

November Newsletter 2024

Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!
2 Corinthians 9:15

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices. It is a beautiful hymn of thanksgiving to our Lord who has given us life and breath and all we have in this life. The scriptures speak of thanksgiving to God, all praise and honor and glory, that belong to the Lamb that sits on the throne. The Lord has bountifully blessed our congregation.

There are many volunteers that spend time taking care of the property, taking care of setting up for services, projects and festive events, people and visitors. We are blessed to have so many people in this congregation that joyfully give and care for others. God has also blessed this congregation with wisdom to care for the monetary gifts he has given. Yes, that includes your offerings and the generous gift we received this last year.

Paul wrote to the Corinthians expressing his thanks as He boasted about their gift to the Christians in Jerusalem. The Corinthians were only part of the many churches that gave to support their fellow believers to give them relief in their times of need. Paul is quick to remind them that their gift was done to fulfill a promise. While holding them to their commitment He also encourages them by reminding them that God loves a cheerful giver.

“Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High, and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.” Psalm 50 reminds us that we give a sacrifice of thanksgiving to our Lord when we bring our offerings and tithes before him. As God has provided seed for the sower and bread for food, He will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. God has given, He multiplied it, and now as His children who joyfully have committed to providing relief for others, thank you. Thanks be to God who has called you His own through the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus. Thanks be to God that you cheerfully are giving to aid those in need. Thanks be to God that you are living out His righteousness and caring for others. God bless each of you as you gather with family and friends this month and every day of your life. He certainly has and we offer our Thanks and Praise. Pastor Ficken

God's peace,
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Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum
1 Peter 1:25