

## Ponder Points

We tend to forget that thankfulness doesn't come as a result of receiving something we don't have. But rather from recognizing and appreciating what we do have.



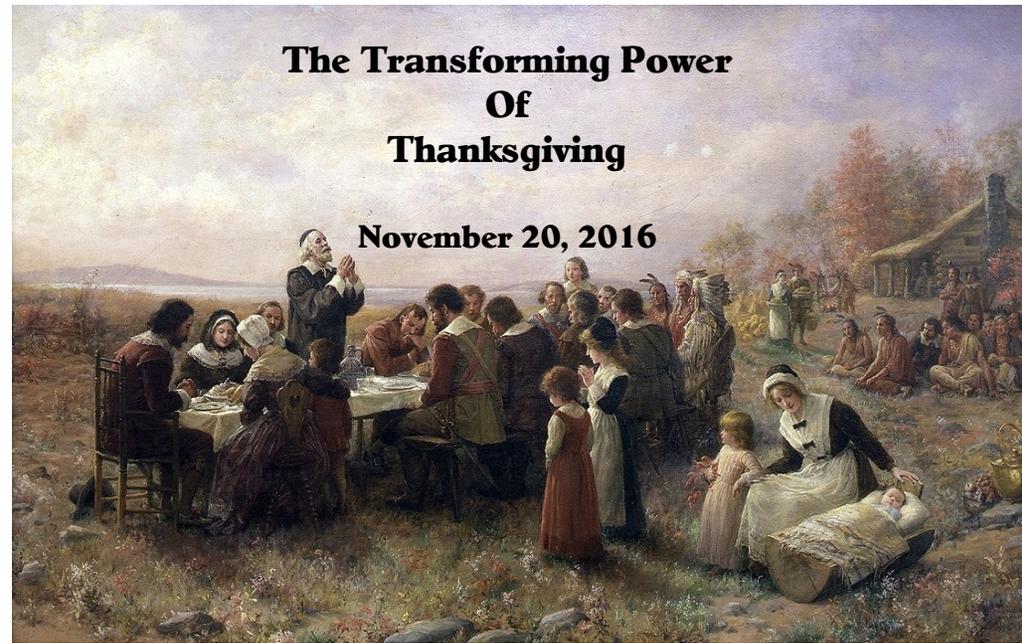
There will be no Wednesday Evening Service

Next Sunday November 27 Advent Begins with our new Sermon Series: The Giver

Saturday December 24 6:30 PM Christmas Eve  
Worship Service

There will be no Sunday Service on Christmas Day so people can travel to see their families.

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Welcome to The Fellowship! We are so glad you have chosen to join us this morning. We trust you will find acceptance, hear a message of hope and experience a blessing from God that will go with you.

If you are a first time guest we ask that you would please fill out the Connection Card provided and place it in the offering. This is a way for us to get to know you better and keep you connected with our ministry. The info you provide will be used for ministry purposes only.

Feel free to check out the front foyer, where you will find free booklets, bookmarks and DVD's.

You can find the Men's Room to the left rear of the Sanctuary by the Sound Booth and the Women's is at the right rear where the Nursery is also located.

If you need help with anything or have questions, please feel free to ask one of our greeters, we are here to help you enjoy your time with us.

Be Thankful and Grateful \_\_\_\_\_ all things

*Thank [God] in everything  
[no matter what the circumstances may be,  
be thankful and give thanks],  
for this is the will of God for you [who are] in Christ Jesus  
[the Revealer and Mediator of that will].  
1 Thessalonians 5:18 AMPC*

For it \_\_\_\_\_ our lives

*Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well." Luke 17:15-19 ESV*

Ungratefulness keeps us from God's \_\_\_\_\_

*Then he began to denounce the cities  
where most of his mighty works had been done,  
because they did not repent.  
Matthew 11:20 ESV*

There is a difference between being touched by God and being transformed by Him

*Yes, they knew about him all right, but they wouldn't admit it or worship him or even thank him for all his daily care. And after a while they began to think up silly ideas of what God was like and what he wanted them to do. The result was that their foolish minds became dark and confused.*

Romans 1:21 TLB

Account of Nebuchadnezzar Daniel 4

Ways to \_\_\_\_\_ thankful and grateful

Thankful– expresses appreciation

Grateful– expresses a deep sense of gratitude

*Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,  
remembering that as members of the same body  
you are called to live in harmony,  
and never forget to be thankful for what God has done for you.  
Colossians 3:15 Phillips*

*Never stop praying.  
Be ready for anything  
by praying and being thankful.  
Col 4:2 Amp*

*Go through His gates, giving thanks;  
walk through His courts, giving praise.  
Offer Him your gratitude and praise His holy name.  
Psalm 100:4 NLV*

It's not what we say about our blessings,  
but how we use them shows the true measure of our thanksgiving.  
W.T. Perkeiser

Don't think of the things you didn't get after praying.  
Think of the countless blessings God gave you without asking.

