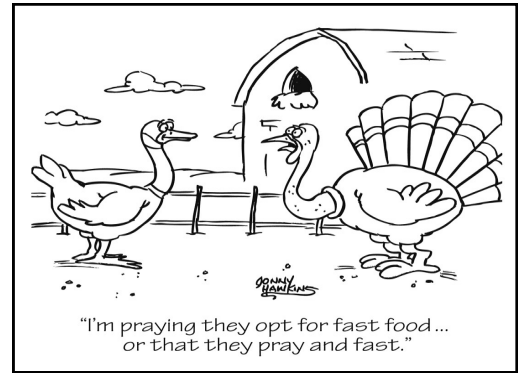


# Eastwood Epistle

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1. Why did the turkey decline dessert?  
Because it was stuffed.
2. Why did the turkey cross the road twice?  
To prove he wasn't a chicken.
3. What smells the best at Thanksgiving dinner?  
Your nose.
4. Why didn't the chef season the turkey?  
There wasn't enough thyme.
5. Why did the turkey leave the band?  
People were fighting over the drumsticks.



**Recycle** - Remember to save your aluminum cans and other aluminum for recycling. You may bring them in the foyer or toss your bag into the fenced compound to the trailer. If you crush the cans, we can get more in the trailer. We usually get several hundred dollars.

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**Men to Serve**  
**Sunday, November 26**

**Song Leader:**  
**Junie Chavez**

**Opening Prayer:**  
**Kiki Carrillo Spanish**  
**Ron Lindsey English**

**Lord's Supper/Contribution:**  
**Samuel Hooper**

**Scripture Reading:**  
**Robert Muñoz Jr**



PSALM 122:4

Office Closed  
Nov 23 & 24  
to observe  
Thanksgiving  
Day

**Happy  
Thanksgiving**



# Together

THANKSGIVING is never over. We, as believers in the Divine, are always in a state of Thanksgiving. As stated Sunday, I am happy our nation has a National Day of Thanksgiving, however, it is neither the beginning nor the end of our gratitude toward God.

The postal regulations of our permit mean our newsletter is mailed 50 weeks per year. This issue is being emailed only. Also, you may have noticed each issue is dated for the coming Sunday. So, as you are reading this paper, Thanksgiving Day is probably yet to come.

We are Thankful to our divine creator for the amazing world in which we live. The way it works with its many facets is hard to comprehend. The intricate design attests to the divine creator. It all works together to provide a world for mankind to live.

We are Thankful for our salvation through the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. When we think of ourselves as compared to the great and almighty YHWH, there is no way we can consider man to be in the same league. Yet, as God's creation, he considers us as his family. When we consider how man has lived unrighteously before God, again there is no way man can be considered as in the same league. Yes, Thankful to be saved.

We are Thankful for our families, who love us, cared for us and brought us to this stage in our lives: Thankful for parents, siblings, children, extended family of aunts, uncles and cousins: Those who taught us that we were loved and accepted our love.

We are Thankful for our spiritual family, our brothers and sisters in Christ. Those who have supported and encouraged us in our spiritual journey. Those who have been the hands of Jesus as they lifted us up in prayer and with encouraging words.

We are Thankful to be alive and serving in the church of Jesus. We are Glad to have a small part in the work of his kingdom and helping the church bear eternal fruit. Thank you, Lord for accepting us.

*Charles M. Clodfelter*

Did you speak to our Guests on Sunday? Look for them.  
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## Schedule Services

### Sunday

Bible Class - 9:00 A.M

Morning Worship - 10:00 A.M.

Children's Class 9:00A.M.

### Wednesday

Bible study 7:00pm

No Children's hour  
after communion

Our Ladies Tuesday Class 10am

Questions call Teri Dove 915-822-2419

## Happy Birthday

Nov 3, Enrique Carrillo Sr

Nov 5, Michaela Muñoz

Nov 10, Diana Williams

Nov 12, Israel Porras

Nov 12, John Banks, Nov 17, Terry Morales,

Nov 28, Teri Dove, Nov 28, Ray Rivera,

Nov 30, Maria Del Rasso



## Happy Anniversary

Nov 22, John & Iretha Banks



## Positive Things to say to your Child

1. You are helpful.
2. You were right.
3. I know you did your best.
4. I'm grateful for you.
5. You have great ideas.
6. I love being your mom.
7. I believe in you
8. You are important.
9. You make me proud.
10. You are loved.
11. You don't have to be perfect to be amazing.
12. I believe you.
13. You are worth it
14. It's good to be curious.
15. We all make mistakes, it's OK.



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## Sunday Morning Sermon

Speaker - Charles Clodfelter

Sermon: JESUS IS HERE

Scripture: Lk 1:31-33;2:7

# THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving Day is an important day for our nation. It is a time when we give thanks to the almighty God for the blessings of life. It harks back to the first European arrivals and native people sharing a meal with recognition of the gifts received. Yes, the first was in El Paso (technically across the river in Juarez) the second in Virginia and o yeah, that one somewhere in the northeast. In 1789, President George Washington proclaimed a National Thanksgiving holiday. Today, we continue to celebrate with a meal and time with family.

This day is special because it is a recognition of the gifts we receive from our Almighty God, blessings not from the government, but from God. When you hear the talking heads on TV give credit for our blessings to

anything but God, know they are part of the reason for what is wrong with our nation.

Believers must stand strong for their faith. Faith in God is why we have a great nation. Not perfect, but a people that understand righteousness and seek to live that way to the best of their ability. Religion or faith is supposed to impact our nation, not the other way around. Good citizens of faith will vote for the best solution, the most godly solution.

Honor God with your thanksgiving, with your life and with your vote. Abraham Lincoln is credited to have said: "America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves."

Charles M Clodfelter

Ladies Bible Class is adopting the Child Crisis Center for a service project for 2023. We are collecting gently used small luggage, backpacks, carry-ons, or large tote bags. Why, you ask. When children leave the Child Crisis Center or move from one foster home to another, they must take their meager possessions in a trash bag if nothing else is available. We hope to put an end to this demoralizing circumstance for as many children as possible. If you can help, we will appreciate it. If you have questions please contact Teri Dove. 915-822-2419

2023 Blue Ribbon Christmas Gift Campaign Giving the gift of Christmas to Children at Child Protective Services. BE A SANTA TO A CHILD IN NEED.

Pick up/ Drop off is December 13. Decide which age you want. Ages are from days old to youth to age out of foster care at 18. List will be sent out the first week of November if you would like to participate. Call Cristina 915-593-2772 so I can make arrangements with Maritza 915-309-3595 email: maritz.hernandez@dfps.texas.gov. More info or to adopt a child Call: 915-201-7974 Amber Hansen, email: amber.hansen@dfps.texas.gov



**A CHRIST-CENTERED Christmas ADVENT READING PLAN**

Explore the true meaning of Christmas as you travel through God's Word. Discover God's promises he fulfilled through the birth of His only Son, the **KING OF KINGS.**

1 Isaiah 7:14	2 Isaiah 9:6-7	3 Malachi 3:1	4 Micah 5:2-4	5 Luke 1:5-7	6 Luke 1:10-15	7 Luke 1:18-22
8 Luke 1:24-25	9 Luke 1:26-29	10 Luke 1:30-33	11 Luke 2:1-5	12 Luke 2:6-7	13 Luke 2:8-14	14 Luke 2:15-20
15 Matthew 1:18-21	16 Matthew 1:22-25	17 Matthew 2:1-3	18 Matthew 2:4-6	19 Matthew 2:7-9	20 Matthew 2:10-12	21 Romans 15:13
22 Galatians 4:4-5	23 Philippians 2:8-11	24 James 1:16-18	25 John 3:16	Nativity scene illustration		

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**Bible Quiz**

In the book of Judges, the warrior Barak would go to battle only if a certain female leader went with him. Who was she?

- A. Rebekah
- B. Jael
- C. Michal
- D. Deborah

Answer: D (See Judges 4:1-10)





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# In Our Prayers

**OUR FAMILY**

Teri Dove - Physical therapist came by and Teri was able to walk a short distance with a walker. It appears that the fix to her leg worked. It will be along road to full recovery but she has taken the first steps. Prayers for swift healing from operation Nov 6. Teri can be contacted on her cell phone at 915-637-0351. Will enjoy visits and call...

Alberto Morales - Prayers for no dizziness & better sugar Level. Need to go to otolaryngologist and cardiologist...

Robert Muñoz Jr - (Alberto & Cristina Morales grandson ) Thank you for prayers, need prayers for successful legal Issues..

Lulu Ochoa - Thank you for Prayers and thanks to the Ladies Bible Class for cards. Just started chemo therapy. Lulu has had no cancer pain lately. God has been so good to her for cancer treatment....

Venson Oliver - Keep Venson in your prayers for his Deployment. Send cards to SFC Oliver, Venson, B Co, 47<sup>th</sup> BSB 2-1 AD, Fos DPTA Konotop, Apo, AE 09754..

Bob Walker - Thank you for prayers. Thank you for cards. Waiting for results on radiation, chemo tests if needing more radiation.....

**SHUT-INS**

Mike Baron - Is on dialysis, prayers

Jill Breitinger - In home care with dementia, prayers

Teresa Dalke - Prayers for stronger immune system

Christine Hooper - home and recuperating

**OUR EXTENDED FAMILY**

Luis - Prayers for procedure and results....

Maria Montanez - (ESL student) Prayers. Swift healing from cancer procedure..

Bertha Morales - (Cristina Morales sister) Our sincere condolences to Bertha for the passing of her husband Monce Morales, Nov 4. send cards to Bertha Morales, PO Box 2304, Los Lunas, NM 87031635..

Rosales family - prayers for family, young adult grandson passed away....

River Russell - Keep him in your Prayers (Ida Russell's son) for his deployment

Fred Sierra - Prayers for good results from MRI.

Mario Venegas - Prayers, was sent to Houston hospital for more than 3 months after his car accident, prayers for healing, prayers for his mom Lupe. (Cristina Morales's friend Rosa Trevino)....

Please remember in prayers the military & policeman in harms way.

**Please call the office to update our prayer list.**

**Names not updated 4 weeks will be deleted.**

## Our Records

**November 19,2023**

Morning Worship – 74

Wednesday - 13

Regular Offering: \$1969.00

**Year to Date**

**Week**

Baptisms - 0

Identification - 0

**Year to Date**

Year to Date - 2

Year to Date - 0

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