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## SERMON NOTES



**Give Thanks**  
Shawna Goldstein, *Women's Ministry Coordinator*

- 1. When our thankfulness relies only on circumstances or our "stuff", we discount Who God is and what He has done.
- 2. A truly thankful heart will drive us to praise!
- 3. We are to give thanks in all circumstances, so God's peace can guard our hearts and minds.

**Big Idea:** We can always give thanks to the Lord because He is good; His love endures forever!

**Application:** To grow a thankful heart, try reading a Psalm a day, outloud, as a prayer of praise and thanksgiving to the Lord.

### Scripture References:

- 1 John 1:9, 3:1
- John 20:2
- Romans 8:38-39
- Psalms 136:1
- 2 Chronicles 7:3, 6; 20:21
- Psalms 9:1-10; 13
- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
- Philippians 4:4-8, 11-13
- Psalms 136
- Colossians 3: 15,17

### Christmas at MCC

**December 24 • 2:30, 4 & 7 pm**  
In December, we will begin a new series called Unwrapping Christmas where, each Sunday, we will unwrap well known scriptures in order to see them in their original light. Then, join us Christmas Eve at 2:30, 4 and 7 pm, as we unwrap Christmas in order see with new eyes. You may be surprised to learn what's inside the package. Find all the details [here](#).

### MCC Christmas Decorating

**December 4 • 1 - 5 pm**  
Looking for a great way to kick off your Christmas season? Come Deck the Halls of MCC! Invite a friend and join us we we fluff wreaths, decorate trees, and hang garland. Register [here!](#)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Hands Against Hunger December 10 & 11

We are excited to again be partnering with A Child's Hope Int'l for our Hands Against Hunger 2021 event. This year's event will take place at The Hope Factory on Dec. 10-11. Get your family, friends, team members, and coworkers together and join us as we pack over 215,000 meals for undernourished people in Eswatini and right here in Cincinnati. Register below!

We need your help to reach our financial goal of \$20,000! You can contribute to our goal via Realm. Be sure to designate your contribution by clicking on "Misc. or Other Contributions" then type "Hands Against Hunger" in the memo area. Donate below!

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### Women's Zoom with Liz Curtis Higgs

**December 7 • 12-12:30 pm**  
To prepare our hearts for Christmas, this year we encourage all women of MCC to read "The Women of Christmas" by Liz Curtis Higgs. On Dec. 7th Liz will join us via Zoom to discuss her book, share some insights into the Christmas story, and do a Q&A. Please register [here](#) to receive the Zoom details.

### Gift Of Hope December 4 • 9:30am - 12:30pm

MCC is hosting "Gift of Hope" to collect Christmas gifts for local children. By donating, you will help to make an impact on a child, as we share THE HOPE we have this Christmas! For more details, and a list of top requested items, click [here](#).

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