

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

Parents are invited to use our Prayer Room (to the left of the sanctuary entrance) if they feel the need to remove themselves and their children from the Sanctuary. This room allows you to conveniently hear and observe the service.

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 Gym. *(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 an usher!

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

We welcome **Rev. Brian Johnson** to our pulpit this morning. He is the Executive Minister of our region, the American Baptist Churches of Michigan. Brian is a graduate of Olivet Nazarene University and Northern Baptist Theological Seminary where he earned a Master of Divinity. Prior to his appointment as the Executive Minister of ABCMI he was an Associate Pastor in Illinois for 5 years and Senior Pastor of Crossroads Community Church in Stockbridge, MI for over 15 years where he led a significant turnaround. In recent years, Rev. Johnson also served as a Region Board member and a Contract Consultant for ABCMI; which is where God began to birth in his heart a vision for seeing an entire region of churches realize a transformative experience that causes the Kingdom of God to be manifest. He and his wife, Erika, have two daughters, Eliana and Elisabeth. In his spare time, he enjoys investing in the lives of young men by coaching high school boys' basketball in his community.

Happy Birthday!...Eric Brower, Riley Marshall (7/18); Loretta Avery and Gena Bassett (7/20)

Nursery Helpers Needed...We hope to open our nursery starting in August. Volunteers are needed. For safety and accountability purposes, we need two servants in the room each week, so the more people we have who are willing to help, the less often each person needs to do it. Background checks are required. If you're willing to serve in this manner, please contact Kim in the church office as soon as possible.

Benevolent Fund Update: As of 7/1, contributions to this fund are no longer tax deductible. Please see Pastor Jerry's letter that was emailed on 6/22 or check it out on our [website](#) for further details.

Blood Drive: 7/22..When the temperature goes up, the blood supply goes down. That's why dedicated donors like you are the pulse of summer! Help us keep a healthy blood supply in our Michigan hospitals this Summer. Join us for our next Blood Drive on Thursday, 7/22 from 1:00-6:00 PM in the Gym. Appointments Preferred. Call 866-642-5663 or register online <https://bit.ly/FBCBLOODDRIVE2021>

Flower Bed Maintenance Needed...We need help maintaining the church's flowerbeds. Feel free to stop by the church at your convenience and pull weeds from whatever flowerbed catches your eye. If you contact us in advance, we can arrange for the shed to be open so you can get tools; otherwise feel free to bring your own.

prayerREQUESTS and PRAISES

Tim Sullivan has been diagnosed with Coronary Artery Disease. He is 30 years old and has been predicted to have a potentially deadly heart attack within 5 years. Please pray for healing for him and peace for both him and his wife, Esther, as they are expecting their second child this fall and are trying to sort through what their future may look like.

Loretta Pollard (mother of Susan Seitz) has been moved to a nursing home.

Jepthe Lucien is okay following the assassination of the president and uprising that is occurring in Haiti, although is unable to travel to Port O' Prince because it is too dangerous. Please pray for his and his family's safety, their ministry, and the country during this time of upheaval.

Renae Nichols (sister of Tim Hendrix) has been released from the hospital and is recovering from Covid at home.

Bob Nichols (brother-in-law of Tim Hendrix, Renae's husband) is expected to remain hospitalized for a few more days as he continues treatment for Covid.

Linda Rooker is recovering from a successful hip replacement surgery. Pray for a speedy healing and minimal pain.

The family of Curtis Walton (adopted son of Vasha Ferguson's sister, Deborah) who passed away on 6/23 following a battle with Covid-19. Please pray especially for his wife Tina who is now caring for their six children alone.

The Family of Jim Seagren (friend of Stan & Jean Robinson) who passed away on 6/21 after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Dan & Tracy Marshall and their family upon the death of Tracy's grandfather, Herbert Ely, on 6/18.

Frank Buchert has returned home. Pray that he'll gain strength.

Taylor Brown (12 year-old great granddaughter of Frank & Mary Buchert, grandniece of Curt & Patty Bales) continues to recover from a bone marrow transplant. She is doing remarkably well and has been released from the hospital and is now staying at the Ronald McDonald House. She continues treatment three times a week.

Doug Zantello is recovering from foot surgery.

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 before and after church

worship: Sundays at 10:30am in the Sanctuary

- Available live on Facebook beginning at 10:30 AM
- If you're unable to join us in-person, you can view the service later in the week on Archive.org, Facebook.com or YouTube.com.

children's worship: Sundays at 10:30am in the Gym

- Ages 5 years old through 5th grade
- Contact Alyssa Newell for questions or more information.

church office open: Wednesdays, 10:00am-4:00pm

bible study: Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30am in the Library

- Contact Vasha Ferguson for questions or more information.

women's craft group: Thursdays, 6:30pm in the Library

- Contact Tracy Marshall to participate.

men's basketball: Saturdays, 1:30-2:30pm in the Gym

- Contact Josiah O'Conner to participate.

on summer break | will resume this fall

- Children's Sunday School
- Youth Group
- Tuesday Night Women's Bible Study
- Tuesday Night Men's Group



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 First Baptist Church.

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

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

our purpose

To Know Him and Make Him Known

our mission

Living Out Our Faith Together

ministry contacts

ministry leaders

Pastor Jerry Koller _____	269-767-2188	Allie Wilson, Sr. Events Coord. ___	269-639-8001
Jason Avery, Adjunct Pastor ___	269-370-3143	Alyssa Newell, Children's Worship	
Kim Collins, Office _____	269-767-2226	_____	269-906-0367
Doug Zantello, Outreach _____	269-427-7000		

elder ministry team

Janette Hendrix, chair _____ 269-767-5785

deacon ministry team

Vasha Ferguson, chair _____ 269-906-0083

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 [MinistryOne](#) and keep informed on your phone or tablet.
- **Online Giving:** <https://www.shebygiving.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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