

Those Privileged to Serve

Nov 19th - MORNING WORSHIP

6 A.M. B. Richardson, M. Wages

Announcements: Darrell Cunningham

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture: Ken Ross

Opening Prayer: Joseph Johnson

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Ken Ross

Communion:

J. Venable, L. Merritt, P. Love
F. Kidder, W. Ferguson, C. Kidder

Greet: Panda Green & Reba Donaldson

Nov 19th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Mike Wages

Communion:

R. Pack, D. Cunningham

Nov 22nd - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder

Devotional: Darrell Cunningham

Closing Prayer: Marion Thomas

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Nov 26th - MORNING WORSHIP

6 A.M. J. Lewis, J. Smith

Announcements: Darrell Cunningham

Lead Singing: John Smith

Read Scripture: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer: Gaylon Cooper

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Joseph Johnson

Communion:

J. Venable, L. Merritt, P. Love
F. Kidder, W. Ferguson, C. Kidder

Greet: Stennis & Mary Lewis

Nov 26th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas

Opening Prayer: Joe Manasco

Sermon: Drew Aldridge (Devo)

Closing Prayer: Paul Hatcher

Communion:

R. Pack, D. Cunningham

Nov 29th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas

Opening Prayer: Ray Pack

Devotional: Jeff Lewis

Closing Prayer: Jonah Adams

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A Psalm of Thanksgiving

The book of Psalms is remarkable in so many ways. Many of the psalms come from the heart of a shepherd boy of Bethlehem and give us great insight into the very soul of a man after God's own heart.



One of the psalms repeats a phrase over and over. The psalmist said, "Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men" (Psa. 107:1, 8, 15, 21, 31). This phrase makes a natural division of five situations in this psalm where men should be filled with thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving for redemption. The first section (vss. 1-7) describes the times when God brought Israel from adversity and returned them to the land He promised Abraham's descendants. While it is true the sin of God's people often was the reason they were scattered, the psalm shows just how merciful God is toward His children. Those who were redeemed from the nations could so readily sing this psalm of thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving for souls which have been refreshed. In this section, the psalmist looks at the souls which have been brought low by the adversity around them. Their hearts are filled with darkness which is the result of ignoring God. They are bound up in affliction. Yet, when they cried out to God, He heard them. Their souls were filled with the blessing He gave to them. Their lives turned into joy because His mercy gave them what had been missing. The psalmist said, "Give thanks to the Lord for His wonderful works."

Thanksgiving for deliverance to those who were at the gates of death. This third section (vss. 15-20) parallels thoughts found in the previous section of those who were surrounded by distress. They were so burdened they could not even eat, yet when they cried out to the Lord, He heard them and saved them out of all their afflictions. "Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness."

Thanksgiving from those who were tossed in the seas. The psalmist turns his attention to those who sailed the seas and found themselves surrounded by tempestuous waves. As the waves lifted them to the heavens and then dropped them in the depths of the troughs, hope could so easily be lost. At their wit's end, they cried out to God, and He heard them, calmed the storms and brought them to safe havens.

Thanksgiving from those who assemble to worship in the company of the elders. The mercy of God is shown in the fruitful seasons where He waters the wilderness and feeds His people. Their crops increase and their herds multiply. He exalts the poor. Oh, that men would give thanks for all He does.

Thanksgiving from our hearts. The imagery in this psalm is different from what is around us, but the lesson is so obvious. God help us to give thanksgiving for all He does!

*Dan Jenkins
West Palm Beach, FL*

Fruit Baskets

All widows and widowers of the congregation will automatically get a fruit basket. If you have someone in mind that you think would appreciate a fruit basket from South Jackson, please turn their name in to the office.

Sunday Sermons

AM - My Favorite Recipes - 1 - Philippians 4:4-8 - Ray Pack
PM - My Favorite Recipes - 2 - Philippians 4:4-8 - Ray Pack

Congregational News and Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Harold and Doris Davis,
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
James Eddleman, Rachel Epperson,
Ted Lingren, Billy Landers,
Fredie Stewart, Cindy Kidder,
Iva Hopper, Tommye Siegler,
Freeman Kidder, Doug Crouse,
Margie Montgomery, Tom Crow,
Margie Whitehead, Helen Avent,
Louise Buck, Gwen Smith,
Jorita Richardson, Barbara Ray,
Jerry Crabb, Jeanette Morris,
Mary Bolen, Shirley Puckett
Gaylon & Betty Cooper,
Roberta Donaldson

Friends & Family:

Horace Yearwood, Tim Boyd,
Al Stewart, Ruth Cox,
Judy Jennings, Raymond Cagle,
Beverly Martindale, Rosie Love,
Bethany Tims, Nancy Anderson,
Bill and Gladys Gowan,
Loretta Stanfill, John Sawyer,
Jerry Yarbrough, Rick Barnett

Cards to Send

Joseph Johnson
119 Autumn Valley Drive
Jackson, TN 38301

Betty Cooper
201 Ed Moore Road
Beech Bluff, TN 38313

Sandra Jordan
37 Southside Drive
Jackson, TN 38301

Happenings South Jackson

11/19

Men's Business Meeting at 3:30 PM

12/8

Adult Holiday Party

Area Events

12/1

Freed Hardeman University Benefit
Dinner

Pantry Item

Canned Tuna or Chicken

The Handprint Roy Allen Crutcher

Today I found a hand print,
That I started to wipe away
, But something said "don't do it"
You'll be happy you didn't some day.
That dirty little hand print,
Looks so bad there on the wall,
But what if there were no little child,
To put it there, at all!
Children are so precious,
We love them all so much,
So why get upset,
When we see a smudgy touch?
So innocently was it put there,
As they went about their play,
Able to run, and jump and yell,
And all the other stuff they can do
today.
Tomorrow holds no promise,
For what a child can do,
Or even if he'll be here,
This is a fact that's true.
So cherish the child each day,
Hold them close and hug,
Tell them that you love them,
And cherish that hand print smudge.