

Weekly Notes

Welcome to our church! We are glad you're here today! Whether you are joining us as a vacationer or someone who is looking for a church home, we hope that you enjoy our gathering time and sense God's presence. Here are a few things to get you connected:

infants and young children

Our safe and sanitary nursery is here to serve you. Infants ages birth-4 years old can be cared for and play in our supervised Nursery.

children

Children's Worship is a unique worship experience, designed specifically for ages 5 years old through 5th grade, starting at 10:30 AM in the Children's Worship Room. *(Children do not meet separately on the 1st Sunday of each month so families can celebrate Communion together.)*

finding your way around

If you need help locating any activities or rooms, please be sure to ask a greeter or someone at the Welcome Center.

introduce yourself

After the service, we invite you to stop by our Welcome Center and sign our guest book, have your questions answered, or receive more information about our church.

announcements

Happy Birthday!...Joyce Bocock (12/23).

Next Week's Servants (12/24)

- *Café Bakers:* Sandi Starland (breakfast goody) | Julie Newell (donuts)
- *Café Attendant:* Marge Parmenter
- *Nursery:* Closed due to Holiday
- *Sound Tech:* Bill Foskett

Attention Parents & Grandparents ...We would like to remind you that the Nursery is intended for children ages 0-4 years old. Children who are 5 years or older may go to Children's Worship or the sanctuary with their parents. Having older children in the room is not conducive to a safe environment. Because of this, our nursery staff has been instructed that children who are not 0-4 years old are not allowed in the room and will be returned to their parents. If you believe we need to make an exception because of the maturity level of your child, please contact the church office. Thank you for your cooperation.

Holiday Schedule...

- ✿ The *NURSERY* will not be available on Christmas Eve Sunday, 12/24 or New Year's Eve Sunday, 12/31. Children are welcome to join their parent(s) in the sanctuary on these days.
- ✿ *CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL* will not be held on 12/17. The class will make Christmas cookies on 12/24 and meet on 12/31 as usual.
- ✿ *CHILDREN'S WORSHIP* will not meet on 12/24.
- ✿ *MEN'S BIBLE STUDY* will not meet on 12/26.
- ✿ *THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY* will hold their last class on 12/21 and then be on break until Spring.

Church Office Closed..Kim Collins will be taking vacation and personal days through the end of the year as she continues to care for her mother. The office will be closed until Wednesday, 1/3/24. Prayer requests and other urgent matters will be handled; please call/text Kim at 269-767-2226 if you have such a need.

announcements

Attention Members Annual Meeting Information ... The 2024 budget proposal and explanation will soon be sent to members via email in a PDF format. If you would like to have a paper copy, please contact the church office. In addition to voting on the budget and the 2024 Elder Ministry Team candidates, Alyssa Newell will be presented as a proposed candidate for the Elder Ministry Team. Elder Ministry Team members willing to serve for 2024 will be Jason Avery, Patty Bales, Brian Bocock, Dan Marshall, and Alyssa Newell (if approved). If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the church office.

ELDER NOMINATION: ALYSSA NEWELL

Alyssa Newell (daughter of Dean and Linda Newell) grew up attending First Baptist Church. She came to Christ at four years old and has been active in church programs and events since. Alyssa has served in the Children's Church program since 2006, first as a junior leader and now leads it. She graduated in 2013 from Grace Christian School and attended Grace Christian University and Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids. She graduated with a bachelor in Early Childhood and Elementary Education in 2019. She currently teaches kindergarten at Grace Christian School. She shares an apartment with her sister, Julie, and their cat Ginger, and enjoys reading and spending time with family. Alyssa looks forward to the opportunity to continue to serve the church on the Elder Ministry Team.



youth group

Today!



FBC Youth Group Presents:

Game Night

- ♣ **WHAT:** You are invited to join us for a fun-filled afternoon of board games, card games, minute to win it games, etc. There will be snacks and drinks and a short Bible Lesson.
- ♦ **WHEN:** Sunday, December 17 @ 1:30 – 3:30pm
- ♥ **WHERE:** First Baptist Church, South Haven
- ♠ **WHO:** Anyone 4th grade and up

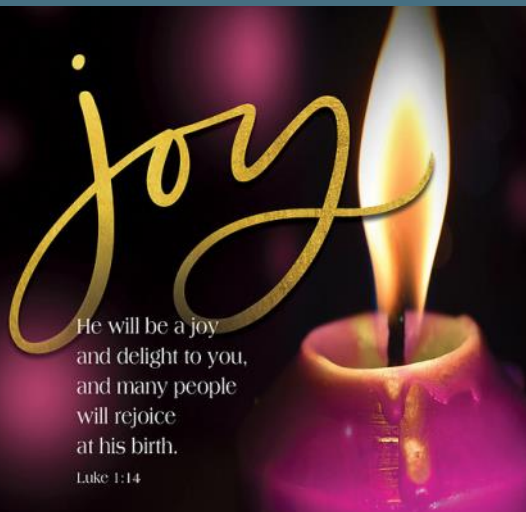
For any questions please contact Julie Newell
(julieannenewell@outlook.com | 269-929-6688)



prayerREQUESTS&PRAISES

Due to the office being closed, this list was last updated on 12/6/2023.

- **Judi Beckwith** (Kim Collins' mom) health concerns; in the latter stages of dementia.
- **Walter Hatfield** is looking for a job. If you have any leads, please let him know.
- **Ruby Robinson** (Stan & Jean Robinson's sister-in-law) continues to deteriorate and has had to stop chemo for now because it has caused so many other health issues that her body cannot handle.
- **Nolan Marshall** has had an increase in behavioral issues. Pray that they will be able to get things regulated and under control again soon.
- **Caroline Bock** is dealing with a Lyme Disease and is receiving a treatment regimen that looks promising. Please pray that it is effective and that she will be feeling better soon.
- **Joyce Bock** continues to do well. Prayers for continued improvement and relief from pain are appreciated.
- Check out our monthly prayer card on-line at southhavenfbc.com under "General Info" for a list of those with on-going needs.



weekly opportunities

mission café

Sundays | 9:00-10:15am | Mission Café

children's sunday school

Sundays | 9:15-10:15am | Children's Worship Room

- Ages 5 years old through 5th grade
- No class 12/17
- Contact Bailey Finch for questions or more information.

worship

Sundays | 10:30am | Sanctuary

- Join us in-person, or watch live on [Facebook](#) or view later in the week on [YouTube](#) or listen to an audio only version on [Archive](#).

children's worship

Sundays | 10:30am | Children's Worship Room

- Ages 5 years old through 5th grade
- Does not meet on the first Sunday of each month.
- No class 12/24
- Contact Alyssa Newell for questions or more information.

men's bible study

Tuesdays | 7:00-8:30pm | Mission Café

- No class 12/26
- Contact Paul Fitton or Larry Dobberstein for questions or more information.

church office hours

Wednesdays | 11:00am-4:00pm

bible study

Thursdays | 9:30-11:00am | Conference Room

- Last class is 12/21; then on break until spring
- Contact Tina Wilburn for questions or more information.

women's craft group

Thursdays | 6:30pm | Upstairs

- Contact Tracy Marshall for questions or more information.

our purpose

To Know Him and Make Him Known

our mission

Living Out Our Faith Together

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stay informed

- **Web Page:** Be sure to check out our website at www.southhavenfbc.com for all the latest events & news; use password "Know Him" to see the content on the FBC Family Only page.
- **Facebook:** Join our group "First Baptist Church of South Haven" for regular updates & news.
- **Email:** Get added to our email lists. Simply email southhavenfbc@gmail.com and give us your email address.
- **FBC App:** [Download our app](#) and keep informed on your phone or tablet.
- **Online Giving:** <https://www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/southhavenfbc>
- **Bible App:** Under the events option, find FBC and follow along with Pastor Jerry's message, take notes, and see announcements.
- **Office Hours:** Wednesdays, 11:00am - 4:00pm
- For additional information or help on any of these items, please contact the office.

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