

# 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!**...Bob Tate (10/12); Carter Sullivan (10/13); Beth Bocock (10/16); and Evelyn Mills (10/17).

## **Next Week's Servants (10/19)**

- *Café Bakers*: Susie Price (casserole) | Tracy Marshall (donuts)
- *Café Attendant*: Sarah McKamey
- *Nursery*: Abi Avery, Paul Fitton
- *Sound Tech*: Don Jenks
- *Video, Streaming & Camera Techs*: Linda & Julie Newell, Tracy & Riley Marshall, Max Foskett

**Prayer Initiative.**..If you'd like to be part of our prayer initiative, please sign up in the foyer or see Pastor Jerry.

**Pop Cans = Scholarships.**..Don't forget that your beverage can & bottle donations are used to fund teen scholarships for youth retreats, summer camps, special activities, etc. Please bring your recyclable items to the church anytime!

**Have You Considered?**Did you know that if your bank offers online services, you can set your tithe up as a regular 'bill payment' through your bank? This is a convenient option to help with continuity in giving and the ability for you to tithe even when you are on vacation or miss church. It eliminates having to wonder if you turned in your offering while you were gone! If you have questions or would like more information about how to utilize this convenient option, check with your banking institution or contact the church office.

**Hearing Assistance Devices Available.**..We have hearing assistance devices available during the morning worship service which allow the user to control the volume based on their individual needs. They are available from the Sound Booth at the rear of the sanctuary and are cleaned and sanitized after each use. For questions, see Rocky Starland.



# PumpkinFest

**WHEN?** THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30

**TIME?** 6:30-8:00 PM

**WHO?** KIDS AGES 2 YRS. OLD-5TH GRADE

(All Children Must Be Accompanied by an Adult age 18 or older)

**WHERE?** FBC GYM

**WHAT?** PumpkinFest provides a **FREE** festive, carnival-type atmosphere INDOORS. Kids and their parents can enjoy an evening of FREE games, food and treats (no tricks!). Hot coffee, popcorn, and cotton candy will be served. If the weather is rainy or cold, this is a great alternative to trick-or-treating! Or, stop by after you're finished trick-or-treating, have more fun and get more candy! This is a children's event and costumes should be "G" rated—please no scary or violent attire. **SIGN-UP IN THE FOYER SOON AND LET US KNOW HOW YOU WILL HELP!**



## Got Candy?

We need a LOT of it brought in for PumpkinFest! If possible, we are asking that each household bring in two or more bags of candy to church each Sunday through October 26. Please leave your candy bags in the pumpkin can outside the church office door. Thanks for your help!



## *Oktoberfest Celebration*

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*"They (we) will  
celebrate your  
abundant goodness  
and joyfully sing of  
your  
righteousness."*  
*(Psalm 145:7)*

## *A Time to Give: Oktoberfest Offering*

On Sunday, November 2, we will receive a special Oktoberfest Offering. During our morning worship service, we will have an opportunity to present a monetary gift to God in thanksgiving for His abundant blessings and in joyful celebration of being a church who is committed to being what God wants us to be. We will receive an extremely important Oktoberfest Offering which will be used solely for payment of our building mortgage (annually about \$36,000.00). Besides celebrating God's goodness, our Oktoberfest Celebration will also be a time when we can recommit ourselves to fulfilling God's calling "To Know Him and Make Him Known" and to the goal of living out our faith together.

We are looking forward to what 2026 will bring as we see how God will use our building to impact the lives of others in our community. If you are unable to join us for the service, we hope you'll consider either mailing or making an online contribution ahead of time. Your offering is vital to our ability to pay the mortgage. We thank you for prayerfully considering how you can contribute.

## *A Time of Fellowship*

Following our worship service on November 2, we will enjoy a time of food and fellowship with a Potluck Dinner. Please bring a main/side dish AND a dessert to share that feeds at least 10-12 people.

## *A Time to Help*

If you're able to help with the potluck (set-up, serving, and/or clean-up), please [SIGN-UP HERE](#) or contact Kim Collins.

# Trivia Night

*A Fundraiser  
for Mission  
Projects*

*Saturday, November 22*

*6:00-9:00pm*

*Upstairs at FBC*

We invite you to join us for our annual Fall Trivia Night, featuring all new categories, as we raise funds for mission projects.

\* \$100 per table.

(Proceeds benefit True Vine Equestrian Center)

\* 8-10 people per table

(Table hosts will coordinate or bring snacks and drinks for their group)

\* Heads or Tails: 2 Rounds/ \$5 to play each

\* \$1 mulligans - up to 10 per table.

\* Door Prizes and More!

\* Childcare is available.

\* For questions or more info,  
contact the church office  
[southhavenfbc@gmail.com](mailto:southhavenfbc@gmail.com)

**269-637-1291.**

*Sign-Up Online*



# prayerREQUESTS&PRAISES

- **Mike & Amy Niekirk and their family** upon the loss of Amy's father, Robert Kusick, on 9/28 in Illinois.
- **Judy Niekirk** (Mike's mom) has been diagnosed with Renal Cell Carcinoma. They are determining treatment options.
- **Marialice Quinn** (former member of FBC) is continuing treatment for cancer and continued prayers during this time are greatly appreciated
- **Penny Comet** (Rocky Starland's aunt in Cypress, CA) is at a rehab facility for therapy to regain strength.
- **Vince Bryant** (Miriam Bryant's son) is recovering from foot surgery.
- **Beth Bockock** continues to recover from ulcerative colitis.
- 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.

But we will give ourselves continually to  
**Prayer**  
and to the ministry of the word. Acts 6:4

If you have a request or concern that you'd like us to pray for, please let us know!



## 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, debit/credit cards or Venmo, PayPal, Apple and Google Pay thru the church app!

# weekly opportunities

## mission café

Sundays | 9:00-10:15am | Mission Café

## 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.
- Contact Alyssa Newell 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.

## church office hours

Wednesdays | 11:00am-4:00pm

## theology class

Wednesdays | 7:00-8:00pm | Main Foyer

- Closed course.

## bible study

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

- Studying Joshua. Open to new participants at any time.
- Contact Tina Wilburn for questions or more information.

## women's craft group

Thursdays | 6:30pm | Craft Room

- Contact Tracy Marshall for questions or more information.

## coming soon

- *Pumpkinfest 2025*: Thursday, 10/30 | 6:30-8:00 PM | FBC Gym  
**(\*NOTE: This event is not on Halloween this year\*)**
- *Oktoberfest Celebration*: Sunday, 11/2 | during worship
- *Trivia Night*: Saturday, 11/22 | 6:00-9:00pm | Upstairs at FBC

# 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, 11:00am - 4:00pm
- For additional information or help on any of these items, please contact the office.

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