

Backyard bird watching with Harry:

by Harry Johnson

It’s Turkey Time

How did they get their name? The Spanish Conquistadors found out the Aztecs had domesticated a great tasting bird called a turkey in Mexico and took them home to Europe and northern Africa. Most people in Europe thought they came from Turkey and that’s how the name started. When the pilgrims came, they brought turkeys with them, only to find the larger American wild turkey already there. Once abundant in the USA, the wild turkey was almost wiped out by 1900. Today the wild turkey is found in all states, except Alaska. I guess they just don’t like the cold weather. But, frozen turkey cooked in a microwave, sorry, I guess I’m still hungry.

With their plump bodies and naked faces, wild turkeys resemble a cross between a chicken and a vulture, at least until the

male fans out his magnificent tail. You can’t compare the wild turkey to the store bought Butterball. The wild birds are smaller. They average 15 to over 24 pounds. The female will lay 7-14 buff white eggs with tiny red-dish dots in a leafy or grassy depression in the ground. Their incubation period is around 26 to 28 days, with most of the eggs in the nest hatching within hours of each other. Life as a young turkey is full of peril. Opossums, coyotes, foxes, raccoons, crows and several species of snakes attempt to take turkey eggs. The hen will not physically defend her nest, but will act much like a killdeer, dragging a wing and feigning injury to attempt to lure predators away. Hawks, great horned owls and eagles have also been known to kill and eat young turkeys. Less than half of the young that hatch and leave the nest will survive their

first year.

What’s their favorite food? They love corn, whole or cracked and grasshoppers. You can see them out on a field scratching for seed, grain and insects. They love nuts, especially acorns. They also love fruit with the apple and berries as number one on their hit list. Want to see a turkey smile? Put out a salt block for them and they will love you. Grind up some oyster shells or calcium chips to give them a mineral boost and help them digest their food.

Tom turkeys have what we call beards that grow out of their chest. Beards can grow up to 20 inches long, and as many as four beards have been noted on a single tom. Another feature on a turkey is the waddle that grows on base of the throat or bill.

Now you know all about that turkey you

might be getting ready to consume at this years Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner. Happy Holidays!



American wild turkey

Church News

Community Bible Church

We Call it Thanksgiving for a Reason

Psalm 100:4 (NKJV) Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.

This week is a guest article from a truly great man. In 1863, Abraham Lincoln gave the following address:

Thanksgiving Proclamation

“It is the duty of nations as well as of men to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God; to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations are blessed whose God is the Lord.

We know that by his divine law, nations, like individuals, are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world. May we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war which now desolates the land may be a punishment inflicted upon us for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole people?

We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no

other nation has ever grown.

But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us.

It has seemed to me fit and proper that God should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart and one voice, by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November as a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens.”

Abraham Lincoln

May the Lord stir our hearts to gratefulness for the wonderful blessings and benefits that abound in this country. May we also realize they are a gift. Hope to see you Sunday.

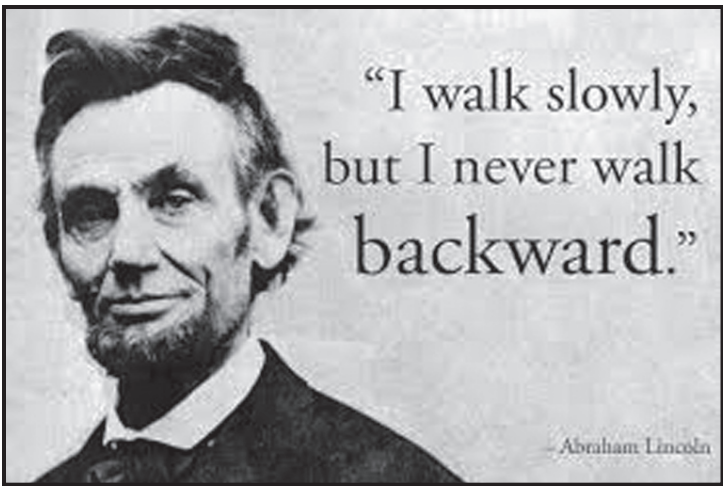
In Christ,
Pastor Dave

Ministry at CBC

Sunday
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Praise and Prayer p.m.

Wednesday: No AWANA

Thursday: Happy Thanksgiving!



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Chosen by the King

There was an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

I’m so thankful that Luke was inspired

to put down Jesus’ encounter with the thief on the cross in *Luke 23:37-43* because it’s a powerful reminder that it’s not what I do, or what I have that determines my worth. My worth and value rests firmly and securely on God’s unfailing, unconditional, enduring forever love for me.

We need to believe that and rest in it. God is madly in love with us. Don’t just take my word on it, take His. The prophet Isaiah said: Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. You are precious in my eyes, because you are honored and I love you ... the mountains may depart hills may be shaken, but my love for you will never leave you and my covenant of

peace with you will never be shaken. – *Isaiah 43:1,4; 54:10*

God calls me by name. I am precious in His eyes. His love for me will never be shaken. God is consumed by His love for me. I know all that must be true because God said it. But it’s still so hard for me to understand how powerful and strong God’s love for me is.

I’m not alone in this struggle to grasp the love of God. That’s why Paul wrote these words to the church in Ephesus: And I pray that Christ will be more and more at home in your hearts as you trust in him. May your roots go down deep into the soil of God’s marvelous love. And may you have the power

to understand, as all God’s people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is so great you will never fully understand it. Then you will be filled with the fullness of life and power that comes from God. – *Ephesians 3:17-19*

Two thousand years ago, a thief on a cross had an encounter with Jesus that teaches us that we don’t need to prove ourselves by appearance or performance. What we need is to define ourselves radically as beloved by God and recognize that God’s love for us constitutes our worth. We are truly special. We must be; were chosen by the King.

Seventh-day Adventist Church

Madrone Adventist School (541-592-3330)

What a blessing our little church school has been to our community for over 25 years. Situated in a scenic setting, the little red school house is settled behind a pretty green lawn in the country. Beside the lawn is an inviting colorful play equipment set. Parents have heard that Madrone is a safe place to send their children.

Our qualified kindergarten teacher, Teresa Sickau has decorated her room with inviting pictures to welcome each precious little one who comes. The fun activities she plans for

them spark their interest in fun ways to learn.

Moving on to the elementary grades our award winning teacher, Laura Bowlby has a 10 year reputation a Madrone for knowing how to capture the interest of her students, as they learn math, social studies, science, computer skills and reading. They also learn Bible stories that serve as a guide in their lives. Most important they learn to trust Jesus as their best forever friend.

Something else the children look forward to is music class once a week when their music teacher, Dell Spurgin

comes to teach them to sing scripture songs, and praise songs she has written herself. What a fun way to learn memory verses.

At a recent musical program the kindergarten class sang so sweetly that it reminded me of what Jesus said when He heard some children singing, “Out of the mouth of babes you have perfected praise.” *Matt. 21:16*

The school is planning to give out Thanksgiving baskets and songs to needy people again this year.

Places of Worship

BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH
5181 Holland Loop Rd., CJ
541-592-3923
“Come Join the Worship!”
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Pastor Sonny Moore
www.bridgeviewcc.org

7th DAY ADVENTIST
265 S. Old Stage Rd., CJ
Sabbath School - 9:30 a.m.
Saturday Worship 11 a.m.
Pastor Christian Martin
Church (541) 592-3218
Madrone Adventist School
541-592-3330

IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
200 Watkins St., CJ
Phone 541-592-3876
Pastor Charles Chase
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 9:15 a.m.
Child-care for small children

Illinois Valley Praise Center
28569 Redwood Hwy. CJ
Non-denominational
Bible-believing Church
Sunday school - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
Thursday Seekers 7 p.m.
Youth group Thursday - 7 p.m.
www.ivpraisecenter.com

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH
Pastor Dave Gordon
113 S. Caves Ave., CJ
Office: 541-592-3896
Email: cbccca@gmail.com
Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Christian Academy
Pre-K to 12th grade
Awana - Wednesdays - 6 p.m.

ST. PATRICK OF THE FOREST CATHOLIC CHURCH
407 W. River St., CJ
541-592-3658
Fr. William Holtzinger, Pastor
Mass - Sunday 11 a.m..
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sunday - 10:30 a.m.
Holy Days TBA

TAKILMA BIBLE CHURCH
10343 Takilma Road, Takilma
Pastor Dan Robinson
Bible Study / Prayer Time
9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m
Wednesday Bible Study
7 p.m

First Baptist Church of Selma
18285 Redwood Hwy., Selma
541-597-4169
Pastor Monty Pope
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
East River Street
& Lewis Court, CJ
Annemarie Richardson
Lay Pastor.
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 10 a.m.
Church Phone: 541-592-2290
www.goodshepherdlutheraniv.net

VALLEY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH
498 Laurel Road, CJ
P.O. Box 1248
Pastor Marvin Porter
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service - 11 a.m.
evfree@frontiernet.net
541-592-6160

FOUNTAIN OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
451 S. Junction Ave., CJ
541-592-3956
Pastor Mark McLean
Morning Worship
9:30 & 11 a.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m.
Adult Bible Study

ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
25904 Redwood Hwy., CJ
541-592-2006
Rev. Bryant Bechtold
Sunday Worship
Service 10:30 a.m.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
209 S. Junction Ave., CJ
Sacrament Meet - 10 a.m.
Sunday School - 11:20 a.m.
Priesthood, Relief Soc. - 12:10 p.m.
Bishop
Larry Hammersmith
541-592-3919

Illinois Valley Baptist Church
541-592-6149
102 S. Redwood Hwy.
(in the County Building)
Pastor Steve Root
Sunday Worship 10:30 AM
Wednesday Bible Study, Prayer
& Youth Program 7:00 PM
Friday Ladies Bible Study
11:00 AM



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