

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); Annette Hatfield (12/27); and Jeff Wilson (12/28).

Next Week's Servants (12/28)

- *Café Food:* Pat Fitton (casserole), Julie Newell (donuts)
- *Café Attendant:* Allie Wilson
- *Nursery:* Abi Avery, **Helper Needed**
- *Sound Tech:* Don Jenks
- *Video, Streaming & Camera Techs:* Linda & Julie Newell, Tracy & Riley Marshall, Max Foskett

Summer Camp Scholarship Fundraiser...A special Christmas tree in the foyer is decorated with hand made offering envelopes to help raise funds for summer campers. These envelopes are marked with monetary amounts from \$1-\$100. If you'd like to make a donation to our Summer Camp scholarship fund, please take an envelope for the amount you'd like to donate and either drop it in the offering buckets at the back of the sanctuary or leave it on the desk in the office. You can take as many envelopes as you want, and of course donate whatever amount you wish.

Winter Weather is Here...Please use caution and extreme care when coming to church as the parking lot is very icy because of the cold temperatures. The front area by the main entrance/car port is ice free and recommended for drop-offs whenever possible. Also, if worship or other activities will be cancelled due to the weather, we will send an email, text, and post on Facebook. Please be sure to check your device before heading out.

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.



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.

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| ♦ 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!



CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Join us for a special time of worship on

Christmas Eve

Wednesday, December 24
6:00 pm

**If you would like to participate in the Christmas
Eve service (sing, dance, instrumental, etc.),
please contact Pastor Jerry.**



YOUR BLOOD IS A *Lifeline*



NATIONAL BLOOD DONOR MONTH

Thursday
**January
15**

12:30 PM - 5:30 PM



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

For eligibility questions
please call
866-642-5663

First Baptist Church Community Blood Drive

Foyer
1635 76th St
South Haven, MI 49090

APPOINTMENTS PREFERRED

- Call 866-642-5663
- Or scan the QR code below

***Walk-ins welcome, as schedule allows!**

As a thank you, all attempting donors with a valid
email and code SPARK in their appointment notes
will receive a \$25 e-gift card.



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ANNUAL MEETING

**Sunday, January 18, 2026
immediately following worship
in the sanctuary**

Our Annual Meeting will be held in the sanctuary on Sunday, January 18, immediately following the morning worship service. All members are encouraged and expected to participate if possible.

A PDF copy of the 2026 budget information has been emailed to all members. If you would like to have a paper copy, please contact the church office.

We will vote on the following:

1. Approval of the 2026 budget.
2. Affirmation of the 2026 Elder Ministry Team: Patty Bales, Dan Marshall, Alyssa Newell, and Doug Zantello.
3. Proposed By-Law change.

Because the meeting is expected to be fairly short, we will not have a potluck.

For questions or more information, please contact the church office.



prayerREQUESTS&PRAISES

- **Mike Rooker** is recovering from a hemorrhagic brain bleed and stroke.
- **Carson Rooker** who is recovering from a clavicle that was broken in 3 places. Surgery is scheduled for 12/23.
- **The family of former FBC Pastor Charles (Chuck) Williams** who passed away on Sunday, 12/14
- **The family of Marvin Hall** (brother-in-law of Alice Avery & Judi Beckwith, uncle of Jason Avery & Kim Collins) who passed away on 12/9 in Missouri.
- **Ginny Dorsey** (Rhonda Dobberstein's mom) is recovering from sepsis and pneumonia; is very weak and needs to regain strength.
- **Bruce Ferguson** is being tested for prostate and bladder problems. Please pray that the results are negative and that the issues are not happening because of cancer.
- **Jeff and Allie Wilson and their family** upon the loss of Jeff's father, Gary Wilson, on 11/16 and Allie's uncle, Ray Harris, on 11/18.
- **Sandi Cagle** is having issues with her left shoulder and upper arm; please pray for healing as well as that the issues don't spread to her right arm.
- **Sandi Cagle's mother** is recovering from a fall and surgery for a broken wrist.
- **Jett** (13-year-old son of Tracy Marshall's friend, Carrie) is recovering from a motocross accident. Also please keep Carrie's mental and emotional well-being in prayer. Her mother is undergoing aggressive treatment for stage 4 colon cancer that requires overnight stays in Chicago every two weeks (that Carrie takes her to) and she has 4 children at home, all under 13.
- **Judy Niekirk** (Mike's mom) is recovering from surgery for renal cell carcinoma. She is recovering well, but the cancer has spread. She is waiting for an oncology appointment to be scheduled.
- 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.

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!



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 | Online Meeting

- 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

- *Christmas Eve Worship Service*: Wed. 12/24 | 6:00pm | FBC Sanctuary
- *Blood Drive*: Thursday, 1/15/2026 | 12:30-5:30pm | Main Foyer
- *Annual Meeting*: Sun. 1/18/2026 | after worship | FBC Sanctuary

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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