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Bloomfield United Presbyterian Church
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A THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION



The year that is drawing toward its close has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added which are of so extraordinary a nature that they can not fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever-watchful providence of Almighty God.....

It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart and one voice, by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow-citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next as a day of thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens. And I recommend to them that while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to His tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners, or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the imposition of the Almighty hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it, as soon as may be consistent with the divine purpose, to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquillity, and union.

-Abraham Lincoln, October 3, 1863

What's Happening In November?

ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 5

Election Day is Tuesday, November 5. Be sure to exercise your God-given right to choose those who will govern us! Make a careful study of the candidates and the issues, and seek the Lord's guidance as you go to the polls. Afterward, keep our elected leaders in your prayers.



ANNUAL MEETING NOVEMBER 24

We'll hold our Annual Congregational Meeting on November 24, immediately following the conclusion of our morning worship service (approximately 11:30 A.M.). We'll hear the reports of the boards, committees and organizations of the church, elect new officers, review the budget for 2003 and elect member for the 2003 Nominating Committee. The docket, with the slate of nominees and the budget, will appear in the bulletin each week beginning November 3. Please plan to stay and take part in this important meeting.



THANKSGIVING SERVICES

What is Thanksgiving Day? Is it merely a day for overeating and marathon football? No, it's a very special day, set aside for us to remember God's blessings and to thank Him for them. The earliest observance, by the Pilgrims at Plymouth, Massachusetts, began with a church service before the feast and games. We have the same opportunity today. The New Concord Community Thanksgiving Service will take place on Sunday, November 24 at 7:00 P.M. at Friendship Baptist Church. Rev. Tom Houston, the new pastor at the College Drive Church, will preach. Then on Thursday, November 28 (Thanksgiving Day) at 10:00 A.M. We'll observe Thanksgiving at our church with a simple service of praise and thanksgiving. Many have said that this is the best service of the year, so you won't want to miss it!

Let us give thanks.



HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS!

It's that time of year again! The Deacons invite you to join them in decorating the church for the Christmas season on Saturday, November 30 at 10:00 A.M.. We'll liven up the inside and outside of the church and put up our Nativity Scene outside. Many hands make for light work, and this is a joyful task to begin with!



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LORD'S DAY | *Monday* | *Tuesday* | *Wednesday* | *Thursday* | *Friday* | *Saturday*

 *Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!
His faithful love endures forever. (Psalm 107:1, NLT)* 


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A-Larry/Susan Ballantine

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3 Sabbath School 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am

A-Leonard/Carol Patterson

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5 Kenneweg Circle
10:30 am

B-Judy Lashley

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B-Todd Moore

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B-Matt Radcliff

10 Sabbath School 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am

11 Trustees 7:30 pm
VETERANS' DAY

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13 Deacons 7:00 pm

14 Senior Choir
Practice 8:00 pm

B-Lulu McKee

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B-Leonard Patterson
B-John Patterson

17 Sabbath School 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am

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19 Session 7:30 pm

B-Kyle Ballantine

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B-Chris Ballantine

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B-Nancy Pattison

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24 Sabbath School 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am
Annual Meeting 11:30 am
Community Thanksgiving Service
7:00 pm

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26 Prayer Line 7 pm

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*Celebrate Thanksgiving
With Us*
Thanksgiving Service
10 am
CHCC Service 7 pm

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30 Decorate Church
10:00 am