



NOVEMBER 2025



A Letter From The Pastor

BY MARK BALDWIN



Scripture:

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." — 1 Thessalonians 5:18 (NIV)

As Thanksgiving approaches, I find myself reflecting on the power of gratitude. It's easy to give thanks when life is going smoothly—when the table is full, the family is near, and blessings seem to overflow. But the Apostle Paul's words remind us that gratitude isn't reserved for good times only; it's an attitude of the heart that endures through all circumstances.

When we pause to thank God, we are reminded of His constant presence and provision. Even in times of challenge or uncertainty, gratitude shifts our focus from what we lack to what we have—God's steadfast love, His promises that never fail, and the hope we have in Christ Jesus.

The Pilgrims, when they gathered for that first Thanksgiving, had lost much. Yet they chose to give thanks to God for what remained and for what was to come. Their gratitude was not rooted in abundance but in faith. We can learn from their example: when we give thanks, we make room in our hearts for joy, peace, and renewed trust in God's goodness. As the leaves continue to fall and the days grow shorter, let's take time to gather—around our tables, in our churches, and in our hearts—and remember that every good gift comes from our Heavenly Father (James 1:17). Whether our blessings are many or few, God's love remains constant and unchanging.

So this Thanksgiving season, I encourage you to take a quiet moment to count your blessings, to say a prayer of thanks, and to share that gratitude with someone else. A thankful heart has a way of multiplying joy—not just for us, but for everyone around us. May your Thanksgiving be filled with peace, love, and the assurance that God is with you in every season.

With a grateful heart,
Pastor Mark



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Paxton Methodist Pastor Appreciation Brunch



Parish Appreciation Brunch for Pastor Mark

From the Baldwin Family, we just want to thank you all for the cards, gifts, and prayers during Pastor Appreciation Month.

I also want to thank Paxton for their brunch and also the Parish for their Potluck. You all know how much I love a good meal!

We appreciate all of you and look forward to the rest of our year!

God's Blessings!

The Baldwin Family

Confirmation Class

Pastor Mark is offering up Confirmation Classes 1st Class will be November 2nd at 1:30 p.m. CT at the Sutherland United Methodist Church for more information call Pastor Mark at 308-289-2141



Confirmation

Pastor Mark on Vacation

Pastor Mark will be on vacation November 14th thru 18th

If an Emergency should arise please call

Tyrel Fear 308-539-0269



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VACATION**

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**One Worship Sunday
Last Sunday of Each month
10:30am
Sutherland UMC**

**Youth Group
November 12th 7 pm CT
Paxton UMC**

**Sutherland Potluck
November 16th**

**Charge Conference
November 8th
3:00pmCT Sutherland UMC**

**Paxton's Lord's Acre
November 23rd
5 p.m. Meal 6 p.m. Auction**



"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
His love endures forever."
— Psalm 107:1 (NIV)

In a world that often measures success by possessions, Thanksgiving invites us to measure our joy by presence—God's presence in our lives and our presence with one another. A grateful heart is a content heart, and contentment is one of God's sweetest gifts.

This year, take time to pray around your table, to tell stories of God's faithfulness, and to remember that thankfulness isn't something we do once a year—it's something we carry all year long.





Parish Bible Study

9:00amMT in Person @ Paxton UMC
7:00pmCT Online on our website

Parish Bible Schedule and scriptures:

November 5th: Luke 2: 1-8

November 12th: An Unlikely Advent

November 19th: An Unlikely Advent



November Birthday's

- 2nd Nancy Walters (H),
- 3rd McKenzie Spurgin (P)
- 5th Leah Schow (P)
- Myrna Spurgin (P)
- 6th Ethan Holm (S)
- 8th Preston Hutchison (H)
- 15th Tony Holm (S)
- Ruby Paulsen (S)
- 17th Keegan Schow (P)
- 20th Francis Brown (P)
- Samantha Nelson (H)
- 27th Betty O'Donnell (S)
- Patricia Albro (P)
- 28th Aiden Wilson (P)
- Makayla Runge (P)



November Anniversaries

- 9th Tony & Jennifer Holm (S)
- 14th Rodger & Carolyn White (H)
- 18th Pastor Mark & Linda Baldwin (HSP)

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens."

— Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NIV)

Autumn is God's way of reminding us that change can be beautiful. The leaves turn from green to gold, the air grows crisp, and the world seems to whisper, "Slow down and give thanks."

Just as the trees release their leaves, we too are called to let go—of worries, regrets, and the things that weigh us down. In doing so, we make room for renewal. The falling leaves are not an ending but a preparation for what is to come. So as you watch the beauty of autumn unfold, take a moment to thank God for His steady presence through all the seasons of life.



MEETINGS

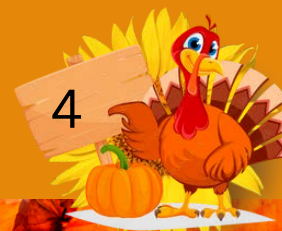
Hershey Ladies
November 6th

Sutherland Ladies
November 6th

Paxton Ladies
November 16th.

Sutherland Ad Board
TBA

Hershey Ad Board
November 20th



Paxton Lord's Acre

The Paxton UMC will be hosting our annual Lord's Acre soup supper/auction on November 23, 2025.

The event will begin at 5 pmMT with the auction to follow.

Soup supper: Choice of soup (chili or chicken noodle)

Shredded Beef sandwich, and a slice of delicious pie.

Iced Tea/Coffee/ Water --- \$10 per person.

The Schow Auction team will be donating their humor and time for the auction. Donated auction items- are a must see. Please join in the fun and fellowship!



Cookie Walk

Sutherland UMC will be hosting their annual cookie walk on December 13th 9am to 11am.

All proceeds will go to the Hershey-Sutherland food pantry.

If you would like donate goodies to sell contact any Sutherland Methodist women for details.



Charge Conference

November 8th
3:00pmCT

Sutherland Methodist Church

November 1st
Turn Back Clock
2^{am}



Daylight
Savings



1st Kings 19: 11-12

¹¹ The Lord said, "Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by."

Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. ¹² After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire.

And after the fire came a gentle whisper."

Prayers and solitude are ways to listen to the voice that speaks to our heart, in the center of our being. One of the most amazing things is that if you enter deeper and deeper into that place, you not only meet God, but you meet the whole world there."

"Henri Nouwen in Conversation. "2017



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Holiday Schedule



Online Thanksgiving Service
Wednesday November 26th at 7 p.m. CT

Sutherland Hanging of Greens
November 23rd After Worship



Online Advent Messages

December 3rd
December 10th
December 17th
7 p.m. CT

Christmas Eve Worship Services

Hershey United Methodist Church 4 p.m. CT Service
Paxton United Methodist Church 5 p.m. MT Service
Sutherland United Methodist Church 7:30 p.m. CT
Live Stream of Sutherland Worship Service will be available on our website



Online Christmas Day Message
Thursday December 25th 10:30 AM CT

One Worship Sunday
Sunday December 28th at
10:30amCT Sutherland UMC



All Holiday Messages will be live streamed on our website
www.hspparish.com





PLENTY OF THANKS



GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD.

—Psalm 107:1



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a season for every activity under
the heavens.”

— Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NIV)

As the leaves turn and the air
grows crisp, fall reminds us of the
beauty of change. Just as the trees
release their leaves, we too are
invited to let go of what weighs us
down and trust God’s timing. Each
season—whether joyful or difficult
—has its purpose under heaven. In
this autumn season, may we pause
with gratitude, embrace God’s
rhythm, and trust that He is leading
us into a new chapter filled with His
goodness.





Thanksgiving Top Ten List

You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. 2 Corinthians 9:11



F	Q	G	J	Y	U	B	H	J	I	I	S	I	C	K
F	I	F	Z	U	X	B	D	R	O	T	K	N	O	W
V	F	K	P	X	L	P	F	Y	N	T	S	D	L	S
Q	A	O	P	G	Z	Z	X	E	Z	E	N	E	D	U
A	F	K	O	J	Y	A	R	Y	R	Y	G	N	Y	Q
C	X	F	L	D	A	A	L	I	P	O	E	V	O	B
E	Q	R	H	I	P	I	O	Y	L	I	H	C	K	E
C	A	U	U	E	M	X	U	F	R	C	L	N	R	N
V	Q	L	S	A	A	Y	Z	F	L	L	D	J	I	J
O	N	U	F	X	R	L	Z	B	G	O	C	I	L	B
C	O	F	L	T	N	V	T	F	I	T	M	J	C	C
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X	O	Z	J	D	E	Q	I	Z	W	S	Y	U	H	L
C	N	G	Y	A	O	X	V	G	Q	Y	H	S	K	R

JESUS	FAMILY	TEACHERS	HEALTH	FOOD
PARENTS	FRIENDS	COUNTRY	CLOTHES	HOUSE



The HSP Newsletter will continue to be published monthly. If you have newsletter articles, pictures or any special news you would like to share with the parish please submit them to Pastor Mark, or the tech team by the 25th of each month. Items can be emailed to the following:
hsp.umc@gmail.com



Thanksgiving Word Search

Find and circle the hidden words. The words can appear in any direction: horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backwards.

APPLE
CHILLY
DRESSING
MASHED POTATOES

BEETS
CIDER
EAT
NATIVES

BLESSING
COLONY
GRAVY
ROLLS

BREWSTER
CORNUCOPIA
GREEN BEANS
THANKSGIVING

BROWN
DEER
LOVE
TURKEY

C R G L M Y H A J M X O B S G
S O E N O R D P I O K E E Y G
K A R D I V D P Z D E O S V R
B X I N I S E L G T T L D A E
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Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. CT



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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. MT