



Bondurant Christian Church

The Messenger
(Disciples of Christ)

November 2023
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SUNDAY WORSHIP

@ 10 am

November 5

Scripture: Psalm 43

November 12

Scripture: Matthew 25:1-13

November 19

Scripture: Matthew 25:14-30

November 26

Scripture: Matthew 25:31-46

Services are on-line @
Sermon.net

<https://bondurantchristianchurchsermonnet.sermon.net/main>

or on our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/BondurantChristianChurch>

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Never Forget . . .

Veteran's Day, November 11th

IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A UNIQUE WAY TO HONOR THOSE WHO SERVED AND WERE LOST, CONSIDER SPONSORING A WREATH

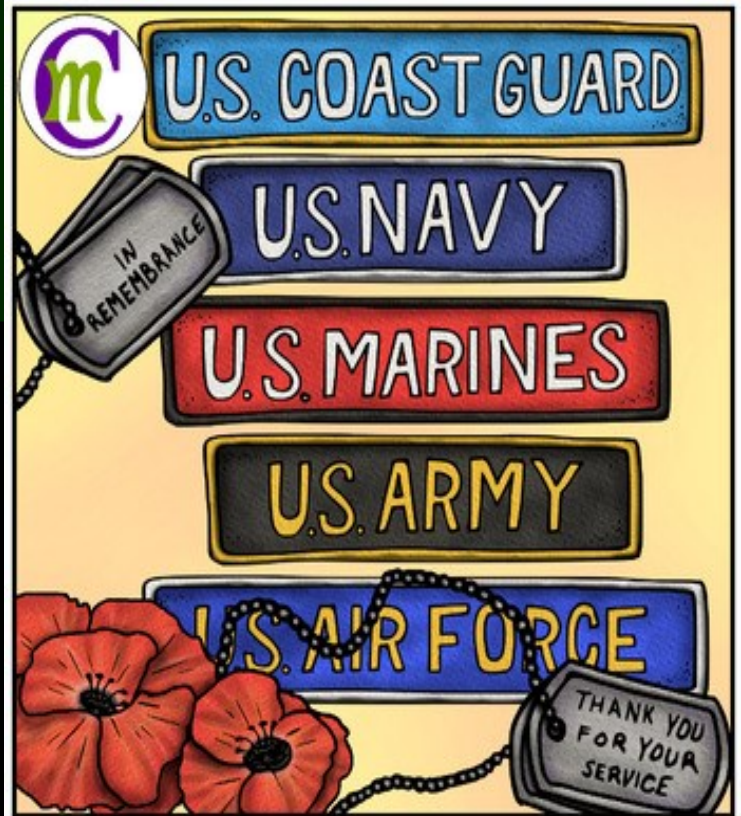
Bondurant Cemetery
Wreaths Across America

Join the yearlong mission with Wreaths Across American, to remember, honor and teach! Your sponsorship supports the organization's programs and ensures a veteran's wreath is placed in honor of an American hero this December 16th.

For more information on this worthy program, or to donate, go to:

<https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/168209/Overview/?relatedId=150000>

or contact Jan Johnson for more information.



MEETINGS THIS MONTH

BOARD MEETING

November 13 @ 6:30 pm

Please send your board reports to the church office by November 6th. Bondurant

Christian members are welcome to attend meetings. If you have an item to put on the agenda, please submit it to Tammy Davis one week prior to the meeting.

BCC members are welcome to attend the Monthly board meetings.

WORSHIP TEAM MEETING

November 5 @ 11am

MEMBERSHIP TEAM

November 12 @ 11am



SERVING FROM THE HEART

SERVING IN NOVEMBER

ELDERS

Jan Cummings
Robin McNichols

DIACONATE

Karla Crawford

STEWARDSHIP

Robin McNichols
Jan Cummings

AUDIO VISUAL

Brian Collilns
JR AV - Kaylee & Royal Collilns

ACOLYTE

Jackson & Joe Harvey

GREETERS

Nov 5 - Gomattie Hewlett
Nov 12 - Needed
Nov 19 - Needed
Nov 26 - Kristy & Kane Van Der Molen

NURSERY

Nov 5 - Carrie Harvey
Nov 12 - Needed
Nov 19 - Kristy Van Der Molen
Nov 26 - Needed



Sunday, November 19th at 11:00

All members of Bondurant Christian Church are invited to attend the **2023 Annual Meeting.**

Come hear reports of the work that has been done this past year and be able to join in to celebrate and discuss the wonderful goals and missions our church has planned in the future! The Elders will be providing fried chicken to eat, feel free to bring a side dish or dessert to share.



- 2 Kari Gipple
- 4 Shirley Miller
- 4 Daniel Way
- 5 Kylie Valentine
- 7 Maddox West
- 7 Bella Clos
- 9 MarLavonne Butler
- 10 Megan Dare
- 10 Gennie Holmes
- 11 Sophia Brooks
- 11 Brian Collins
- 11 Steve Hubler
- 11 Ronni Williams
- 14 Jasa Clos
- 14 Autumn Scheel
- 15 Caraline Davidson
- 18 Sammy Carver
- 18 Jakob Friedmeyer
- 18 Emilee Williams
- 19 Layla Ann Lesan
- 20 Scott Davidson
- 20 Chase Lathrum
- 20 Marsha Marlow
- 20 Peyton West
- 21 Jayne Higginbottom
- 21 Logan Kline
- 23 Lavon Rounds

Funny For Ya!



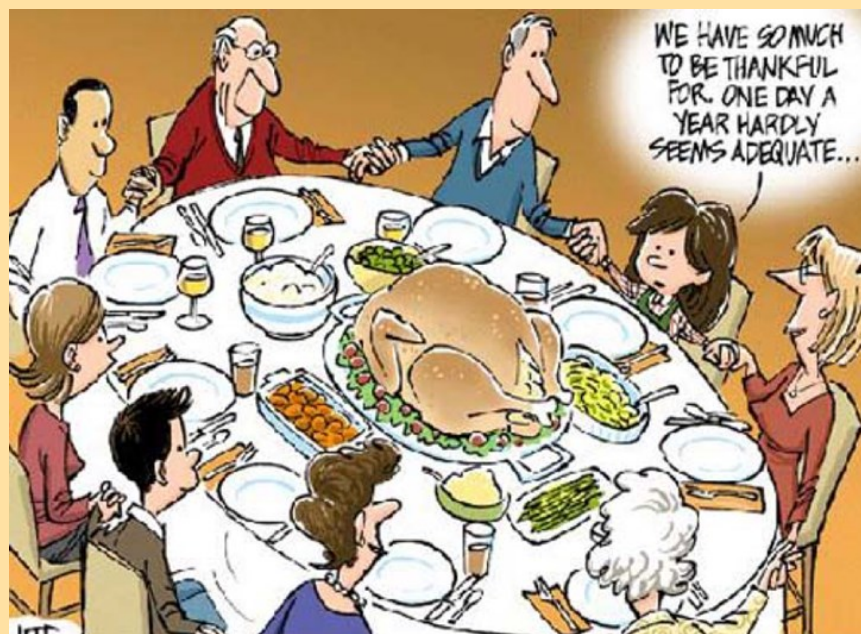
- 1 Skip & Cheryl Lenhart
- 6 Lane & Kristy Van Der Molen
- 16 Daniel & Kendall Way
- 22 John & Beth Walling
- 23 Randy & Sue McMain

Thanksgiving is coming! When we think of Thanksgiving, we often think of turkey (with the fixings), pies, and family. It is a celebration, and when appropriately observed, it has that sense of humility as we ponder all that has come to us. The legend is that the Pilgrims celebrated their first harvest in Plymouth by gathering to offer thanks to God for all they had received.

How many of us realize what the Pilgrims had been through in that first year in the New World. They had left Europe on creaky, wooden ships, bound for a place they had never seen and could only imagine. The trip was stormy and dangerous. Not all completed the journey. They landed in a place where the soil was rocky and hard to till. They had to hunt for food with muskets. With bare hands and few tools, they built rude houses. Worst of all, they suffered from disease which killed half of them. After all of this, they took time to thank God with grateful hearts.

The deeper meaning of Thanksgiving is not so much thanking God for the bounty of our lives. Rather it is learning to live our lives with grateful hearts no matter what our circumstances. To have a grateful heart is to be open to all that life offers, the good, the bad, the beautiful, the ugly, the happy and the sad. To have a grateful heart is a way of being in the world; it is not an act we must perform. Life itself is the gift, and being able to live that gift in a community of caring folks is a blessing. May we observe this Thanksgiving with open, loving, and grateful hearts, and may we offer a prayer for this community at Bondurant Christian Church that it might continue to be a blessed communion.

Happy Thanksgiving!



Yummy - Yummy - Yummy!



FELLOWSHIP & POTATOS!!

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS



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Coming Soon...

Watch for information regarding donating Christmas gifts for children through our mission connection with Hope Ministries



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS . . .

For the Vandelaar Family, Brenda Vandelaar's mom, Giulia (GI) passed on Sept. 19th; DL Henderson; Joel Birchmier; Emily Shivers; Betty Jo Brooks, friend of Harvey; Judy Wegele, Michelle Scheel; Margaret Kunze; Sandy Fry, sister-in-law of Judy Wegele; Christie Jensen's mom; Marianne Barrett; Lynette Hubler; Cait, Emilee William's friend; Gerry Lindgren, friend of the Bishop's; Laura McCullough, Linda's daughter-in-law; John Everly; Deb, friend of Judi Webb; Dakota Barrett.; Danny and Shelby Kelley, Linda McCullough's granddaughter, had twin daughters born September 15th. There is a big sister, Emma, who will be 2 on October 13th. Prayers and blessings as they go day by day.



PRAYER CHAIN Bondurant Christian Church has an active prayer chain as a means for those with an immediate or pressing concern to connect with fellow Christians in corporate prayer. This is a group of people devoted to praying for the concerns of the BCC church family and to give praise to the Lord for answered prayers. If you have a prayer need you would like sent to the BCC prayer chain, please contact Pam at the church office. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Pam at the church office, 515-967-2328 or email her @ bondurantcc@gmail.com



We are singing praises here in preschool in many different ways! We are blessed to have had such beautiful weather to play outside, to have so many generous families offer up donations requested, and to have such a great group of students eager to learn and try new things. We have started singing new songs each week that praise and celebrate Jesus and his birthday! That's right, we have started practicing for our Christmas program! We cannot wait to perform for you all in December. I imagine you will be hearing these songs sung in your home for awhile.

Thank you to all who were able to join us for our Muffins with Mom! Next up is dad's turn for "Donuts with Dad!" We are happy to offer a fun little activity each month to allow for the parents and families to come into the building and experience pieces of their day with them.

A sign-up will also be emailed out shortly for our Thanksgiving Feast! On this day, I set up one long dining table for both classes and we all come in and share a meal together. This is really memorable for all of us. It's so sweet to watch them all communicate and socialize with each other at the table. We practice manners, we try new foods, we tell stories and share about Thanksgiving with our families.



As the weather turns colder, we have been practicing "The Preschool Flip" to put on our coats all by ourselves. Ask your preschooler to show you—they're all very proud! Their independence grows a little each day. Thank you for your continued prayers and generosity for our sweet little preschool program.

Amy Baker-Preschool Director





November 2023

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|--|---|--|---|---|---------------------|---|
| | | | 1 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool | 2 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool | 3 Office Closed | 4 |
| 5 10 am Worship 11 am Worship team mtg. 5 pm CYF | 6 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool Board meeting reports due | 7 VOTE 6 am - 9 pm FH reserved No Preschool | 8 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool | 9 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool | 10 Office Closed | 11  |
| 12 8 am CMF 10 am Worship 11am Membership Team 5 pm CYF | 13 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool 6:30 pm Board Mtg. | 14 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool | 15 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool 7 pm Choir Practice | 16 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool | 17 Office Closed | 18 FH Rsvd—Pitt Family |
| 19 <u>Food Pantry Sunday</u> 10 am Worship Adult Choir Coffee & Fellowship Potluck and 11 am Annual Congregational Meeting 5 m CYF | 20 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool | 21 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool FH reserved— Preschool Thanksgiving Messenger Articles Due | 22 Office Closed No Preschool | 23 Office Closed  | 24 Office Closed | 25 |
| 26 10 am BCC & CP Worship 11am CWF (note week change) 5 pm CYF | 27 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool | 28 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool | 29 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool | 30 9 am & 12:30 pm Preschool | | |

CONNECT

With God & People

CONNECT TO OUR COMMUNITY

Our ministries allow us to connect with each other, share our faith, become more like Jesus, and serve others.

- Sunday Worship @ 10 am
Activities that meet September - May
- Nursery available Sunday am, infant - 4 yr. old
- CYF (Christian Youth Fellowship)
Meets Sunday @ 5:00 pm
- Praise Band
- Adult Choir (practice 2nd Wednesday)
- CMF (Christian Men's Fellowship)
Meets 2nd Sunday of the month @ 8 am
- CWF (Christian Women's Fellowship)
Meets 3rd Sunday of the month @ 11:15 am
- Coffee Fellowships (2nd Sunday after Worship)

Check our website & calendar for up-to-date events and times.

www.bondurantchristianchurch.com

MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Bondurant Christian Church (BCC), under the Lordship of Jesus Christ, and as witness of the whole church, to be dedicated to the worship of God, the proclamation of the gospel, the nurturing of spiritual growth, Christian service within the community, and a witness of the love of Christ in the world.

Tithes & Offerings

LET'S WORSHIP THE LORD THROUGH GIVING!

Bondurant Christian Church is thankful for your tithes and offerings given to support the ministries of the church. There are several ways you can give. There is an offering plate located at the back of the Sanctuary to place your donations, you can mail your donations in, or the Stewardship team has also made available the following two different options to give online so you can contribute easily and safely.

Givelify



Download the Givelify app and **search** for Bondurant Christian Church then **enter** your credit card information and **push "Give."**

BCC has a Venmo

account through which you can give your donations. The church does not get charged a credit card fee to use this option, so 100% of your giving goes to the church. Just scan the code into your phone & make your donation!



venmo

Scan QR code for payment

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Sunday Schedule

Worship Service - 10 am
Handicapped facilities are also available.

Church Staff

Merri Cory, Pianist & Choir Director
Pam Smith, Administrative Assistant
Email: bondurantcc@gmail.com
Amy Baker, Preschool Director
Email: bondurantps@gmail.com

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

**The deadline to submit articles for the next issue of *The Messenger* is December 15.
Please submit all articles by email or in writing.**

CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATES

Help us keep the church office and our flock lists up-to-date with your contact information. Please call the church office @ 515-967-2328, or email us @ bondurantcc@gmail.com if you have moved, no longer have a landline, or have adult children who have their own addresses.

HIPAA LAW



Under the regulations of the HIPAA LAW, hospitals are unable to release any patient information. This includes an elder contacting the hospital to see if someone has been admitted to the hospital.

If you or a family member are taken to the hospital and would like church care, please contact the church office immediately at 515-967-2328, so care can be provided.