

## In Everything Give Thanks

*By House to House Heart to Heart, Barry M. Grider*

On November 23, Americans will once again celebrate a national day of thanksgiving. It is a day set aside to give thanks unto God for our great heritage and the many blessings He bestows upon us. For many, Thanksgiving is simply a day off from work. It is a time to overeat, enjoy parades and ball games, and visit friends and relatives. However, for the child of God, every day is truly Thanksgiving Day. Paul admonished, In everything give thanks (1 Thessalonians 5:18). For what does the child of God give thanks?

Give thanks for God's goodness and mercy (1 Chronicles 16:34).

Give thanks for God's holiness (Psalm 30:4).

Give thanks for God's creation (Psalm 75:1).

Give thanks for God's deeds (Psalm 105:1).

Give thanks for God's righteous judgment (Psalm 119:62).

Give thanks for our food (Matthew 15:36).

Give thanks for the body and blood of Jesus (Matthew 26:26-28).

Give thanks for the victory found in Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 15:57).

Give thanks for the care and compassion of others (2 Corinthians 8:16).

Give thanks for God's unspeakable gift – Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 9:15).

Give thanks for our brethren (Ephesians 1:16).

Give thanks for all things (Ephesians 5:20).

Give thanks for the church (Colossians 1:12-13).

Give thanks for all men (1 Timothy 2:1).

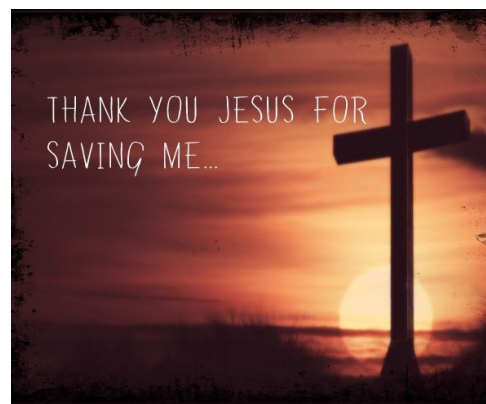
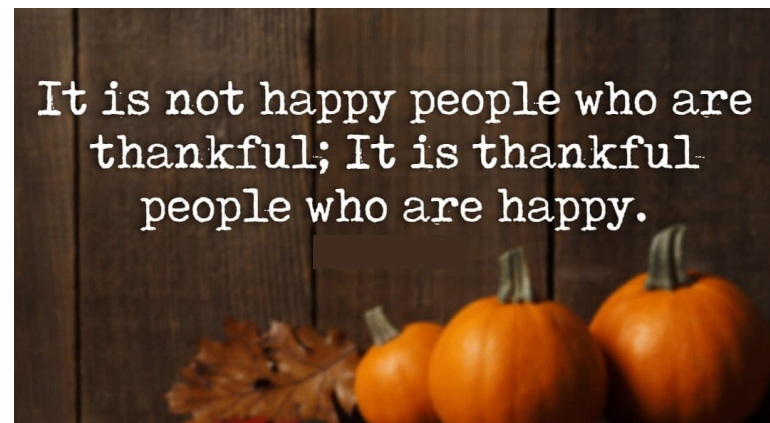
Give thanks for civil authorities (1 Timothy 2:2).

Give thanks for the hope of heaven (Revelation 11:16-17).

Surely we can think of countless other blessings for which we should give thanks. These are just a few of those mentioned in the Holy Scriptures. As His children, let us begin today thanking God for His many favors.

## Prayers and Concerns

- ◆ Don Luna's bladder tumor was high-grade. He will have a repeat surgery (date unknown) to make sure there is no cancer in the bladder wall. He will then have bladder chemo treatments.
- ◆ John Abraham is doing cardiac rehab three days a week, but he is back to work after his heart surgery.
- ◆ Remember those with health issues—Barbara White, Faye Flaughers, Ruth Strain, Norma Jones, Steve Siebels, Aleta Collins.
- ◆ All those battling cancer—Harold Reynolds, Elaine Hunter (Larry's sister), Dawn (Chris Lemburg's sister), Lionel Daugherty, Jana Crisp, Richard Blackburn, Cindy Gibson, Leroy Collins, Fred Strain.
- ◆ Those in GHCC: Bonnie Ebrite, Delphia Holmes, Wilbern Uchtman. Jim Hambelton at Thayer. Bonnie Luna at Ava. Clifford Lansdown at River Lodge, Mtn. Home.



Birthdays		Anniversaries	
11-13	Kay Young	11-4	Jim & Debra Lane
11-15	Kelly Lemburg	11-5	Dwight & Joy Banks
11-18	Sandra Wade	11-16	Tinker & Karen Langston
11-21	Merle Scott	11-30	Harold & Mary Ann Reynolds
11-22	Larry Butler	Birthdays	
11-23	Imomdod (Ima) Odinaev	11-24	Clifford Lansdown
11-24	Lincoln Gosdin (2)	11-25	Henry Flaughter

Barbara and Lana will be cooking 2 x 4 soup, grilled cheese sandwiches, and dessert for a light supper on Thanksgiving Eve.

Date	Event	Details
Friday, Dec. 1 Community Event	Gainesville's Christmas Parade, 5-7 p.m.	Vendors, Food, Lighted Parade
Sat. Dec. 2, 6 p.m. Downstairs	Ministerial Alliance Leadership Dinner	All elders, deacons, teachers, song leaders and their families

Wednesday night was the community Thanksgiving service for the Ozark County Ministerial Alliance. There was a collection taken for next year's benevolence needs in the county. If you weren't there and want to donate, you can put a check in the collection baskets or give cash to Melinda, who is the treasurer.

### November Worship Assignments

<u>Welcome &amp; Prayer</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Shepherd's Prayer</u>
11-19 R. J. Moyers	D. E. Pleasant	Mark Lane
11-26 Ryan Stevens	Vance Hambelton	David Stevens

**Song Leader: John Abraham**  
**Greeters: Dana & Marsha Crisp**

## The Family News

November 19, 2023

### Gainesville Church of Christ

PO Box 7, 23550 US Hwy. 160, Gainesville, MO 65655

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### A Place to Call Home

*We welcome you and are so glad you could worship with us today.*

### Schedule of Services

#### Sunday

9:30 a.m. Bible Classes for All Ages

10:30 a.m. Worship Service Topic: ***Praise and Thanksgiving***

#### Wednesday

6 p.m. Fellowship Supper

7 p.m. Bible Classes for All Ages

#### Sunday Worship Outline

Welcome and Prayer

Kids Singing up Front

#4, *To God Be the Glory*; #991, *This Is My Father's World*

#375, *Oh the Depth and the Riches*; Communion Service

#474, *Thank You, Lord*

Scripture Reading by Logan Hillhouse, Philippians 4:4-6

Sermon and Invitation

#915, *Trust and Obey*

#742, *When Upon Life's Billows*; Shepherd's Prayer

Offering baskets are at the back.

#### Elders

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David Stevens 417-679-4700  
John Abraham 870-421-5632

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Dana Crisp 417-331-5090  
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**Preacher**  
Halbert Smith 417-257-3880

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