



THE BEACON



30 DAY GRATITUDE CHALLENGE



30 DAYS TO
A MORE
THANKFUL
HEART

BEGINNING
NOVEMBER 1
PLEASE PICK UP YOUR
GRATITUDE BOOK TO GUIDE
YOU THROUGH THE MONTH
OF NOVEMBER

SPECIAL THANKSGIVING OFFERING



FOR BENEVOLENCE

Those who are generous are blessed; for they share their bread with the poor.
Proverbs 22:9

Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, November 20
7:00 pm

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His love endures forever.

Thanksgiving Dinner

for the
Humphrey Home

NOVEMBER 25 AT 5:00 PM
SIGN UP TO CONTRIBUTE FOOD

ANNUAL CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

November 14 @ 6:45 pm

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Providing financial support to missionaries as they share the gospel overseas.

CHURCH OFFERING GOAL: \$2000

**November 4
11:00 am Worship**

All Saints Sunday

Envelope Budget Report through October 21

Budget:	\$111,006
Given:	\$93,528
Variance:	-\$17,478



Stewardship
a way of life



Youth Potato Bar Fundraiser



Help Support our Youth Program as they begin to raise funds for 2019!

Sunday, November 4th - Following Worship

(Baked Potato & Toppings, Salad, & Dessert)

\$6 per adult, \$3 per child/teen, \$15 max per household family

NEW THIS YEAR: Help them raise even more money by offering to assist in the purchase of food & supplies!! See the list on the bulletin board on the first floor hallway if you would like to sign up to assist in buying potatoes, toppings, etc. OR contact Jennifer Turner.



*Birthdays
of the Month*

- 1: Marvin Hill
- 3: Lisa Paige
- 6: Merit Carrington
Jim Arthur
- 8: Doug Clark
- 9: Aiden Walker
- 12: Allen Townsend
- 14: Russell Robinson
Roy Robinson
- 17: Macayla Fields
- 20: Freddie Ann Crouch
Sara O'Mary
- 24: Glenn Neal
- 26: Vivian Paige
- 29: Buddy Thomas
- 30: Bryan Patrick O'Mary



Thank You

I would like to thank my church family for your calls and cards during Russell's sickness and passing. I would like to thank Philip so much for all your visits and the great job you did at the service.

Thank You,
Patricia Walz

- Jim Arthur - U.S.. Air Force
- Charlie Clark - U.S. Marines
- Davidi Guill - U.S. Army
- Marvin Hill- U.S. Navy
- Joe Mitchell - U.S. Army
- Paul Reed - U.S. Army
- Mark Thacker - U.S. Navy



DEACON'S
MINISTRY MEETING

Monday, November 12
6:30 pm

FALL BACK
Sunday, November 4

“Autumn is a second spring where every leaf is a flower.”

Albert Camus



VIP Meeting
November 27 at 11:00 am



November 19 @ 11:00 am



On Wednesday, November 28 at 7:00 p.m., you are invited to a Blue Christmas worship service at Pine Street. What, you may be asking, is a Blue Christmas service, and why should you attend. Good question. Each year we wish one another a “Merry Christmas,” but for many people Christmas can be anything but merry. For all of us, for one reason or another, the holiday season can be challenging, but we do everything we can to mask these challenges with the merriment of the season. A Blue Christmas worship service is a way to acknowledge the brokenness, the challenges, and the difficulties that are a part of our lives, even during the Christmas season. We may be grieving the loss of a loved one, or have a difficult family relationship, or a struggle with an addiction, or have some physical or mental illness, depression or stress, or feel deep pain for those in our world who suffer the effects of war, hunger, or poverty. Grief, fear, pain, and struggles are a part of all of us, and we will come together as a faith community to express and acknowledge these emotions. We hope you will join us for this meaningful time of worship, and we hope you will extend this invitation to anyone you may know who might benefit from this service as well.

Congratulations to

Linda Johnston for her 46th year on staff at Pine Street Baptist Church. We are grateful for Linda’s dedication and commitment to the music ministry throughout the years.

The church also congratulates with gratitude the ministry of Marie Johnstone who celebrated 27 years as Pine Street’s custodian in October.



Advent

Today, the season of Advent lasts for four Sundays leading up to Christmas. At that time, the new Christian year begins with the first Sunday of Advent, December 2. (Advent begins on the Sunday that falls between November 27th and December 3rd each year.)

Advent symbolizes the present situation of the church in these “last days” ([Acts 2:17](#), [Hebrews 1:2](#)), as God’s people wait for the return of Christ in glory to consummate his eternal kingdom. The church is in a similar situation to Israel at the end of the Old Testament: in exile, waiting and hoping in prayerful expectation for the coming of the Messiah. Israel looked back to God’s past gracious actions on their behalf in leading them out of Egypt in the Exodus, and on this basis, they called for God once again to act for them. In the same way, the church, during Advent, looks back upon Christ’s coming in celebration while at the same time looking forward in eager anticipation to the coming of Christ’s kingdom when he returns for his people. In this light, the Advent hymn “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” perfectly represents the church’s cry during the Advent season:

*O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appears.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*

While Israel would have sung the song in expectation of Christ’s first coming, the church now sings the song in commemoration of that first coming and in expectation of the second coming in the future.

**The first Sunday of Advent this year is December 2
Join us each Sunday in December as we prepare
ourselves for our Lord’s arrival.**



Thanksgiving Food Collection

The Oregon Hill Center is once again asking for Thanksgiving “like” foods. We will be giving out Thanksgiving Bags on MONDAY, Nov. 19th to families who have pre-registered. If you would like to donate food items then please have them to the OHBC no later than Sunday, Nov. 18th.

The types of foods we are requesting include:

- Instant Stuffing & /or Potatoes &/or Rice
- Flavored Rice (Rice-a-Roni, etc.)
- Canned Hams (small, non-refrigerated)
- Yams/Sweet Potatoes (Family Size Cans)
- Apple Sauce
- Green Beans (Family Size Cans)
- Cream of Mushroom or Cream of Chicken Soup
- Cans of Fried Onions
- Corn (Family Size Cans or 2 smaller cans)
- Muffin or Cornbread Mix
- Macaroni & Cheese (Family Size Box)
- Pre-made Pie Crust already in Pie Pan (Graham Cracker)
- Instant Puddings to make pies (chocolate or vanilla)

\$10 Gift Cards from Kroger or Aldi’s
(to be used toward purchase of Turkey or other perishable items)

Thank you for your donations!!

Winter Clothing Items Needed

Men’s Long Johns, Men’s Gloves & Hats, Men’s Sweatshirts, Men’s Jeans Blankets & Adult Sleeping Bags

These items are greatly needed to assist our homeless neighbors as the cold winter months are upon us. If you are able to donate any of these items please give them to Jennifer or place them by her office door. Thank you in advance for your assistance!!

RBA/OHBC Christmas Store

December 6 & 7, 2018

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

The annual Baptist Center Christmas Store will be held at the South Richmond Baptist Center. Families with children involved in our Center & Church programs as well as others from our community & beyond will have the opportunity to shop for Christmas gifts for their children.

Volunteers are needed in several areas (for all or part of the time frames listed):

- Donate items** (please place in boxes outside the OHBC office by **Wednesday, December 5th**)
- Sort & Organize** items at the store location on **Dec. 3 & 4** (10AM – 2PM) & **Dec. 5** (10AM – Noon)
- Assist Shoppers** on **Dec. 6 & 7** to pick out gifts for children or carry items to car. (9AM-2PM)
- Clean & Pack Up** items at conclusion of store on Dec. 7 (1:30 PM – 3:00 PM)

Please let Jennifer Turner know or sign up on the 1st floor Bulletin Board if you would like to volunteer @ the Store Location site.

