The Levy Update

Pastors are Off on Fridays

Sunday, November 29th – 1st Sunday of Advent
Lighting the Candle of Hope
Library Hours 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.
Kids Worship/Kingdom Kids at 10:15 a.m.
Morning Worship at 10:15 a.m.
Hanging of the Greens at 6:00 p.m.
Birthday Celebration fellowship in Waymack Hall

Wednesday, December 2nd
Library Hours 5:15 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.
Call to Dinner at 5:30 p.m.—Cost $10 for Adults, $5 for Kids 4-12 & Kids 3 & under are free (**R.S.V.P. by noon Tuesday**) *Reminder: In keeping with church policy, your reservation is your agreement to pay.*
Menu— Hamburger Steak with Onion Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dinner Rolls & Dessert
Midweek Prayer & Praise at 6:15 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 6th – 2nd Sunday of Advent
Lighting the Candle of Love
Library Hours 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.
Kids Worship/Kingdom Kids at 10:15 a.m.
Morning Worship at 10:15 a.m.
Levy at Nite at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Meals

If you arrive at **6:00 p.m. or later**, your meal will be boxed and placed in the refrigerator for you to pick up. This allows our servers time to tidy the kitchen and join us for worship. Thank you for your understanding and consideration of those who serve!

A MEMORIAL GIFT HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN MEMORY OF REBECCA M. BAEHR BY HER FATHER, VINCENT BAEHR.



If you bring a grain offering baked in an oven, it is to consist of the finest flour… If your grain offering is prepared on a griddle, it is to be made of the finest flour mixed with oil, and without yeast…
If your grain offering is cooked in a pan, it is to be made of the finest flour and some olive oil. — Leviticus 2:4–7

The first Jewish prayer most Jews are taught as children is the *Modeh Ani*. The prayer begins, *Modeh ani*, "I am thankful…" and continues, "…before you, living King, for mercifully returning my soul to me [for another day], great is your faithfulness." This prayer is said first thing in the morning, upon awakening. From a very young age, Jewish boys and girls are taught to start their day with gratitude, thanking God for the gift of life itself.

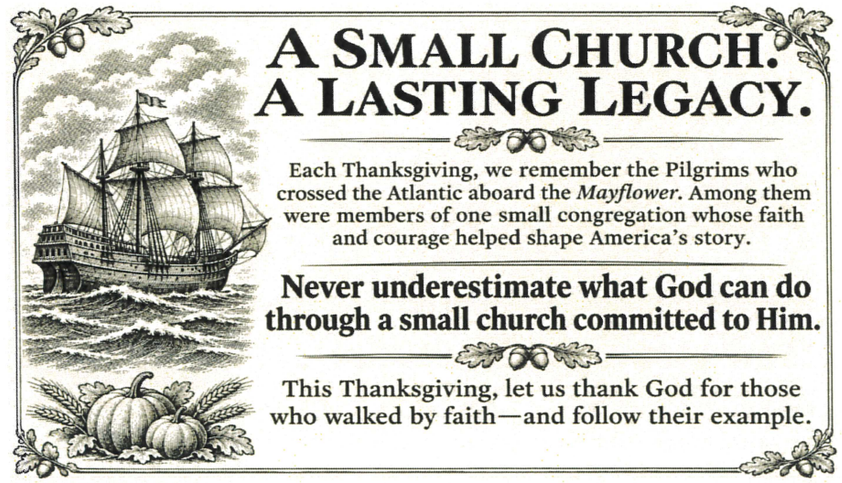
It has been said that the quality of our gratitude determines the quality of our lives. The more we express thankfulness, the happier we are and the more we recognize our blessings. I can personally attest to the fact that this attitude has served me well. It has trained me to focus on the good and remember the Source of all my many blessings.

In Leviticus 2, we find a recipe for cultivating gratitude—one that helps us see the many ways God's blessings are manifested in our lives.

In describing the grain offering, the Bible explains three different ways the offering could be prepared—baked in an oven, prepared on a griddle, and cooked in a pan. The offering baked in an oven can remind us of our "daily bread"—the basic necessities of life. The offering prepared on a griddle can remind us of a sweet cake, representing those sweet luxuries in our lives. Finally, the offering cooked in a pan can remind us of dishes prepared for special occasions, representing the momentous events that occur throughout a lifetime.

These three types of offerings can remind us to cultivate gratitude in all three areas.

By remembering to thank God for our daily needs, for the blessings that go beyond our basic needs, and for the special occasions that enrich our lives, we bring great pleasure to our Father in Heaven. Moreover, we cultivate a spirit of joy within ourselves and become more aware of the blessings that fill our lives.



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Levy members are encouraged to phone or write our new members sometime during this week.

In the mailbox…

Dear Church Family,
I want to thank Bro. Steve, Theresa & my LBC family for the beautiful flowers, all the prayers, cards & calls during my illness. I love my LBC family. Remember, "it's the best day of our lives."
Love, Betty Timmons

The Open Door

Join Us for a Christmas Outing!

Murry's
Dinner Playhouse

SCROOGE!

Monday, November 30

$48 per person, plus tip

A group discount applies if 20 or more sign up.

The church bus will be making the trip!

First come, first served.

Call the church office to sign up.

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