The Vine & Branch

November 2026

"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing." John 15:5







Fall Kickoff



October Lunch and Learn



Save the Date

<u>December 1st-</u> Women on Mission- Christmas Around the World 10:30am

<u>December 15th -</u> Young at Heart Christmas party 11:00am Fellowship Hall

<u>December 20th</u>-Senior Adults Go Caroling 2:00pm (more details to come)

Abiding Thoughts from Pastor David

Fall is approaching. At the time of this writing the forecast calls for highs in the upper 60's and lows in the lower 40's (for just a couple of days). We are now officially entering the Holiday Season, a time to focus on giving thanks and the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. Let's look at giving thanks today and the birth of Jesus next month. In my daily scripture reading I've spent the last nine months in the Old Testament. I thank God for the Old Testament. My time in the Old Testament is well spent because it is designed to prepare us for the coming of the Messiah. Isaiah writes, "Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel" (Isaiah 7:14). "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be upon his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Might God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." (Isaiah 9:6). Jeremiah writes, "The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will raise up for David a righteous branch, a King who will rule wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In his day Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The Lord Our Righteous Savior" (Jeremiah 23:5-6). Finally, Micah writes, "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, w brought peace to a world full of chaos. Our world is full of uncertainties, changing times, and moral decline. What was once considered morally wrong is now morally right. Jesus saw this in his day. He spoke of the signs of the end of the age. Many will come in his name. There will be wars and rumors of war, earthquakes, famines, tribulations, and martyrdom. He goes on to tell us that immediately after the tribulation there will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man. All tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. I am thankful of Jesus' words, that He is coming back! Finally, I am thankful for God's Word. Jesus declares, "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away" (Matthew 24:35). Remember to, rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

See You Sunday!
David