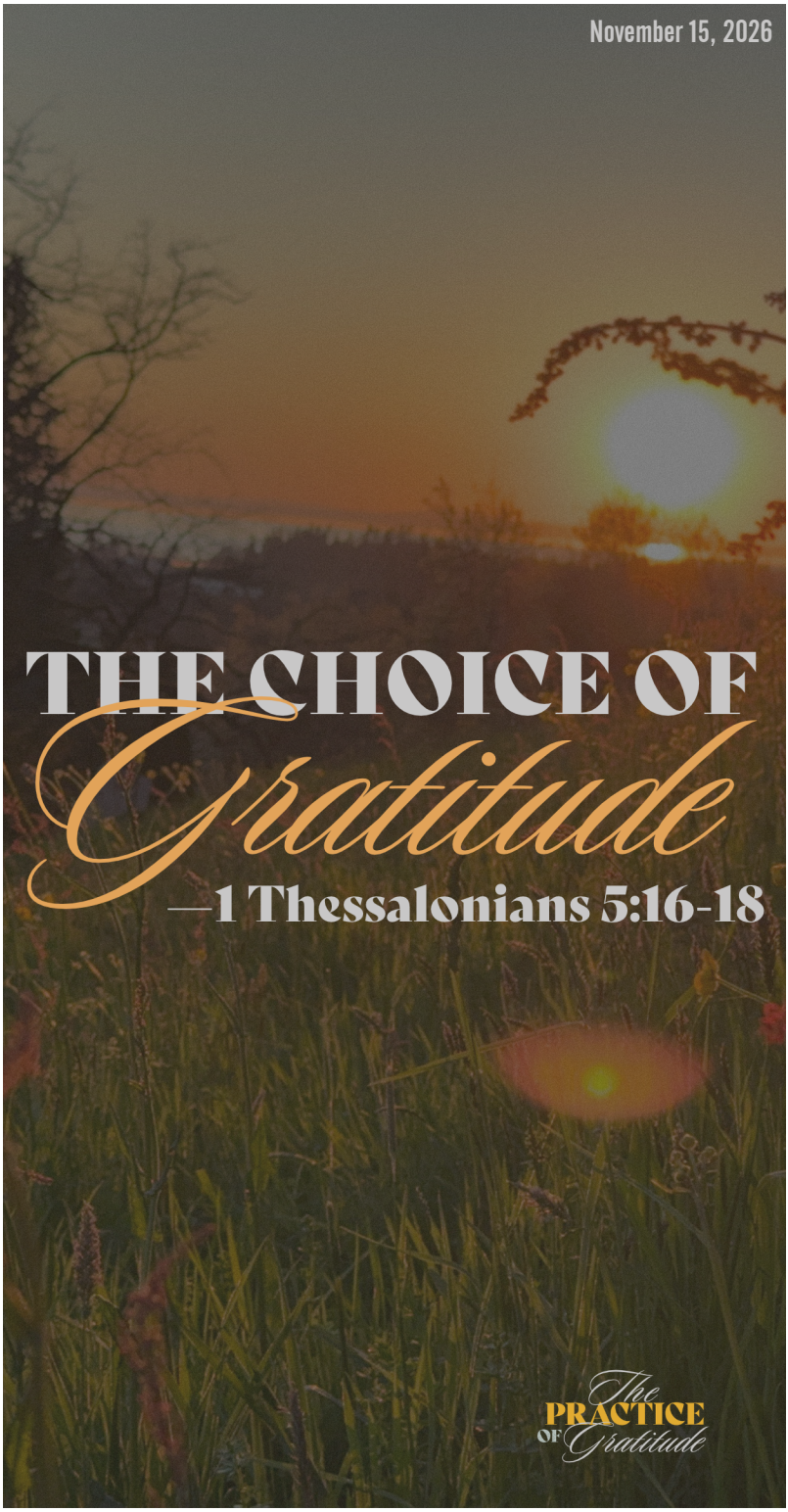
November 15, 2026



THE CHOICE OF *Gratitude*

—1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

The PRACTICE OF Gratitude

"The Choice of Gratitude"
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

_____ isn't simply a feeling we experience; it's a _____ we make.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

- Paul knew that while circumstances change, God's _____ does not.

Habakkuk 3:17-18

- _____ wouldn't determine his _____ to God.

Job 1:20-21

- In his suffering, Job recognized that God was still _____ of _____.

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in _____ _____."

- When our _____ is rooted in Christ, we have a foundation deeper than our _____ circumstances.

3 Gratitude practices . . .

- **Choose to begin each day with _____.**
- **Choose to look for God's _____ in every circumstance.**
- **Choose to make gratitude part of your _____ _____.**

If your gratitude depends entirely on your _____, your circumstances will always have the power to steal your _____.

HOLIDAY DONATIONS

- boxed mashed potatoes
- canned gravy
- monetary gifts

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THIS WEEK AT BCCANDERSON

SUNDAY, November 15

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
Worship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School
Worship
6:00 p.m. Sunday Night Youth (7th-12th)

MONDAY, November 16

6:15 p.m. Praise Ringers Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Congregational Forum

TUESDAY, November 17

8:30 a.m. Rev Strength
3:30 p.m. A Heart For Kids

WEDNESDAY, November 18

6:30 p.m. Anderson Christian Martial Arts (8 yrs & up)
6:30 p.m. Christmas Choir Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study (7th-12th)
7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

THURSDAY, November 19

8:30 a.m. Rev Strength
10:30 a.m. Lydia Circle
3:30 p.m. A Heart For Kids
6:30 p.m. Young Adult Gathering
7:00 p.m. An Evening Of Gratitude

FRIDAY, November 20

SATURDAY, November 21

SUNDAY, November 22 - Praise Ringers

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
Worship
10:30 a.m. Sunday School
Worship
12:00 p.m. Peru Bake Sale
6:00 p.m. Sunday Night Youth (7th-12th)
6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Our Sympathies To:

Randy Paschal & family on the passing of his sister, Deborah Lee, on 11/5.

Ronda Barnes on the passing of her husband, Jeff Barnes, on 11/12.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Women's Sunday Night Bible Study:** There will be no Women's Bible Study tonight, **November 15**. We will resume next Sunday, November 22.

- **Operation Christmas Child:** If you haven't picked up your shoebox, be sure to get yours TODAY. Then buy your WOW gifts, fill your shoebox, pray over it, then RETURN IT BY NEXT SUNDAY, **NOVEMBER 22**. Questions? See/call Bonnie Carpenter.

- **HMS Christmas Gift Cards:** Help us bless the teachers & staff at Highland Middle School this Christmas! Stop by the Atrium to pick up an envelope with a specific need and help us show our appreciation & support. Please return the envelope by **December 6**.

- **Congregational Forum:** Everyone is invited to attend our next Congregational Forum on Monday, **November 16**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room. Come hear updates, learn about the ministries at Bethany, and be part of what God is doing in our church. We hope to see you there!

- **Lydia Circle** will meet on Thursday, **November 19**, at 10:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. All ladies are welcome to join us! We will study Chapter #6, "Pressing the Gas Pedal" of *Awakening to a Grand New Day*. Donations for Toys for Tots will be collected at this time.

- **An Evening Of Gratitude:** Come join us on Thursday, **November 19**, at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Room for a short worship celebration for giving thanks. This is an opportunity to acknowledge the blessings that can often go unnoticed in our busy lives. Please enter through the North Entrance, Door #7.

- **2027 Peru Missions Trip Bake Sale:** Join us for a live auction, bake sale, cake walk, and more on Sunday, **November 22**, at 12 p.m. in the gymnasium. We need volunteers to bake their favorite desserts to share, and we hope you'll stop by to purchase some delicious treats! All proceeds will benefit the team of 24 going to ACCE Juan 3:16 in Peru in February. If you would like to make an additional financial contribution, you can give online at **bccanderson.org/give** and select "**Mission Trip**". Feel free to sign up in the Atrium today to bring your favorite baked good!

- **Holly Jolly Women's Luncheon:** Ladies, join us for a little Christmas cheer on Saturday, **December 5**, at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy a catered lunch, fellowship, and a little holiday fun. We ask everyone to bring their favorite Christmas candy or treat to share. Be sure to sign up by **November 22** in the Atrium or online at **bccanderson.org/jolly**.

If you are new to Bethany, have a prayer request to share, recently changed contact information, have questions about Jesus, volunteering, or more—***we want to connect with you***! Simply open your smart phone's camera app and point it here or navigate to www.bccanderson.org/connect