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# PCC NOW

PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF CHRIST



## WHAT IS THANKFULNESS?

CARISSA MAVEC

During the month of November, we take time to practice gratitude and express thankfulness for all the many blessings God has granted us. However, being thankful is something that we, as Christians, should keep at the forefront every day of the year.

Thankfulness helps us to see God more clearly, as it brings His character and work into focus. When we are thankful, we are consistently reflecting on those things God has done for us, and those things He has protected us from.

What does it mean to be thankful?

## 1. Having an attitude of gratitude, as opposed to a spirit of entitlement.

We are not owed anything from God, our main purpose is to serve Him. He grants us the desires of our heart when those desires align with His ultimate will and because He loves us. When He does bless us, we are to remain grateful and remember that God does because He wants to, not because we deserve it.

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#### 2. Seeing the good and positive in life.

We would do well to look around us at all the beauty of God's creation and be reminded of how much He has done for us. Sometimes that means focusing on "the little things" and being grateful for those – things like food, shelter, friends and family.

#### 3. Celebrating God, life, and others.

Above all things, we are to be thankful for God's presence in our lives. Be thankful that He chose us to be part of His family. Be thankful for the breath we take each day and the people He has placed in our lives.

## 4. Being thankful for the good times, the happy times, and the sad times.

In each situation in life, we can learn and grow from whatever outcome there may be. God allows happy times and sad times to teach us to lean on Him through everything. Even when things don't work out the way we may want them to, it is all part of God's plan, so we must trust Him and remain grateful.

When we have a spirit of thankfulness, we are giving Glory to God – we are in a constant state of worship. Thankfulness promotes believing prayer, promotes praise, and strengthens faith. When we are thankful in prayer, we are believing that God will do what He has promised, which then turns into thanking Him in advance for all He will do. It's a cycle of thanksgiving and never-ending reverence unto God.

"ENTER INTO HIS
GATES WITH
THANKSGIVING, AND
INTO HIS COURTS
WITH PRAISE. BE
THANKFUL UNTO
HIM, AND BLESS HIS
NAME.

PSALM 100:4 KJV



## In Everything Give Thanks

#### Poet Unknown

For all that God in mercy sends For health and children, home and friends;
For comfort in the time of need,
For every kindly word and deed,
For happy talks and holy thoughts;
For guidance in our daily walk In everything give thanks!

For beauty in this world of ours,
For verdant grass and lovely flowers,
For song of birds, for horn of bees,
For the refreshing summer breeze,
For hill and plain, for streams and wood,
For the great ocean's mighty flood In everything give thanks!

For the sweet sleep which comes with night,
For the returning morning's light,
For the bright sun that shines on high,
For the stars glittering in the sky For these and everything we see,
O Lord our hearts we lift to thee;
In everything give thanks!

## TEMPLE OBSERVATIONS

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## SUBMIT CONTACT FORM

Our Senior Pastor, Bishop Hanna, is asking that ALL CLERGY please fill out an updated contact form. The Ushers have the updated contact forms available. Please return your completed updated contact form to an usher.

### EVANGELISM MINISTRY TEAM FELLOWSHIP

On Thursday, Nov. 17, 2022 at 6:30pm, the Evangelism Ministry Team will have its fellowship meeting in the lower auditorium. All previous, present and potential members of the Evangelism Ministry Team are asked to be in attendance. Come and hear exciting updates and be refreshed/refueled so that we can continue to advance the kingdom of God.



## FREE DENTAL CLEANING CLINIC

On November 18th and 19th, Med Works is sponsoring a Free Dental Cleaning Clinic at the Huntington Convention Center, located at 300 Lakeside Avenue East; Cleveland, Ohio. The dental free dental clinic will offer cleanings, fillings, extractions, children's sealants, and prosthetics. The doors open at 7:00am each day.

## TEMPLE OBSERVATIONS (CONT)

Upcoming Events and Important Announcements



## MONTHLY WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Ladies, please remember that our Women of Grace monthly fellowship will meet at the temple every third Friday of the month at 7pm. Nov 18, 2022, will be the next monthly women's fellowship.

## ANGEL TREE TIME

It's Angel Tree time again and the need is greater than ever! The need is so great that PCC has been asked by the Prison Fellowship to double the number of children we sponsor. This year PCC will be responsible for 130 children. So please began today getting gift cards from the Scholarship foundation to support this initiative. Thank you in advance for your ongoing love and support for these children.





### SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER

The holidays are approaching...Please remember to support the PCC Scholarship Foundation by purchasing your holiday gift cards.

The PCC Scholarship Foundation also continues the Shoe Drive initiative. There is a receptacle in the Hall of Pastors to place your shoe donations.





## 7 Daily Affirmations to Boost Your Mood

#### 1. God will provide.

10 For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you. ~2 Corinthians 9: 10 NLT

#### 2. I will give thanks.

16 Rejoice evermore. 17 Pray without ceasing. 18, In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. ~1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 KJV

#### 3. I will not be anxious.

6 Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all he has done.

~Philippians 4: 6 NLT

#### 4. I will not be weary.

9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. 10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith. ~Galatians 6:9-10

#### 5. Christ dwells in me.

16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

~Colossians 3:16 KIV

#### 6. I will trust in God.

6 Blessed be the LORD, Because he hath heard the voice of my supplications. 7 The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in Him, and I am helped: Therefore, my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise Him.

~Psalm 28:6-7 KJV

#### 7.I will keep my mind on God

3 You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you. 4 Trust in the LORD always, for the LORD GOD is the eternal rock.

~Isaiah 26:3-4 NLT

## Prayer Corner

Clarice Craig-Mavec

#### Daily Prayer:

Lord, as I pray, help me pray As I pray, speak to me As I pray, hear me As I pray, change me As I pray, have your way Amen

~Author Unknown

In partnership with the Mothers' Board, PCC Now will continue to provide inspirational scriptures each month. We pray these scriptures give you comfort and motivation throughout the month of November.

#### **National Diabetes Month**

## 3 Ways to Maintain A Balanced Diet

November is National Diabetes Month, a time dedicated to bringing attention to diabetes. Diabetes is a chronic (long-lasting) condition that affects the body's ability to convert food into energy. Because this is extremely common in America--particularly the African American community--it's imperative that we make better choices when it comes to our daily habits, especially our diet.

Here are three simple ways that you can make what you eat healthier and more balanced:



### 1. Add more veggies & fruit.

It is recommended that you eat at least 5 lbs of fruits and vegetables a day to help lower blood pressure, reduce the risk of heart disease and stroke, and lower the risk of other health-related problems. Consuming certain fruits and vegetables can also help prevent some types of cancer (i.e. broccoli, berries, tomatoes, etc.)

### 2. Avoid too many refined grains.

Refined grains--such as white flour, rice and bread--are generally processed and can cause blood sugar spikes. Instead, it is better to substitute the aforementioned foods with whole grains. Foods like quinoa, brown rice, barley and oats are broken down slowly by the body, having less of an effect on the body's blood sugar and can also make you feel fuller, reducing the unnecessary need to eat more food.





### 3. Eat more lean protein.

Protein is an important part of a healthy diet that are made up of amino acids, which build and repair muscles and bones,. Proteins also serve as an energy source, so it's suggested that protein make up 1/4 of a person's plate. Healthy protein choices include:

- chicken
- turkey
- fish
- beans, peas, and legumes

### PCC THE NEXT GENERATION

### **OCTOBER RECAP**

Thank you to everyone who helped set up, decorate, contributed funds and participated in the Fall Festival weekend activities. We praise God for you and look forward to the next occasion.

Stay tuned for future events.

### **Autumn Word Search**

Need a way to preoccupy your child during service? You can find an autumn-themed word search on the next page. If you're on a smart device, you can use your highlight setting to "circle" each word.



#### The Future of PCC: Think Tank

Do you love children ages 2-11? Do you have creative ideas to draw more youth to Christ? Are you looking to minister to young adults from ages 12-18?

If you said yes to any of these questions, the Next-Gen Children and Youth Ministries wants you. Each month, meet with other participants as we come up with ideas on how the church can make a positive impact in the lives of youth at PCC and beyond.

See Deacon MaShonn for more information.

Looking for daycare for your little one(s)? Young Steps Childcare is now enrolling:



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See Elder Holloway for more information

## Fall Word Search

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# Business Corner

At Pentecostal Church of Christ, there are members with businesses in a variety of fields as well as business professionals that can help build professional connections. Whether simply spreading the word, giving a financial contribution, or any other method of support, we encourage you to do so in any way that you are able. Here are a few businesses that we'd like to highlight:

Pampered Chef- Rumae Watkins-Clark

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Be Your Own Bank- Lila Starr Gordon The greatest economic empowerment

in the world.

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**USANA- Darran Blount Nutritional Supplements & Skincare Products** 

Website: http://2610690.usana.com/

Phone: 216.339.1407

**Torre Says- Torre Escott Home-buying Made Simple** 

Website: torre says.com

Phone: 216.200.6930

**Care After Pandemic Virus Resources LLC-**

Danita C. Craven-Davis

**CPR & First Aid Training** 

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American National- Regina Lewis Auto, Home, Life, Business Insurance

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### PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS

Do you have a small business that you'd like highlighted? Contact Brianna Smith (brianna.smith2696@gmail.com) or Carissa Mavec (cnmavec@gmail.com) to be included in next month's issue.



## BIRTHDAY TRIBUTES



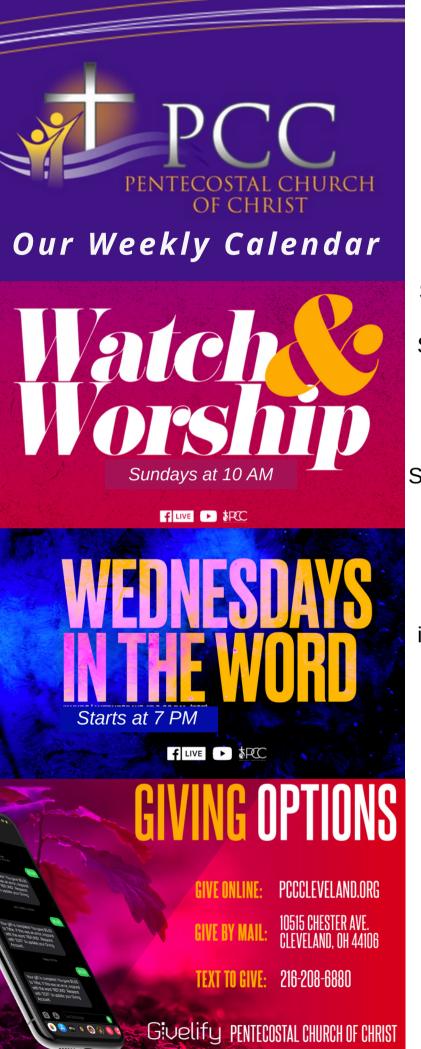


WISHING A SPECIAL HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALLOF THOSE CELEBRATING THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

HAVE A BIRTHDAY YOU'D LIKE US TO HIGHLIGHT? PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE OR SEE SISTER BRIANNA SMITH







#### **Weekly Prayer Times**

Monday Evenings- 7PM Wednesday Mornings- 7AM 1st Saturday of each month- 12PM

Conference Call Number 516-597-9820

For more information, contact: Sister Phorfina Wade (Call Moderator), Elder Dyna Richardson (Prayer Lead Scheduler), or Overseer Dennis Grant.

#### **Mid-Week Bible Study**

Wednesday Evenings - 7PM Saints are able to return to the sanctuary.

#### **Music Ministry Rehearsal**

Thursday Evenings - 7PM
We are asking for those who are interested in participating with the music ministry to join in for weekly rehearsals.
We are hoping to rebuild the choir and praise team to enrich our worship experience on Sunday mornings.

#### **The Doorkeepers Ministry**

Every first Saturday morning - 9:30AM For those who are interested in joining the Usher's Board, you may speak to Sister Sonia Stinson.