

# TABERNACLE METHODIST CHU

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Let all that I am praise the LORD [the I AM]; with my whole heart, I will praise his holy name.

Let all that I am praise the LORD [the I AM]; may I never forget the good things he does for me.

He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases. He redeems me from death and

crowns me with love and tender mercies. ~Psalm 103: 1–4, NLT

In this traditional time of "Thanksgiving," we know that it is anything but traditional this year. So, I pose this question: If you were to write this letter... this devotional, then what would you say? Would you still be able to "praise the I AM with [your] whole heart"?

While it may be more difficult in 2020 to praise Him with all that we have and all that we are, keep in mind (and I better tread lightly here) King David is probably in a tougher position that we are when he pens the verse above. The nation of Israel is going through a period of suffering, yet the mighty King still finds a reason to praise the great I AM through it all!

Is this something you might have written given the chance? This is where I may diverge a bit. So often, we interpret the Bible literally, or at least more literally than we should. Certainly, the Lord forgives our sins when we ask Him to. But when the phrase "[He] heals all my diseases" is used, it's not referring to the coronavirus or the common cold. King David is sharing about the problems that arise from sin. This is all the more reason to seek God's forgiveness and commit to living sin-free from this point on.

You may say, "Oh, Pastor Glenn, I don't want to hear about this. Don't you know it's Thanksgiving?" I say to you, what better way to celebrate than being set free from sin's penalty and to know that death (from sin disease) has been conquered. Accept the "crown" of love and mercy that Jesus will—has—placed upon your holy head.

Now, THAT's something... someone... to be thankful about!

Thanksgiving Blessings, Pastor Glenn

#### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Thanksgiving Eve worship service</u> at First Assembly of God, 1068 Seashore Road, W. Cape May. The Cape May Ministerium invites all on Wednesday, Nov. 25, at 6:30 pm. All safety protocols will be observed. Pastor Glenn will offer a Responsive Reading at the service. Let us thank the Lord together as a sign of unity in Jesus Christ to our community and our world.

**New Offering Mailing Address:** If you haven't already done so, please begin mailing your offerings to the new address on the back page instead of to Margie as she will be out on sick leave soon. Anyone using the E-Giving system will continue using that without any changes as funds are deposited by Vanco.

<u>Newsletters for Nov. 27th and Dec. 4th</u> - A note from Margie: "You will <u>not</u> be receiving newsletters for the next couple of weeks as I will be having my knee surgery and rehabbing at Bacharach center. Please keep me in your prayers. I will try to send an email update when able and will be in touch with Pastor Glenn.

Operation Christmas Child - 11 out of 20 shoeboxes were packed online, please let Betty Wund know if you packed a "physical shoebox" as we are trying to get a total packed. Remember, that the delivery date for these shoeboxes is Nov. 16-23rd, call John Reardon at 1st UMC of Cape May Court House at (609) 465-7852 or (609) 425-1894 to schedule a safe drop-off appointment.

<u>Listen to the service on your phone!</u> If you are unable to access the internet, you may call-in to the 11am service to listen on your phone! **Call:** (929) 205-6099 give the **Meeting ID:** 981 176 2526 then the **Password:** 779813.

Shoprite cards continue to be available after the Sunday service or by calling Susan at (609) 600-7331.



Prayer reminds us that we are not alone in our feelings and we can ease our own fears by praying for others. As we pray for our friends and family listed below, please also remember in light of the Coronavirus pandemic, the extra challenges that we face from time to time... fear, anxiety, economic hardships, isolation, & many other stresses that are unique to the times we live in.

- Pastor Glenn & Family
- Jodi Cathrall
- John Dickinson
- Dawn Garretson
- Betty Wund
- Carol Cahill
- Ralph Genovese
- Flo Magee
- Andrew Wund
- Lyndsey Bolton

- Betty Church
- Betty Carlton
- Tandi Ankrum
- Tom Ankrum
- Jay Sporl
- Cathy Oney
- Cass Pascali
- Mr. Phil Breden, Sr.
- Buddy Halbruner
- Steve Brown

- Braden Brojakowski
- Margie Katity knee surgery: 11/20
- Frank Cahill post surgery recovery
- Dan Gilliam (Margie's brother is home, recovering from surgery)

#### Prayer for those who have lost loved ones

- Janis Halbruner & Family
- The Chinn Family
- Bill Stahl & family
- Elizabeth Bailey & Family

- Flo Magee and Family
- The family of Mary Mason
- Jackie Matkowski & Family
- The Gorsline Family
- The Still Family

# We are Thankful for YOU!

#### **Covid Related Requests**

- The Lords protection over those attending services at church
- Pray for an effective Covid-19 vaccine soon
- Wisdom for leaders in Local & Federal Government
- Basic Blessing workers and distributions during Covid-19

#### Those in Shut In & Convalescent Care

Court House Center: Carol Cahill Wesley Manor: Shirley Rutherford &

Shirley Halbruner

Pitman Manor: Edna Dickinson



# A Note from Our Treasurer MAILING CHANGES!

Due to Margie's upcoming knee surgery, beginning Nov. 1st, mail all church offerings to:

T.U.M.C. C/O Barbara Mortensen 306 Edgewood Avenue, Rio Grande, NJ 08242

#### Those that live alone:

Doris Raker, Ella Elliott, Bob Jenkins, John Leo, Ernie Long, Alice Futty, Steve Brown and other friends and family who remain anonymous.



### A Bit of Clean Humor ...

A minister parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city because he was short of time and couldn't find a space with a meter. So he put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 100 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment. FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES."

When he returned, he found a citation from a police officer along with this note. "I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket, I'll lose my job. LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION."



# More Fun Just around the Corner...

## **Cape Christian Academy Christmas Bazaar**

When: December 12, 2020

At: CCA - 10 Oyster Rd, CMCH



Near Patty's Party World on Route 9 in Burleigh - Time: 10am - 4pm Join the fun for a day of shopping a variety of locally made crafts & gifts Contact Lynn Jefferis at 609-884-0735 for more information

## **Tabernacle Poinsettia Sale & UMW Christmas Greetings**

Print the forms below and return with payment to Betty Wund - 676 Townbank Rd. Unit 321, Cape May, NJ 08204



# Christmas Poinsettias Form - \$12 per plant

Purchased plants will decorate the Church Altar during Christmas Services.

Poinsettias may be taken home by those who ordered them after Christmas Eve Service

Checks payable to: Un What - Write "Poinsettias" on memo line.
- Please print - Orders due by: 12/2

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GIVEN BY

3) IN MEMORY OF\_\_\_\_\_

4) IN MEMORY OF\_\_\_\_\_

GIVEN BY\_\_\_\_\_

U.M. Women Christmas GREETINGS - Just \$ ] each!

Return form & payment to office by Sunday, Dec. 13

Greetings will be printed for the Dec. Christmas Service

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