

November Daily Scriptures

- 1 Colossians 3 :15-17
- 2 Philippians 4:6
- 3 Psalm 106:1
- 4 Ephesians 2:8
- 5 James 1:17
- 6 Psalm 100:4
- 7 Hebrews 12:28-29
- 8 2 Corinthians 4:15-16
- 9 Romans 1:21
- 10 Isaiah 12:4-5
- 11 John 10:10
- 12 2 Timothy 4:4-5
- 13 Luke 6:35-36
- 14 Psalm 107:8
- 15 Colossians 1:12
- 16 2 Timothy 3:1-5
- 17 Ephesians 4:31-32
- 18 Hebrews 6:4-6
- 19 Micah 6:8
- 20 Deuteronomy 16:17
- 21 Proverbs 3:27
- 22 Proverbs 11:24-25
- 23 Matthew 6:3-4
- 24 Luke 6:38
- 25 Acts 20:35
- 26 2 Corinthians 9:6-8
- 27 1 Corinthians 13:1-8
- 28 1 Corinthians 13:9-13
- 29 Matthew 5:10-12
- 30 Galatians 6:2

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- 24 Lois Boyd
- 25 Rich Hebner
- 26 Becky Jenkins
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National Days for November

- 1 National Cinnamon Day
- 2 National Deviled Egg Day
- 3 National Housewife's Day
- 4 National Candy Day
- 5 National Stress Awareness Day
- 6 National Nachos Day
- 7 National Fountain Pen Day
- 8 National Parents as Teachers Day
- 9 National Scrapple
- 10 Day
- 11 National Civic Pride Day
- 12 National Sundae Day
- 13 National Pizza With the Works Except Anchovies Day
- 14 National Indian Pudding Day
- 15 National Family PJ Day
- 16 National Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day
- 17 National Check Your Wipers Day
- 18 National Homemade Bread (and Butter) Day
- 19 National Play Monopoly Day
- 20 National Great American Smokeout Day
- 21 National Ginger Bread Cookie Day
- 22 National Cranberry Relish Day
- 23 National Adoption Day
- 24 National Cashew Day
- 25 National Play Day with Dad Day
- 26 National Cake Day
- 27 National Bavarian Cream Pie Day
- 28 National French Toast Day
- 29 National Small Business Saturday
- 30 National Stay Home Because You're Well Day

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Finance



Moment

On Monday, October 20th, the Finance Committee met. During the meeting we finalized the Millington United Methodist Church budget for 2026. It represents an increase of approximately \$2,000 over the 2025 budget. An amount of \$2,286 is needed each week to meet the budget.

We'd like to give our members and friends of MUMC an opportunity to prayerfully consider making a pledge to our 2026 budget. This could be a weekly, monthly, quarterly or annual pledge. Your pledge is a goal for giving and can be revised at anytime.



Mission and Outreach Notes

YOU are invited to be a part of the church's business meeting with the conference District Superintendent. Check out the date and time of Charge Conference, and plan to attend if you are curious.

ALSO, YOU are an integral part of the workings of our church as part of the Millington UMC church family. THANK YOU for your generous support of the Crop Walk--which allowed \$211 to come back to our local food pantry! The remainder of the over \$800 will help in so many ways and places around the world. Thank you, also, for your contributions to the Trunk or Treat last Saturday at Meachum Elementary School. You supplied the little ghosts, goblins, princesses, and critters with enough candy that we didn't need to borrow from anyone! Your next OUTREACH opportunity will be the Pretzel Dipping event on the first Monday night of December at Christmas in the Village. We can use "dippers" (workers) and donations for pretzel rods and melted chocolate. YOU keep us viable and important in our quest to serve God and our hometown and beyond. Blessings to you all.

WE are God's hands and feet on earth!



Pastor David's Corner

Dear Thankful Ones.

The "first Thanksgiving" in 1621 was a three-day harvest feast in Plymouth, Massachusetts, shared between the Pilgrims and the Wampanoag people to celebrate a successful harvest and strengthen their alliance. The meal included foods like venison, fowl, and corn, which were hunted, gathered, or grown by both groups, and was different from modern Thanksgivings, which did not feature turkey, mashed potatoes, or pie. The event included feasting, diplomatic discussions, and various forms of entertainment like games and military exercises.

- **National holiday:**

The modern American Thanksgiving holiday was not established until 1863 by Abraham Lincoln, making the last Thursday of November a national day of thanks, during the height of the War Between the States (called the Civil War in the north). I am including the transcript of his proclamation.

Transcript for President Abraham Lincoln's Thanksgiving Proclamation from October 3, 1863

By the President of the United States

A Proclamation

The year that is drawing toward its close has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature that they cannot fail to penetrate and even soften the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever-watchful providence of Almighty God. In the midst of a civil war of unequalled magnitude and severity, which has sometimes seemed to foreign states to invite and provoke their aggressions, peace has been preserved with all nations, order has been maintained, the laws have been respected and obeyed, and harmony has prevailed everywhere, except in the theater of military conflict; while that theater has been greatly contracted by the advancing armies and navies of the Union. Needful diversions of wealth and of strength from the fields of peaceful industry to the national defense have not arrested the plow, the shuttle, or the ship; the ax has enlarged the borders of our settlements, and the mines, as well of iron and coal as of the precious metals, have yielded even more abundantly than heretofore. Population has steadily increased, notwithstanding the waste that has been made in the camp, the siege, and the

and the country, rejoicing in the consciousness of augmented strength and vigor, is permitted to expect continuance of years with large increase of freedom. No human counsel hath devised, nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the Most High God, who while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy. It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American people. I do, therefore, invite my fellow-citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next as a Day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens. And I recommend to them that, while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to His tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners, or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty hand to heal the wounds of the nation, and to restore it, as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes, to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility, and union.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the city of Washington, this third day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and of the Independence of the United States the eighty-eighth.

Abraham Lincoln

By the President: William H. Seward. Secretary of State

We, as Americans, yet as Christians first, should offer our Thanks-giving each day as we partake of whatever we have. We are blessed.

We welcome YOU. Always.

Prayers and blessings in Christ,

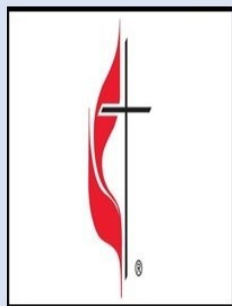
Pastor David



Let's make a commitment
on November 30th to
support our Church
Community with our:
prayers, presence, gifts
and service

A Thanksgiving Prayer

Gracious God,
thank you for every good gift—for the food before us,
the people around us, and the love that surrounds us.
Help us to pause, reflect, and rejoice in Your constant goodness and grace.
May our hearts overflow with gratitude, not just today, but every day. Amen.



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- _____ I will **Pray** for our Church and its ministry
- _____ I will be **Present** at my Church for worship and fellowship
- _____ I will **Serve** my Church as I am able
- _____ I will **Witness** to my faith in my community
- _____ I will give my **Gifts** to my Church for its ministry

My Financial Commitment to MUMC for 2026 is \$_____ per _____ week _____ month _____ year

Signed _____

Date _____



Remembering The Saints

When Paul wrote to the church in Rome, he addressed his letter “To all God’s beloved ... who are called to be saints” (Romans 1:7, NRSV). Paul regarded his fellow believers as people who have responded to the good news of Christ by choosing to follow and serve God.

The New Testament emphasizes that Christians are God’s beloved — special people set apart to receive his grace and to be his witnesses. All people whose minds and hearts are devoted to God are “called to be saints.”

About 700 years after the church began, leaders designated November 1 as All Saints’ Day to honor people whose lives reflect Christ dwelling within them. Because of what God has done for us, all Christians can wear the label of saint.

A Day to Honor Our Veterans



On November 11, 1918, the Germans and the Allied Nations, which included the United States, signed a document to initiate an armistice (cessation of hostilities), thus ending World War I. A year later, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation designating November 11 as Armistice Day. It was to be a day of reflection — a day to remember those who died in the country’s service and to offer Americans the opportunity “to show sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nation.”

Wanting to recognize more specifically America’s veterans, Congress passed a bill changing the name of the day from Armistice Day to Veterans Day. The change was made in May 1954.

On this national holiday, churches around the nation hold services of prayers and praise. Followers of the Prince of Peace pray for peace among the nations of Earth and for the day when “they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more” (Isaiah 2:4, NRSV).

A Thanksgiving Hymn That Sees God’s Hand Everywhere

For a hymn that captures the beauty and gratitude of Thanksgiving, All Things “Bright and Beautiful” is a perfect choice. Its lyrics paint vivid pictures — flowers opening in the morning sun, birds singing, golden sunsets, purple-topped mountains and rivers rushing by. It all leads to this joyful reminder: *“He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell: How great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.”*

The hymn was written by Cecil Frances Alexander (1818–1895), an Irishwoman with a passion for teaching children about God. She wrote many hymns for her Sunday school class, later collected in *Verses for Holy Seasons*.

But her ministry went beyond music — she spent her life serving the poor, comforting the sick, and caring for the grieving. When she passed away, “a great throng” gathered to remember her, honoring both her faith and the beauty she shared with the world.

	November 2025					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 All Saints' Day Turn your clocks back
2 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 21st Sunday after Pentecost All Saints Sunday Daylight Savings Time Ends	3	4 8:30 am Women's 4th Day 5:30pm SPRC mtg.	5	6	7	8
9 9am Sunday School 10am Worship Organ & Tissue Donor Sunday 22nd Sunday after Pentecost	10	11 8:30 am Women's 4th Day Veteran's Day	12	13 Noon to 5:45pm Blood drive	14	15
16 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 23rd Sunday after Pentecost	17 5:30 pm Mission and Outreach mtg.	18 8:30 am Women's 4th Day	19	20	21	22
23 9am Sunday School 10am Worship Christ the King Sunday	24	25 8:30 am Women's 4th Day	26	27 Thanksgiving Day	28	29
30 9am Sunday School 10am Worship First Sunday of Advent						

A Note from Barb...

November is the month for remembering what we are thankful for, although we should be thankful every month of the year. I read recently something that reminds me of how we should think about all our blessings.

"When we look at what we want, and then compare that with what we have, we shall be unhappy. But when we think about what we really deserve, and then compare that with what we actually have, we shall thank God."

There are so many things that I am thankful for that I take for granted every day. The one thing that I am truly thankful for are both of my church families. You have all been so helpful and generous towards me and my husband during this trying time. I would like to thank each and every one of you for your kindness and generosity whether it be a meal, gas money, cards, gift cards, your time, a phone call, or your prayers. We are truly thankful that you are in our lives. Thank you, and God bless you all.



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