We are so glad that you are with us today! Our service will be to praise and worship God and to encourage and uplift us to face another week. We will sing (Eph. 5:19, Col. 3:16), pray (James 5:15-18), and partake of the Lord's Supper to remember our Savior's sacrifice on the cross (Acts 20:7, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). We will also give back a portion of the monetary blessings that God has granted us so that we can carry out His work in our community (1 Cor. 16:2, 2 Cor. 9:7). We will also study a lesson from His Word that will hopefully be applicable to our daily lives, so that we can be equipped to handle the pressures of this world and reach those outside of Christ (2 Tim. 2:15). If you are a visitor, please fill out the yellow visitor's card and pass it to the end of the aisle so it can be collected. You are truly an honored guest, so please give us an opportunity to meet you after our services are over! "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

Announcements

Scripture Reading

Song (#514) Redeemed

Song (#718) We Shall Assemble

Opening Prayer

Song (#349) Ten Thousand Angels

Partake of the Lords Supper

Song (#538) My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Song (#753) Farther Along

Song (#23) Our God , He is Alive

Message - "It was the Best of Times, It was the Worst of Times" Butch Jones

Song (#943) Do You Know My Jesus?

Song (#PP) Anywhere is Home

Closing Prayer

Worship Assignments
Sunday Morning

	November 20th	***November 27th***
Announcements	Nathan Collier	Butch Jones
Scripture Reading	Mason Hadden	Walker Gregory
Open Prayer	Barry Pritchett	Garry Rittenberry
Song Leading	Jeremy Green	Barry Kingsley
Close Prayer	Mark Pettit	Curtis Kingsley
Head Table	Richard Bohannon	Eddy Mullinax
Assist	E. Mulkey B. Burkewitz	M. Johnston R.Stephens
	G. Chancey R. Burton	D. Green D. Bailey
	R. Burton M.Brackett	M. Bailey J. Barr
	T. McCoy D. Green	J. Cochran Re. Cochran
Usher	Tu.Hall	S. Hall
	M. Hadden	B. Parker
	L. Mulkey	D. Ledford
	L. Burton	M. Wilson
Greeters	E&S Mullinax	G&A Chancey
	Q&J Holloway	J&S Jenkins
	R&T Woods	J&K Cochran
	Evening	***Evening***
Announcements	Nathan Collier	Jeremy Green
Open Prayer	Robert Wood	Marlin Brackett
Song Leading	Jeremy Green	Barry Kingsley
Close Prayer	Daniel Sisson	Sammy Wright
Communion	Richard Bohannon	Eddy Mullinax
	November 23rd	***November 30th***
Announcements	Special Service	Jeremy Green
Song Leading		Mark Johnston
Prayer		Marvin Pritchett

If you cannot serve, please contact Garry Rittenberry. Copies of all sermons from our pulpit are available on CD for $1.00 Request sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

Let Us Rise Up and Build

Envelopes are available on the back of the pews to make your donation to the Building Fund for the new Fellowship Hall/Education Building. Total funds through 2/29/16 in the Building and Emergency Fund total $258,150.36. "FILL A CAN" ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP.

Free Bible Correspondence is available by contacting the church office or Cleah Boaz at 706-636-4516.

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Week of November 13th

Contribution	$6000
Budget	$6900
Weekly Average YTD	$6880
Bible Study	119
AM Worship	207
PM Worship	163
Wednesday Evening	144

ELLIJAY
CHURCH OF CHRIST

Elders
Bob Burton
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Mark Pettit

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Service Times
Sunday Bible Classes 9:30 AM
Morning Worship 10:30 AM
Evening Worship 6:00 PM
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM

There is a website that I really enjoy called storiesforpreaching.com. Someone shared it with me a few years ago, and I occasionally visit to find sermon illustrations or ideas for bulletin articles. This week, as I was perusing the site, I came across the following experiences of Hailey Bartholomew as related in a TED Talk in Brisbane, Australia in 2014.

In 2008 a young Australian woman, Hailey Bartholomew, found that she wasn't enjoying life. She described herself as feeling lost and stuck on a treadmill. It was almost inexplicable. She was married to a man she loved and had beautiful children who held her heart. So why was she feeling so down about her life? Hailey sought out a counselor, who advised her to spend time each day reflecting on something for which she was grateful. Hailey began a project called "365grateful". Every day she took a photograph of something for which she was grateful.

It changed her life, for it allowed her to see things she had never noticed. Hailey had always thought of her husband as unromantic. One day she took a picture of him serving up dinner, the thing which she was grateful for that day. She noticed for the first time that the largest portion of pie was placed on her plate. She realized that the largest portion was always placed on her plate and that this was one small but profound way her husband showed his care for her. Hailey had found mothering a "boring job", but as she took photos of her children holding out their hands to her, playing and exploring, she discovered how much joy and wonder there was in her world. Through the art of gratitude, Hailey found herself lifted out of her rut and celebrating life.

This week, we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day across our nation, but many will never take the time to be appreciative of their blessings. We publicly profess that we are thankful for our material and spiritual blessings, but this woman discovered that our greatest gifts are often nuanced. God blesses us in ways that we will never fully be able to comprehend, but we need to take the time to appreciate the "small stuff." The next time we walk outside to start our day, let's stop and notice the beautiful scenery around us. When we look at our family, let's be grateful for the countless things that they do to make our lives better. The next time we feel frustrated with life, I hope that we can all be humbled by gratitude and realize how richly we have been blessed!

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."
- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NKJV)

- Jeremy Green

Betty Hall continues to suffer with bronchitis and sinus problems.

Ronnie Messer is waiting on results from tests done this past week.

Sandra Pankey is recovering from surgery on her leg last week.

Mary Hensley, Edith's sister in law, is in very serious condition. She has fluid in both lungs as well as cancer.

David Harper, Barbara Morse's brother, is in Emory Hospital & not doing well.

Dorothy Rittenberry, Garry's mom, is having some health problems.

Zach Pritchett continues to be in need of our prayers.

Bobbie Miller remains critical at this time.

We express our sympathy to the families of ***Luther Rhodes*** and ***Mary Diver*** who passed away last week.

OTHERS TO REMEMBER

Jeff Carns, CiCi Rivera, Ernestine Hall, Burt Hinton, Bonnie Smith, Laura Huckabey, Phillip Johnson, Jeremy Ferrell, Hayes Tate, Billy Teems, Glenell Fricks, Perlie Mae Sluder, David Harper, Bobbie Miller, Harold Shepherd, Pam Hall

CANCER PATIENTS

Kathy Holloway, David Harper, Dennis Nicholson, Harry Dennard, Barbara Dilbeck, Steve Sisson, Charles Weeks, Billy Stells, Donald Watkins, Susie Rep, Morris Hill, Chris Watkins, John Watts, Cathy Thurman Patterson, Mindy Banks, Phillip Weeks

Nursing Home

Eulyeen Callihan
Pauline Mullinax
Gladys Logan Shultz

Assisted Living

Polly Cochran

FAMILY & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Seth Carswell, Eli Chastain, Reid Cochran, Caleb Covington, Steven Giannone, Corey Henry, Jonathan Hensley, Zach Hill, Wayne Jones, Jacob Mahaffey, William Pettit, Wilson Pettit, Winston Pettit, Frankie Silva, Canio Sequevia-Cuevas, Eric Spisak, David Taylor, Cameron Trammell, Matthew Upshaw, Kourtney Weeks

Congratulations to Addie Jones on her decision to obey the Gospel and be baptized last Sunday evening. Please encourage Addie as a new Christian.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Vercel Miller - 20th
Kandace Powell - 20th
Alli Burton - 22nd
Cathy Callihan - 23rd
Lynn Kiser - 24th
William Parker - 24th
Betty Bevins - 25th

Marvin & Rachel Pritchett - 21st
Mark & Diane Wilson - 23rd

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

HONORING
LT. JACKIE COCHRAN
32 YEARS FIRE SERVICE/EMS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH
2PM-4PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL

Annual Cookie Decorating & Caroling to Senior Members

Sunday December 4th

Please meet after morning worship
Lunch will be provided
Please sign up for what you want to bring

Youth Christmas Trip to Life University Christmas Lights & dinner

December 10th

Leave the bldg at 2:30 PM
Sign up & more info on the youth board
See Chase or Tim with any questions

pageborders.org

TODAY - Annual Thanksgiving Appeal for GA Agape.

TODAY - The **year round speech boys** will be speaking in Blue Ridge for the **evening service.**

22nd - Tuesday Ladies Class will *not* meet this Tuesday because of Thanksgiving.

23rd - Special Prayer/Singing Service

27th - Special Ladies Bible class, 9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall classroom.
Special speaker- Sarah Weeks.

27th - 4th Sunday Night Singing Service

Coming in December...

3rd - Congregation Christmas Party, 6:30 PM. Menu will be posted later.

4th - Elders, Preachers, Deacons & Leadership Meeting to complete **Purpose Sheets**. 9 AM

4th - Purpose Sheets will be given to the congregation to assist in the 2017 budget.

We need teachers for the new quarter beginning in December. Please consider this work. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Cut to the Chase

Many of you may remember last summer when I was an intern here at Ellijay, how I would try to have a devotional thought within the articles I wrote in the bulletin. After much thought and input, I have decided to again leave devotional thoughts for our families to read and discuss in detail. In this way I hope to assist our families in their studies of the Word of God together. It is not only my hope, but the hope of all of our leaders here that you will all take the time to study among yourselves with your families and grow closer to God and each other.

One of the many things that brings much dissension to society today is environmental issues. Greenhouse gasses, carbon emissions, polluted rivers, oil pipelines, the list could go on and on. It would seem that environmental issues are as important to the world today as politics or war. Some people believe that we have a responsibility to take care of our environment which God has created. Other people believe that we are meant to enjoy and use nature as we see fit. What is the truth? Do we have responsibility to care for the Earth as God's children? How do we know? Regardless of the side which you take, please be sure to study and discuss your reasons together. As I said Wednesday night, we should be leaning on one another and building each other up. What better way to do this than to study together God's Word?