

We Strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing together in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.

Today's Events

New Quarter Begins

Upcoming Events

Dec. 8 – Elders/Deacons Meeting 8:00

a.m.

Dec. 9 – Golden Gals

Lunch/Gift Exchange 11:30 a.m.

Dec. 24 – Office Closed

Dec. 24 - Candlelight Vigil

Dec. 25 – Christmas (Office Closed)

Dec. 31 - Office Closed

Dec. 31 – New Year's Eve Family Fun

Night (5-8 p.m.)

Dec. 31 – New Year's Eve Youth Group

Lock In (8 p.m. – 8 a.m.)

Jan. 1 – New Year's Day-Office Closed

Record for 11-24-19

Bible Class	95
Morning Worship	176
Contribution	\$3,224.61
Budget	\$6,634.62

Birthdays

December

1st Roger Owen

6th Brett Thornton

Order of Worship

Song Leader			Robb Mills
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		Carl Dowell	
Jim Coker	Matt NIchols	George Gordon	Mike Armou
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Shepherd's Prayer.			John Wright
Children's Worship		Jami	e Barr; Cassie Barr
		Jacqueline Ande	
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Sermon Scripture: 1 Peter 3:15

Sermon Thought: Let's say you want to describe the feeling of anticipating a future that is better than the present. You might be giddy or excited. Most of us know that experience and we call it hope. Hope is a really important concept in the Bible. In the Old Testament, the Israelites had hope of either getting to or returning to the promised land. In the New Testament, hope shifts to waiting for the eternal promised land.

Sermon Questions:

- 1. How would you define hope?
- 2. What is something in your life you had great anticipation for?
- 3. How can we as followers of God foster a greater feeling of hope for people?

New Prayer Concerns:

- Ken Edwards recovering from surgery to remove thyroid cancer
- Jo Edwards recovering from having heart stents put in; will have another put in Dec. 10th
- David & Jan Petrik both dealing with heart issues
- <u>Mary Raloff</u> having shoulder surgery Dec. 10th
- <u>Les Swart</u> recovering from pneumonia
- Mandy Coker having kidney stones removed tomorrow

Next Week's (12/8) Servants:

Song Leader: Jim Coker

Opening Prayer: Cory Moore

Communion

Talk: Dan Kent

Lead Servant: Wayne Williams

Servers: Beau Brownell

Bill Spencer Kaiser Webb Derek Tinius Sean Sellers Casey Elledge

Shepherd's

Prayer: Brent Dittmeyer

Sound Booth: Dee Plummer

Slides: Dudley Darrow

Nursery

Attendants: Jamie Barr

Megan Darrow

Children's

Worship: Alyssa Plummer

Dee Plummer

Completes Our Eternal Glory

"The Last of Our Bucket List"

There are those who have a "Bucket List" of things they would like to do or accomplish in life. As they complete each one, they cross off that item and move on to the next. I don't think I ever had a "Bucket List," but then I have been blessed in life to do many things that might have been on such a list. I chose to live life to the fullest and enjoy each day God has given me to be touched by the wonder of his creation. He has given me a life that is so much better than anything I could have asked for or had on my "Bucket List."

There is one thing we all have in common. When this life is over, we want to enjoy eternity in our heavenly home. Whether we put it there or not, that is **the last of our Bucket List**. Jesus points us in that direction when he tells us to "Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well" (Matt. 6:33). You see, when we give our lives to Christ, we don't have to worry about completing the items on our "Bucket List" because he will bless us far beyond anything we might put on it. O what joy it brings us knowing that as we travel through life there is a final chapter that is beyond our comprehension. The revelation Jesus gave to John of the things to come provides us eternal comfort and peace. "I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband; and I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Behold, the dwelling of God is with men. He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more, for the former things have passed away" (Rev. 21:2-4). That is **the last of our Bucket List** as Jesus **completes our eternal glory!**

Gordon

Thank You

Thank you SO MUCH to everyone who helped with the Thanksgiving Dinner last week! We had about eighty patrons come to dinner! This annual event is something the patrons look forward to all year and feel so blessed by. Thank you for all the hours of work that were put in. It is amazing to see what all can be accomplished when our church family works together. We hope you feel blessed as well.

