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*Helping people discover and develop into disciples of Christ*

### A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR CHRIS



For some in Western North Carolina, Thanksgiving will mean something more this year. Some will struggle with so much devastation and loss in their lives and they will struggle to find that “thankful” heart. For others, the overwhelming

efforts of the community will help them to count their many blessings. Hurricane Helene has left a mark in our area that will affect people’s lives throughout this holiday season and beyond. For many of us we have found much to be thankful for. For others the hurt and damage will be laying heavily on hearts and emotions of lives and communities that have been decimated with overwhelming loss. For the believer we are reminded many times throughout Scripture to be thankful, as in the following examples:

- ◆ *Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray continually, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.*  
 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 16
- ◆ *Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.* Psalm 100:4
- ◆ *“Sacrifice thank offerings to God, fulfill your vows to the Most High,* Psalm 50:14
- ◆ *Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.* Philippians 4:6-7
- ◆ *Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.*  
 Colossians 3:15

#### YOU GIVE ... AND WE RECEIVE

*We are your people ... like Mother Hannah; We come with our several eating disorders, trembling lips, needy hands, fallen faces, quiet in despair.*

*Because we do not have what we need, by ourselves—to make a future. And so we ask. And you give! Generously, abundantly, inexplicably.*

*You give more than we ask or think or need, enough for all our futures, enough for joy, enough for well-being beyond our trembling neediness.*

*You give ... and we receive.*

*We receive and sometimes we covet and own and possess. We receive and imagine it is our purchase. We receive your good gifts like property. We receive and want more. You give ... and we receive ... Sometimes we only thank in amazement, Sometimes we yield in gratitude.*

*Sometimes we turn our joy into sacrifice and give back. Sometimes we become more fully yours in obedience and gladness. And now is some such sometime. We pray in thanks. Amen.* ~ On reading 1 Samuel 1 / February 9, 1999

1 Walter Brueggemann, Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth: Prayers of Walter Brueggemann, ed. Edwin Searcy (Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2003), 134.

I love being your pastor,  
 Chris

*If you miss a Sunday service, you can access the sermon at [enkabaptist.org](http://enkabaptist.org).*



### A Prayer for a Thankful Heart

Lord, teach me to offer you a heart of thanksgiving and praise in all my daily experiences of life. Teach me to be joyful always, to pray continually and to give thanks in all my circumstances. I accept them as Your will for my life (*1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*). I long to bring pleasure to Your heart daily. Break the power of the enemy in my life. Defeat Him through my sacrifice of praise. Change my outlook and attitude into one of joyful contentment with my present circumstances. I thank You for...*[Name a difficult circumstance in your life presently and thank God for it.]*

Jesus, I want to be like You who obeyed the Father without complaint. You embraced the chains of humanity when You walked this earth. Convict me whenever I complain or compare myself with others. Give me Your attitude of humility and thankful acceptance. I want to be like the Apostle Paul who learned contentment in every circumstance. I choose to continually offer You a sacrifice of praise, the fruit of lips that give praise to Your name (*Hebrews 13:15*). I long to bring a smile to Your face. Teach me the power of a thankful heart. I know that Your truth dwells in a thankful heart.

“I will give thanks to the LORD because of His righteousness and will sing praise to the name of the LORD Most High. O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens” (*Psalm 7:17-18:1*). *In Jesus’ name, Amen.*

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		Small Groups meet every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. (unless otherwise noted)
<b>Nov 03</b> <small>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS</small>	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	<b>Quarterly Business Meeting</b> CIA / Youth Church Council
<b>Nov 05</b>	<b>Election</b>	<b>Day (no services today)</b>
<b>Nov 06</b>	6:30 p.m.	Women’s Bible Study
<b>Nov 10</b>	9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	<b>2nd Sunday Celebration</b> Bible Study with the Pastor CIA/Youth
<b>NOV 12</b>	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Group Bible Study Prayer Meeting
<b>Nov 13</b>	6:30 p.m.	Women’s Bible Study
<b>Nov 17</b> <small>ABCCM SUNDAY</small>	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Family Night Adults on Mission CIA / Youth
<b>Nov 19</b>	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Group Bible Study Prayer Meeting
<b>Nov 20</b>	6:30 p.m.	Women’s Bible Study
<b>Nov 24</b>	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study with the Pastor CIA / Youth
<b>Nov 26</b>	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Group Bible Study Prayer Meeting
<b>Nov 28</b>		<b>Happy Thanksgiving</b>



**EMMA MASHBURN**  
MAY 7, 1936 ~ OCTOBER 11, 2024

Our Christian love, sympathy and prayers go out to the family of Emma Sue Huskey Mashburn, born on May 7, 1936, in Haywood County, North Carolina. She passed away peacefully at her residence on October 11, 2024 and leaves behind a legacy marked by love, creativity, and dedication.

She is survived by two sons, Joseph Lee Mashburn, III (Kim) of Erie, Colorado, and David Brian Mashburn of Flat Rock, North Carolina; one brother, Darrel Huskey (Vicki) of Concord; five grandchildren, Jessica, Alex, Nick, Lizzy, and Jacob; and two great-granddaughters, Krystina and Jayda.

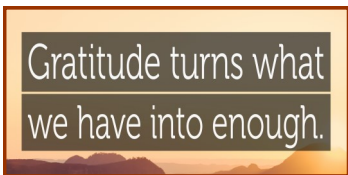
Emma was preceded in death by her husband, J.L. Mashburn, Jr., who passed away in 2023; her father, William Anderson Huskey; her mother, Vernia Burnett Huskey; two sisters, Rubye Harkins and Jennie Mills; and one brother, William Huskey, Jr.

Emma was a very active, longstanding member of Enka Baptist Church and will be greatly missed.

A memorial service was held at Wells Funeral Home on October 17, 2024.



## November Babies



### 3 ways to practice an attitude of thankfulness in everyday life

**THANK AND PRAISE GOD FOR EVERYTHING IN YOUR LIFE.**

Thank Him for even the difficulties. It is a sacrifice to do this. But He can turn troubles to triumph.

*"Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise -- the fruit of lips that confess his name" (Hebrews 13:15).*

**DON'T ALLOW YOURSELF TO COMPLAIN ABOUT ANYTHING.**

During the difficult times, be very careful to watch your tongue. Instead of complaining, think of ways you can verbally offer God the sacrifice of thanksgiving.

**DON'T COMPARE YOURSELF WITH OTHERS.**

Don't wish that your life was different. God knows what is best. The Bible says having a thankful heart is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. When we begin to thank God for what we have rather than comparing ourselves with others, it opens the door for God's blessings.

*"God smiles when we praise and thank Him continually. Few things feel better than receiving heartfelt praise and appreciation from someone else. God loves it, too. An amazing thing happens when we offer praise and thanksgiving to God. When we give God enjoyment, our own hearts are filled with joy."*

~ Rick Warren

PROJECT **MISSIONS** FOCUS

To say that Hurricane Helene brought devastation, trials, tribulation and great loss to Western North Carolina would be an immense understatement. But disaster brings about, for the most part, the best in humanity and we have seen the Christian community come together in response to the needs of those who have lost everything.

**OUR NOVEMBER MISSION is to continue to support ABCCM by collecting food, clothing and other items for those who have lost everything.**

Please place items in the basket provided in the foyer, or if you prefer to give a monetary donation, just indicate **NOVEMBER MISSION PROJECT (ABCCM)** on your envelope and drop it in the offering plate on Sunday morning.

*As always, thank you for blessing our community with your generosity, kindness and love.*

After Thanksgiving dinner is done and the leftovers are put away



(and then taken back out for a post-dessert helping of stuffing), you may find the best Thanksgiving trivia questions aren't just great for showing off your knowledge with a slew of holiday facts; you can use them to make up a (friendly) competition—and maybe even start a new tradition. So split your family into teams, and get your Thanksgiving trivia on!

1. Americans consume, on average, 4,500 calories each at Thanksgiving dinner.
2. About 50 million pumpkin pies are consumed every Thanksgiving.
3. All turkeys gobble.
4. Stuffing is Americans' favorite Thanksgiving side dish.
5. Californians consume the most turkey every Thanksgiving.
6. Venison, swan, duck and goose were served at the first Thanksgiving feast...not Turkey.
7. Macy's was the first retailer to host a Thanksgiving Day parade.
8. A male turkey is called a Jenny.
9. The name "Black Friday" was originally used to deter people from shopping.
10. What popular song's real title is "The New England Boy's Song About Thanksgiving Day?"

(1) Fact (2) Fact (3) Fiction (only males) (4) Fact (5) Fact (6) Fact (7) Fiction. Gimbels department store in Philadelphia in 1920, 4 years before Macy's (8) Fiction (Female turkeys are Jennys) (9) Fact (10) Over the River and Through the Woods

