

# CROSSROADS

## *A Letter From The Pastor*

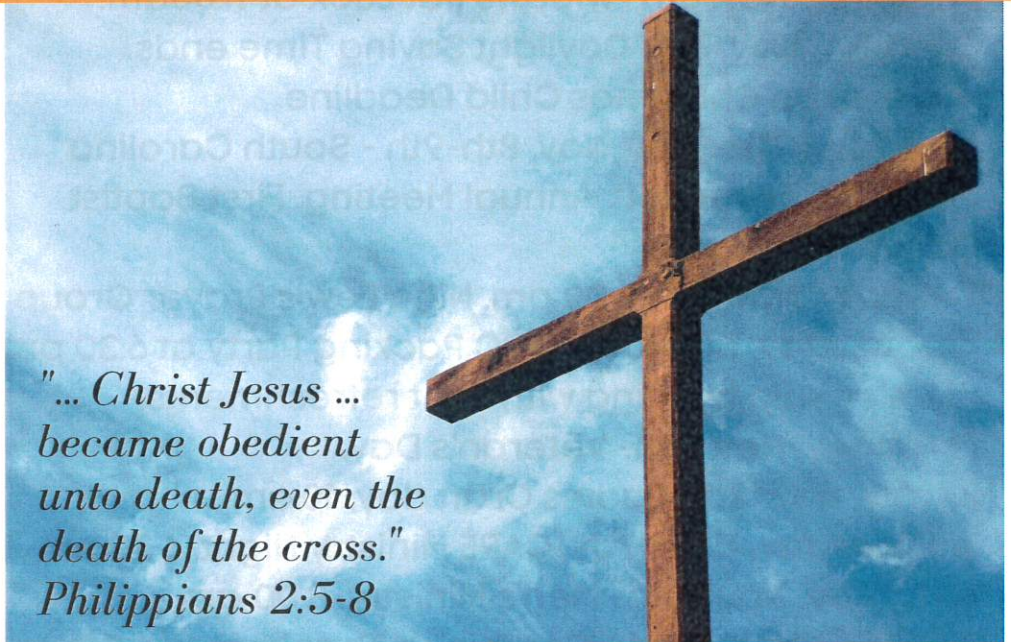
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Greetings Everyone, and Happy November! As we continue in this fall season, I thought I would share with you a poem I read recently that describes this time of year. The poem reads,

"When the trees their summer  
splendor  
Change to raiment red and gold,  
When the summer moon turns  
mellow,  
And the nights are getting cold;  
When the squirrels hide their  
acorns,  
And the woodchucks disappear;  
Then we know that it is autumn,  
Loveliest season of the year."  
- Carol L. Riser, *Autumn*

What a fitting description of Autumn!

As well, this time of year is a time we especially set aside to remember all that God has done for us, and for all that we have to be thankful for! I know we all could share something special that we're thankful for! God is so good to us!



*"... Christ Jesus ...  
became obedient  
unto death, even the  
death of the cross."  
Philippians 2:5-8*

As we approach Thanksgiving, let me remind us all to let everyday be a day of thankfulness and thanksgiving unto God. God's Word tells us, ...

"Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: Come before His presence with singing. Know ye that the LORD He is God: it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: Be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations" (Psalm 100:1-5). When you begin to be thankful, "Be thankful unto Him ..." for He is our Everything!

### THE WHOLE PIE

**How easy it is to miss the point of living. ...It is too easy to become an algebra pie with [one slice for each part---work, family, school, recreation---and] only one slice for God. *God is the whole pie!***

**Perhaps God's presence among us is brighter and more extravagant than we have imagined. Perhaps the very idea of life is to experience and discover God *in it.* Maybe we are meant to journey not only *toward God* or even *for God*, but *with God.***

**-Sue Monk Kidd, *God's Joyful Surprise***



## November 2021 Events

**Monday**, Nov.1st- Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer, at Jones Ave. Baptist Church. @11:00am- 12:30.

**Wednesday**, Nov. 3rd- 11:00am Prayer service and meal. ( Soup & Sandwich)

6:30 pm Prayer service and kids activities.

**Saturday**, Nov. 6th- Widows Pot Luck at 11:00am.

**Sunday**, Nov. 7th.-Daylight Saving Time ends.

-Operation Christmas Child Deadline

**Monday & Tuesday**, Nov. 8th-9th - South Carolina Baptist Convention Annual Meeting, First Baptist Columbia.

**Tuesday**, Nov. 9th-6:00 pm. Nina Lewis Prayer Group

**Wednesday**, Nov 10th- OCC Packing Party at 6:30 pm in fellowship building with light refreshments.

**Thursday**, Nov. 11th- Veteran's Day.

**Friday**, Nov.12th- Ladies Craft day, 10:am -

**Wednesday**, Nov. 17th- CARE Ministry Night. 6:30 pm

**Saturday**, Nov 20th- Men's Ministry. 8:00 am

**Tuesday**, Nov. 23rd - Combined Thanksgiving Service with United Wesleyan Church at Arial. 7:00 pm  
Light refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service.

**Thursday**, Nov.25th - **Happy Thanksgiving!** - Church office closed.

### **A-lways S-top A-nd P-ray**

We want to encourage our church to take some time in prayer in addition to your daily prayer and devotion.

We encourage you to come by the church during times when the church is opened and pray in the prayer room, prayer walk or ride around outside. This month we want to focus on these 3 things along with whatever the Lord lays on your heart.

- 1.Thank God for your blessings.
- 2.Pray for the Homeless.
- 3.Pray for revival to begin in you.

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

11/1 CAROLYN NIX  
11/3 ELI ROLLINS  
11/11 BEVERLY BREAZEALE  
11/16 BRINKLEY LOYD  
11/18 MARK POWERS  
11/22 LOUISE FARMER  
11/24 HUNTER LANIER  
11/24 NONA POSEY  
11/30 ELIJAH HANNAH

NO NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES ON FILE

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday  
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

SUNDAY:

Sunday School... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship &  
KidsZone ..... 11:00am  
Evening Service..6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY:

GA's, RA's, Mission  
Friends, Youth and Adult  
Bible Study .....6:30 pm