

Welcome



While our place of worship has changed from the usual place and time, we are grateful to know that the Body of Christ can worship anytime, anywhere. And a building is just that - a building. The Church is the people, not the place where we worship. In these troubled times, our witness for Jesus Christ can be evident to those around us as we take wise precautions, while simultaneously living out our faith with what it means to have a peace that passes all understanding. May you be blessed this week as we see God at work through these unprecedented times. We can get through this together. Our God is able.

Sermon notes are also available. You can view them through the Bible app as usual on your phone or tablet or via the internet. See our Facebook page or check your email for this week's link.

We realize that this can be a difficult and stressful time for many of our church members. As this stay-at-home order continues to be in effect and many of you are unable to work, financial hardships can

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be an issue. Concerns and worry about the virus, financial issues, being stuck at home, etc. can be creating emotional and psychological stress. Your spiritual wellness may be struggling as we are unable to worship together and connect with church family on a regular basis.

We are here for you!! If you need assistance in any way, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Let us know how we can pray for you! You can submit a confidential request through our website (southhavenfbc.com) or by emailing either Pastor Jerry or Kim directly. In addition, we have persons willing to shop for those who cannot go to the store themselves or help in other ways too.

While we do not have unlimited financial resources, we do have some funds available. If you are in a good spot and willing/able to help others in need, perhaps you would consider a donation to our Benevolent Fund to help those who are struggling during this time.

We are all in this together! If you have suggestions or ideas about how we can support one another, please let us know.

- **Current Status:** Our building is closed, but several classes are meeting online and Pastor Jerry's weekly sermon messages are available on our Facebook page and YouTube. We are prohibiting access to the building unless specific permission has been granted by Pastor Jerry. If you need to come to the church, please contact him in advance.
- **Communication is Important!** The key to getting through this is to communicate and continue to support each other however we can. Please do not hesitate to contact Kim Collins (southhavenfbc@gmail.com or 269-767-2226 or Pastor Jerry (revkoller@yahoo.com or 269-767-2188) if we can be of assistance.
- **Be Safe:** Please be smart in safeguarding yourselves—not only for your sake, but for the sake of others. If you are sick, stay home.
- **Be Faithful:** Please be financially faithful. Even if you cannot gather with us, please remember that we still have expenses that need to be met.
- **Be Prayerful:** Please be in prayer for one another and for our nation at large.

announcements

Happy Birthday...Walter Hatfield and Sean Wilson (5/18).

Attention Graduates..We know this year is way different than years past, but we want to be prepared and plan to recognize our college and high school graduates once we are able to resume worship. We want to be sure that we don't miss anybody! If you will be graduating, please contact the church office no later than Sunday, May 31. Also, if you let us know when your graduation open house will hopefully be, we would be more than happy to help spread the word through our communications. Please email your info to southhavenfbc@gmail.com.

Flower Bed Maintenance Needed...Spring is finally here and we need help maintaining the church's flowerbeds. If you're looking for a reason to get out of the house and yet still maintain your social distancing, 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 garage to be open so you can get tools; otherwise feel free to bring your own. Once life returns to normal, we'll work on adopting flower beds as we have in the past.

Online Giving is Now Available!..We are excited to share with you that you now have the option to support our ministries by giving an online donation via debit/credit card or by donating via your bank account. If you're interested in sending a gift via this safe and secure option, you can do so by using this link: <https://secure.givelively.org/donate/first-baptist-church-south-haven-mi>

Use Your Bible App..You can use the Bible App on your phone or tablet to follow along with Pastor Jerry's message, take notes, and see announcements. For help on how to do so, contact the office.

opportunities via zoom

- *Children's Sunday School...*Janette Hendrix is leading this class for children ages 5 years through 5th grade via Zoom on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:15 AM. If you'd like your child to be included, please call/text Janette at 269-767-5785 or by email at janetteahendrix@gmail.com.
- *Youth Group...*Allie Wilson is working on getting this group together via Zoom. If your middle or high school teen is interested in participating, please call/text Allie's cell (269-598-0333), call her home line (269-639-8001) or email her at allenewilson3@gmail.com.
- *Women's Bible Study...*Brandy Zantello is leading this group via Zoom on Tuesday evenings beginning at 6:40 PM. They are currently studying "The Armor of God" by Priscilla Shirer. If you're interested in joining, please call/text Brandy at 269-906-0055 or via email at branzantello@hotmail.com.
- *Bible Study...*Vasha Ferguson is leading this group via Zoom on Wednesday mornings beginning at 9:30 AM. They are currently studying the book of James. If you're interested in joining, please call/text Vasha at 269-906-0083, call her home number at 269-434-8196 or via email at vashaferguson@yahoo.com.

If you would like to use the church's Zoom account to have an unlimited time slot to connect with your family/friends (instead of the 40 minutes Zoom allows for free accounts), please contact Kim for more information.



We Care Pantry Collection

The We Care Food and Personal Care Pantries continue to need supplies. We suggest calling ahead to make sure someone is there to receive your items. If you are able to help.

Food Pantry

First Congregational Church
651 Phoenix Street
269-637-3804

Suggested items are:



- Cereal
- Dry Pasta
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Fruit
- Tuna
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Crackers
- Rice-A-Roni
- Pork & Beans
- Canned Soup
- Peanut Butter
- Oatmeal

Personal Care Pantry

First Assembly of God Church
06500 Blue Star Hwy
269-637-1286

Suggested items are:



- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body Soap
- Deodorant
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Feminine Items
- Shaving Cream
- Razors
- Dish Soap
- Laundry Detergent
- Cleaning Supplies
- Trash Bags
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels

For questions, contact the church office. Thank you for helping those in our community who are in need.

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The Family of Chan (former neighbor of John & Debbie Owens) who passed away in her sleep on 5/14 during recovery from Covid-19.

Mike & Laura Underwood and their family (daughter of Rocky & Sandi Starland) upon the passing of Laura's father-in-law, Mike Underwood, on 5/7.

Esther Sullivan continues to recover from successful surgery; test results show the mass that was removed is benign—praise God for answered prayer!

Dan & Tracy Marshall and their family upon the death of Dan's grandmother, Betty Nestruck, on 4/18.

Lynn Rarick continues to deal with hip issues. Pray that a solution can be figured out.

Jason Wilburn (son of Bill & Tina Wilburn) diagnosed with Histoplasmosis (an infection caused by breathing in spores of fungus). Symptoms are improving. He will have to get another CT scan in the near future to make sure things are in fact clearing up. As long as there are no new symptoms, he is good to go. Thank you so much for the past, present and future prayers!

Elijah Truer (nephew of Doug & Julie Zantello) continues to recover from surgery requiring 14 pins and 2 plates for a broken leg following a skateboarding accident.

Alyssa Zantello (niece of Doug & Julie Zantello) who is a physician's assistant and has traveled to New York City to help with the corona virus outbreak there. Pray for safety and protection as well as energy and stamina as she serves in this way.

Crystal Jennings (sister of Tracy Marshall's brother-in-law, Louie) is diagnosed with stage 4 breast cancer. She has begun chemo. Pray for treatments to be successful. Also pray that Louie isn't a genetic carrier of the breast cancer gene and that it hasn't passed to his daughters (Tracy's nieces).

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Nancy Crowner (friend of Jean Robinson) is recovering from breast cancer surgery.

Allen Quinn (34 year-old nephew of Jim & Marialice Quinn) is recovering from a massive brain stem stroke that resulted in Locked In Syndrome. He continues therapy in Grand Rapids and is slowly improving.

Anna, Gabe, Samantha and Caroline Boccock have all been diagnosed with Lyme disease.

Check out our monthly prayer card on-line at southhavenfbc.com under "Weekly Bulletins" for a **list of those with on-going needs**.

opportunities this week

SUNDAYS

- 6:00 AM Worship Video/Audio Available
(at www.southhavenfbc.com for viewing at your convenience)
- 9:15 AM Youth Sunday School via Zoom
5 Year Olds—5th Grade (Led by Janette Hendrix)
- 9:15 AM Theology 1 Class via Zoom
(Led by Rob Zantello)

TUESDAYS

- 6:40 PM Women's Bible Study "The Armor of God" via Zoom
(Led by Brandy Zantello)

WEDNESDAY

- 9:30 AM Berean Bible Study: Book of James via Zoom
(Led by Vasha Ferguson)

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

Dean Newell, chair _____ 269-906-0366

deacon ministry team

Vasha Ferguson, chair _____ 269-906-0083

stay informed

- Join our group "First Baptist Church of South Haven" on **facebook** for regular updates and news.
- Get added to our email lists. Simply email southhavenfbc@gmail.com and give us your email address.
- Be sure to check out our website at www.southhavenfbc.com for all the latest events and news.

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