

# 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!...**Sandi Cagle (11/30) and Paul Fitton (12/3).

**Next Week's Servants (12/4):**

- *Café Bakers*. Sarah McKamey (casserole) | Vasha Ferguson (donuts)
- *Café Attendant*. Tina Wilburn
- *Nursery*. Rooker Family

**Youth Pickleball Group..**Teens ages 13-17 years old are invited to learn and play the game of Pickleball, which is similar to tennis, but played on a smaller court with a paddle and ball similar to a wiffle ball. Groups will play every 2nd & 4th Saturday from 2:30-4:30pm in the FBC gym, January 14 through April 22. Spots are limited to 12. There is no cost to play, but teens are encouraged to bring a non-perishable donation for the We Care Food Pantry each week. For questions, more info, or to reserve your spot, please call/text Tammy VanderMolen (269-275-2851).

**We Care Holiday Assistance..**If you would like to sign up for assistance such as gifts for your children or a holiday meal for your family this Christmas season, please call the We Care office between now and December 15 to see if you qualify for help. Contact the We Care office Monday through Friday between 9am-1pm at 269-637-4342 (South Haven) or 269-427-9581 (Bangor). For more information, go to <https://www.wecare-inc.org/holidayprograms>.

**Christmas Hope Toy Drive ..**Each year, We Care and First Assembly of God Church organize, coordinate, and distribute toys for underprivileged children and families in need from South Haven and surrounding areas. Christmas Hope is a unique program which allows parents to come "shop" for their children from the supply of donated toys, stuffed animals, hats and mittens, stocking stuffers, crafts, family games, books and personal care items, while maintaining their dignity as they help give their families a special Christmas time. 816 children and their families were served in 2021. All recipients are cleared through DHS and We Care to be considered eligible for this program. If you would like to donate new, unopened items for this cause, please bring them to church and place them in the box in the foyer. Cash contributions are also welcomed and can be made payable to First Assembly of God Church and mailed to 06500 Blue Star Highway, South Haven MI 49090. Please note "Christmas Hope" in the memo. For questions or more information, contact Susie Loyd-Price (269-214-6208 | [ChristmasHopeSH@gmail.com](mailto:ChristmasHopeSH@gmail.com)).

# announcements

**Childcare Help Needed.** . If you are able to provide childcare in the FBC Nursery during the Wednesday morning Bible study from 9:30-11:30am, please contact Tina Wilburn or Kim Collins.

**Attention Amazon Shoppers!** Please remember us for your online Amazon purchases and designate "First Baptist Church South Haven" as your charity of choice. We will receive 0.5% donation from all purchases which is used for our youth scholarships. You can do so by going to the following link: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/38-2244607>. Thanks for your support!



## Oktoberfest Celebration

## *A Time of Thankfulness*

We are greatly humbled by the generosity of our congregation. So far, this year's offering, combined with pledges, is a total of \$37,151. We thank you for your faithfulness, especially during such challenging times, and look forward to seeing how God will use our building in the year ahead as we continue to "Know Him and Make Him Known." If you would still like to make a contribution to this fund, please drop your gift in the regular offering with the notation of "Oktoberfest."



## CAFÉ HOURS

9:00-10:15am  
on Sundays

The Mission Café is a great place to have a breakfast treat and coffee, enjoy lively conversation and have fun while helping support missions at FBC.

- ◆ Donuts
- ◆ English Muffins
- ◆ Hot & Cold Beverages
- ◆ Bagels
- ◆ Snacks
- ◆ And more!

For your convenience, we accept cash, check and debit/credit cards!

# prayerREQUESTS and PRAISES

- **Don & Deb Jenks and their family** upon the death of Don's mother, Arliss Jenks, on 11/3.
- **Tabitha Goodale** (friend of Stan & Jean Robinson) is recovering from a successful surgery and is doing well. Thank you for your prayers!
- **Karlie Mercado-Woodall** (20 year-old niece of Matt & Kristy Jenks) is recovering from a non-motorized accident which resulted in many injuries including breaking both ankles, a wrist and her back in multiple places. She is currently recovering at Mary Freebed Hospital.
- **Nolan Marshall** (son of Dan & Tracy) is struggling with major tantrums and other behavioral issues. Please pray for the doctors to have wisdom in choosing medication and treatments, and that the tantrums do not escalate worse than what they are. He has an evaluation scheduled at a brain specialty clinic for 12/6 and a parental follow-up meeting on 1/6. Also pray for patience and safety for him, his parents and his brother Riley as they try to work through situations.
- **Carl Oisten** (Sue Richmond's brother) is recovering from a severe case of pneumonia.
- **Shannon French** (son of Curt & Patty Bales) continues eye drop treatment for an infection. It looks like the damaged part is creating new cells and hopefully healing.
- **Joyce Bockock** finished radiation on the large tumor in her spine. She is handling the medication for the endocrine therapy well.
- **Pete Danapilis** is home recovering from a successful back surgery.
- **Rocky** (Stan Robinson's uncle) has been released from the hospital, but continues to have a myriad of health issues.
- **Norma Bales** (Curt Bales' mom) is receiving Hospice care.
- **Linda Newell** is recovering from surgery to have a rotator cuff repaired.
- **Vincent Bryant** (Miriam Bryant's son) is recovering from a broken ankle.
- Check out our monthly prayer card on-line at [southhavenfbc.com](http://southhavenfbc.com) under "General Info" for a **list of those with on-going needs**.

# Holiday Train Display

And Christmas Tree  
Silent Auction



**December 2 - 23, 2022**

**Fridays: 3-6 pm | Saturdays: Noon - 6 p.m.**

**Sundays: 3 - 6 p.m. | Dec. 21 & 22, 3 - 6 p.m.**

**Woodhams Show Room in South Haven**

1111 LaGrange St, South Haven, MI 49090

**FREE ADMISSION!**

Toy donations accepted for Project Christmas Hope

**Want to Be Involved?**

## DECORATE A TREE!

Decorate a 2' or 4' tree provided FREE by We Care. Bring decorated tree to Woodhams Ford on Tuesday, November 29th, 4-6p.m. to be part of a silent auction to raise funds for We Care's programs and ministries (registration forms are on our website at [wecare-inc.org](http://wecare-inc.org) or in our offices).

## BE A DAY SPONSOR!

Your business, family, friends, social group or organization can sponsor a day at the train display! As a sponsor, you will have signage at the venue, in our marketing, on our website and social media. Just make a donation to We Care and provide 2-5 volunteers for the event that day.

## VOLUNTEER!

Hosts and helpers, otherwise known as "Elves" are needed to welcome visitors, answer questions, and help with placing silent auction bids. Training and thank-you gift provided! This is a great opportunity for groups, families or businesses to give back during the holidays. Sign up today by contacting Doug at 269-637-4342 ext 6# or [circlesvbc@wecare-inc.org](mailto:circlesvbc@wecare-inc.org)

**Visit [www.wecare-inc.org](http://www.wecare-inc.org)  
or call 269-637-4342 ext 6#**



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# WE CARE

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*Holiday Blessings Campaign*

## We Care's Holiday Programs

### Assistance Provided for Families in Need:

If you need assistance providing food or gifts for your family this holiday season, call or visit the We Care office to see how we can help. Please bring one of the following:

- DHHS Decision Notice for assistance (ie: food benefits or cash assistance)
- Free/reduced lunch letter from your child's school
- Income verification (check stub) and birth certificates for all children being signed up
- Or call the office and we can help you figure out the best thing for your family

Visit us at 1301 M-43 Hwy, Suite 2B in South Haven

### Gift Distributions

**South Haven: Christmas Hope, partnered with First Assembly of God.** Parents get to shop in a "Toys-R-Us" style space and pick out gifts for their children. Families sign up through We Care and are assigned a date and time to "shop". A volunteer guides them through age-appropriate areas to pick out special gifts their child will enjoy. Donation boxes for gifts are located in businesses around South Haven. Serving residents of South Haven, Covert, Glenn, Lacota, Breedsville, and Grand Junction.

**Bangor: Santa's Workshop, partnered with Sacred Heart Catholic Church and St. Vincent de Paul.**

Parents are provided with a form to list specific gifts their children would like. Volunteers pack gifts specific to each family. Donation boxes located throughout Bangor. Serving residents of Bangor.

**TEENTidings, partnered with donors throughout the community.**

Parents sign up through We Care. Donors provide specific baskets for teens. Serving residents of South Haven, Covert, Glenn, Lacota, Breedsville, Grand Junction, and Bangor.

### Meal Baskets Donations

A **complete meal** for Thanksgiving and/or Christmas just like you'd serve at home:

- Meat - ham, turkey, pot roast, or pork shoulder.
- 2+ sides - veggies, casserole, potatoes.
- Rolls - refrigerated, canned, or bakery items.
- Desserts - pie, cake, ice-cream, whipped cream, candy, cookies.
- All necessary ingredients, such as milk and butter for mashed potatoes; eggs, oil and frosting for cake mix, butter and jelly for rolls, etc.
- Place all in a reusable container, such as a tote, laundry basket or crate.

Distributed out of a public location, such as a church, business or the We Care office.

### Gift Donations

**Gifts Suggestions for kids 0 - 13 years:** Blocks, learning toys, stuffed animals, Lego, sports balls, art supplies board games, head-phones, sports equipment, and bath items. Drop off locations throughout South Haven and Bangor (listings at [www.wecare-inc.org](http://www.wecare-inc.org))

**TEENTidings suggestions:**

- **Earbuds**, ear phones or headphones
- **Toiletries** such as body wash, nail kits and care, lotions, hair care, deodorant, gift sets, etc.
- **Blanket** any size, shape or color
- **Gift Card** for \$10 to a local restaurant, store or theater
- **Reading Material** such as magazine, graphic novel, crossword puzzles, word search.

All in a basket (no clothing); valued around \$50.



269-637-4342 | 269-427-9581

[dana@wecare-inc.org](mailto:dana@wecare-inc.org) | [outreach@wecare-inc.org](mailto:outreach@wecare-inc.org)



# weekly opportunities

## mission café

Sundays | 9:00-10:15am | Mission Café

## children's sunday school

Sundays | 9:15-10:15am | Classroom 3

- Ages 5 years old through 5th grade
- Contact Bailey Rooker for questions or more information.

## worship

Sundays | 10:30am | Sanctuary

- If you're unable to join us in-person, you can watch live on [Facebook](#) or view later in the week on [Facebook](#) or [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.
- Contact Alyssa Newell for questions or more information.

## aftermath

Sundays | after worship | Upstairs

- Join us for lunch and a discussion about the worship message.
- Contact Pastor Jerry for questions or more information.

## youth group

Sundays | 1:00-3:00pm | FBC upstairs

- Middle & High School students
- Contact Allie Wilson for questions or more information.

## men's bible study

Tuesdays | 7:00-8:30pm | Mission Café

- Contact Paul Fitton or Larry Dobberstein for questions or more information.

## bible study

Wednesdays | 9:30-11:30am | Classroom 3

- Contact Tina Wilburn for questions or more information.

## church office open

Wednesdays | 11:00am-4:00pm

## women's craft group

Thursdays | 6:30pm | Classroom 2

- Contact Tracy Marshall for questions or more information.

# our purpose

To Know Him and Make Him Known

# our mission

Living Out Our Faith Together

## ministry contacts

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## stay informed

- **Web Page:** Be sure to check out our website at [www.southhavenfbc.com](http://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](mailto: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, 10:00am-4:00pm
- For additional information or help on any of these items, please contact the office.

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