



MACEDONIA  
— Est. 1839 —  
Baptist Church

## MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

### THE LORD'S DAY

Early Morning Worship @ 8:30 a.m.

Sunday School @ 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship @ 10:45 a.m.

Choir Rehearsal 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Evening Bible Study  
@ 6:00 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

The Tribe Student Ministries  
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Adult "ReFuel"

Bible Study & Prayer @ 7:00 p.m.  
in the Sanctuary

Gospel Project Preschoolers  
& Kids @ 7:00 p.m.

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Church Office Hours : Mon.- Thurs.  
9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Olen Tankersley	Nov 3
Gale Wood	Nov 3
David Phillips	Nov 4
Judy Slaton	Nov 6
Carol Stroud	Nov 6
John Oliver Davis	Nov 7
Haden Harper	Nov 7
Willie Wilson	Nov 8
Sandy Wood	Nov 9
Jesse Woodruff	Nov 10
Shane Woodruff	Nov 10
Jenni Harper	Nov 11
Kelli Rogers	Nov 14
Chaiz Davenport	Nov 15
Andrew Griffin	Nov 15
Donna Hedden	Nov 17
Dianne Hutchinson	Nov 17
Jason Waldroup	Nov 17
Brayson Hicks	Nov 18
Adrian Hooper	Nov 19
Jacob Kinsey	Nov 19
Donna Bennett	Nov 21
Abraham Thomas	Nov 22
Heath Garrison	Nov 23
Kaylee Patterson	Nov 23
Johnathan Watson	Nov 23
Lillie Morris	Nov 25
Leah Bradley	Nov 26
Linda Millians	Nov 26
Marilyn MacBride	Nov 28
Andrew Bradley	Nov 29
Sawyer Beck	Nov 30
Jonas Woodruff	Nov 30

*"All the days ordained for me were  
written in Your book  
before one of them came to be."  
(Psalm 139:16b, NIV)*

# MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

## LOVING GOD...LOVING OTHERS...SERVING ALL

Senior Pastor - Dr. Wade Lott

Associate/Youth Pastor - Rev. Bradley Thomas

Music Minister - Dr. Ken Gabrielse

### THE MACEDONIA CHRONICLE - NOVEMBER 2020

Most of us are familiar with the Charles Dickens quote, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times" from his novel *A Tale of Two Cities*. With regard to the year 2020, I would like to rephrase that quote; "It was the longest of years, it was the shortest of years." In some ways, it seems as if this year has dragged on for ages. In other ways, it seems like it has flown by and now we find ourselves entering the holiday season. Thanksgiving and Christmas are just around the corner and I, for one, am ready to celebrate the blessings of our Lord and to remember His birth!

I'm sure that some of you have been wondering if we are going to be able to have our annual Thanksgiving meal together. The answer – as of today – is "Yes!" We are planning to enjoy a Thanksgiving meal together, but there will be some differences for this year. First, we are planning to have the meal on a Sunday evening instead of immediately following the 10:45 worship service. Since we are doing two morning worship services, it just seemed to make more sense to do it in the evening. We are planning for the meal to take place at 5:00 p.m. on Sun-

day, November 22nd. Second, recognizing that this year's crowd will probably be different from other years, we are asking that each family, that plans to attend, to go on our website ([www.mbchiawassee.org](http://www.mbchiawassee.org)), click on the "Thanksgiving" link, and let us know how many from your family will be joining us. If you don't have access to the internet, you are welcome to call the office during regular office hours and let us know how many from your family will be attending. This will help us to be better prepared to serve you!

Finally, we will be observing Veteran's Day on Sunday morning, November 8th in both morning services. Retired Army Ranger, Mike Collins, will be our guest speaker that day. Mike was wounded in the battle that we know of as Black Hawk Down. He will be sharing his story and how God has radically changed his life in those services. Why not invite someone to join you for this special day and give them the opportunity to hear the Gospel? Church Family, I love you and look forward to seeing you soon!

In HIS Service,  
Wade





# NOVEMBER CALENDAR

- Nov 1 Daylight Saving Time Ends
- Nov 8 Veterans Day Service
- Nov 10 12:30 - 2 PM The Necessary Closet
- Nov 22 Special Offering for Backpacks of Hope
- Nov 22 5:00 PM Thanksgiving Meal
- Nov 25 No Wednesday Services
- Nov 26 Thanksgiving Day
- Nov 29 First Sunday of Advent
- Nov 29 The Lord's Supper in a.m. services

Join us for our covered dish  
**THANKSGIVING FELLOWSHIP MEAL**  
 on Sunday, Nov. 22nd at 5 p.m.



## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

shoeboxes should be returned to the church by



November 22nd.  
 Thank you for sharing the most important gift with the children.

In Gospel Project Kids, we just studied about Moses, the 10 Commandments, the Tabernacle in the Wilderness and Sacrifice. The Bible records that time and time again, the people would cry out to God and He would respond...then the people forgot about His goodness and they turned away from the One who brought them out of the slavery of Egypt. All along, God was trying to create a special people...His people...His nation...who by trusting in Him, would lead the other nations to see God's glory.

It's easy for us to criticize the Israelites. How could they forget that by God's mighty hand they were delivered out of Egypt? How could they forget His presence between themselves and the Egyptians? How could they forget that they walked across the Red Sea on dry land?

Moses was on the mountain with God and the people asked Aaron for a god they could see ...so Aaron made a golden calf and the people worshiped a god made of the gold of their own earrings. Now, God was angry.

But God, because of who He is...wanted to dwell with them anyway. I am overwhelmed at the thought that God loved them so much that in His mercy, He did not destroy them and in His grace, He gave them what they needed and so much more. He gave them the Tabernacle where they could see His presence in the cloud and the fire. He provided a way of sacrifice that would cover

their sin. He made a way for His people to be restored into a right relationship with Him.

The Old Testament points us to a better and a more perfect sacrifice. "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14). Because of Jesus' obedience to the Father, He was the perfect and complete sacrifice. No longer was the blood of bulls and rams required. Our sins have been covered ...our relationship restored by His blood.

Jesus answered, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word. My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him." John 14:23

How easy it is to call on God in our times of great need or distress. How natural it is to thank Him at the moment we are delivered. How sad it is that we too soon forget. But God...but God desires to dwell within us...anyway. May we be willing to build His tabernacle in our hearts.

- Lennie Poteat



Dear Faith Family,  
 We are loving this Fall weather! It is hard to imagine we only have two months left in 2020. I know many people will be glad to start a new year. We should also enjoy what we have left of this year, too. Yes, it has been a tough year on everyone but God is still good. Kinsley and Teagan are part of the AWANA program at their school. They have really enjoyed this program and time with their friends. They shared with me what they said was "a cool prayer about pumpkins." I played along like I had never seen it but Mrs. Lennie actually shared it with me a few years ago. It is called "The Pumpkin Prayer."

Dear God,  
 As I carve my pumpkin help me say this prayer:

Open my mind so I can learn about You;  
 (Cut the top of the pumpkin)

Take away all my sin and forgive me for the wrong things I do. (Clean out the inside)

Open my eyes so Your love I will see;  
 (Cut the eyes out in heart shapes)

I'm so sorry for turning up my nose to all you've given me.  
 (Cut a nose in the shape of a cross)

Open my ears so your word I will hear.

**Veteran's Day Service**  
**Sunday, November 8**  
**8:30 & 10:45 a.m.**  
 Special speaker -  
**Retired Army Ranger, Mike Collins**

VETERANS DAY HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

(Cut the ears shaped like the Bible-we did rectangles)

Open my mouth so I can tell others  
 You're near  
 (cut the mouth in the shape of a fish)

Let Your light shine in all I say and do!  
 Amen.  
 (Place a candle inside and light it)

Now, on to our monthly trivia question. The subject of last month's question was family trees. In the Bible we see the importance of family lineages. I gave 5 names in the Genealogy of Christ and I wanted you all to put them in the proper order from oldest to closest to Christ. 1. Zadok 2. Asa 3. Perez 4. Eleazar 5. Zerubbabel. The correct order is: 1. Perez 2. Asa 3. Zerubbabel 4. Zadok 5. Eleazar. Lynn Chambers, Shirley Hunter and Gary Poteat were all able to correctly list these names! Good job y'all. This month we will focus on a prayer of thanksgiving in the Bible. In the Old Testament someone prays this prayer of Thanksgiving at the birth of their son. "My heart rejoices in the Lord; My horn is exalted in the Lord. I smile at my enemies, Because I rejoice in Your salvation." Can you name the person that prayed this prayer? Let me know and your name will be published in next month's newsletter.

I love you all and I am excited to enter a season of Thanksgiving and Christmas with my faith family!

Love, Pastor Bradley

