

TODAY'S NEWS

"Father, I thank You that You have heard Me." John 11:41 NKJV

Church Services

We are now open for Worship Service every sabbath at 11a.m. We are very excited to be worshipping with our church family once again.

We will have to follow state guidelines in order to insure everyone's safety. We ask for your cooperation and patience as we navigate these new waters.

Those who attend will be asked to:

- Wear a mask at all times during services (a mask will be provided to those who don't have one)
- Social distance (A deacon will be able to help with seating)
- Wash hands often and thoroughly. Hand sanitizer will be available as well
- Please stay home if you feel unwell.



When Jesus Gave Thanks

We are approaching the season when we are reminded about the value of giving thanks. At least ideally, the minds of many are led to consider reasons for giving thanks. I hope you are planning to spend some time especially this month in giving thanks to God for His amazing plan of salvation.

When Jesus lived on this earth, what happened when He gave thanks? Of course many of those instances are not recorded, but I would like to briefly review two passages in Mark and one in John that provide some insight into an answer to that question.

In Mark chapter 6, Jesus was sharing the good news with a large crowd of people. More than five thousand were in the congregation. Jesus hadn't necessarily invited them all over to His place, yet He felt a responsibility to feed the guests. After asking the disciples to have the people sit down, they were ready to eat. Where was the food? Physical nourishment? Jesus lifted His eyes to heaven and gave thanks (v. 41). He didn't have any question where the food would come from. He did not give thanks in a general way to some beneficent being



Church Bulletin

Prayer Meeting

Please join us as we pray together for our Church and Community.

Wednesday's 6:15 p.m. Call
1-978-990-5000 Code:
104311

Live Streaming Services

If you unable to attend in person services live stream will still be available through Desert Cove SDA. Each Sabbath @ 11:30 a.m. Look for an email with the YouTube link.

Tithes & Offerings

Below are the two ways you can give your offerings if you are not available to come to church services:

Mail to: Cathy Fields P.O. Box
15332 Scottsdale, AZ 85267

Visit our website at:

www.buckeyeaz.adventistchurch.org and click on 'Online Giving' and follow the prompts.

out there. He gave thanks to His Father, the Provider of all things, the One who lives in heaven.

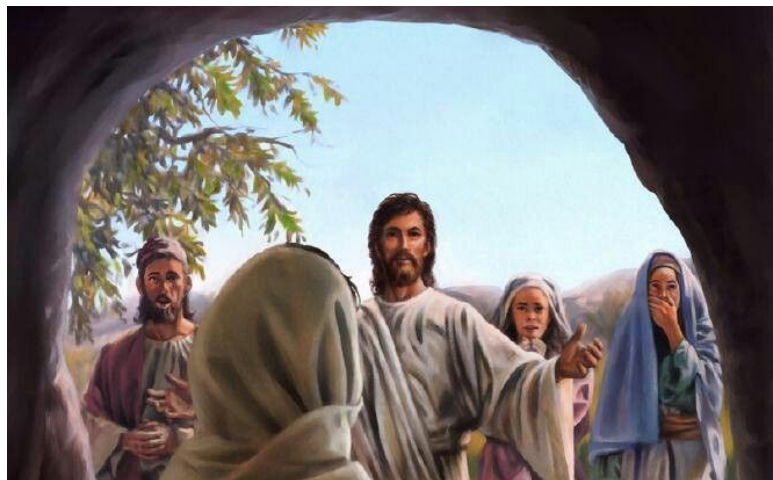
After Jesus gave thanks, there was an abundant supply of bread and fish to satisfy all the picnickers. When they had finished, there were even a dozen baskets of leftovers for snacking on the way home.

In Mark 8, not so long after the experience in Mark 6, Jesus again was full of compassion for the people who had spent three days listening to His messages about the kingdom of God. They had used up their provisions and yet were reluctant to get on their way to find their next meal. So He asked the people to sit down. What must they have been thinking? Had some of them been in the crowd in Mark 6? The disciples seem to have forgotten about that incident, but Jesus again gave thanks and a multitude of over four thousand were fed adequately before seven baskets of leftovers were gathered up.

In John 11, Jesus was nearing the close of His earthly ministry. He went with friends to the cemetery at Bethany and asked to have the stone covering the burial chamber moved. He was already exercising faith in His Father's power to have even requested that the grave be opened. Then He did what He so often did; He lifted up His eyes and gave thanks (v. 41). He expressed faith that His Father had heard His prayer and then invited Lazarus to walk out of the dead chamber. What happened? Lazarus walked out (v. 44).

When Jesus gave thanks, mighty events could occur; God could be glorified. What happens when you give thanks? Does it not open the door for God to work in a mighty way? Why not find out this month? This week? Today?

Pastor Steve Gibson



Upcoming Birthdays

Sylvia Valdivia - Nov 3

Heather Worr - Dec 13

Pastor Clark - Dec 14

Brenda Clark - Dec 19



Creamy Butternut Squash Soup

Ingredients:

- 4 cups butternut squash, cooked
- 2 potatoes microwaved, discard skins and cut into chunks
- 1/2 cup cashews (dry roasted)
- 4 1/2 cups water, divided (see directions)

Directions:

1. Blend 1/2 cup cashews with 1 1/2 cups of water until smooth. Add 1 cup of squash and blend again.
2. Add half the potato chunks and continue blending. (You may add water as necessary to blend.)
3. You may need to pour part of the blended squash into a pot.
4. Continue blending the rest of the squash, potatoes, and water until the above ingredients are blended.
5. Pour blended mixture into a pot.
6. Add below listed seasonings into the pot and turn heat to medium high.

1 tsp. salt (may add more, adjust to your taste)

1/2 tsp. basil

1/2 tsp. Bill's Best Chik'Nish seasoning

Cook until just beginning to boil, and then add:

1 cup cooked potato gnocchi and croutons

Note: potato gnocchi is available to purchase in grocery stores and Whole Foods stores if you do not have time to make it yourself.

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