

Church Life

Welcome Home!

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"When times are good, be happy; but when times are bad, consider this: God has made the one as well as the other. Ecclesiastes 7:14

It's Thanksgiving season, and I have naturally been thinking of all I am thankful for... like family, friends, and material blessings. Yet, saying I'm thankful for my family and the blessings just doesn't seem like enough. It doesn't seem honest enough. It doesn't show the reality of my days. It doesn't show the depth of my brokenness. It seems all too superficial... too shallow. Please hear my heart.

I have gotten to know several people over the years who live day to day through situations and relationships I can't even begin to understand. Their hearts and minds carry burdens that I can't even fathom because, in all honesty, I feel that God has blessed me beyond anything I could ask for.

But I have also found over the years that no matter what my situation, God is worthy of my praise. Because God is still God, and God is so very good.

For me, I desire to be thankful for the issues I've had over the years, because they have shown me my frailty and my humanity. I desire to be thankful for the times I have been brought to my knees in tears because they have humbled me. I desire to be thankful in the middle of my hardships because it has taught me to run to God more. I desire to be thankful for dealing with the anger and sinfulness of others, because it has made me take a good hard look at myself and my own sinfulness.

No matter what I face and no matter what you may be facing, God is still worthy of our Thanksgiving and praise. Why? Because God is still God in it all.

Heavenly Father, help me take time this Thanksgiving to consider all you've done in my life, and praise you for the good things as well as the hard things. Thank you for loving me, forgiving me, and never letting me go from your loving arms. You are the hope that I have in all things. In Jesus Name, Amen.

In Christ, Pastor Phil

# <u>Sunday</u> Schedule

9:00 am Sunday School 10:00-10:30am Transition / Fellowship 10:30 am Worship Service For both hearing & Deaf



## Wednesday Schedule

5:00 pm Church Dinner
5:45 pm Deaf Bible Study
6:00 pm Pastor's Adult Bible Study & Prayer Preschool Choir & Mission Friends Children in Action (Music & Missions) Youth Group B207
7:15pm WHBC Worship Choir Rehearsal

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Scrapbook Ministry 2pm	2 Scrapbook Ministry 9am
					WMUV Getaway	WMUV Getaway
3 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS	4 BAPTIST WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER	5 2024 ELECTION DAY	6 Dinner: Chicken Alfredo Pasta, Broccoli Bread & Dessert	7	8	9 Youth "Friends Giving" Day 3 -9pm Fellowship Hall
10 Senior Adults ered Dish <i>Lundred</i> <i>After service</i> <i>Fellowship Hall</i>	11 VETERANS DAY	12 QUILTING MINISTRY 9AM Church Council meeting 6pm	13 Dinner: Taco Salad, Bread & Dessert Finance Committee meeting. 7:15pm	14	15 Church Office Closed	16
17 Deacons Mtg. 8am Church members Business meeting (after worship)	18	19	20 Dinner: Chicken & Stuffing Casserole, Green beans Bread & Dessert	21	22	23
24	25	26 Quilting Ministry 9:00am	27 no evening dinner or activities	28 Church Office Closed	29 Church Office Closed	30



Baptists have a long history of praying together. The Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer began in 1948 as a postwar, multicultural prayer meeting focusing on building unity after unimaginable pain and suffering. Many languages were spoken as women poured out their requests to God.

The 2024 theme is "Purposeful Life" drawn from Romans 8:28: "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." On November 4 join women in more than 100 countries who are interceding for their communities and seeking to be difference makers in the world. Link hearts and hands with others as we seek the wisdom of God's Word, pray with intention, and hear how the Spirit is moving in every part of the world

Margaret Langley





Providing financial support to missionarie as they share the gospel overseas.



For the giving and receiving of Christmas cards for W.H.B.C. members who are here attending church. All postage given goes to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering.

Please remember these cards are not mailed out.

### Did you know,

There are many ways to give your tithes and offerings to our church? You can still give while you are here at church. But what if you are not here, or forgot your checkbook or offering at home and you still want to give? You can be sure your tithe and offerings are not missed by giving through one of these other ways.

- 1) You could mail your check to the church. It will take a few days to get here and you will need a postage stamp.
- 2) You can go online to your own bank's website and set up a payment to the church, just like you would pay a utility bill. This can even be set up to be done on a reoccurring basis so your offerings will always be received on time even if you are not here. And generally there is no charge for this service to you or the church.
- 3) You can go to our church website (www.whbcnow.org) and give through the SecureGive link with a debit or credit card. This can also be setup on a reoccurring basis.
- 4) You can download the SecureGive App on your smartphone and give with a debit or credit card.



December1, 5:00 pmAdorning the Sanctuary, and light Snacks & Christmas cookies.December8, 5:00 pmChurch Family Christmas Caroling (to homebound & shut-ins)December15, 5:00 pmPreschoolers & Children Present "The Birth of Jesus" DramaDecember22, 5:00 pmChristmas Cantata, Worship Choir & Senior Adults

Tues, Dec. 24, 6:00 pm Candlelight & Communion Christmas Service.



### 2024 GIVING BACK TO GOD

Date	Worship	Sunday School	Budget Received	Heart for the House				
Sept 22	130	104	\$9,827.00	\$123.65				
Sept 29	141	100	\$7,040.75	\$409.37				
Oct 6	150	116	\$10,104.50	\$592.87				
Oct 13	129	110	\$4,511.00	\$496.37				
YTD 2024 Received (Budget): \$342,817.2								
2024 Budgeted to Date \$397,324.0								
YTD 2024 Received (Heart for the House): \$18,703.80								