

First Christian Church, Russellville, KY November, 2020 website: www.fccrussellville.com find us on facebook.



From the Pastor's desk!

We are just a few weeks from celebrating Thanksgiving where families and friends gather to thank God for ALL the MANY BLESSINGS God has given to us. Historians record that the year 1623 was a particularly hard one for the pilgrims of the Plymouth Colony. Famine controlled their lives and the land. Soon there were more crosses in the cemetery than houses in the community. Life hung in the balance. The story is told that with the food almost gone, Governor Bradford ordered that only 5 grains of corn be given to each person. This is all they had to eat for 1 month... 5 grains of corn per day. Those early years were extremely difficult but with time the crops began to flourish and God's Blessings came. At the end of the harvest each year, as the people sat down to eat their Thanksgiving meal, Governor Bradford encouraged each family to place 5 grains of corn beside each plate at the table. Each Thanksgiving the Pilgrims would sit and look at the 5 grains of corn and mediate remembering how God had blessed them over the years. Five grains of corn and a prayer of gratitude; before eating and celebrating their abundance each Thanksgiving.

This Thanksgiving, May we be reminded of God's Faithfulness and Provision for us individually, our families, our church, and our nation.

May We..... Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. Psalms 100 Kay & I Pray that you and yours will have a meaningful and blessed Thanksgiving!!!

Pastor Bill









ADVENT First Sunday of Advent November 29th Lucy's Coat Closet Will open Wednesday, November 11th 11:00 am Donations of Coats, hats, gloves, blankets Will be appreciated. <u>(Covid 19 guidelines will be in effect)</u>

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Moderator: Gayle Goley Moderator-Elect: Ray Clark Treasurer: Ellen Nealy Secretary: Vicki Kemp Accompanist: Shannon Gorrell Sunday School: 9:30 am Worship Service: 10:45 am Veterans Program at First Presbyterian

Tuesday, November 24th 6pm

BOARD MEETING

Sunday, November 15th

After services

Serving in November 2020

Elders: Johnnie Mantlo, Vicki Kemp

Deacons: Buddy & Frankie Smith

| Prayer Concerns: | | | |
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| Danny Anderson | Jean Gragg | Ken Mercer | Lauren Riley Stafford |
| Lori McClure | Cindy & Paul | Donna Greer | Mallory Rogers Knight |
| Patricia Y. Bailey | Betty Johnson | Roberta Northern | Mildred & Marshall |
| Micky Hicks | Maggie Johnson | Gary Arnold | Johnnie & Laurine |
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