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The INFORMER

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Thanksgiving

November 2025

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Happy Thanksgiving!



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"This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them. O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him. O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him."
Psalm 34:6-9

We often think of the first Thanksgiving as the feast the Pilgrims held in 1621 to celebrate the good harvest that would see them through the coming winter. But in reality, from their first day in the New World, they were continually giving thanks to God. William Bradford, for many years governor of the Plymouth colony, wrote of their arrival: "Being thus arrived in a good harbor and brought safe to land, they fell upon their knees & blessed ye God of heaven, who had brought them over ye vast & furious ocean, and delivered them from all ye periles & miseries therof, againe to set their feet on ye firme and stable earth. What could not sustain them but ye spirite of God & his grace? May not & ought not the children of these fathers rightly say: Our fathers were Englishmen which came over this great ocean, and were ready to perish in this wilderness; but they cried unto ye Lord, and he heard their voice, and looked on their adversitie."

Every day we receive blessings from God which we do not deserve. Every day—in ways we do not even see or recognize—He protects us and provides for us. Thus every day should be a day of Thanksgiving. The ungrateful heart that takes blessings for granted and believes that they are deserved is a blight on any believer. Let us be a people of praise, fulfilling God's command to give Him glory.

In light of God's great grace, the Christian should make every day a day of Thanksgiving and praise.

Pastor Terry



CHURCH COUNCIL REPORT

Floyd Baptist Church held its monthly meeting on October 19, 2025 at 8:30 AM in the fellowship hall.

Pastor Terry opened the meeting in prayer. He shared a devotion from 1 Chronicles 6:9-11. Salvation changes everything! As we hear and receive the good news, we become a new person.

Pastor Report - Terry Semones

- * Visits with sick and the shut ins were made this month.
- * Working with Denise Peters to coordinate a Cowbell service to be held on Saturday, November 8, 2025 at 6:30 PM. There will be 4 guest speakers for the evening: Roy Turpin, Greg, Cox, Mike Bowman, and Neil Woods. There will be special singing by Tara Hollandsworth. This will be a blessing and lots of fun. Hope you plan to attend.

Deacons Report - Jeremy Quesenberry

- * Jeremy will continue to be the chair for the deacons for the second year.
- * Mark West will be mentoring the new deacons.
- * A business meeting for November 2025 will be held on November 12 in the sanctuary.

WARM - Terri Morris

- * The group will be helping to pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child on November 12, 2025 in the fellowship hall.
- * Also planning Christmas gift bags for seniors in the nursing home.

Sunday School Report - Leisa Holmon

- * The teen youth group are working in the Growth study and really love the curriculum.
- * We have seen some visitors and hope to continue strong in this outreach.

Visitation and Outreach - Denise Peters

- * Continuing with visits, phone calls and cards.
- * If you know of anyone that would like a visit, please reach out.

Youth Committee - Connie Quesenberry

- * A meeting is planned to organize the upcoming year.
- * The youth group will be helping pack Operation Christmas Child boxes on November 12 at 6:30.
- * A youth conference is scheduled in January in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. More information will be coming as we prepare for this outing.
- * After Christmas, we are planning to involve the youth group with some projects around the church.

Jeremy closed the meeting in prayer.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gifts for College Students and Military Personnel



The L.I.F.E. Sunday School Class is planning their annual remembrance of our college students and military personnel. We will be sending care packages along with handwritten notes to these folks. If you would like to help with postage that would be great! If there is someone you would like to



receive a package, please let the church office know by Sunday, November 16th.

You may bring the name and the address to the church office, call (745-2677)

or email us at floydbaptist@swva.net.

If you have any questions, please contact Peggy Profitt, Martha Thompson or Connie Quesenberry.

Our new year has begun!

We look forward to seeing you!
Wednesday nights - 6:30-7:45pm

TEAMKID



Dates to Remember

WARM Meeting

Thursday, November 13, 10:00am, FH

Business Meeting

Wednesday, November 12, 7:00pm, Sanctuary

Church Council Meeting

Sunday, November 16, 8:30am, FH

Deacon Meeting

Monday, November 24, 7:00pm, FH

November 8th, 2025 Cowbell Service

6:30pm



FOUR Speakers

Roy Turpin

Greg Cox

Mike Bowman

Neil Woods

Special Music

by Tara Hollandsworth

PLEASE NOTE: The Church Office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.



Christmas Play

The Youth Group and Preschoolers from TeamKid will be performing a Christmas Play!
December 10th
6:30pm

Everyone's invited!

WE NEED YOUR IDEAS!

Next year, 2026, promises to be an exciting year as Floyd Baptist Church celebrates its 150th year of serving God in our community and beyond. It's a time to celebrate our past and look forward to our future.

As a part of the 2026 celebration, we are working with Pastor Terry on the development of a logo to be used on banners, letterheads, and other items.

We need a tag line (a catch phrase; a slogan) about Floyd Baptist Church to accompany the logo. Tag line examples include:

"From Our Past to His Future"

"A Legacy of Faith, A Future of Hope"

"God's Faithfulness, Our Celebration"

"150 Years of Faith, Service and Hope"



While we have the above examples, we are interested in your input and ideas. To this end Isabel will visit Sunday School Classes to get your input and ideas for a tag line. You can also contact Janice Yearout Patton at 540-250-0049 or Isabel Lovitt at 540-267-4585 and share your suggestions.



FELLOWSHIP HALL SCHEDULE

Schedule for Fellowship Hall Usage, November, 2025

Date	Time	Group/Person	Date	Time	Group/Person
Nov 2	9:30-10am	Breakfast	Nov 14	All Day	OCC
Nov 4	7-9pm	Cub Scouts	Nov 16	8:30am	Church Council
Nov 7	9:30-2pm	Quilters	Nov 16	9:30-10am	Breakfast
Nov 8	6-8pm	Cow Bell Service	Nov 17	5pm	Adult Handbells
Nov 9	9:30-10am	Breakfast	Nov 18	7-9pm	Cub Scouts
Nov 9	12:30-9pm	OCC, Boy Scouts	Nov 19	9-3pm	C. Quesenberry
Nov 10	5pm	Adult Handbells	Nov 21	9:30-2pm	Quilters
Nov 12	All Day	OCC	Nov 23	9:30-10am	Breakfast
Nov 12	6:30pm	Youth Shoeboxes	Nov 24	7pm	Deacon Meeting
Nov 13	All Day	OCC	Nov 27	10:30-3pm	J. Shortt
Nov 13	10am	WARM	Nov 28	9:30-2pm	Quilters
Nov 14	9:30-2pm	Quilters	Nov 29	All Day	V. Shaffer
			Nov 30	9:30-10am	Breakfast

If you plan to have an event in the Fellowship Hall please call the church office at 745-2677 or email at floydbaptist@swva.net to get your event added to the calendar.




MUSIC MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Nov. 5 Cantata / Choir 8:00p.m.
 Nov. 10 Adult Handbells 5:00p.m.
 Nov. 12 Cantata / Choir 8:00p.m.
 Nov. 17 Adult Handbells 5:00p.m.
 Nov. 19 Cantata / Choir 8:00p.m.
 Nov. 26 Cantata / Choir 8:00p.m.



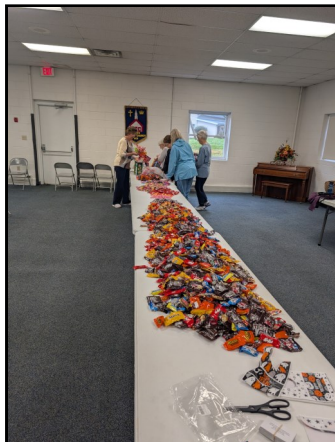
NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



November Birthdays

2- Julius Dickerson	14- Ashley Spangler
2- Brett Thomas Holman	14- Ray Weddle
2- Leisa Holman	15- Thelma Via
6- Lynsey Profitt Miller	15- Adam Krantz
6- Cynthia Womack	18- Monica Turner
6- Matthew Bain	19- Roger Dickerson
7- Maurice Quesenberry	19- Neal Compton
10- Sarah Browning	21- Trinity Penrose
10- Terry Thompson	22- Zachary Hall
10- Michele Stuart Tucker	24- Greg Wallace
11- Jane Barton	26- Donna Petty
12- Frances Helms	26- Fred Wirt
12- Elliott Yearout-Patton	26- Christian Jared Nichols
12- Zackary S. Reynolds	26- Melinda Whitley Lephew
12- Ryne Matthew Bond	28- Elizabeth Reynolds
13- Joyce T. Midkiff	
13- Ross Linkous	

THANK YOU NOTES



THANK YOU!!

Many thanks to ALL who helped in any way with Treats on the Porch! Approximately 800 candy bags were prepared for distribution. Included in the bags were some outreach cards, with the times for our Sunday School, worship service, and Teamkid on the back.

Thanks to all who contributed and to those who distributed and filled bags and set up and cleaned up and prayed.

Your work is greatly appreciated by many people!!



PRESCHOOL NEWS



At preschool, the children are busy working on cutting, coloring, painting, and learning the letters of the alphabet. In November, we will also focus on the holidays, Veterans Day and Thanksgiving. The children will learn about the Pilgrims and the Indians and their role in the Thanksgiving holiday. We will also be learning what it means to be thankful for the many blessings that we have in our families, homes and world. We are thankful for all the parents who stepped up to make our Halloween Parties so special!! Also, we will be participating in the shoe box ministry again this year and are looking forward to seeing how many children we can bless from the preschool! - Janice

*“In every thing give thanks: for this is
the will of God...” I Thessalonians 5:18*



MISSION NEWS



Please help us collect food items for
the local food bank.

The theme for November is:
Canned Soups

Please drop off your donations by
November 30



**NOV.
17-24**

**National
Collection
Week**

**PACK A
SHOEBOX**

 **Samaritan's Purse**
INTERNATIONAL RELIEF

OCC FOCUS FOR NOVEMBER

It's All About Jesus

November is here! Time for **Shoebox Collection Week November 17-24**. There is a sign-up sheet for working during that week on the bulletin board beside the Pastor's office. Please consider helping us for a couple hours during that week. Thanks in advance.

Our focus for the next three weeks will be collecting money for the shipping and discipleship literature that goes in each box. The \$10 fee that is collected for each box is used for shipping, training of workers in the area, and teaching the Greatest Journey lessons to the children and family members following the delivery of the boxes. We are told that one out of every four boxes result in at least one or more persons coming to Christ.

The Goal Page for Floyd Baptist has been set up. Just log on to SamaritansPurse.org/goal/search to build your box. You can do it or let them do it for a cost of \$30. Most of these boxes go to hard-to-reach areas that Samaritan's Purse is very limited in what they can bring in.

We wanted to give you a plan for our own packing of boxes. It will start on **November 9** in the afternoon folding together the boxes to ready them for filling. On Wednesday, **November 12**, from 4-5 p.m., our **children ages 3-10 are invited to come with a parent** to pack boxes. **The Youth** will pack during their meeting time that night. There will be a Business meeting that night in the Sanctuary, but anyone wishing to stay a while can help pack some boxes. On Thursday, **November 13** the WARM group, **and anyone else who can help**, will be packing boxes from 9:00 a.m. until.... Please consider coming to help pack a box. It is quite a blessing!

We thank God for allowing us to spread the Light Of Jesus across the world. Thank **you** for being a part of this ministry as we come to the best part – packing the boxes to be sent around the world.

2025-2026 Family Deacon List (Active)

Brian Swortzel (2026)		brian.swortzel@hovo.com	
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Compton, Neal		Quesenberry, Jeremy	
Handy, Cecil & Elaine		Thompson, Doug & Stacy	
Holman, Brett & Ashley		Thompson, Gene & Hazel	
Holman, Leisa, John Hajek & Aiden Hajek			
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Dickerson, Roger		Wallace, Patsy	
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Gardner, Bobby & Joy		Tanner, Susan & Shane	
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Larkin, Diane		Swortzel, Rylan	
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Nichols, Jaden		Thompson, Dorsey & Louise	
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Nichols, Winky & Faith			
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Linkous, Ross & Connie		Semones, Terry & Gayle	
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Hall, Zach, Jackson		Shelton, Jane	
Huff, Sandy & Dennis, Dylan		Spangler, Katelyn & Austin, Carson, Parker & Payton	
Lusk, Aleah & Jarrod, Ezra & Amelia		Thomas, John Paul & Kelly, Audrey & Lydia	
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Moran, Leslie			
Moran, Ruby			

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Clinger, Richie		Quesenberry, Maurice & Connie	
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Helms, Frances		Vaughn, Rhonda	
Kessee, Chad & Callie		Weeks, Brenda	
Lemay, Paul		Yearout-Patton, Erin & Matthew	
		Montgomery, Malachi	

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Carr, Brittany		Penrose, Darren & Teresa	
Carr, Christy		Pratt, Sandra & Joel	
Long, Dean & Allison		Spangler, Stacy & Angel	
Moran, Shirley		Trail, Ricky	
Morris, David & Kelly		Wirt, Fred	
Nolen, Anthony & Louisa		Yearout-Patton, Elliot & Ladonna, Abel, Forest, River & Draper	
Pauley, Roger			
Penrose, Jordan			

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Browning, Michael & Sarah			Thompson, Danny & Martha		
Eaton, Steve & Carlotta			Turman, Haley		
Kitts, Dorothy			Via, Todd & Vicky		
Mott, Brian & Ann Marie Radke & Family			Whitlock, Riley		

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Dempsey, Judi			Weeks, Peyton		
Hale, Tania			Whitlock, Dennis & Karen		
Helms, Mona			Whitlock, Eric		
Midkiff, Joyce & Ronnie			Whitlock, Gabriel		
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Beaver, Cathy			Via, George & Thelma		
Conway, Chris & Alyssa			Weddle, Ray		
Hamlin, Steve & Carmen			Wood, Richard & Brenda		
Profitt, Dale & Peggy					

	Nov 2	Fred Wirt
	Nov 9	Darrell Thompson
	Nov 16	Mark West
	Nov 23	Belinda Alderman
	Nov 30	Steve Hamlin





Give thanks unto the Lord,
for he is good for his mercy
endureth forever
Psalm 107:1

NOVEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 12pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20
2 9:30-10am-Breakfast 10:00am– Sun School 11am Worship Svc 6-8pm-Boy Scouts, Annex 6pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20	3 11am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20 5:30-9:30-Young Life, Annex	4 7-9pm, Cub Scouts, FH	5 3am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20 6:30pm-Youth Bible Study 6:30pm-Bible Study 6:30pm-TeamKid 8-8:20pm-Cantata 8:20-8:45pm-S. Choir	6	7 9:30-2pm-Quilters, FH	8 12pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20 6:30-8pm - Cow Bell Service, Auditorium & FH
9 9:30-10am-Breakfast 10:00am– Sun School 11am Worship Svc 12:30-9pm-OCC, FH, B. Alderman (Boy Scouts) 6-8pm-Boy Scouts, Anx 6pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20	10 11am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20 5pm-Adult Handbells 5:30-9:30-Young Life, Annex	11	12 3am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20 6:30pm-Youth Shoeboxes 6:30pm-Bible Study 7:00pm-Business Mtg, Sanctuary 8-8:20pm-Cantata 8:20-8:45pm-S. Choir	13 10am-WARM- FH	14 9:30-2pm-Quilters, FH	15 12pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20
16 8:30am - Church Council, FH 9:30-10am-Breakfast 10:00am–Sun School 11am Worship Svc 6-8pm-Boy Scouts, Anx 6pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20	17 11am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20 5pm-Adult Handbells 5:30-9:30-Young Life, Annex	18 7-9pm, Cub Scouts, FH	19 3am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20 9-3pm-C. Quesenberry, FH 6:30pm-Youth Bible Study 6:30pm-Bible Study 6:30pm-TeamKid 8-8:20pm-Cantata 8:20-8:45pm-S. Choir	20	21 9:30-2pm-Quilters, FH	22 12pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20
<div>← OCC Collection Week →</div>						
23 9:30-10am-Breakfast 10:00am–Sun School 11am Worship Svc 6-8pm-Boy Scouts, Anx 6pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20	24 11am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20 7pm-Deacon's Mtg, FH	25	26 3am –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch20 8-8:20pm-Cantata 8:20-8:45pm-S. Choir (No other activities)	27 OFFICE CLOSED 10-3pm, FH, Janice S. THANKSGIVING DAY	28 9:30-2pm-Quilters, FH	29 12pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20 All Day, FH, V. Shaffer
<div>← OCC Collection Week →</div>						
30 1st Advent 9:30-10am-Breakfast 10:00am–Sun School 11am Worship Svc 6-8pm-Boy Scouts, Annex 6pm –Last Wk Svc on Citizen's Ch 20						

