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Worship & Bible Study:

SUNDAY

Worship 9:00 AM
Bible Study 10:20 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Family Line:

931-729-9846



Mike's Minute

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, to God's holy people in Colossae, the faithful brothers and sisters in Christ: Grace and peace to you from God our Father.

Colossians 1:1-2

The letter of Colossians was addressed to the "faithful brothers and sisters in Christ." Is that you? You attend services occasionally, but are you *faithful*? Can the church depend on you?

One of the dire needs in most congregations is for more faithful brothers and sisters. Do we need more Christians? Sure. we do. But we also need the Christians we already have to be more Christian!

Unfaithful members can demoralize a congregation. "Like a broken tooth or a lame foot is reliance on the unfaithful in a time of trouble" (Proverbs 25:19).

Paul knew what it was like to depend on unfaithful brothers. He lamented, "Demas, because he loved this world, had deserted me and gone to Thessalonica" (2 Timothy 4:10).

This world desperately needs faithful worshipers. It needs faithful husbands and wives... fathers and mothers. It needs more faithful employers and employees. The church needs faithful preachers, elders and deacons, teachers, and attenders.

In the final roundup of human affairs, we want to hear the Lord say, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness" (Matthew 25:21,23).

In Christian Love,

Mike





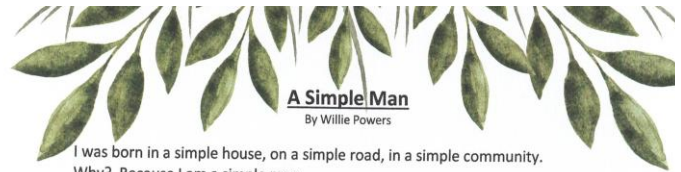
Just Joshin'

Thanksgiving is rapidly approaching and I'm sure many of us are excited! It's a time of family, friends, food, and fellowship. However, as we enter this season of gratitude, we are reminded that Thanksgiving is not just a holiday, but a frame of mind and a posture of the heart. Scripture tells us to "give thanks in all circumstances" (1 Thessalonians 5:18), not because every circumstance is easy, but because God is faithful in every one of them.

Thanksgiving redirects our eyes from what we lack to the One who provides. It softens anxious hearts, strengthens weary souls, and shapes us into people who recognize God's hand in both the ordinary and the extraordinary.

This week, let us take a moment to remember the Lord's goodness, reflect on His steadfast love, and offer Him the gratitude He deserves. And as Psalm 107:1 reminds us: "Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!"

To God be the glory,
Josh



I was born in a simple house, on a simple road, in a simple community.
Why? Because I am a simple man.

I was reared in a simple community with simple people.
Why? Because I am a simple man.

I lived in a simple house on a simple farm.
Why? Because I am a simple man.

I did simple chores and simple jobs.
Why? Because I am a simple man.

I raised food using simple tools.
Why? Because I am a simple man.

I lived a simple life; growing up prepared me for a simple life.
Why? Because I am a simple man.

Parenthood was hard; but it was still a simple way of life.
Why? Because I am a simple man.

I base my simple way of life on a man born simple as I was.
Why? Because He told me so.

He grew up in a simple town, too, doing simple things.
He had a short life. How do I know? Because He told me so.

His life was cut short by the simple things he taught.
You see, my simple friend is Jesus Christ.

He, too, lived a simple life. How do I know?
Because HE told me so!



FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF November 16, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP	190
CONTRIBUTION	\$4,962
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5,417

Welcome to all our visitors. Please fill out a visitor's card and leave it on the seat so we can have a record of your visit.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD,
all the earth!
Serve the LORD with gladness!
Come into His presence with singing!
Know that the LORD, He is God!
It is He who made us, and we are His;
we are His people,
and the sheep of His pasture.
Enter His gates with thanksgiving,
and His courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!
For the LORD is good;
His steadfast love endures forever,
and His faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm 100

**DECEMBER**

- 5 Kohen Dale Gilbert
- 8 Belinda Anderson
Allison Jett
- 9 James Atkinson
Carolyn Phillips
- 11 Barbara Lawson
- 12 Charmaine Harlow
Gerry Hinson
Brooke Patton
Gabe Stone
- 13 Teresa Craft
Mathew Wright
- 14 Addie Dorton Roberts
Whit Folsom
- 16 Anslee Bentley
Wayland Duncan
Randy Prince
- 17 Hayes Levi Horner
Beverly Petty
Susan Spears
- 18 Miley Fay Patton
- 19 Jody England
- 20 Garrett Cochran
- 21 Dalton Barber
Amber Kelley
Ataleigh Webb
- 22 True Goins
Edith Muse
Hunter Smith
- 25 Mary Morphis
- 26 Charlotte Crockett
Baker Cole Patton
- 27 Kim Breece
Tim Halbrooks
Jennifer McCoy
- 28 Curtis Edwards
Kurt Hellmann
Sharon Rochelle
Jeff Warren
- 29 Dannie George
Lisa James
Jane Washington
- 30 Wayne Prince
- 31 John Anderson IV

**DECEMBER**

- 1 Tommie & Glenda Newsom
- 9 James & Dana Atkinson
- 11 Mike & Dianne Breece
Gary & Glenda Jacobs
Chris & Chelley Love
- 15 B.Y. & Deborah Peery
- 22 Jeff & Angie Stacks
- 23 Christopher & Arielle Wright

MEN TO SERVE**SUNDAY MORNING:****Song Leader:** Darin Cochran**Opening Prayer:** Mike Breece**Scripture Reading:** Steve Baker**Scripture:** Psalm 100:1-5**Preside Lord's Supper:** Ken Copley

Left: Don Beard	Right: Randal Halbrooks
Curtis Edwards	Wallace Smith
Carl Daugherty	Larry Primm
Wes Crowther	Rick Bruno

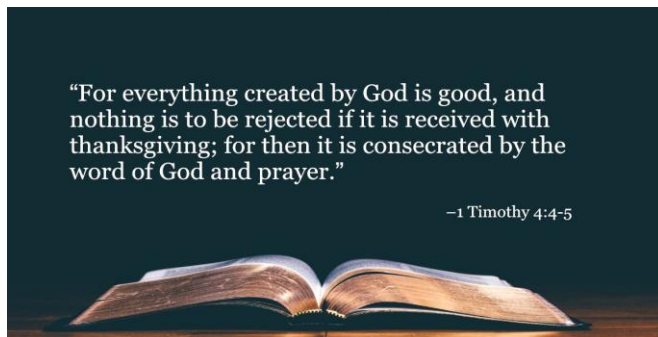
Announcements: Darin Cochran**Closing Prayer:** Gary Bailey**Van Driver:** Gary Basford (931-628-0355)**SUNDAY EVENING:****Announcements:** Gary Basford**Scripture Reading:** Wayne Prince**Scripture:** 1 Timothy 4:4-5**Song Leader:** Steve Atkinson**Opening Prayer:** Randal Halbrooks**Lord's Supper:** Zack Bentley
Gerry Hinson**Closing Prayer:** Kenneth Jett**Van Driver:** Gary Basford (931-628-0355)**WEDNESDAY NIGHT:****Announcements:** Randal Halbrooks**Song Leader:** Gary Basford**Opening Prayer:** Josh Copley**Van Driver:** Chris Love (931-994-7855)**AND NOW FOR A LITTLE HUMOR...** 🤪🤪🤪

Only in America ...do drugstores make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front.

Only in Americado we leave cars worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and put our useless junk in the garage.

"For everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving; for then it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer."

~1 Timothy 4:4-5



UPCOMING EVENTS

There have been food bags donated for us to give out to needy families. If you know of someone who could use one, or if you could use one yourself, please feel free to take it as you leave the service.

If you took names and money to buy gifts for the children, gifts should be back by November 30th.

November 30th will be the 5th Sunday; Craig Shelton will be the speaker. There will be a potluck after classes and an afternoon service around 12:30 pm. All of the contribution that day will be donated to the families affected by the accident at AES.

If you are a lady interested in **Secret Pals 2026** and aren't already involved, please see Sheila Brady by December 3rd.

The Men's Prayer Breakfast meets Tuesday mornings at 6:00 am in the **basement**.

If you enjoy **quilting**, several ladies meet each Thursday at 9:00 am in the basement to make quilts.

EVER WONDER....

Why don't you ever see the headline 'Psychic Wins Lottery'?

Why is 'abbreviated' such a long word?

Why is it that doctors call what they do 'practice'?

Why is lemon juice made with artificial flavor, and dishwashing liquid made with real lemons?

Why is the man who invests all your money called a broker?

Why is the time of day with the slowest traffic called rush hour?

Why didn't Noah swat those two mosquitoes?

Why are they called apartments when they are all stuck together

If con is the opposite of pro, is Congress the opposite of progress?

If flying is so safe, why do they call the airport, the terminal?

Hope this made you smile a little bit :-)

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Woody Woodruff (St. Thomas West), Harry Totty (Horizon hospital), Mary Morphis, Peggy McCoy, Ronny Pitman (scheduled for surgery in spring of 2026), Conner Peebles (scheduled for surgery December 18th), Mike Worley, Dave Davidson, Curtis Edwards, Mike Batts, Steve Atkinson, Jackson Bates, Adam Lawson, Marlin & Barbara Lawson, Violet Shelby, Faye Rochelle, Brenda Carroll (home), Sherrie Talley, Bobby C. McCoy, Billy McCoy, Ed Sullivan, Jane Washington, Rita Sullivan, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon & Jo Ann Totty

Friends & Family: Kathryn Purcell (daughter of Teresa-surgery November 25th), Jean Weddle (twin sister of Janet Basford), Sue Essary, Randy Pitman (brother of Ronny), Deborah Roberts (scheduled for surgery November 20th), Michael Harvill, Dottie McClearn, Drew Elliott, Mark Tune, Jimmy Rivers, Sunny Anglin, Mildred Rochelle, Edna Copley, Doug True, Davy Baker, Linda Canady, Carmela Brown, Paul Harvill, Ronnie Carroll, Ryan Edwards, Deborah Johnston, Willie Lawler, Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, Cory Patterson, Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Ila Faye Jenkins, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears (NHC Maury Transitional Care), Kevin Chandler, David Stewart & Donna Gaspard

Life Care: David Talley, Willie B Coates, Carolyn Phillips, Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss, Sue Davidson, Wilma Green

The Bridge, Columbia: Hattie Mayberry

If you have a **prayer request**, please write it on a blue card and drop it in the wooden box in either foyer.



We express sympathy to the family of **Don Luther** of the Centerville congregation who passed away.



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