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A Time for Giving Thanks

Because the holiday of Thanksgiving occurs at the end of November with just over a month left in the year, it's fitting for all of us to look back and reflect on what we have to be thankful for in 2023. I'm truly thankful for the blessing of the people of BBC, who have been so loving, kind, and generous to Jill and myself throughout this past year, with the gift of a sabbatical and the outpouring of support we've received since my dad's death. We are humbled and grateful to be surrounded by so much love and compassion. Our family also rejoiced in the birth of our first grandson, Caleb. Jill and I are enjoying being grandparents.

As you look back at the year, what are some things that you are thankful for? Take the time to write them down in your journal or in a file on your device. It's healthy and good for us to keep a record of our thanksgiving and gratitude.

Another thing I'm deeply thankful for is the amazing generosity of the people of our church year after year financially as well as with spiritual gifts and thousands of hours of volunteer service. This is certainly evident in the coming weeks.

November is an active month at BBC and it highlights some of the many ways our church builds up our congregation as well as reaches out to our community. In addition to the regular weekly and monthly meetings of many small groups and ministry teams, November also

features, as you'll read elsewhere in this newsletter, the **Holiday Fair on November 4**, which is the culmination of months of work and preparation. The proceeds of the fair will be given away to help four local organizations serving our neighbors on Cape Cod: Cape Cod Foster Closet, Homeless Prevention Council, Sharing Kindness, and Family Table Collaborative. We hope you will come out to help and/or shop and enjoy the warmth and fellowship of sisters and brothers in Christ.

On **Thursday, November 16**, BBC volunteers will provide a wonderful **Appreciation Lunch** to many in the **Brewster business community** who supported our work

with donations to the Holiday Fair as well as leaders in our town for their efforts in making our community such a great place to live, worship, work, and serve. If you'd like to know more about this outreach, please speak with Bill Harwood.

I look forward to November and I'm proud and thankful to be a part of Brewster Baptist Church where so many people are eager to love, grow, share, worship, give, and serve. It's said, *"Gratitude takes three forms: a feeling in the heart, an expression in words, and a giving in return."* One of the things I will be sharing in my prayers is my gratitude and thanksgiving for all of you.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving!
Pastor Doug Scalise



**Office Closed
November 10 in honor of
Veteran's Day
November 23-24 for
Thanksgiving**



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**Worship in
November**
8:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Series Getting Ready for the King

November 5
"Descend Into Greatness"
Matthew 23:1-12

November 12
"Be Prepared"
Matthew 25:1-13

November 19
"Are You Using What Gifts
You've Been Given"
Matthew 25:14-30

November 26
We welcome
International Ministry's
Global Servants
Dr. Bill and Ann Clemmer
to share updates about their projects
in Africa.

BREWSTER BAPTIST CHURCH STAFF

Lead Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Doug Scalise
Executive Pastor:	Rev. David Pranga
Pastor of Worship:	Rev. Joe Greemore
Music Director:	Chris Morris
Family Ministry Coordinator:	Gwyneth Preu
Administration:	Sharon Kautz
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	Chuck Hilton
	Jason Lussier

FINANCIAL UPDATE

The Finance Team appreciates everyone's generous support throughout the year. It is through your financial support that we can continue to move forward and are able to support our missionaries, ministries, operate our building, provide outreach activities, and have the staff that we have. BBC is closing in on the last two months of the year. Our goal is that we finish the year strong.

BBC's biggest need to finish the year strong is regarding our Stewardship Budget. This is the area that supports our missionaries and our many ministries here at BBC, building operations, and pays our staff. As of October 19, BBC's Steward Budget is at a deficit of \$29,000. BBC has taken in \$950,713, but our expense has been \$979,877. Our hope is that BBC will finish strong in the last two months of the year to close the gap and finish in the positive.

The areas that have been doing very well are the Special Offerings and Designated Mission Offerings. Earlier this year, BBC took in \$63,000 for the Africa House Renovation Project. Our missionaries, Bill and Ann Clemmer, shared about their ministry to over 800 children, and their need to raise money to help children get off the streets and provide them with housing, education, and teaching about Jesus. On Sunday, November 26, the Clemmers will be sharing in our worship services and giving us an update on their progress.

BBC's Designated Mission Offerings have continually been strong this year. Our Deacon Fund has been tremendous – BBC has taken in over \$35,000. This fund helps people in need both inside and outside our church. BBC has received over \$3,500 for the Brewster Food Pantry. Our offerings for America For Christ (\$11,250+), One Great Hour of Sharing (\$16,000+), and World Missions Offering (\$9,800) have been very strong this year as well.

Thank you again for your support and generosity! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Pastor David Pranga or BBC Treasurer, David Wilcock.

18TH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON

On Thursday, November 16 at noon, BBC will be hosting a thank you luncheon for the Brewster community. This is a free luncheon BBC provides to the Brewster Business Community and Brewster Town officials and workers to express how greatly we appreciate the support we receive from the Brewster community for all our local causes and charities.

We will be needing help in the kitchen, serving, and cleaning up; we will also need many pies for dessert. If you would like to help and/or bake a pie, please contact Bill Harwood at 508-896-5604.





2023 Brewster Baptist Church Holiday Fair **ONLINE SILENT AUCTION**

Sharing God's Love in Practical Ways

Thank you for making the 2023 Holiday Fair Silent Auction a huge success!

Thank you to everyone who served, purchased, and donated to make our Online Silent Auction, part of the 19th Annual Holiday Fair, a HUGE success, **raising more than \$17,000** so far! It's truly amazing what we can accomplish when our Church is working together to help those in need in our community.

All Fair proceeds will go to support Cape Cod Foster Closet, Homeless Prevention Council, Sharing Kindness, and Family Table Collaborative.

Thanks to these groups that worked so hard to make this event a success:

- * **Silent Auction Solicitors**, led by Chuck MacMillin and Bob Lindquist, with assistance from Bruce Betts, Dan Eberly, Don Holm, Dave Hill, Bernie Bautz, Paul Goodhue, and Dave Quinones, for gathering so many fabulous items from former business donors as well as many new ones!
- * **Project Management** Steering team member Paula David, who oversaw the overall effort.
- * **The Tech Team** Jean Holm, who ran the Auction using Greater Giving's software and wrote descriptions and took photographs of the items. Jean communicated frequently to our donors and bidders. Tom Yokum and Amanda Carter who worked with Jean to load over 130 items to the auction site. Michael Kemp, who built an amazing website that served as the Auction Home Page and linked seamlessly from the BBC website and app to the Auction page. Michael and Paula worked together on website design and copy and sent those spiffy emails to the BBC lists!
- * **Communications Team** Paula David, our communications lead and writer/designer for the Buzz, Beacon, and pulpit communications, and signs; Annie Wisnesky for the Bulletin; Nicole Porter from Monomoy Social Media and Rev. Wendy Sue Kissa, who posted on Facebook and Instagram; and Jean Holm for Greater Giving communications to bidders.

- * **Our Generous Donors** including members and friends of BBC who donated 136 items to the auction and those who donated directly. We are at 44% of our goal for cash donations and will be accepting them on the Auction website and via check through November 5.

Serving Together for His Glory,

The Holiday Fair Steering Committee

Paula David, Jean Holm, Barry Hutchinson, Bob Lindquist, Chuck MacMillin, and Jill Scalise



2023 Brewster Baptist Church
HOLIDAY FAIR
 Saturday, November 4 from 9 am - 3 pm

**It Takes a Congregation to Put on a Holiday Fair,
 and We Can't Do It Without You.**

We are so blessed to have so many generous and talented members and friends who joyfully make, bake, and donate items for our annual Holiday Fair. We're expecting a big crowd this year and need your help to fill our tables with gifts, treasures, and treats. **Here's a list of what we need and when we'll be accepting them at church:**

Jewelry Donate necklaces, pins, bracelets, earrings—old, new, real or gorgeous fakes—and even and ESPECIALLY broken 14k gold pieces, plus gently used handbags. **Bring in anytime Monday - Friday**, leave in the box under the church mailboxes, labeled "Jewelry."

Attic Treasures Donate your clean, gently used antiques, collectibles, vintage goods, china, pottery, kitchenware, tools, or artwork. Please, NO books, CDs, DVDs, mattresses, clothing, computers, printers, TVs, or furniture. **Bring in Monday, Oct 30, Tuesday, Oct 31, and Wednesday, Nov 1 from 9 am to 3 pm** in Fellowship Hall.

Craft Shoppe Calling all crafters and artisans to make unique and colorful merchandise like pottery, wood crafts, decorative items, baby soft toys, quilts, Christmas décor and ornaments, and anything Red Sox, Patriots, Celtics, or Cape themed. Please price items. **Bring in Wednesday, Nov 1 and Thursday, Nov 2 from 9 am to 3 pm** in the Community Hall.

Farm Stand Fall is the perfect season to make jams, jellies, relishes, pickles, salsa and chutney, party dip mixes, flavored vinegars, trail mixes, and fudge (especially chocolate). **Bring in Wednesday, Nov 1 and Thursday, Nov 2 from 9 am to 3 pm** in the Community Hall.

Bake Shoppe Make and donate delicious pies, breads, brownies, cakes, and lots of cookies (no larger than 2 1/2 inches in diameter). Please label anything containing nuts. **Bring in Thursday, Nov 2 from 9 am to 3 pm and Friday, Nov 3 from 9 am to 5 pm** in the Narthex. Bring in last minute items on Saturday, Nov 4 at 8 am.

Knit Shoppe Handcraft warm and cozy knitted sweaters, mittens, scarves, and anything for babies. **Bring in Wednesday, Nov 1 and Thursday, Nov 2 from 9 am to 3 pm** in the Narthex.

Flower Shoppe Use your talent for arranging to create festive holiday or coastal wreaths and floral arrangements. **Bring in Wednesday, Nov 1 and Thursday, Nov 2 from 9 am to 3 pm** in the Community Hall.

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

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Please join Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod for our Community and Volunteer Kickoff Event and Wall Raising Ceremony for our two-home build (one is a Veterans Build). Meet the families building affordable homes at Phoebe Way in Brewster!



Community & Volunteer Kickoff
Monday, November 6 at 4:00 p.m.
Brewster Baptist Church
 1848 Main Street, Brewster

Wall Raising Ceremony
Saturday, November 11 at 8:00 a.m.
Cape Cod Covenant Church

11 Satucket Road, Brewster



Please meet at the church at 7:30 a.m. We will be shuttling people to the site, with the **last shuttle leaving at 7:45 a.m.** There is no parking available at Phoebe Way.

This two-home build is very special to us; both homes honor Habitat Cape Cod volunteers who have passed. The Veterans Build home is being built in memory of Bob Harding, a World War II Marine. The second home is being built in memory of Nat Goddard and Gilbert Merritt, both Church of the Holy Spirit members.

For more information about these events and how you can be involved, please get in touch with Volunteer & Community Relations Manager Sandra Harrison at 508-362-3559 x28 or sandra@habitatcapecod.org.

SUPPORT AND CARE GROUP

A **Care Group for Family Members of LGBTQ Individuals** is offered on the **2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m.**

We are growing and would love for more to join us! We meet at David & Deb Quinones' home. This group is open to all, both within and outside of BBC. For more information contact David at quinonesdb@gmail.com (508-277-5851) or Deb at dsmittyq2@gmail.com (508-561-5022).



Embracing
The Journey

**Care Group for
Family Members of
LGBTQ+ Individuals**

Contact David and
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for more information

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A Summary of Paul David Tripp's Devotion in New Morning Mercies: A Daily Gospel Devotional for September 13

By Martha Dunford (Devotion given to me by Pat Linquist)

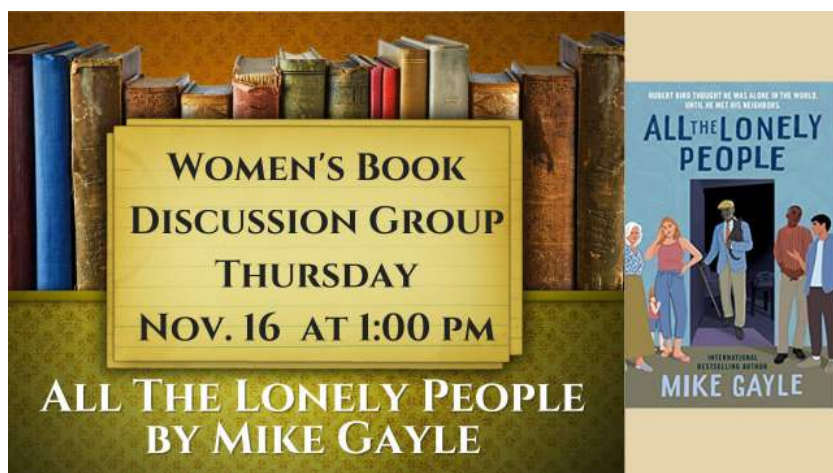
Pastor Doug's article in the October *Beacon* reminded us that we have a responsibility to tell the story of God's love and goodness to the next generation. I would like to apply Paul David Tripp's seven concepts of prayer, which can help us teach our children and youth that prayer is rooted in worship. First, prayer helps the next generation see that God exists. He is sovereign with all power and wisdom. Second, when we pray, we bow to God's glory and live for His glory. Third, prayer teaches us to submit to God, and because He knows what is best for us, we seek His will. Fourth, as we submit to God's will, we are seeking and working for God's kingdom. Fifth, prayer teaches our youth to rest and trust in His provision for every need. Sixth, prayer celebrates God's goodness because we will be blown away by God's grace as we pray. Seventh, we learn how to be patient as we wait for answered prayer. As we wait, we learn to ask for strength, wisdom, and empowerment to do God's work.

I hope you find time each day to pray with your family and children. When you gather to pray, it will foster a closer relationship with God and each other.



Wednesday
Prayer Time

Sanctuary 10:00 am



FAMILY MINISTRY

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BBC Family Thanksgiving Potluck:

Join us on Saturday, November 18, at 5:00 pm in Fellowship Hall for a Thanksgiving meal – we provide the turkey, and you bring your favorite side dish! You can take a family picture in front of the “gratitude tree” after adding some leaves, and there will be Thanksgiving crafts for the kids. Register on the website or church app.



Parent's Morning Out:

Save the date Saturday, December 9, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. for a Parent's Morning Out! Parents, enjoy a few hours to wrap presents, shop locally or go out for brunch while your kids have fun at BBC! Drop them off at 9:30 a.m. and pick them up at 11:30 a.m. – they will enjoy snacks, games and crafts while you get a little extra time to prepare for Christmas. Please register ahead on the BBC website

under the Connect tab, then click on Registrations, or on the church app. This is a fundraiser for BBC Student Ministry – donations will be accepted.

THANK YOU!

BBC Family Ministry was happy to host this year's Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 28!

It was a beautiful weather day and we had hundreds of children with their families enjoy this community event. A big thank you to the 22 families who decorated cars and handed out candy for the event, to the Brewster, Orleans, Chatham and Harwich police departments along with the Brewster Fire Department who participated, and Brewster Ace Hardware for sponsoring the dunk tank. Thank you to those who helped with games and face painting, really making it a great event for everyone. We are grateful BBC can provide a fun and safe event for the whole community!



November 2023 at Brewster Baptist Church

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The Beacon

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Please note that due to space limitations this calendar does not list every event, activity or meeting involving our church community. To schedule an event or to determine if a particular room or space is available, please check with the church office.</p> <p>5 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS 8:30/10:00a Worship S 8:30a Children's Worship 10a Sunday School 6p Student Ministry SMA/FH</p>	<p>6 7:30a Men's Bible St CR 9:30a Staff Mtg CH 10a Caring Cupboard PL 4p Habitat Kick-off FH 6:30p Men's Bible St CR 7:30p AA FH</p>	<p>7 9:30a Women's Bible St CH 11a Caring Ministry CH 12p LOCAL OS 1p Connecting Team CR 4p Sweden SG CR 6p Women's SG Room 101 6:30p Women's Bible St CH 6:30p Potter SGL</p>	<p>1 Holiday Fair Set-up 10a Prayer Time S 1p Meditation Garden Team Garden 6p Praise Team S 6p Cub Scouts CH 7p Boy Scouts CH</p>	<p>2 Holiday Fair Set-up 9:30a Mom2Mom SMA 10a Caring Cupboard PL 7p Missions Mtg CR</p>	<p>3 Holiday Fair Set-up 7p Student Ministry First and Thirds OS</p>	<p>4 9:00a - 3:00 p HOLIDAY FAIR</p>
<p>12 8:30/10:00a Worship S 8:30a Children's Worship 9a BP Clinic FH 10a Sunday School 6p Student Ministry SMA/FH</p>	<p>13 7:30a Men's Bible St CR 9:30a Staff Mtg CH 10a Caring Cupboard PL 6:30p Men's Bible St CR 7p Deacon Mtg Rm 101 7:30p AA FH</p>	<p>14 9:30a Women's Bible St CH 11a Caring Ministry CH 4p Sweden SG CR 6p Women's SG Room 101 6:30p Women's Bible St CH 6:30p Potter SGL</p>	<p>15 Beacon Deadline 8:30a Wed. Walk OS 10a Prayer Time S 1p Meditation Garden Team Garden 6p Praise Team S 6p Cub Scouts CH 7p Boy Scouts CH</p>	<p>16 9:30a Mom2Mom SMA 10a Caring Cupboard PL 10a Caring Nurses/LCOC Choir Room 12p Brewster Business-person's Lunch FH 1p Women's Book Club CH 6:30p AA CH 6:30p LGBTQ Care Grp OS</p>	<p>17 7p Student Ministry First and Thirds SMA</p>	<p>18 5p BBC Family Thanksgiving Potluck FH</p>
<p>19 8:30/10:00a Worship S 8:30a Children's Worship 10a Sunday School 6p Student Ministry SMA/FH</p>	<p>20 7:30a Men's Bible St CR 9:30a Staff Mtg CH 10a Caring Cupboard PL 6:30p Men's Bible St CR 7:30p AA FH</p>	<p>21 9:30a Women's Bible St CH 11a Caring Ministry CH 4p Sweden SG CR 6p Women's SG Room 101 6:30p Women's Bible St CH 6:30p Potter SGL</p>	<p>22 10a Prayer Time S 6p Praise Team S 6p Cub Scouts CH 7p Boy Scouts CH</p>	<p>23 THANKSGIVING Office Closed</p>	<p>24 Office Closed</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 8:30/10:00a Worship S 8:30a Children's Worship 10a Sunday School 6p Student Ministry SMA/FH</p>	<p>27 7:30a Men's Bible St CR 9:30a Staff Mtg CH 10a Caring Cupboard PL 6:30p AA Leader Mtg Room 101 6:30p Men's Bible St CR 7:30p AA FH</p>	<p>28 9:30a Women's Bible St CH 11a Caring Ministry CH 4p Sweden SG CR 6p Women's SG Room 101 6:30p Women's Bible St CH 6:30p Potter SGL</p>	<p>29 10a Prayer Time S 6p Praise Team S 6p Cub Scouts CH 7p Boy Scouts CH</p>	<p>30 9:30a Mom2Mom SMA 10a Caring Cupboard PL 6:30p AA CH</p>		

ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

Birthdays

- 2 Elaine Dickinson
- 3 Dan Ryan
- Martha Wicks
- 4 Peter Polhemus
- 6 Barbara Metzgar
- Don LeSieur
- Mary Jane Garneau
- 7 James Ferry
- 8 Jackson Coffey
- 9 Jean Garnier
- Diane Jones
- Sarah Piebes
- 10 Nancy Asfour
- Liz Keeler
- 11 Patti Ricotta
- Kevin Byrne
- Barbara Beardmore
- 12 Marcie Fuller
- Susan Cottrell
- Karen Esswein
- 13 Cody Stratton
- 14 Roger Conover
- Whitney Hossfeld
- Deb Quinones
- 15 Pat Ryan Blanchard

- 17 Karen Rohdin-Goldberg
- 18 Buddy Wilson
- 19 Beverly Gage
- Roger Bray
- Lynn Eberly
- Grace Songer
- Dan Von Thaden
- 20 Olivia Costa
- Sharon Palmer
- 22 Lee Vermont
- Ysaiah Sabangan
- 25 Sally Graham
- Lori Mead
- Carmela DeSantis
- 26 Lynn Wagner
- Mitzi Daley
- 27 Elizabeth Pranga
- Betty Chaffee
- Donald Foster
- 28 Susan Graves
- Philip Magnuson
- 29 John Fougere
- Estella Nunnally

Anniversaries

- 14 Ted and Marcie Fuller
- 17 Donald and Evelyn Foster
- 19 Edward and Anne Longton
- 20 Ray and Anne Marquie
- 21 George and Barbara Metzgar
- 27 Victor and Erika Glidden



Thank you for the thoughtful and fun responses we have received about the Questions of the Week. It will help us to share different perspectives of the history of Brewster Baptist.

11/3: Have you been involved with the Holiday Fair? Tell us where you serve and share any fun stories.

11/10: How has being a part of BBC impacted your life?

11/17: How have you seen BBC impact the community?

11/24: What about BBC are you most thankful for?

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UPCOMING EVENTS

November 4: Holiday Fair

November 5: Daylight Savings Time Begins

November 10: Office Closed for Veteran's Day

November 16: Brewster Businessperson's Lunch

November 18: Thanksgiving Potluck

November 23-24: Office Closed for Thanksgiving