



Pastor's Corner

What Does Ministry Movement Look Like in This Season of Thanksgiving?

As we enter this beautiful month of November, a season marked by gratitude, reflection, and giving, my heart has been reflecting on what ministry movement truly looks like. For some, it's the hustle of church activities, meetings, and preparations for Advent. But for me, ministry movement in this season of Thanksgiving isn't just about doing more; it's about being more: more present, more prayerful, more compassionate, and more attuned to where God is already moving among us.

Ministry movement happens when we pause long enough to notice the ways God's grace is stirring in quiet places. It's seen in the gentle conversations over coffee, the shared laughter during fellowship, the hands that serve in the spaghetti dinners, and the prayers whispered for those who are struggling. It's the church not just gathering, but going, not just worshiping, but witnessing, not just talking about gratitude, but living it out.

This Thanksgiving season, I invite us all to consider how we might keep moving with God rather than simply for God. Movement without presence can lead to burnout, but movement with the Spirit leads to renewal. When we serve from gratitude instead of obligation, our ministry becomes not just active, but alive.

Let's take inventory of how we've seen God move through our ministries this year. Who have we encouraged? Who have we welcomed? Who has experienced Christ's love because of something we said, gave, or did? And as we give thanks for what has been, let us remain open to what God is still unfolding among us.

So, what does ministry movement look like to you this Thanksgiving? Maybe it looks like open hands. Maybe it sounds like heartfelt prayer. Maybe it feels like a community leaning into hope ... TOGETHER.

Whatever form it takes, may our collective movement be a reflection of gratitude and grace, reminding the world that the Church is still alive, still serving, and still moving by the power of the Holy Spirit.

With a grateful heart,
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