

Gore United Methodist Church

# MONTHLY NEWS

November 2017

All Saints Sunday Nov 5

Youth Hayride at Camp Egan Nov 5 3pm

Movie Night Nov 10 7pm at Vian UMC

Trustee's Meeting Nov 14 6:30pm

Administrative Board Nov 16 6:30 p.m.

Ministerial Alliance Thanksgiving Service Nov 19 6:00pm at Lighthouse Tabernacle

Hanging of the Greens Nov 26 4:00 p.m.



**Coming Soon....**  
Photo opportunity for our new directory. Watch for the dates to be announced!



### Plan to join us!

We will be Hanging the Greens Sunday November 26th at 4pm. Service will be at 6pm and a potluck dinner will follow the service.

Teri Barrick will coordinate the decorating effort. Please let Teri know if you are able to help and thank her for the fantastic job she does with all of our decorations!



Would you like to serve as the Liturgist? Do you have the heart and smile of a greeter or usher? God loves cheerful servants. Please see Pastor Marcia or Pat Cotherman and share your gifts!

## Career Café

### Inviting Students

Our Career Café at Gore High School has been a hit so far! Thank you to Michael Salsbury and Dr. Sinclair Armstrong for your presentations to the students. If you'd like more information on this wonderful outreach ministry, or would like to help with pizza and drinks, please visit with Pastor Marcia.



A concert performance of the Cherokee National Youth Choir was held on Sunday October 8th. Thank you to all who made them feel so welcome. We were blessed and grateful to have them join us at Gore UMC!



Women's Walk to Emmaus Nov. 9 -12th at Harvard Avenue Christian Church in Tulsa. More info. and registration can be found at [www.greencountryemmaus.com](http://www.greencountryemmaus.com)



Join us for the Ministerial Alliance Community Worship Service! Sunday Nov. 19th, 6pm at Lighthouse Tabernacle. Please bring finger foods to share if possible.



Friday November 10th  
Vian UMC  
7pm



Set your clocks **BACK** one hour before going to bed  
Saturday November 4th.

## Basketball & Breakfast

Friday December 1st  
Help us feed the Gore basketball team.

## Bible Study

You're invited at 2:30 each Tuesday for mid-week Bible study. This is a great way to get that mid-week "pick me up" we all need and an opportunity to come together in a relaxed atmosphere as we dig deep into the scriptures. Invite a friend, we'll have the coffee pot on!



**Low Impact Exercise  
Each Monday at 5:30pm**



**If you would like to take Holy Communion to the homebound, please see the pastor**



Prayer & Care



**Nov. 19th 6pm  
Lighthouse Tabernacle**

# PASTOR'S PEN

*A word from the heart*

Thanksgiving, a religious holiday on the civil calendar!

There is no way to understand the profound implications of God's grace and remain thankless. To know what God has done for you leads to thankfulness. While it begins in our attitude, the great Puritan Matthew Henry said, "Thanksgiving is good, but thanks living is better." When we are grateful for another person, we want to do good things for them. Do we have the same impulse with God? Does our attitude result in an intense desire to offer some gift to Him as an act of devotion?

"Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name; make known among the nations what He has done" (Psalm 105:1). Although God's grace is deeply personal, it is not private. God desires a reputation among our families and among the nations. Like the leper healed by Jesus who told everyone about it, we can't keep it in when God has been blessing us. If we have no urge to talk about God's gifts, perhaps we have missed the significance of His blessings.

The gifts of God are public domain! Do you have that desire for others to know how good your God is? There is a vertical worship of God and there is also a horizontal relationship with others about God...to declare what we know of Him.

Mother Theresa stated, "The best way to show my gratitude to God is to accept everything, even my problems, with joy." How often do we wait for a reason to be thankful before offering gratitude? We are all too aware of what we do not have. A great exercise during the Thanksgiving holiday is writing a list of what we are grateful for. Such a list has a way of diminishing our grumblings.

Faith is knowing what God can do and thankfulness is knowing God wants to do it—He loves you. Thankfulness is knowing God, allowing His past mercies to determine today's attitude.  
Happy Thanksgiving!

*Grace and Peace,  
Pastor Marcia*

