



# Salt and Light

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News from Creighton First Baptist Church  
*Matthew 5:13-15*

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*From the  
Pastor*



If you listened to my sermon on October 20, I preached on the Christian's approach to Halloween. A couple things I mentioned during the sermon were: do not hide our heads in the sand, Halloween will not go away. Also, I said the church needs to highjack Halloween like the world has some of our holy days. I am excited to see churches taking Halloween back. Several in our area are having Trunk or Treat at their churches and other activities. We were in Oklahoma visiting Christina on the 27th and the church we visited had Trunk or Treat on Friday the 25th and they had over 3500 take part.

I mention Halloween because I am excited about what churches are doing, but also because we are entering a little bit of a calm before the storm. I mean the storm of the Christmas shopping blitz. We will celebrate Thanksgiving this month. I think advertisers and retail businesses are not fond of Thanksgiving because they have not found a very good way to turn it into a shopping blitz.

I know I have said it before, but Thanksgiving is perhaps my favorite holiday. It is not too commercialized, and I do like to eat. More than the food, I like the time to give thanks for the many blessings we have received. As you prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving, I would like to share with you a few things to do to turn Thanksgiving into a time of truly giving thanks. First, do not compare what you have to others. We can always find someone who has more stuff than we do. Second, do not listen to the world. We are going to hear how we deserve more than we have or what others have. I like to look at it as the Lord has not given me what I deserve, and I am thankful he has not. That is called grace and we need to give thanks for God's grace. Finally, focus on the blessings that God has given you. We cannot put a price on family and time spent with them. Things are nice and we all have more than we need. I was thinking as I wrote this, if I never receive another thing or toy, I would be good because I have been blessed above measure.

Finally, as the hymn writer put it best, count your blessings name them one by one. Or as Ray Fishbaugh used to sing, count your blessings name them ton by ton. Take time to give thanks for all the blessings God has given you, and you do not have to wait for a legal holiday to give thanks.

Have a blessed month, see you on the 17th for our Thanksgiving Dinner and Christmas Store.

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# Coming Soon!



November 11

November 17

**Thanksgiving Dinner and Free Christmas Store  
Beginning at 4:00 p.m.**



November 28

## Community of Care

The Creighton Community of Care will be the hands and feet of Christ and respond to needs in the Creighton area, guided by Matthew 25:35-40.

Our next scheduled meeting will be March 16, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church. If you know of any needs that we need to be looking at, or wish to volunteer, please contact any of the churches in Creighton.

### They Did Their Share

On Veterans' Day we honor  
Soldiers who protect our nation.  
For their service as our warriors,  
They deserve our admiration.

Some of them were drafted;  
Some were volunteers.

For some it was just yesterday;  
For some it's been many years.

We owe so much to them,  
Who kept us safe from terror.

So when we see a uniform,  
Let's say "thank you" to every wearer.

by Joanna Fuchs



FAMILY FUN

# MOVIE NIGHT

November 2 at 6:00 p.m.

AND

December 6 at 6:00 p.m.

Join us for snacks and a family-friendly movie night.

# FYI

• FOR YOUR INFORMATION •

Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service	10:45 a.m.
Bible Study	12:30 p.m.
Wednesday evening	5:30 p.m.

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**Adult Bible Studies for Life**  
**How to Know God's Will**

November 3: God's Will and the Church (1 Corinthians 12:1-11)  
November 10: God's Will and My Circumstances (Romans 8:26-32)  
November 17: God's Will and the Glory of God (John 11:1-4,38-45)  
November 24: Living in Gratitude (1 Thessalonians 5:12-22)

**Youth Bible Studies for Life**  
**How to Know God's Will**

November 3: God's Will and the Church (1 Corinthians 12:1-11)  
November 10: God's Will and My Circumstances (Romans 8:26-32)  
November 17: God's Will and the Glory of God (John 11:1-4,38-45)  
November 24: Living in Gratitude (1 Thessalonians 5:12-22)

**Children Bible Studies for Life: The Extraordinary Word of God**

November 3: God Told Jeremiah What to Write (Jeremiah 36)  
November 10: Ezekiel Offered Hope (Ezekiel 37)  
November 17: Daniel Interpreted the King's Dreams (Daniel 2)  
November 24: Prophets Told About Jesus (Isaiah 7:14; 9:6; 11:1-5; Micah 5:2)

**Preschool Bible Studies for Life: The Incredible Word of God**

November 3: God Told Jeremiah What to Write (Jeremiah 36)  
November 10: Ezekiel Offered Hope (Ezekiel 37)  
November 17: Daniel Chose to Obey (Daniel 1:1-20)  
November 24: Prophets Told About Jesus (Isaiah 7:14; 9:6; 11:1-5; Micah 5:2)

We are finishing our study utilizing the material from Vacation Bible School. We will begin a new unit with TeamKid material from LifeWay later this month.

We have also changed our format for the Wednesday evening sessions to be more attuned to the needs of the students. We now meet between 5:00 and 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings, have a brief meal and then get right to the study. We are generally finished by about 7:00 p.m., giving each student an opportunity to get home and finish homework or chores before bedtime.

Sometime during November, Lord willing, we plan to take a group to see Journey to Judea at Countryside Church in Overland Park. This is an educational look at a live nativity. We plan to reserve about 20 tickets for any of our youth from 7<sup>th</sup> grade up and any younger ones accompanied by parents that would like to attend.

Adults and children from all ages can learn from our lessons, I hope you will come join us on Wednesday evenings.

*Jenny Vivian*

TeamKids Director



### No-Peel Potato Soup

- 1½ quarts water
- 3 chicken bouillon cubes
- 1 can cream of celery soup
- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- 1½ packages frozen (32-ounce package) cubed hash brown potatoes, thawed
- 1 can whole kernel corn
- 1 pound Velveeta® cheese, cubed or grated
- bacon bits, optional
- sour cream, optional

Put water in large pot. Bring to a boil. Dissolve bouillon cubes in water. Turn heat to medium. Add soups. Stir until dissolved. Add potatoes and corn. Reduce heat and simmer for 20-30 minutes. Remove from heat and add Velveeta cheese. Stir until cheese is melted. Serve immediately with bacon bits and sour cream if desired. Serves 6-8.

### Sweet Strawberry Cake

- 1 box white cake mix
- 1 box strawberry Jell-O®
- 1 cup canola oil
- ½ cup milk
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup mashed, sweetened strawberries
- 1 pound powdered sugar
- 1 stick butter, melted
- ½ cup mashed strawberries, drained

Preheat oven to 350°. Grease a 9-by-13-inch baking dish with cooking spray. In a large bowl, combine cake mix, Jell-O, and oil. Beat on medium speed and gradually add milk, eggs, and 1 cup mashed strawberries. Continue beating until fully combined. Pour into baking dish. Bake for 35-40 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean when inserted in the center. Remove from oven and allow to cool. Beat together powdered sugar, butter, and drained mashed strawberries until fully combined. Pour frosting over cooled cake and smooth.



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