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## dates to Remember

- Nov. 17 Rummage Sale
- Nov. 17 Take Point
- Nov. 18 Potluck
- Nov. 21 Board Meeting
- Nov. 22 Thanksgiving Day

### Monthly Memory Challenge

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

Colossians 3:15

### THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

If you are joining us as we make our way through the Bible in a year, you will need to read through 2 Corinthians 13 by the end of November.



#### November Breakdown

- Sun. 11/4~ through John 9
- Sun. 11/11~through Acts 9
- Sun 11/18~through Romans 3
- Sun. 11/25~through 1Corinthians 12

## What I Am Thankful For

Thanksgiving is coming up soon. Yes, there are still plenty of days to go, three weeks in fact, but it is the next holiday to begin thinking about. What needs to be thought about? Well traveling plans. Perhaps you have already made plans to go somewhere. I know our family has. We are going to be going down to Sherry's parents. We will get there on Wednesday and come back Sunday. What is good about that is that we won't have to plan a meal, or figure out who to invite over to our house to eat with us. I hope nobody takes that the wrong way, we wouldn't mind doing that, but don't have to. Perhaps you are traveling too. Or, maybe just planning a meal at your home. Either way, I want to ask you this, "What are you thinking about as Thanksgiving approaches?"

Are you thinking about traveling? Are you thinking about meal preparation? Are you thinking about invitations? Maybe you are thinking about the three NFL matchups that will be on that day? No, the Packers do NOT play on Thanksgiving day, but you probably already knew that. All of these questions are things we may be thinking about when a holiday comes up, especially Thanksgiving. They are legitimate concerns. But they are NOT the items I want to bring up. The item I want to bring up and have us think about is who we are THANKFUL for.

For me, it is my family. My sister Jennifer and brother Jon and their

families, plus my dad Paul (even though he has passed away). Plus, Sherry's family. This includes her sister Sandra, her brothers Michael and Larry and all their family members. On top of that is her parents Mary and Harley. And we also include the following in our family gathering, her aunt (her mother's twin) Janet, and her family to. They include, David, Kenny, and Kathy, all their families, plus a very close family friend Chris. These are all special people in our lives. They care about us, they love us, and we do the same for them – even when we have disagreements with them. I am thankful for them.

For those who are thinking, "What about YOUR family?", am I saving them for last. Why? Because they are the MOST important. And that is not just the truth, but also a great reminder to me. My two sons, Solomon and Josiah, are very good children. They honor other people. They get along with others. They help out others too.

Are they perfect? No. Who of us is? But, they continue to grow and mature, and are becoming fine young men. And I hope I have been a part of that. And even if I have, I still need to love them, care for them, and invest in them. But the one who has had the MOST impact on them, and me too, that is my wife Sherry. She is FANTASTIC. She cares about the boys, loves them, and lets them know.

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# What's Happening



## Weekly Events

**November 6 & 20:** Breakfast fellowship at the Log Cabin at 8:00 am. All are welcome.

**Mondays:** Men's Basketball at 6:30pm

**Wednesdays:** Midweek Huddle at 6pm

Meal served at 6pm on first Wednesday.

Board Meeting @ 7:15pm (third Wednesday)

**Thursdays:** Prayer Time at 6:30pm with Dave Wickus

**Fridays:** Prayer at the church at 9:30 am.

**Church-wide prayer chain:** Call the church office at 356-3367 with your prayer concerns.

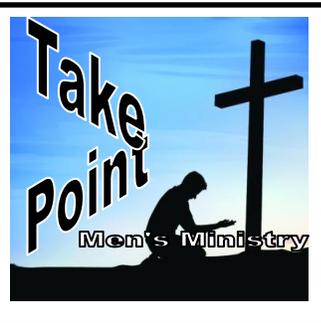


November Potluck will be held on November 18th following church service. Please plan on joining us and bring a dish to pass.

## Happy Birthday

- 1 Jaime Crouse
- 2 Jennifer Wade
- 3 Heidi Cusick
- 4 Maggie Laraia
- 5 Patricia Sardeson
- 9 Don Cone
- 10 Eileen Martz
- 17 Kayla Thompson
- 17 Serenity Westendorff
- 19 Dave Shaw
- 19 Megan Hussmann (Fuller)
- 20 Arykah S
- 20 Patience Starks
- 21 Melissa Blue
- 22 Charlotte Taylor
- 25 Kody Mjelde
- 26Carolynn Koberstein
- 27 Brett Klawitter
- 29 Jan Karpinski

Saturday, November 17th at 8:00am, at New Life, will be the **Take Point Men's Ministry** meeting. Each month we hold a men's breakfast, that includes a study and discussion. Our goal will be to encourage and equip men to lead - to "Take Point" in their faith, their marriage, their family, their work-place, and in the world, as they pursue Christ. Plan on joining us November 17th at 8am at New Life.



## Mission's Annual Rummage and Bake sale

On Saturday, Nov. 17th we will host our biannual rummage and bake sale for Penny Crusade. Please look around your homes, attics, basements, closets, sheds and garages for any unused, under-used, or no longer wanted items that you would be willing to donate. We are interested in kitchen items, home decor, kitchen or bathroom linens, tools, sporting goods, holiday decor, toys, baby gear, furniture, appliances, books, electronics (not TVs) or antiques. We are not able to accept shoes or children's car seats.

Baked goods could include cookies, bars, cupcakes, muffins, quick breads, cakes, pies, brownies, or other desserts. Please price your baked goods for us. You may bring items for the rummage sale starting on Monday Nov.12th and place at the east end of the fellowship hall. Please bring your baked goods no earlier than Friday. Be sure to come and shop at the sale too!

Please be generous as the needs in our missions fields are great and we have so much in comparison.

All proceeds will go to Advent Christian Missions.



**Church Board Meeting**  
**October 2018**

**No minutes to provide**

Next Meeting on November 21 @  
7:15pm

**Month of September**

Budgeted Giving \$16,924  
Budgeted Expense \$16,181  
Difference \$743

Actual Giving \$16,651  
Actual Expense \$16,181  
Difference \$470

**Year to date**

Budgeted Giving \$132,659  
Budgeted Expense \$135,429  
Difference - \$2,770

Actual Giving \$128,787  
Actual Expense \$131,726  
Difference - \$2,939

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And when I say “boys”, I am including myself. She is a GREAT wife. She loves me, cares for me, and even tries to encourage me. I am very thankful for my wife and that she does. She is the heart of our family.

Now, why is family so important? Well, it was last year in November when I was taken to the hospital. In fact, it was two weeks before Thanksgiving. That day this year is coming up soon, it is Friday, November 9 h . Throughout the last year, I have been thinking about what I am Thankful for. God. My church family. Friends. Close friends. That God uses me. There has been a lot. But, what I am most thankful for, is my family – especially those who live in the house with me. He has used them to bless me tremendously. And they continually do that. So a BIG “Thank You” to God for that, as well as a “Thank You” to my wife and children as well. You are appreciated.

I hope that as you are getting ready for Thanksgiving, you are thinking about YOUR FAMILY too. As you are, please don't forget to say “Thank You” to God for them. You may not have been able to choose some of them, and you may not even be in contact with some, but God uses them to bless you. And maybe, over the next year, or more, may He do amazing things through all of them in your life.

As I finish this article, I want to finish with a prayer. God, thank you for families. How they love us. How they care for us. How you use them to guide us. And even if we have problems relationally, may you give us the strength to be Your witness, and be the ones who love others in our families. Thank you. Amen.

Pastor Jesse



Happy  
Thanksgiving



# NewLife News

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