



DARE TO SPEAK POSITIVELY

James 3:1-5

WARNING

James 3:1

We all _____ a lot

The less you _____, the less you have to _____ for

REASON

James 3:2

We all _____ up and _____ through life

Romans 3:22b-23

How we use our _____ reveals our spiritual _____ or _____ thereof

Sins of the _____ lead to sins of the _____

Proverbs 21:23

ILLUSTRATION

James 3:3-4

Something so _____ controls something so _____

The _____ can produce great _____ or enormous _____

Proverbs 18:21

REMINDER

James 3:5

Our _____ have the power of _____ and _____

APPLICATIONS

_____ before you _____

Proverbs 10:9, 13:3, 17:27-28

_____ your _____ to God

Matthew 12:34; Proverbs 16:1

Be a _____ person

Ephesians 4:29

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Richland Road CHURCH of CHRIST

November 23, 2025

Happy Thanksgiving



Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Reaching out to meet your needs through His love

Children's Ministry

Hi Kids!

Happy (almost) Thanksgiving! I think this is my favorite holiday! Not only because of the food, but also because of the food! It's always been such a happy memory for me. I love all our family traditions: watching the parade, making breakfast treats together, meeting up with loved ones, doing puzzles, playing games, and joking around with each other all day. For a lot of people, Thanksgiving also marks the beginning of the Christmas shopping season. While this can definitely be fun too, it also makes it very easy to focus too much on what we DON'T have. In fact, because so much money is at stake, some of the hardest working people in America are trying to figure out new ways to make you feel exactly that way! To combat that kind of thinking, I thought it might be appropriate to pick up the old 'prayer challenge' idea this week. I challenge you to have a 'Thank you, God' conversation every day! It's really easy, all you have to do is start every sentence with 'Thank you, God, for...' and then you fill in the end. Give Him as many thanks as you can come up with! He'll love it!

I've said it 157 times, and I'll say it again: We were made to be with Him! We will only have that completely in Heaven, but until then, the closest we can get to fulfilling that purpose is to be with Him in prayer. I hope you give it a try this week. If you do, I know you'll be surprised at how good you feel afterwards. Remember what a bunch of talking vegetables once told us: 'A thankful heart is a happy heart'!

Talk to you soon!

-Ryan



FOR THE RECORD - November 16, 2025

BIBLE CLASS.....	n/a	WEDNESDAY.....	66
SUNDAY AM.....	229	CONTRIBUTION.....	\$7,407.80
LIFE GROUPS.....	85	BUDGET.....	\$7,250.00

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Eli & Cindy Lewis at the passing of Eli's brother, Ronnie.



THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THIS THURSDAY FOR THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.

CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY—All children, ages 2—5th Grade, are invited to a Holiday Party on Saturday, December 6, at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. See Ryan or Misty Hoggatt for details.

TEEN HOLIDAY PARTY—All teens in grades 6—12 are invited to a Holiday Party on Saturday, December 6, at 6:00 PM at the Outreach Center. Plan to bring a \$10 gift for the exchange. Pizza and snacks will be provided. See Josh Ball for details.

SUNDAY MORNING TEACHERS NEEDED—The Winter Bible Class Quarter begins on Sunday, December 7. A teacher is still needed for the Nursery. See Ryan Hoggatt if you are willing to teach!

THANK YOU for the beautiful planter.

Denny & Patti Crum

INVITATION LEADERS—Men or boys who are willing to give a 5 min. invitation talk on a Wednesday night on December 10 or 17, are asked to please sign up in the foyer.

AMAZING GRAYS—The senior group will meet on Tuesday, December 9, at 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall for a holiday dinner and White Elephant gift exchange.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY—On Thursday, December 11, all men are invited to a Bible Study at Panera Bread at 7:30 AM.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING—We will hold our Year end Congregational Meeting on Sunday, December 14, at 9:45 AM in the Auditorium. Please make every effort to attend.

FOOD GIVEAWAY TICKETS—Appointment tickets for the Food Giveaway will be available to pick up on Monday, December 15, from 10:00 AM to Noon, Tuesday, December 16, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, and Wednesday, December 17, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. **Tickets are only available while they last.**

FAMILY MAILBOXES—Please begin to check your family mailbox in the foyer on a regular basis. Along with the holiday cards, people are now going to start placing birthday, anniversary, and other cards in the mailboxes instead of sending them by mail.

Bible Hour and Junior Worship are offered at the 2nd service.

Sunday Morning Worship—8:30 & 11:00 AM

Bible Study—Sunday—9:45 AM—Wednesday—7:00 PM

Life Groups—Sunday—12:00 & 6:00 PM