November "Come, Grow With Us ... In Christ" 2016

Good Tidings,

It is November, and we are one month closer to ending 2016 and beginning 2017. This year has just blurred by and we have so much to be thankful for. Because, November is the month of Thanksgiving and in this month we try to start searching for the goodness of people and the coming salvation of the world in December.

But this November we are not off to a great start in our Thanksgiving or search for goodness in ourselves or others. We are entering this November with hatred, criticism, and a lot of negative mudslinging between friends and family. These last several months have brought about an illuminating insight into the Christian witness. Frankly, having read and seen much of it, I am glad that we serve a forgiving God.

We as a body of Christ are to be moving from a focus on the lessons of Christ to the coming of Christ, and we are nowhere near it, due to this election. How can we start out the month being hateful and end the month on being thankful? Where is the true expression of Christ at in that dichotomy?

What I am asking us all to do, is that from today on, pray and pray hard for our nation and God's world; for our family, friends, enemies and those whom we have never met. Be in deep reflection on what it means to be like Christ over Christ-Like. Follow what Christ taught even if it goes against every nerve, muscle and gut reaction in our bodies at the time. To LOVE unconditionally, so that we truly have a month of Thanksgiving that moves into a month of gifts given.

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for [us all]."

---1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

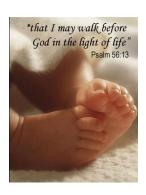
Blessings and Love, Chad





Baby Dedication

Please join us in dedicating to God and Christ's Church, Aubrey Lynn Hardee on November 6, 2016. Please come for this joyous occasion in support of Casey and Mitchell Hardee along with the rest of their extended family.





Dear Ayden Christian Church,

Thank you for allowing me to use your church building for "The Mindful Pirates" relaxation and mindfulness classes for children. You have a fabulous space for this!

Sincerely, Amanda Hines

48TH ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL
Southwood Memorial Christian Church
1027 NC Highway 58 South, Kinston, NC 28504
November 12, 2016
Big Yard Sale
Barbecue Pork and Chicken 10:00 AM until
Fish Stew 5:30 PM
Auction 6:30 PM and featuring:
Annual Southwood Ladies Home-Made Quilt!
Lots of Craft Items, Baked Goods, and much, much
more!





HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Saturday, November 5, 2016
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
First Christian Church
Grifton, NC (corner of Queen & Church Streets)
Crafts, baked goods, Holiday Décor
And lots more
We'll also have hot sausage biscuits and coffee for sale
Free admission
To rent a table for \$25 or if you have questions, contact
Vicki Kennedy at 252-524-4798



Serving in November

Elders:

Nov 6th Robert Spence & Louis Sutton Nov 13th Connie & Wesley Hardee Nov 20th Sue Venters & "Bear" Baldree Nov 27th Gaynell Deans & Lou Anne Sutton

Greeters:

Nov 6th Gaynell Deans & Joyce Barnes Nov 13th Denelle & KR Roberson Nov 20th Sissy & Kay Dunn Nov 27th Laura & Craig Buck

Deacons:

Nov 6th Nancy Braxton, Shannon Lubiani,
Cindy Rhue, Marenda Ausbon

Nov 13th Jody Venters, Emme Wainright,
Jessica Braxton, Connor Sutton

Nov 20th Jennifer & Ryan Hardee,
Andrea & Jack Hardison

Nov 27th Cindy Rhue, Lena Darden,
Jody Venters, Trudy Tyson

Worship Leaders:

Nov 6th Lou Anne Sutton Nov 13th Linwood Allegood Nov 20th Ernie Lubiani Nov 27th Joyce Barnes

Worship Representatives:

Nov 6th Ryan Hardee
Nov 13th Jim Newman
Nov 20th Cobby Deans
Nov 27th Lou Anne Sutton

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled Sunday, it is your responsibility to find your replacement

Serving in December

Elders:



Dec 4th Linwood Allegood & Sissy Dunn
Dec 11th Joyce Barnes & Alice Huggins
Dec 18th Ronnie Huggins & Tommy Stancil
Dec 25th Carol Ann & Ray Hardee

Children's Mo

Nov 6th Marty:
Nov 13th Jennife
Nov 20th Nicole
Nov 27th Alice H

Greeters:

Dec 4th Becky & Steve McL
Dec 11th Ray Hardee & "Bea
Dec 18th Sue Venters & Mar
Dec 25th Lou Anne & Louis S

Children's Moment

Dec 4th Rachel Speight
Dec 11th Marty Stancil
Dec 18th Trudy Tyson
Dec 25th Gaynell Deans

Deacons:



Dec 4th Phyllis & Jim Newman, Marenda
Ausbon, Shelia Dixon

Dec 11th Shannon & Ernie Lubiani, Rachel
Speight, Rachel Braxton

Dec 18th Amanda & Shawn Brooks, Morgan

Brooks, Emme Wainright

Dec 25th Amanda Abbott, Nancy Braxton,
Kolby Wainright, Cobby Deans

Worship Leaders:

Dec 4th Trudy Tyson

Dec 11th Gaynell Deans

Dec 18th Ernie Lubiani

Dec 25th M. C. "Bear" Baldree

Worship Representatives:

Dec 4th Ryan Hardee
Dec 11th Jim Newman
Dec 18th Cobby Deans
Dec 25th Lou Anne Sutton

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7:00 PM

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MEETINGS





CAMP CAROLINE

Jack & Gladys Lee Multipurpose Building
<u>Memory Porch Pavers</u>

Purchase "living stones" in honor or memory of family, a loved one, camp friend, your church, special group or someone who has helped make a difference in your life. Please use a separate order form for each purchase of an engraved brick. Forms will be outside of church office.

Small Paver (4x8): \$100.00 Larae Paver (8x8): \$20.00