the Care Net Pregnancy Center of Frederick. We will also be donating winter hats, gloves, and socks to the Frederick Rescue Mission to help homeless men and women. More information will be provided in the next few weeks. Gifts and donations for Care Net will be due in early December. Supplies for the Frederick Rescue Mission may be brought to a drop-off box in the sanctuary until Sunday, Dec. 18.

Special music. October was a month for music. On Oct. 16, the Wednesday night prayer meeting was given over

to a hymn sing. Led by Choir Director Nita Roff with Jan Burdette on the piano, we sang favorites like "Standing on the Promises", "Showers of Blessing", and "Victory in Jesus". On Sunday, Oct. 23, harpist Wynne Roos performed



during the worship service, playing "How Great Thou Art", "I Need Thee Every Hour", "Amazing Grace", and "For the Beauty of the Earth".

Fall clean-up day. On Saturday, Nov. 19 at 9:00 am, join the Groundsmen, the Baptist Men, and the rest of your Church family to clean up the church building and grounds. Contact Head Groundsman Bill Appleton for more information on jobs and tools needed.

Beast Feast. An enthusiastic crowd gathered for a time of fun and fellowship sponsored by the Baptist Men at the Beast Feast and Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, Oct. 15. There was a wide range of hearty entrees and delicious desserts. Chefs Bill Caudell and Ed Williams worked the fish fryer and the grill. Rev. Phil Hurst, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church and a Texas native, and his wife Allison judged the chili contest. Of eight chili entries submitted, the top three belonged to Megan McCall, Gary Burdette, and Ann Bennett. The two door prizes went to Zain Malik and Jan Burdette.



Deacon Joe Yates praying a blessing over the Beast Feast buffet.