

# keep in touch



November 16, 2023

Have you ever thought along the lines of, “Well, God, if you don’t want me to do (whatever), then give me a sign! Otherwise, I’m going to do it!” That might seem like a rather childish way of approaching things, but I think we’ve all thought this way at least once in our lives. But, as I was reading from the book of 1 Samuel 14:1-14 I found myself confused that this is how Jonathan (son of King Saul) approached things!

To summarize, in this story the Israelites were at war with the Philistines. King Saul and his son Jonathan find themselves camping out surveying a Philistine camp. Saul, a rather cautious man, hesitates to attack. This was common for him. Saul rarely made a move unless he had a special word from the priests, or the prophets. This may seem like a good thing, but in reality, Saul was acting cowardly. He often missed opportunities because he was basically saying, “Are you sure God??”

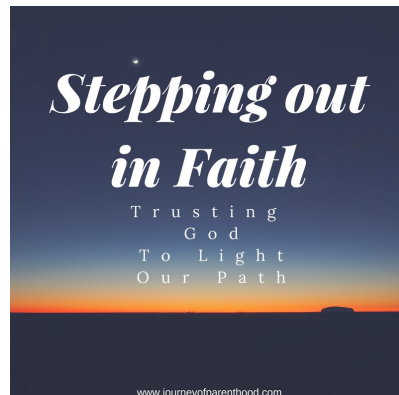
But Jonathan, was the opposite. In fact, he may come off as reckless to us! He and his armor bearer seem to have problems waiting like Saul, so Jonathan says, “let’s go to the Philistine camp, and if they say *this*, we won’t attack. But if they say *that*, then that will mean that God wants us to attack!” We may read Jonathan as a foolish youth, but he is successful, and he and his armor bearer wipe out the camp on their own!

You see the difference between what Jonathan did, and what we may do, is that Jonathan had an idea of what God had sent them there for. He knows that God sent them to fight the Philistines. He may not have all the details on *how* God wants them to do it, but since he knows God’s will, he is willing to take the first steps and trust God will make a way! Jonathan actually shows a great amount of faith here! He has enough faith to take action, even if it is risky!

What has God been placing on your heart lately? Maybe, it is time to take a step out on faith to do it! Even if you don’t have all the details yet, trust God will help you out!

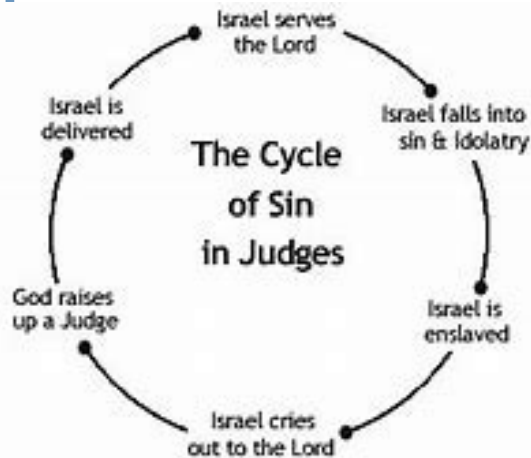
*Blessings*

*Pastor Andrew*



# Thanksgiving Sunday November 19, 2023

- ♦ Sunday Services on facebook page: Caldwell UMC Ohio.
- ♦ This Sunday's sermon based on Judges 4:17-23 "Expect the Unexpected"
- ♦ Accompanying scripture Judges 4:1-9



Deborah, Judge of Israel

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Deborah - Judges 4:1-23

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| Evil       | Freedom | Heber  | Help    |
| Israelites | Judges  | Lord   | Peg     |
| Prophet    | Saved   | Tent   |         |





11/17 Ruth Hayes  
11/20 Lisa Merry  
11/23 Scott Moore  
11/23 Liri Tilton  
11/24 Willie Wilson



Wed Nov 22

Ice Rink Opens

6:30pm



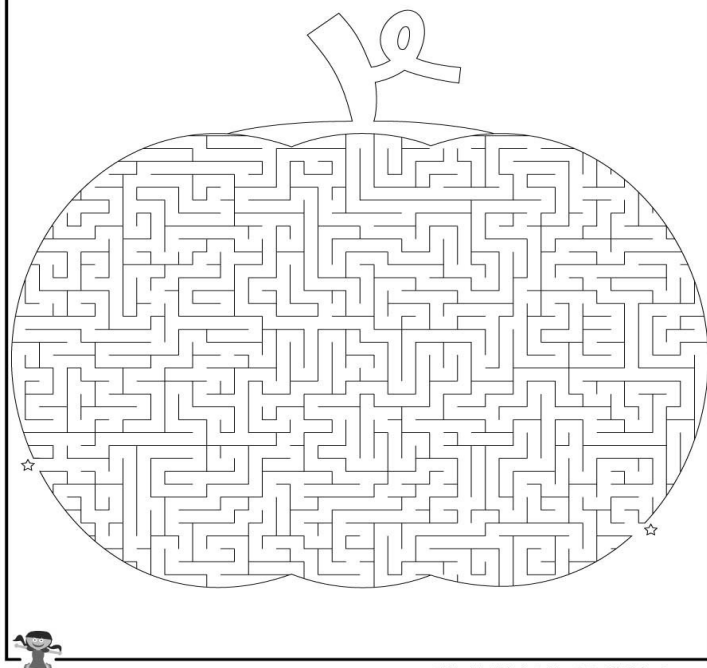
Wed Nov 22

Christmas Tree Lighting

In the Square 6PM



## Pumpkin Maze



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OSU Buckeyes vs  
Minnesota



At home Sat. 11/18  
on Big 10 @4PM



CHS vs Eastern

7PM Fri 11/17

At Eastern

2023 OHSAA High School

Football Playoffs



Church Service at Caldwell UMC  
10:00 AM Service  
9:00 AM Sunday School

IF OUR FAITH CANNOT MOVE MOUNTAINS,  
IT OUGHT TO AT LEAST CLIMB THEM.





## National Bible Week – November 19-25, 2023

Starting from the Sunday preceding Thanksgiving, the church encourages reading, listening, and comprehending the basic teachings of the Bible. As the holy season transcends upon us, this month of the year is a great time to come together as a community and share our faith in the name of Jesus.

The Bible is an incredibly detailed, long-preserved snapshot of an ancient culture and religion. For billions of people, the religious text offers hope, strength, and guidance to navigate difficult times. Leading a nation through its toughest days, President Roosevelt conceptualized the idea of a Bible Week to unite Americans with the stories of the Creator told through the virtue of strength and reconciliation.

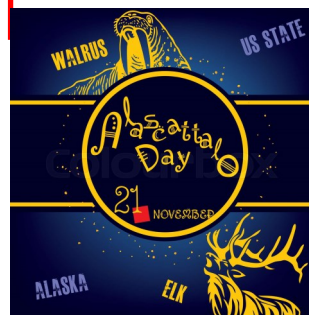
The Bible, the ultimate bestseller, is central to the religion of Christianity, and the English translation has over 100 versions. National Bible Week celebrates the holy text in all its glory, bringing communities together to read their favorite verses and share personal interpretations with the world.

The more you immerse yourself into the teachings of the Holy Bible, the more you understand how it transcends the sacrament of religion and offers a refuge from the turmoils of daily life. The Bible guides us to a path of righteousness still relevant in the 21st century.

## Alascattalo Day – November 21

The day was named after a fictitious animal called the Alascattalo, a mix between a moose and a walrus. The story goes that miners bred the mythical creature at the turn of the 20th century during the Alaskan Gold Rush. Quite interestingly, this mythological creature has even had an asteroid named after it.

We all live hectic lives mired with conflict and stress, so it's always a good thing to have some fun in our lives. Alascattalo Day can easily make anyone laugh just at the sound of it. Humor is known to alleviate stress and help us forget our problems for a while. So, it makes perfect sense to celebrate a day dedicated to humor, even if it's specifically Alaskan humor.



**November 17, 1800** - The U.S. Congress met for the first time in the new capital at Washington, D.C. President John Adams then became the first occupant of the Executive Mansion, later renamed the White House.

**November 19, 1978** - The biggest mass suicide in history occurred as Reverend Jim Jones led over 900 followers to their deaths at Jonestown, Guyana.

**November 22, 1963** - At 12:30 p.m., on Elm Street in downtown Dallas, President John F. Kennedy's motorcade slowly approached a triple underpass. Shots rang out. The President was struck in the back, then in the head. He was rushed to Parkland Memorial Hospital where fifteen doctors tried to save him. At 1 p.m., John Fitzgerald Kennedy, 35th President of the United States, was pronounced dead. On board Air Force One, at 2:38 p.m., Lyndon B. Johnson was sworn in as the 36th President.

## Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade – November 23, 2023

The parade was first introduced in 1924 and has continued to grow and develop since then, becoming an important part of the holiday season. Each year the floats become bigger and more elaborate with thousands of volunteers joining in to make this holiday celebration enjoyable for all those watching from home or coming to attend the parade.

The parade introduced its first giant balloon in 1928. The balloons were initially shaped like various animals but then developed to feature cartoon characters such as Mickey Mouse, Popeye, Superman, and Olaf. The first character featured in the parade was Felix the Cat

Macy's parade extends to 2.5 miles



## National Dog Show – November 23 noon on NBC



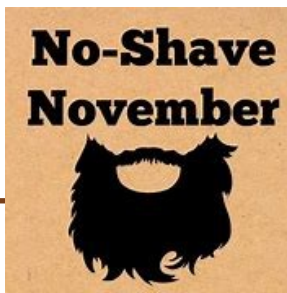
The Dog Show usually includes over 2,000 competitors and 197 breeds of dogs as sanctioned by the American Kennel Club. The dogs are judged on how closely they meet the criteria for their breed — appearance, structure, movement, and temperament. It is a much-loved and much-anticipated event, with over 20 million viewers every year.

## No-Shave November & Movember

The clever idea behind No-Shave November is the idea that cancer patients often lose their hair. No-Shave November brings that into focus while raising money and awareness. Most people know someone who is suffering from cancer. Although treatment has improved over the decades, it remains one of the deadliest diseases in the world.

No-Shave November is a US-based charity supporting the same causes as Movember. The only difference is **Movember** is about growing out a specific mustache, No-Shave November is about simply not shaving at all.

The Movember Foundation and No-Shave November are two separate entities, but they are both supporting and call for the same thing – stop shaving (or grow a mustache) during the month of November to spread awareness and donate to these types of charities.



## A Scripture a day...



NOVEMBER 17 - PROMISE #321

**Just ask and you will receive.**

Matthew 7:7

NOVEMBER 18 - PROMISE #322

**I look throughout the earth to strengthen those who belong to me.**

2 Chronicles 16:9

NOVEMBER 19 - PROMISE #323

**I will be your safe place in difficult times.**

Nahum 1:7

NOVEMBER 20 - PROMISE #324

**I will give you power over the enemy and nothing will hurt you.**

Luke 10:19

NOVEMBER 21 - PROMISE #325

**If you love Me with all your heart, I will provide all you need.**

Deuteronomy 11:13-14

NOVEMBER 22 - PROMISE #326

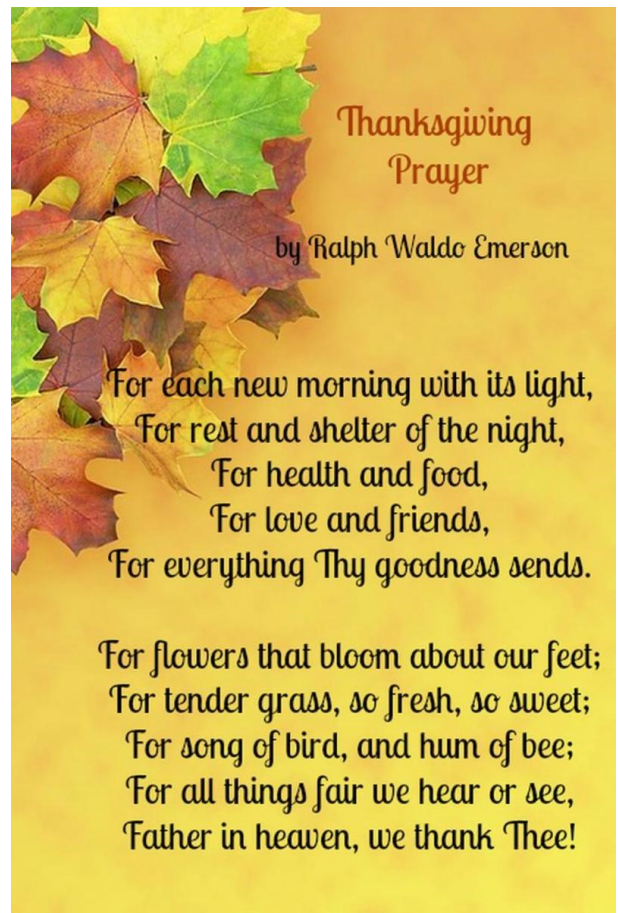
**My children will overcome the world through their faith.**

1 John 5:4

NOVEMBER 23 - PROMISE #327

**I will root your heart in the depths of My love.**

Ephesians 3:17



## Thanksgiving...

It's not about what's on the table.  
It's about what's around the table.



**When does Advent start?** December 3, 2023

Advent begins 4 weeks - actually, 4 Sundays - before Christmas. Because Christmas is a fixed date - December 25th - Christmas can land on any day of the week. But Advent always starts on a Sunday.



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