



# The Grapevine

## Our Mission:

To receive and share God's love through worship, education, service and outreach.

## Editor's Note:

Greetings and Blessings to all of you! It has been so beautiful outside these last couple of weeks with cooler days, sunshine and the autumn leaves *giving* such a pretty glow to our lives. We have so much to be thankful for despite the turmoil that we are enduring around us. November is traditionally the month we give thanks for all of the blessings we receive day to day, be they big or small. In keeping with my promise made

in September to be more vigilant with my daily devotions I am going to work on the 30 day Thankfulness Challenge, p.10. Thankfulness to our God can have many forms of expression-such as prayer, praise and worship. To encourage and cultivate a thankful heart check out the scripture challenge, together we can immerse ourselves in thanksgiving.

In Christ's Love

Petra

## Monthly Scriptures :

### November 6 :

*Luke 20:27-38*

*Sermon Title:*

*God of the Living*

### November 13:

*Luke 21:5-19*

*Sermon Title: You will be given Words of Wisdom*

### November 20

*Luke 23:33-43*

*Sermon Title:*

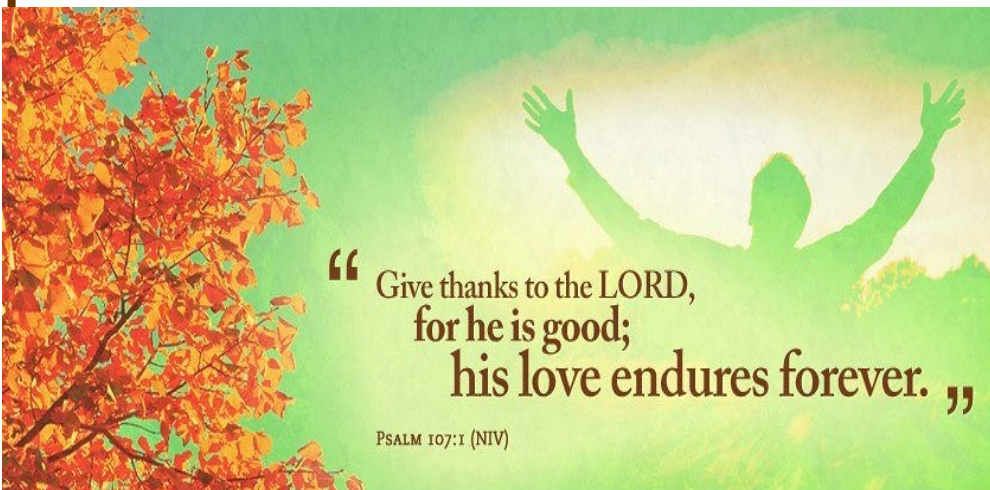
*Remember Me*

### November 27

*Matthew 24:36-44*

*Sermon Title:*

*God of the Living*



To encourage others to pray for peace in Jerusalem, LIKE and SHARE this verse  
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## Pastor Ken's Corner

*Luke 20:34–38 (NRSV)*

<sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; <sup>35</sup> but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. <sup>36</sup> Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. <sup>37</sup> And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. <sup>38</sup> Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.”

November is here... We celebrate all the Saints who have gone before us on **All Saints Day** and then we celebrate all those blessings we have had and Give Thanks for God's Care for us on **THANKSGIVING DAY**. Our November is filled with memories and celebrations. We celebrate all our Veterans throughout the years on Veteran's Day. How appropriate for an entire month of Remembering and Giving Thanks to God for our Forefathers who served and those Saints who went before us and to be in the moment of Thanksgiving for all the God Given Blessings on a special day of Thanksgiving Day!

We all know that people are going to be recovering from Hurricane Ian we need to keep them in our prayers. Along with the prayers we can assist with contributions to UMCOR and similar organizations that will go a long way to helping the rebuilding efforts.

When considering the Promise, we have with All Saints Day Jesus reminds us that Our God is a **God of the Living!**

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Those who have gone before are Children of the Resurrection and we look to join them as Jesus reassures us of the relationship God has with all the believers who have gone before and for us when our day comes to join them. **Christ Has Died, Christ is Risen, and Christ will come again!** We will be with Him in the New Jerusalem along with all the Saints

There are so many world events and local occurrences that we can and should lift to the Lord. Such as: impending surgeries, and other health concerns as well as life events of consequence and even the routine daily events.

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Pray for those UMCOR and other similar agencies and local first responders as well as National Guard, Coast Guard responders at work around the world. We pray for school safety and productive learning environments for our children. We pray for the adults headed back to school in our universities and institutions of higher learning.

We need to be constantly in Prayer for our congregation and our friends and family. Several of our members still have procedures pending, we lift them all up to the Lord for successful procedures and healing Grace. We pray that our country and our communities are covered by His Love, Grace, Mercy and Hope.

We need continue to pray for; our teachers; our administrators and our first responders, law enforcement; medical/EMT, and other counselors for the students, and parents, and teachers, and others impacted by the new year and what awaits. We Pray with renewed faith and vigor.

We have this reassurance from Jesus that we should be mindful of all the Blessings we should give thanks for. We must remember those veterans who have served our country over the years and our families and daily blessings all the time not just on **Veterans Day**.

Keep all of those who are healing from COVID in your prayers. Be mindful also of the others in our congregation who are undergoing treatments and procedures.

*Everyone is invited to come and help with our next mobile food pantry.*

**Our Cryer Mobile Food Pantry has been scheduled for November 5, from 9-11 AM**

We pray for all our **community Services**: food pantry; meals on wheels; and other ministries, we provide to our community are **our Community Outreach**. We are performing Loving witness to our community to **demonstrate God's love to us**.

COVID restrictions and protocols are relaxed but many remain, and we must keep in mind that the threat is not eliminated, **and in some cases is elevated again with the recent variants....** For some, the risks of COVID are very real and very present. **We continue to lift in our prayers those who are at risk and still under many restrictions.**

Let us continue to pray for the people who may encounter COVID-19 and be exposed to or suffer from the illness.

**Peace & Grace, Pastor Ken**

## LAY LEADER — WARREN WRIGHT

By the time you read this article, the day of Thanksgiving 2022 will be fast approaching. We have so much to be thankful for in our small part of God's grand universe that we often forget to stop and give praise to God. We will soon be moving toward the wonderful Christmas season, let us keep that same spirit of thanksgiving alive. Although we live in turbulent times, we have so much to be thankful for. God's messages have told us that we live in a complicated world that we often personally make more complicated. This holiday season let's concentrate and pray for our church, Pastor Ken, Terry, and their family, and all the families of our church. Let's get away from concentrating on the hustle and bustle of shopping and remember the real reason for the season. You can set aside a time each day for yourself to make a connection to God and pray for all these things. I bet it will uncomplicate your personal world. Have a wonderful holiday season and I'll see you each Sunday.

**From the words of Paul to the Corinthians, 2 Corinthians chapter 9, verse 15, "Thanks be to God for this indescribable gift".**





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### Soup Ministry

Soup Ministry/Warming Tree/and Coat Ministry –  
September 2022

Chairperson-Kathy Wright; Lucy Blevins and Diane  
Faulkner



At the request of our soup ministry recipients, soup was not delivered during the summer months. We will begin delivering the third Monday of October. We only deliver once a month because we deliver groceries from the Cryer Center Mobile food pantry the first Saturday of each month, including during the summer months. If you would like to make homemade soup for our recipients, let one of the committee members listed above know. The containers (one quart size) are provided and you will need to make four quarts, make a variety your choice (most like vegetable or chicken noodle soup), and return your soup to the church.



Our warming tree and coat rack ministries will begin the first Saturday in November through the first Saturday of March. If you would like to provide warming tree items, etc. gloves, hats, scarves, homemade or store bought, you may bring them to the church and place your items under the angel “warming tree”. The coats should be new or slightly used (and cleaned) in children’s or adult sizes.

**THANK YOU** for supporting these very important ministries at Clarksbury United Methodist Church. If you would like to help in any way, contact one of the committee members listed above, or myself, Kathy Wright (757-373-9166) or email [kdwright@va.metrocast.net](mailto:kdwright@va.metrocast.net). **God Bless.**

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## Ministries:

### UMM

The UMM will meet on Monday November 28th at 7PM. Remember there are no membership or dues requirements to be a part of the United Methodist Men of Clarksbury, just a willingness to serve Jesus Christ within your church and community.

**Mission-To Help Men Grow In Christ, So Others May Know Christ.**

### RECOVERING

Betty Johnson Connie Robertson Val Bradley  
Carl Tate

### Nurture & Outreach Jerry Dant

Friends, lets remember our homebound members with cards during the upcoming holidays. I am sure they would like a card anytime.

Now, that the pandemic has slowed down, a visit would be nice.

Also, with the holiday season coming, we need suggestions for homemade

gifts for the Fishing Bay Residents. With some ideas, maybe some of our

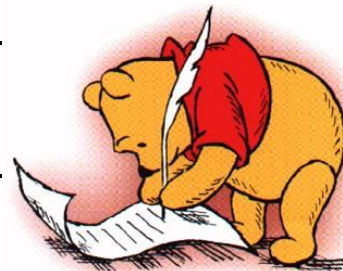
ladies can meet and have fun making them as much as hey will enjoy receiving

them at Christmas. Please help our committee with ideas.



If you pause to think--  
you'll have cause to  
thank!

Happy Thanksgiving



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## Ministries and ETC:



**Mobile Food Pantry -**  
**Clarksbury United Methodist**  
**Saturday, November 5, 2022**  
**9:00am-11:00am**  
**Clarksbury United Methodist,**  
**Deltaville, VA 23043, United**



### **Church Service Assistants for the month of November**

#### **Ushers:**

*Linda Bartz and Linda Dobbins*

#### **Scripture Reader:**

*Joyce Smith*

#### **Liturgist:**

*Warren Wright*

#### **Counters:**

*Charles Townes and Linda Dobbins*

*Open Hearts Open Minds  
Open Doors*

Deadline for the December Newsletter is Monday, November 21!  
 Please send your emails and articles to [pwalian2@gmail.com](mailto:pwalian2@gmail.com) for inclusion in the newsletter.

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<b>Annual Budget 2022 Operating Funds</b>	<b>120,298.00</b>
<b>Total Received for Operating Funds 10/30/22</b>	<b>96,754.82</b>
<b>Total Needed by end of November</b>	<b>13,518.35</b>



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Clarksbury has many Ministries Trunk or Treat 2022



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## *September Power of Prayer*

### The Mystery of Prayer

By Helen Steiner Rice

Beyond that which words can interpret

Or theology can explain,

The soul feels a “shower of refreshment”

That falls like gentle rain

On hearts that are parched with problems,

And are searching to find the way

To somehow attract Cod’s attention

through well-chosen words as they pray,

Not knowing that God in His wisdom

Can sense all man’s worry and woe

For there is nothing man can conceal.

That God does not already know,

So kneel in prayer in His presence

And you’ll find no need to speak —.

For softly in silent communion

God grants you the peace that you seek.



## 30-Day Bible Scripture CHALLENGE

<b>Day 1</b> <b>Colossians 4:2</b> "Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving;"	<b>Day 2</b> <b>2 Corinthians 9:15</b> "Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!"	<b>Day 3</b> <b>1 Thessalonians 5:18</b> "...in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."	<b>Day 4</b> <b>1 Chronicles 16:34</b> "Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever."	<b>Day 5</b> <b>1 Corinthians 15:57</b> "But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."	<b>Day 6</b> <b>Psalms 106:1</b> "Praise the Lord! Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever."
<b>Day 7</b> <b>Colossians 3:15</b> "In You, O Lord, I put my trust; Let me never be ashamed; Deliver me in Your righteousness."	<b>Day 8</b> <b>Psalms 100:4</b> "Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name."	<b>Day 9</b> <b>Psalms 107:21</b> "Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, And for His wonderful works to the children of men!"	<b>Day 10</b> <b>Colossians 1:12</b> "...giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light."	<b>Day 11</b> <b>Psalms 79:13</b> "So we, Your people and sheep of Your pasture, Will give You thanks forever; We will show forth Your praise to all generations."	<b>Day 12</b> <b>Luke 2:38</b> "And coming in that instant she gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem."
<b>Day 13</b> <b>Leviticus 22:29</b> "And when you offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving to the Lord, offer it of your own free will."	<b>Day 14</b> <b>Psalms 30:4</b> "Sing praise to the Lord, you saints of His, and give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name."	<b>Day 15</b> <b>Psalms 35:18</b> "I will give You thanks in the great assembly; I will praise You among many people."	<b>Day 16</b> <b>Psalms 69:30</b> "I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify Him with thanksgiving."	<b>Day 17</b> <b>Psalms 26:7</b> "That I may proclaim with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all Your wondrous works."	<b>Day 18</b> <b>Psalms 95:2</b> "Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms."
<b>Day 19</b> <b>1 Chronicles 16:8</b> "Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples!"	<b>Day 20</b> <b>Hebrews 13:15</b> "Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name."	<b>Day 21</b> <b>Psalms 140:13</b> "Surely the righteous shall give thanks to Your name; The upright shall dwell in Your presence."	<b>Day 22</b> <b>Mark 14:23</b> "Then He took the cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, and they all drank from it."	<b>Day 23</b> <b>Luke 17:16</b> "...and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan."	<b>Day 24</b> <b>Ephesians 5:20</b> "...giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,..."
<b>Day 25</b> <b>Philippians 4:6</b> "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God."	<b>Day 26</b> <b>Matthew 15:36</b> "And He took the seven loaves and the fish and gave thanks, broke them and gave them to His disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitude."	<b>Day 27</b> <b>2 Corinthians 2:14</b> "Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place."	<b>Day 28</b> <b>2 Corinthians 4:15</b> "For all things are for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God."	<b>Day 29</b> <b>Colossians 2:6-7</b> "As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving."	<b>Day 30</b> <b>2 Thessalonians 2:13</b> "But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth..."

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## GROUP GAME

### Thanksgiving Word Search

**1 Thessalonians 5:16-18,** *"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."*

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#### Word Bank

AUTUMN	FEAST	GOD	LEFTOVERS	PRAISE	TRADITION
BAKE	FELLOWSHIP	GRATITUDE	LOVE	PRAYERS	TURKEY
BLESSINGS	FRIENDS	GRAVY	NAP	PUMPKIN	WORSHIP
CHRIST	GATHERING	HARVEST	NOVEMBER	SHARING	YUM
CHRISTIAN	GIVING	JESUS	PARADE	TABLE	
CHURCH	GOBBLE	LAUGHTER	PIE	THURSDAY	





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# November 2022

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		1	2	3 Choir Practice 11am	4 Fran Miller	5 Food Pantry 9-11 David Moore Phil Smith
6 Carol Jones	7	8	9	10 Choir Practice 11am	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Don Bartz Choir Practice 11am	18 Ken Cleveland	19
20	21	22	23	24 Dawn Wilt Choir Practice 11am	25	26 Adrielle West
27 Jay Moore First of Advent	28	29	30 Matthew Duke			

November Birthdays (If you know of any additions, deletions or corrections that should be made to the birthday calendar, please let the newsletter editor know.)