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Bible Classes 9:00 a.m.
AM Worship Svc. 10:00 a.m.
PM Worship Svc. 5:00 p.m.*
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
(Attended Nursery at all svcs.)

*No 5:00 p.m. service on the third
Sunday of the month

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Notes From The Preacher's Desk....

There are a lot of thanksgiving traditions I enjoy, aside from the food (obviously!). One I always found interesting is the Presidential Turkey Pardon. If you are interested, there is a Wikipedia article the names of years of pardoned turkeys: Many go on to live a good life, and are sent to petting zoos, or one of the Disney Parks. Historically, Turkey's were given as presidential gifts back into the 19th century. These turkeys were eaten up until President Kennedy, who decided to free a turkey given to him on Nov 19th, 1963. Thus the tradition began. I think for Christians, we can find a lot of similarity with those turkeys. The turkeys were bred to be eaten. Their fate is that. Without the kindness of a person in authority, their fate would be very different than relaxing at a petting zoo to live out their life. We know that our fate, in the hands of sin is death. We cant escape that on our own. (Romans 6:23). But thanks to God that his gift to us is much more abounding grace frees us from the fate of sin (Romans 5:15).

-Matt

Dinner Therapy

So much of Jesus's public ministry and so many of His conversations with people happened around the dinner table. In fact, most of Luke (1/5 of this gospel account) has to do with Jesus either going to a meal, sitting down and eating a meal, or getting up and leaving from a meal. Jesus had great opportunity to help when He sat down at the table.

Consider this now and see if there is any truth to it: Your dinner table at home may be the greatest place for ministry to your family. Here are some things to consider as to why regular meals around the table may be one of the best times to open the door for ministry in your family:

You are all together openly. *This is a challenge in and of itself with today's busy schedules and hectic lives. Yet, home base is a place where families can regroup, talk about days and challenges, laugh together and share together. That's what a family does. It reminds us we are all on the same side and working for a common goal (1 Cor. 10:31).*

You are listening and sharing openly. *If you want this to happen effectively, have a "no phones/no electronics" rule at your table. If your family is not accustomed to this, begin by asking/repeating the same open-ended questions for each family member: "what was something you did today that you enjoyed?" "Tell me what your least favorite thing was today." "Who served you today or who did you serve today?" Before too long, openness and genuine communication will happen, if consistent!*

Your family is encouraged to know we are open and approachable. *Kids, especially teens, feel more isolated than ever, and in that isolation they are reaching out to all the wrong people and places to find validation and identity. Sincere listening and visiting around the table will humanize moms and dads and will remind children that they are special and worth our time to minister to and visit with them (1 Thess. 2:7-12).*

Studyfinds.com found 91% of parents see their families are less stressed when they share meals together. It's almost as if the God who made us expected that the home would be the foundation for refocusing love for Him and love for each other (Eph. 5:22-6:4; Matt. 6:25-34).

Andy Baker
Graeber Road church of Christ
Rosenberg, TX - Bulletin Digest

OUR PRAYER LIST

Woodland Hills Members:

Stan Adams, Rhoda Amar, Ron Barker, Jim Brown, David Dement, Chris & Paige Essary (Paige had biopsy this past week), Osby Riley, Vicktor Tretiakov, Louise VanSickel, Nancy Waddell

In Assisted/Senior Living or Homebound:

Stan Adams, Clemmie Allison, Wilma Barfield, Janet & Billy Brown, Jackie Greene, Pat King, Elaine Martin, Raymond McClendon, Mary Ann Morrison, Osby & Martha Riley, Clara Shipman, Linda Thompson, Mary Ann Watson

Family and Friends:

Jim Adams (Brother of Tom Adams), Kris Alexander (Sister of Julie Grantham), Aaron Cadden (Nephew of Dee Close), Eleanor Daugherty (Mother of Betty Barker), Jacqueline Ferrell (Sister of Ina Story), Phyllis Gilbreath (Sister of Judy Brown), Duane Hoaglan, Phil Hubbard (Cousin of Jim Hubbard), Kevin Knight (son of Debbie Knight), Donny Long (Bro-in-law of Diane Hinton), Archie May (Father of Kerwin May), Russell May (Uncle of Kerwin May), Debbie McCoy (Friend of Hintons), Leah Morgan (Daughter of Sharon Estes), Jesse Murah (Friend of Kerwin May), Kesha Owsley (Friend of Daphne Jenkins), Mark Paschall (Brother of Brenda Renner), Randy Pinckley (Brother of Robi and Rhonda), Misty Pinckley, Beverly Renner (Sister-in-law of Brenda Renner), Mike Robison (son of Barbara Rea and brother of Ken Robison), Tammy Roschell (Sister of Bill Estes), David South, Pat Thomas, Doris Watson (Sister of Wilma Barfield and Mother of Bob Watson),

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

21 Hampton Cox
22 Sue Adams
27 Margaret Wilkinson
28 Emilee Anderson
28 Rhonda Hubbard
29 Garrett Pilgrim
01 - John Waddell
02 - Jeffie Dacus
03 - Robert & Pat King
03 - Mark & Kerry Mitchell



TO SERVE THIS WEEK - November 20

Welcome & Announcements::

John Waddell

Opening Prayer:

Lon Maynard

Closing Prayer:

Kerwin May

Serve Communion:

Dan Amar, Ken Robison,

Bill Seward, Mark Mitchell

AM Nursery: **Kerry Mitchell**

Devo after Lunch

No 5 PM Service today!

YOGA CLASS SCHEDULE

December 17th at 1 pm – 1:45 chair yoga and 2:15-3:15 for mat yoga. Sign up sheet in the foyer.

THIRD SUNDAY LUNCHEON TODAY!



Our menu today is Leonard's Barbecue, cole slaw, baked beans, bread and a few surprises and dessert. Get your tickets from Larry

Knox (\$10 adults children 5 years and under \$5).

Thanksgiving WEEKEND!

(No Bulletin that week)

TO SERVE THIS WEEK - November 27

Welcome & Announcements::

Mike Barrios

Opening Prayer:

Jacob Maynard

Closing Prayer:

Matthew Close

Serve Communion:

Dan Amar, Ken Robison,

Bill Seward, Mark Mitchell

AM Nursery: **Kerry Mitchell**

5 PM Service

PM Opening Prayer: **Larry Knox**

PM Closing Prayer: **Pat Patchell**

PM Nursery: **Mary Rigney**

Happy Thanksgiving!

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Everyone is invited to the home of Jeffie Dacus on Saturday, December 3rd between the hours of 2-4 to celebrate her 90th hday. Celebration will be at her home at 4720 Chambers Chapel in Lakeland. NO GIFTS please! Your presence will be a gift in and of its own.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The week of the Thanksgiving holiday, we will move our mid-week Bible study to Tuesday evening (November 22) and it will be in the auditorium devotional/singing only. No children's classes.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Mark your calendar for an "Open House" at the home of Sharon Close on December 18th to begin at 6 pm. Please bring finger foods/desserts/etc. Always an enjoyable evening of fellowship/and singing!

WIDOWS LUNCHEON

Sharon Close is also hosting a Widows luncheon at her home on Sunday, December 11th following our morning worship. Sharon has have hosted this luncheon for many years and has graciously expressed her desire to host it at her home again this year.. If you plan to attend, please RSVP Sharon.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Anna Baker Norris, daughter of Nat and Linette Baker, as she graduated recently from Gould's Academy. We are so excited for your achievement and best wishes for a successful career.

POOL TABLE NEEDED

Do ;you have or know of anyone who has a pool table that they would like to donate to the YAC shack? They table that is there is in bad shape and needs to be replaced. See Larry Knox if you have one to donate of need additional information.



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