

# Thanksgiving 2015

Hope Community Christian Church – October 11, 2015

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What are some words that represent the opposite of Thankfulness???

History of Thanksgiving...

## While we were still enemies, Christ died for us...

Romans 5:1-11 NIV

### *Peace and Hope*

5 Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, **we[a] have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ**, 2 through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we[b] boast in the hope of the glory of God. 3 Not only so, but we[c] also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4 perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

6 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. 7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. 8 **But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**

9 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! 10 For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! 11 Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

## He who began a good work in us will see it through to completion...

Philippians 1:3-6 NIV

### *Thanksgiving and Prayer*

3 **I thank my God every time I remember you.** 4 In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy 5 because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, 6 being confident of this, that **he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion** until the day of Christ Jesus.

## Thankful requests...

Philippians 4:1-9 NIV

### *Final Exhortations*

4 **Rejoice in the Lord always.** I will say it again: Rejoice! 5 Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. 6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, **with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.** 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—**think about such things.**

9 Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

## A life of praise...

**1** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!  
Come, all who hear; now to his temple draw near,  
join me in glad adoration.

**2** Praise to the Lord, above all things so wondrously  
reigning;  
sheltering you under his wings, and so gently sustaining!  
Have you not seen all that is needful has been  
sent by his gracious ordaining?

**3** Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and  
defend you;  
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
if with his love he befriends you.

**4** Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before  
him.  
Let the Amen sound from his people again;  
gladly forever adore him.

## Thanking God For...

- Parents
- Kids
- Friends
- Provision/Food
- Work
- Creation
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## Announcements:

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705-812-2833

**Morning Prayer Monday to Friday 9 to 10 am at the church**

**Upward Basketball:** Grades SK to 6 **Wednesday nights & Saturday mornings** contact **Barry Elliott at 705-955-4893.**

**Good Food Box** – Orders on the first Monday of each month from 3-6 pm and pick up on the third Wednesday of each month from 3-6 pm. Fresh Fruit and Vegetables... Small box \$10, Large box \$15

**Communion Lunch Meal** – First Sunday Service (10:00 am) of each month as part of the morning service. Invite a friend and bring food to share in this pot luck style meal.

**Church Contact Directory:** Please fill out a form with the contact information for you and your family and place it in one of the collection boxes on the back wall of the gymnasium.

**God Squad Jr. High: Thursdays, 6:30 to 7:30 pm.** Students grades 6-8 are invited to this great program.

**Mom's Hangout – Thursdays 10-11:30 am...** A time for Moms and their kid's to hang out and get to know each other.

**Women's Beth Moore – Living Proof Live Conference:** November 6 & 7 at the Hershey Centre in Mississauga Tickets are \$69 US dollars

**Men's Promise Keepers Conference:** November 13 & 14 at Queensway Church in Toronto Tickets are \$60 (\$50 if we can get a group of 10)