## Journey Enews

November 25th, 2025 | JOURNEY COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

## Give Thanks to the LORD By Bobby Duncan

"1 Thank God! He deserves your thanks. His love never quits. 2 Thank God of all gods, His love never quits. 3 Thank the Lord of all lords. His love never quits." Psalm 136:1-3 MSG

Thanksgiving Day 2025 is Thursday, November 27th. What are your plans? I hope you have family and friends nearby to share the day together. If not, maybe you can FaceTime with those who live far away. Connie and I will be doing this with our son and his family in Canada.



I wish everyone could be in the same place more often. One of my brothers is riding with his son to Oklahoma to see the other son, who lives there with his family. Our modern world is spread across miles and miles. Very few families today are living nearby one another. Our world where our families live has become much larger; especially, during holidays.

Even when family is close by— someone may have to work Thanksgiving Day. One of our granddaughters in Lexington will be working at Amazon for the holiday. We will miss her and hope to catch up a little later. It's really hard to gather everyone for special days, for building family memories. Don't give up trying, it's worth the effort. Maybe next year. Memories are what we cherish when loved ones have passed on.

Have you got your Thanksgiving Day plans in place? Will it be turkey and ham this year? Do you have enough chairs? Is the room for feasting big enough for everyone at the table? Will the refrigerator hold all the food? These are the questions in the final countdown before our quests arrive.

Leaving the house early this morning, Connie and Ollie (our senior Chihuahua) were snoozing away. I tried not to disturb anyone. While turning out the kitchen lights, I noticed an index card on the kitchen counter. I noticed the entire Thanksgiving menu written out. Wow, you know it's going to be a big meal when it takes two columns to list all the food and drink items.

Thanksgiving meals are the time when famous cooks and chefs, table setters, food passers, drink re-fillers, dish washers, trash taker-outers, and story-tellers really shine. For many people Thanksgiving has become one of their favorites. When you ask them why? Often they describe the joy of being together with loved ones, and remembering —how God has loved us all. We are better together.

I wish for you a winning score for your favorite football team. I hope the pumpkin and pecan pie is just enough for everyone to enjoy. I pray your laughter is driven by our God who loves us each and every day.

As you bow your heads Thursday, when giving the traditional blessing, make sure to include—Giving thanks to God, for He is Good! Say: Amen!

Happy Thanksgiving 2025.