



The Sunday Messenger

November 23, 2025

Week 48 - Day 327

James Ave. church of Christ

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Welcome ... To Our Friends

May you find our congregation friendly and our worship uplifting and to the glory of God. Please stay after worship so we may meet you and do come back to worship with us again.

The JA family assembles for Worship and Study

Sunday

Bible Class 9:00 AM
Worship 10:00 AM
Bible Study 6:00 PM

Tuesday

Morning Bible Class 10:00 AM
September – June

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 PM

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Loving. Caring. Sharing.

AN ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE

Wayne Dunaway

Thanksgiving Day in our country is almost here. It is one of my favorite Holidays. But, as Christians, we need to remember that thanksgiving is not just a *day* with us, it is a *way* with us. God expects us to have an **attitude of gratitude** which is not always easy to *maintain* because so many things go against the *grain*. It is hard for us to stay *focused* when the cares of life are trying to *choke us*. It seems so much easier to concentrate on the things that are *stressing* us, rather than on the way God is *blessing* us. But if we will simply *pause to think* we will have *cause to thank*. In other words, if we will *meditate* we will *appreciate*. If we will take *time to think*, we can have a *mind that thanks*. Psalms 100 is:

A Psalm of Thanksgiving

Notice that this **Psalm of Thanksgiving** emphasizes the:

1. **RESPONSE** of the Thankful
 - a. Make a joyful shout.
 - b. Serve with gladness.
 - c. Come ...with singing.
 - d. Enter ...with thanksgiving.
 - e. Enter...with praise.
 - f. Be thankful.
 - g. Bless His name.
 - h. In other words, have an *attitude of gratitude*.
2. **RELATIONSHIP** of the Thankful
 - a. It is He who has made us.
 - b. We are His people.
 - c. The sheep of His pasture.
 - d. He *created* us (made us). He *claims* us (His people). He *cares* for us (sheep of His pasture).
3. **REASONS** to be Thankful
 - a. For the Lord is good.
 - b. His mercy is everlasting.
 - c. His truth endures.
 - d. We thank Him for His *goodness* (Lord is good), His *grace* (His mercy), and His *guidance* (His truth).

Here are some things that we can always be most thankful for:

1. Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift! (2 Cor. 9:15)
2. Thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ. (2 Cor. 2:14)
3. Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Cor. 15:57).

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!

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On the Lord's Day ... We Worship God

Singing ... Larry Cochran

15 – Step by Step
396 – No Not One
390 – Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Prayer ... Harvey Jones

364 Come, Share the Lord

Lord's Supper

Preside ... Jared Cochran

Serve ... Bobby Perry, Tony Paul

Scripture ... **Matthew 5:3-10**

596 – In the Desert of Sorrow and Sin

Lesson ... Rob Donaldson

The Sermon on the Mount

904 Have You Been to Jesus?
869 We're Marching to Zion

Closing Prayer ... Jared Cochran

PowerPoint ... Charlie Cochran

Rhoda Huddleston, cataract surgery on right eye tomorrow

Linda Huff, Scott's mom

Inez Hopwood & daughter, friends of Rhoda

Alan Johnson, Richard & Nancy's son

Hannah Johnson & family

Donnie Johnson, Richard & Jean's bro.

Pam Johnson, Richard's sister-in-law

Richard & Nancy Johnson

Katina Jones, (husband, Jack) sister-in-law of Stephen Wilkerson, cancer

Carolyn Kimble

Jimmy Kimble, Tom's son and Carolyn's grandson

Danny & Trish King, brother & sister-in-law of Bobby King

Joan King, Theresa's sister & Bobby's sister-in-law

Jerry Ladd, Sr.; Jim & Margaret Ladd

Anne Mae Lindsey, Ashley & Stephen's grandmother

Rick Lucas, health issues

Dallas Mathis, James' cousin

Ruth Netterville, Richard & Jean's sister

James & Leda Newberry

Florence Nicks, Rhoda's sister-in-law

Frankie Nicks, Rhoda's bro-in-law

Jeanine Nix, Rob's mom (melanoma)

Bonnie Parham, friend of Tara, cancer

William Pedigo, Aubrey's granddad

Tammy Perry, heart & lungs

Jeanna Pewitt, Nancy's sister-in-law

Jean Piercy, cysts on neck

Pat Richardson, liver 5-year-old

Josh Roberson, Darlene's nephew

John William (JW) Sneed, Aubrey's 6-year-old cousin

Marie Ann Sneed, James' cousin

Area Anna Swett, Rhoda's granddaughter

Katie Sylvester, room 527B Trevecca

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and son, **BJ Sylvester**

Wendell Talley, cancer

David Taylor, Theresa's brother

Robert, Abby's uncle, recovering from open heart surgery

Peggy (husband, Mitch) Turner, Velma's friend, who is battling cancer

Wendell Watson, friend of James

Sarah Whitaker, James' cousin in KY

Cynthia Wilkerson

Mary Wyatt and Jacob Copeland

Traveling ... Scott is in Boston this weekend for the **Society of Biblical Literature** annual meeting. He will present a paper Monday afternoon on Ezekiel 28:11-19. Pray for safe travels.

Forsaking Eden: Proposed Reflections on Tyre and the Jerusalem Temple in Ezekiel 28:11-19

Men's Business Meeting ... Sunday 11/30 at 4:00 PM all men members are encouraged to attend.

Tuesday Morning Bible Class

We will not meet this week for Thanksgiving and will resume on Dec 2. We are reading the Gospels in Harmony.

Calendar ...

Nov – Angel Tree

Dec 13 – Breakfast with Santa, 9-11 AM

Prayer Requests

Adam Anderson, Amanda's dad,

recovering from stent surgery

Amanda Anderson, breathing issues

Doris Ann Baker, friend of Darlene

Tara Coats, recovering from a fall

Teresa Chumney Craft, Darlene's cousin

Kim Currier, Amy Ladd's mom

Arnold Garcon as he travels the world to take the GOOD News of Jesus.

Chitika Gooch

Danny Gooch, Chitika's brother

George Gooch, Chitika's uncle

Jomarsha, Chitika's granddaughter

Mary, Chitika's granddaughter, diabetes

Shantra Gooch, Chitika's daughter in law

Lucy Mae, Chitika's 88-year-old aunt,

throat and lung cancer

Claytie Hall, sister to Richard and Jean

Linda Harlan, Ellie's mom, Tara's friend

2025 Milestones

Birthdays	
Tony Paul	11/19
Daniel Jarrett Aleman	11/26
Ellen Jones	11/27

About our JA Family

Contribution	2025 Avg	
Nov 16, 2025	\$1,036	\$1,099
Budget	\$1,400	\$1,400

SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Matthew 5:1
And Jesus opened his mouth and taught them [the crowds]...



Matthew 5:3-10 NKJV "Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (4) Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted. (5) Blessed are the meek, For they shall inherit the earth. (6) Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled. (7) Blessed are the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy. (8) Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God. (9) Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God. (10) Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.