

# 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!**...Aaron Sullivan (9/22) and Sue McKamey (9/24).

## **Next Week's Servants (9/24)**

- *Café Bakers*: Marge Parmenter (casserole) | Marge Benham (muffins)
- *Café Attendant*: Allie Wilson

**Fall Activities Coming Soon...**We have several activities continuing (now is a great time to join) or resuming in the near future:

- *Men's Bible Study Continues*  
Tuesdays | 7-8:30pm | Mission Café
- *Women's Bible Study Begins a New Study Starting 10/5*  
Thursdays | 9:30-11:30am | Conference Room  
*This group will begin a new Life Guide Bible Study, "Meeting the Spirit" on October 5. If you would like to join, please contact Vasha Ferguson or Tina Wilburn to have a book ordered.*
- *Children's Sunday School Resumes*  
THIS Sunday, 9/17 | 9:30-10:15am | Children's Worship Room

**Aftermath...**If you are interested in joining us after church each week for a light lunch and discussion of the morning's worship message, please SIGN-UP ONLINE or contact Kim [text/call 269-767-2226 or email southhavenfbc@gmail.com] and let us know. If there seems to be enough interest and participation, we will resume this group in October.



**Today 🕒 12:30 pm 🕒 Bumbleberry Acres**

*Join us for a fun afternoon of lunch and activities.*

FBC will provide: burgers, brats and hot dogs; pop and water; and paper products. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share that feeds at least 10-12 people and a lawn chair. This event will be entirely outdoors, so please dress accordingly for the weather.

# announcements

## BLOOD DRIVE

Neighbors Need  
Neighbors

Donate  
Blood

**Thursday  
September**

**21**

**1:00PM – 6:00 PM**

**Helpful tip:  
Make sure to eat a healthy  
meal and drink plenty of  
water before donating.**

**First Baptist Church - South Haven  
Community Blood Drive!**

1635 76th Street  
South Haven MI.  
Downstairs Foyer

Patients live when donors give. Please make your  
appointment to save 3 lives today.

Blood is vital, precious, and in short supply.

**APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED, WALK-INS WELCOME**

visit [versiti.org/miblood](https://www.versiti.org/miblood)  
Call 866-642-5663  
Or use the QR Code below

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♡♡ **Be the reason for someone's heartbeat** ♡♡  
**Sign up to donate blood today!**

# announcements



True Vine Equestrian Center Presents

## The First Annual Golf Scramble for the Ranch

**SAVE THE DATE**

22 SEPT 2023 || 9:00 AT OLDE MILL GOLF CLUB

269-501-0529    [www.truevineequestrian.org](http://www.truevineequestrian.org)

Please sign up for this fundraiser event if you can.  
For questions or more information,  
contact Rob Zantello (269-767-0909).



# PumpkinFest

**WHEN?** TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31

**TIME?** 6:30–8:30 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 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 29. 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 6, 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 2024 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 6, 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. Sign up at <https://www.PerfectPotluck.com/LXBV1183> to let us know what you're bringing and to avoid too many duplicate dishes.

## *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.

# prayerREQUESTS&PRAISES

- **Marge Parmenter** is recovering from an infection.
- **Scott Newton** (Roberta Newton's son) is recovering from a bacterial infection and homebound.
- **Kendra Newton** (Roberta Newton's granddaughter) is recovering from back surgery in Florida.
- **Vincent Bryant** (son of Miriam Bryant) is recovering from surgery.
- **Butch & Gail Sternum** (friends of Roberta Newton) - Gail is recovering from hip surgery and fell and broke her ankle. Butch is in need of a liver transplant, but refuses to have one.
- **James & Melissa Kirby** (nephew of Bruce & Vasha Ferguson) thank you for your prayers. Their plumbing and a/c issues are resolved.
- **Caroline Bocock** has been terribly ill as she is dealing with a Lyme Disease outbreak. She has begun a treatment regimen that looks promising. Please pray that it is effective and that she will be feeling better soon.
- **The Marshall Family:** Continue to pray for Nolan who is still struggling.
- **Joyce Bocock** has completed chemo and radiation; praise God that both tumors have shrunk significantly more than expected; evaluating additional treatment options.
- Check out our monthly prayer card on-line at [southavenfbc.com](http://southhavenfbc.com) under "General Info" for a **list of those with on-going needs**.



## 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
- ◆ Bagels

- ◆ English Muffins
- ◆ Snacks

- ◆ Hot & Cold Beverages
- ◆ And more!

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

# 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
- 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.
- 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.

## bible study

Wednesdays | 5:00-6:30pm | Conference Room

- Contact Tina Wilburn for questions or more information.

## church office hours

Wednesdays | 11:00am-4:00pm

## women's craft group

Thursdays | 6:30pm | Upstairs

- Contact Tracy Marshall for questions or more information.

## TODAY

- Annual Church Picnic | after worship | Bumbleberry Acres

## coming soon

- Blood Drive | Thursday, 9/21 | 1:00-6:00pm | FBC Main Foyer
- New Bible Study | Thursdays, starting 10/5 | 9:30-11:30am | Conference Room
- Pumpkinfest | Tuesday, 10/31 | 6:30-8:30pm | FBC Gym



# 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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