



Catch the Wave at



Bayshore PC

Tidings

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Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done,
in Whom this world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms
has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.



by Martin Rinkart



CALENDER

11/7 Pres. Stated Meeting—1st Pres., Winter Haven

11/10 Celebrating God & Country, beginning at 10:30 AM Worship Service.

11/11 Veteran's Day

11/16 Men's Breakfast, 8 AM at Keke's.

11/19 End 68 Hours packing at 10 AM

Session 1 PM

Deadline for Met. Ministries Donations

11/23 Celie's Birthday.

11/24 Guest Pastor— Dr. Paul Suich from 1st Pres., Lakeland Thanksgiving Service

11/28 Thanksgiving

12/1 Hanging of the Greens





*Our
Pastor*

*Rev. Celie
Wilhite*

Surely the dominant “theme” of November is Thanksgiving! Consider what Mark Twain said when he was at the peak of his writing career and when it was said that his magazine and journal articles were worth \$5 a word—a great sum of money in those days. One enterprising Harvard graduate student sent Mark Twain a letter:

“Dear Mr. Twain: Enclosed please find \$5. Please

send me your best word.” A few days later, the student received a telegram with this single word response: “Thanks!”

“Thanks” may be the most valuable word in any language. It is certainly the word that dominates our thinking during the Thanksgiving season. However, to understand thanksgiving from a faith perspective, from a Biblical perspective, one must detach thanksgiving from our circumstances. Thanksgiving is not just for people who can say, “I am better off financially than I was four years ago. Or, I am in good health. Or, my family is happy.”

Real Thanksgiving is a declaration of faith concerning that One who is bigger than our circumstances, that One who can make all things work together for good. Real thanksgiving is based on faith-stance rather than circumstance. This is what St. Paul meant when he admonished the Christians at Thessalonica, “Give thanks in all circumstances for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”

There are several “themes” for thanksgiving that we as Christians should be aware of and appreciate:

God’s love is consistent. “The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, “His mercies never come to an end.” God is more dependable than the tides, more consistent than the sunrise.

God’s mercies are new each morning. God is not always predictable. He is full of gracious surprises. He told the prophet Isaiah: “I am about to create a new heaven and a new earth.” He talked about new wine and in the revelation of St. John declared “Behold, I make all things new.”

I can trust God in the future and for the future. Lord is my portion, says my soul, therefore I will hope in him. In other words, I have seen so many of God’s mercies in the past that I know I can trust Him for the future.

Real thanksgiving honors the One who is our security even when the ground beneath us shaking. It lifts up Christ who be sufficient whatever the future may bring.

We, as a congregation at this time give special thanks to Linda Peach, our Church Administrator, for her years of service here at Bayshore and we wish her God-speed as she begins down a path of a different journey in service to God.

Know that you remain in my heart and in my prayers.

God bless you all!

Pastor Celie



The Lunch Bunch after church.
Largest group we've had!



I will miss you all! - Linda

*Dear BPC Congregation,
I am sad to leave you amazing
people! You have become very
dear to me in these last three
years. You truly are a generous
& mission-minded church!!!*

*I came here to serve God &
support my friend, Celie &
ended up finding very special
new friends!*

*I have been truly blessed by
knowing you all!*

*In love and friendship always
and In His Service,
Linda*

Bayshore Presbyterian Church
invites you to a very special—Child-friendly
Worship Service at 10:30 AM this Sunday,
Nov. 10th.

**"Celebrating God
and Country"**

**Grandparents bring your
grandchildren and families.**

**All are welcome.
Stay for fellowship
And pizza!**



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**Come and be
a part of this
time of worship
and celebration!**

**An exciting
time at BPC!**

All welcome!

Don't miss this!

Our Church



**Church
Work Day**

**Thank
You All
Who
Helped!!**



A note from Gail

Thanks to Tropical Storm Nestor, our annual Fall work day turned into two Fall work days. The weather from Nestor made any outdoor activities virtually impossible on 10/19, but on 11/2 we had a beautiful Fall day. 17 individuals, including Scouts & leaders, donated their time and energy to help spruce up the church for the upcoming Holiday Season. Thank you one and all!!

We had an extensive "to-do" list both inside and out. With everyone's help, we were able to accomplish almost everything. Inside, we washed windows, replaced ballasts and light bulbs, cleaned the kitchen and oven, wiped down the chairs in the sanctuary, and thoroughly scrubbed the floors in the community room (thank you Helen).

Outside, all of the beds were weeded, shrubs trimmed, plants fertilized, the front porch cleaned, the filter was replaced in the drinking fountain and all of the drains cleaned, light bulbs were replaced on the front porch, sprinkler heads replaced and all of the pavers around the front sign moved in anticipation of the new one being installed later this year.

Thank you 13 church members (to many to name). Scouts Wyatt, Austin, & leaders John and Peter.

It was truly amazing all that was accomplished!



Happy Birthday

November:

11/14 Cathy K.

11/15 Marcia H.

11/15 Tracy S.

December:

12/1 Ann H.

12/5 Rosemary H.

**Please send a card to our
shut-ins. Thank you.**