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## A Century Ride and Other Goals

Five years ago I was given a bicycle by my family for Father's Day. I began to explore our city's public trail system and found that I enjoyed this form of exercise. Five years, two bike upgrades and a lot of miles later, my mental health is better and I'm in much better physical shape. I gradually began to push myself to take longer rides, leave the People Trail for county roads, and learn more about road cycling. In time the challenge of attempting a century ride began to creep into my thinking.

A century ride is a cycling ride of 100 miles or more completed within 12 hours, and is considered something of a rite of passage in the world of recreational cycling. Think marathon for a runner. While not at all impossible, attempting such a feat does require some preparation and training – which, in turn, takes time. So, blessed with a Sabbatical this summer, and the time to train, I set a bucket list goal of completing my first (and quite possibly only) century ride.

There is a lot of time to think over a seven hour day, while on a bike, riding 100 miles. Thoughts like, "Why did I think this was a good idea?" and "What else could I be doing today?" give way as the miles pass by to more important considerations. "When I finish this goal, what will be next?"

Are you a goal setter? I have always been one to set goals. I've set educational goals, professional goals, recreational goals, reading goals, writing goals – you name it. But why? Naming a goal has been a way I have held myself accountable toward progress, growth and achievement. The goal becomes a standard by which to measure those things (progress, growth & achievement). I have not always met my goals, but having a goal has almost always motivated me to work toward it.

What's the equivalent of a century ride, or running a marathon, or visiting every MLB ballpark or National Park in the USA, for one who follows Christ? Some might say: Reading the Bible cover to cover, or sharing one's testimony with at least 12 people in the next year, or participation in a short-term mission trip, or leading a Grow Group. It differs for each one of us. Some might find the idea of setting a goal related to faith, or faith development, a foreign concept. Yet, if faith is about progress, growth and achievement (in some form or other) then perhaps having goals associated with our faith is not such a bad idea.

One of my goals in late 2007 when I began serving as pastor at the First Baptist Church of Columbus, IN was to have a long tenure with the church as pastor and people. I've kept that goal in mind as the years, the challenges and the opportunities have come. This November we will observe our 11th Anniversary, for which I am grateful.

I would love to know what your goals are for your faith, your life, and your participation in the church. Remember these words from Paul in Philippians 4:13: *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.* That verse will get you through a few miles of a century ride, and more than a few tough days in life.

*Pastor Dan*



## All Saints Sunday



We will be observing All Saints Sunday on Sunday, November 4, by remembering those who have passed away in the last year. Please plan to join us for this meaningful time of remembrance.

## “Gifted & Grateful”



November 11 and 18 have been designated this year for our annual Stewardship emphasis at First Baptist. We will be exploring the theme “Gifted & Grateful” on those two Sundays as we reflect together on what it means to be good stewards of the ministry we share as a congregation. Here are a few more details for our emphasis:

Sunday, November 11: Pastor Dan’s Sermon: “Gifted & Grateful – Part 1”  
Scripture: Romans 12:3-8  
*Ministry Sign-Up Fair before & after worship.*

Sunday, November 18: Pastor Dan’s Sermon: “Gifted & Grateful – Part 2”  
Scripture: Romans 12:9-21  
Turn in Estimate of Giving cards in worship

Please be sure to check out our new website: [www.firstbaptistcolumbus.org](http://www.firstbaptistcolumbus.org) where you will find the ability to sign up for Ministry Teams online, as well as provision for online giving. More information will be shared about the website on November 11.

\*Note: A paper Ministry Team sign-up will also be available.

Watch your mail for this year’s stewardship mailing, which will include your 2019 Estimate of Giving card.

## “A First Baptist Family Christmas”



Worship and fellowship plans are underway for the Advent and Christmas season, which is just around the corner. This year we will be celebrating under the theme: “A First Baptist Family Christmas” and be asking you to invite others to join us who may be looking for a church family.

**A Family Advent Night** is planned for Sunday, December 2 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Join us for a light supper, friend and family advent craft activities, and a family friendly movie. This event will be held in our Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.



## Pastoral Care Team for November

November 4—Dortha Anderson & Mandy Reed

November 11—Paul & Carol Poe

November 18—Kerry & Alice Richmond

November 25—Ron & Peggy Lane

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## **EMERGENCY RESPONDER SCHEDULE**

Nov. 4—Mike Compton

Nov. 11—Joyce Briggs

Nov. 18—Kim Hamon

Nov. 25—Judy Rhude

Dec. 2—Sharon Fulkerson

Dec. 9—Roberta Walls

Dec. 16—Forest Daugherty

Dec. 23—Mike Compton

Dec. 30—Joyce Briggs

If you know of a member of the church that is home bound, and not currently receiving home bound communion and may like to receive it, please let the church office know and the communion team will make contact with them.

## **NOVEMBER COMMUNION**

### **SANCTUARY SERVERS:**

Frank Eldridge  
Joe Hamon  
David Emmert  
Dick Miller  
Cliff & Sue Putterill  
John McKay  
Randy Wheeler  
Nathan Patrick



### **HOMEBOUND SERVERS:**

Jeannie Wheeler  
Linda Foster  
Janet Bailey  
Carol Poe  
Grace Marshall  
Larry Carter

**COMMUNION PREPARATION:** Kip & Lianne Wright

**CLEAN-UP:** Jim Bokelman, Keith Arbuckle, Dick Miller, Frank Eldridge

## **DECEMBER COMMUNION**

### **SANCTUARY SERVERS:**

Ron Lane  
Molly Nelson  
Cliff & Sue Putterill  
Bill & Carolyn Baker  
Frank Eldridge  
Linda Foster  
Joe Hamon



### **HOMEBOUND SERVERS:**

Larry & Susan Carter  
Charlotte Oestreicher  
Teresa Arbuckle  
Nathan Patrick  
Janet Bailey

**COMMUNION PREPARATION:** Randy & Jeannie Wheeler

**CLEAN UP:** Bill Baker, John McKay, Linda Foster, Jim Bokelman

**Anyone who would like to assist with communion, please contact Sue Putterill, 812-350-0357.**

## SERVING IN THE NURSERY THIS MONTH:



### November 4

Nursery Worship—Sue Hoffman  
Toddlers Worship—Kayla Jones  
Nursery Sunday School—Paulette McClintock  
Toddlers Sunday School—

### November 11

Nursery Worship—Sharon Fulkerson  
Toddlers Worship—Carol Poe & Charlotte Oestreicher  
Nursery Sunday School—Sue Hoffman  
Toddlers Sunday School—Judy Alexander & Susan Carter

### November 18

Nursery Worship—Deborah, Emily & Molly Nelson  
Toddlers Worship—  
Nursery Sunday School—Teresa Arbuckle  
Toddlers Sunday School—

### November 25

Nursery Worship—Heidi & Reilly Jones  
Toddlers Worship—  
Nursery Sunday School—Jennifer & Anna Kelley  
Toddlers Sunday School—

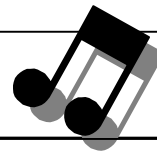
## What's New in the Library?

TRACIE PETERSON	-	IN TIMES GONE BY
WANDA BRUNSTETTER	-	A CHRISTMAS PRAYER
JODY HEDLAND	-	A WORTHY REBEL
SERENA MILLER	-	RACHEL'S RESCUE
" "	-	LOVE REKINDLED
JENNIFER DAVIDS	-	A PERFECT WEAKNESS
LYNN AUSTIN	-	LEGACY OF MERCY
JUDITH MCCOY	-	CHRISTMAS STITCHES
TERRI KETTERLING	-	SAY NO TO SATAN!



TERRI KETTERLING IS A NEW AUTHOR FOR OUR LIBRARY AND A MEMBER OF OUR CHURCH. THANK YOU TERRI.

# Music Ministry



## ***Music Worship Leaders for November***

Praise Team for November - Jessica Arbuckle, Deanna Glick, Adrienne & Jerald Hatton

Nov. 4 - WAVE and Chancel Choir

Nov. 11 - Jubilation Ringers and Chancel Choir

Nov. 18 - Chancel Choir

Nov. 25 - Chancel Choir



**You Are Encouraged to Invite a Friend**

## **"Sing Christmas"**

**By Mary McDonald and Joel Raney**



This musical will be led by the Chancel Choir, an Instrumental Ensemble and Narrators on Sunday morning, December 16. This Christmas Choral Experience includes additional sections which celebrate "Sing Noell," "Sing Emmanuell!" and "Sing Gloria!" before concluding with a congregational response of singing. Plan now to be a part of morning worship on the third Sunday of Advent.

## **FBC Elementary Teacher Schedule**

	<b>Children's Church – Holy Moly Teacher</b>	<b>Sunday School – Whirl Classroom Pre K – 6<sup>th</sup> Teacher</b>
<b>November 4</b>	No CW	Deanna Glick
<b>November 11</b>	Marcia Cheek	Anita Yancey
<b>November 18</b>	Lori Cash	Beth Caldwell
<b>November 25</b>	Linda Reid	No Sunday School

**On the last Sunday of each month, youth & children are invited to join us for Coffee Fellowship following Worship.**

## **Live Streaming available for Sunday Services**

- ◆ To view on your PC go to <http://www.sundaystreams.com/go/fbccolumbus> or access through the link on our web page: [fbccolumbus.org/WP/sermons](http://fbccolumbus.org/WP/sermons).
- ◆ To view on your cell phone or tablet from the App Store or Google Play, Download: Sundaystreams, Login: fbccolumbus



## Breakfast with the Angels

Saturday, Dec. 1

9:30-11:00 a.m.

Once again this year we will be sharing a special Advent Children's event – "Breakfast with the Angels." All children are welcome, with their parents, grandparents, or other family members. We will share breakfast, crafts of the season, and a story time. This is a great way to begin the Advent season with the child(ren) in your life. Come join us!



If your name does not appear on the Birthday List and you wish to be included, please call or email the church office.

### November Birthdays

- |   |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
| 3. ~ Sarah Patrick                            | 16. ~ Betty Harrison               |
| 4. ~ Teresa Arbuckle                          | 17. ~ Martha Whedon                |
| 6. ~ Jeannette McKim                          | 18. ~ Bill Griffith                |
| 7. ~ Joseph Scgalski                          | 21. ~ LuAnn Harlow, Rachel Langdon |
| 8. ~ Lynne Lovelace, Alberta Ruble            | 22. ~ Janet Bailey, Rob Lilly      |
| 10. ~ Sharon Fulkerson                        | 23. ~ Edith Carr, David Emmert     |
| 11. ~ Sue Putterill, Nancy Williams           | 25. ~ Dennis Adams                 |
| 12. ~ Carolyn Baker                           | 27. ~ Joanne Sublette              |
| 15. ~ Norman Curry, Faith Briggs, Bob Hoffman | 28. ~ Jason Vogelpohl              |



#### Fall Grow Groups

Thanks to all who have been hosting & leading our Fall Grow Groups; as well as the over 70 persons who have participated this time around.



#### Trunk of Treat

Thanks to all who participated in Trunk or Treat this year!



A sincere thank you to Ro & Shorty Whittington for opening their barn for the Harvest Party on Oct. 14. The church family sincerely appreciates your generous hospitality. Thanks, also, to the Community Pathway Team with help from others for planning the evening. We sincerely appreciate the children's team for having games and activities for the children to enjoy. About 90 people were in attendance. Thanks to all for sharing a variety of food for a delicious harvest celebration meal.

Gratefully,  
The Community Pathway Team

Thank you, Ro & Shorty, for providing your barn for the church to have a fall get-together. Thanks to the committee for a great evening and to all who came to make the evening a fun opportunity to talk and mingle.

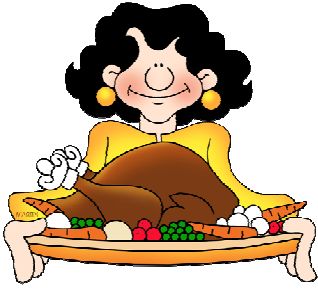
Dick & Beth Miller

Dear Friends,

Just a few words to try to express my appreciation for the many ways you cared and supported me when I fell and broke my hip. Thank you for your prayers, cards, visits, gifts and food. I am getting better every day and your concern helped encourage me when I needed it. I love you all!

Susan Carter

## THANKSGIVING FELLOWSHIP MEAL



We will be celebrating Thanksgiving with a meal after 2nd hour, on November 18, starting at 12:00 p.m. The church will provide turkey, stuffing, gravy, rolls and drinks. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share, along with any family or friends.

If you plan to attend, please mark on the welcome pads on Sunday how many of your family/friends will be attending or call/email the church at 812-376-3321; secretary@fbccolumbus.org

## BEING ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY

The kitchen hostess team is transitioning from styrofoam products to paper products in an effort to be environmentally friendly. As current products are used up, they will be replaced with paper products. Please note there is a recycling bin next to the freezer in the kitchen for all to use.

## CEREAL FOR LOVE CHAPEL

Each year at Christmastime, Love Chapel provides food for Christmas dinner for approximately 1100–1200 families. Each church is asked to provide quantities of one item for the boxes. In recent years we have provided cereal since it is senior and child friendly and can be used for any meal.

Our goal this year is 550 boxes of any type of cereal. It can be oatmeal (regular or instant), or any of the many varieties. We need to collect this during November as it will be delivered the first week of December where the pantry will be set up in Fair Oaks Mall. (same as last year)

Please bring your boxes of cereal and place either in the Gathering Place or on the donation table near the kitchen. We will provide a current count each Sunday so you will know when we reach our goal.

Gratefully,  
Missions Team



**CHRISTMAS MARKET**  
**Saturday, Nov. 17**  
**10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**



Here at First Baptist Church in the Fellowship Hall

**Arts & Fine Crafts from our community:**  
**glasswork, jewelry, watercolors, wood crafts,**  
**bath & body products, fabric art, Christmas toffee**  
**— and much more!**



## COLUMBUS EMMAUS COMMUNITY CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF 4TH DAYS SATURDAY, NOV. 17

There will be an open house and dinner, along with praise and worship.  
This celebration will replace the November Gathering.

25th Celebration Location: Camp Lakeview Cafeteria

Open house: 3:00 p.m. (time for fellowship, stories and hors d'oeuvres)

Dinner: 6:00 p.m. (see below for reservations)

Praise and Worship: 7:30 p.m. (will recognize new community members for walks and flights and special guests)

Dress is casual (there are celebration clothing items available below)

Please register for dinner on the Signup Genius site:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c4dacad2ca1fc1-25th>

This Sign up is for our kitchen team to assure there is enough food for all who attend.

This is a catered event—no need to bring anything.

We encourage you to come in the afternoon for fellowship and fun.

Order Celebration Clothing—We have Celebration Clothing you can order through Hoosiers Sporting Goods  
<http://hsg.tuosystems.com/stores/columbusinemmaus>

Request for memorabilia –

- Scan Walk Pictures (include walk number) and email to Trish Kelly - [marktrishk@gmail.com](mailto:marktrishk@gmail.com)
- ANY other types of memorabilia to Dan Kirkling - [dkirkling@columbusinemmaus.org](mailto:dkirkling@columbusinemmaus.org)

Any questions, contact:

Phil Newton- [pnewton@columbusinemmaus.org](mailto:pnewton@columbusinemmaus.org)

Dan Kirkling- [dkirkling@columbusinemmaus.org](mailto:dkirkling@columbusinemmaus.org)

Trish Kelly- [tkelly@columbusinemmaus.org](mailto:tkelly@columbusinemmaus.org)

Hope to see you at the Fall Walk events and at the 25th Celebration of all our 4th Days

## CHRISTMAS BOXES!



Did you get one or two or more boxes for Operation Christmas Child? Time is fleeting. Deadline to shop and fill the boxes and get it back to the church is Sunday, November 11. We need everyone to get boxes. It is a fun thing to do and you are giving a child a sense of belonging and hope. Pick up one more if you have already picked one up. Please place cash for the postage in the box or purchase online at [Samaritan's Purse.org](http://Samaritan'sPurse.org) (follow link to Operation Christmas Child). You will be able to track your boxes as well. If you make out a check, please make it payable to First Baptist Church (not Samaritan's Purse as previously indicated). Thanks to all of you who are helping to make Christmas a little brighter for a child somewhere.



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### **Looking Ahead...**

Sunday, November 4—All Saints Sunday  
Tuesday, November 6—Hannah Circle (2:00 pm)  
Sunday, November 11—Stewardship Sunday  
Sunday, November 11—Blood Pressure Screening (before/after worship)  
Sunday, November 11—Ministry Fair (before/after worship)  
Tuesday, November 13—Church Council (7:00 pm)  
Wednesday, November 14—Four Seasons Mending (9:00 am)  
Thursday, November 15—Newsletter Deadline  
Saturday, November 17—Christmas Market (10:00 am—4:00 pm)  
Sunday, November 18—Thanksgiving Sunday  
Sunday, November 18—Thanksgiving Fellowship Pitch-In Dinner (12:00 pm)  
Tuesday, November 20—Health Care Team (10:00 am)  
Thursday, November 22-23—Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving  
Sunday, November 25—Coffee Fellowship (hosted by Church Council)  
Tuesday, November 27—Abigail Circle (7:00 pm)



**The Body of Christ Prays For...** Home Bound Members: Betty Euler, Roselyn Hoff. Also remember: K.M. George, Sharon Semer, Cecil & Linda Workman, Anna DeHaven, Carl & Nancy Williams, Marcia Battle, Alvin Arbuckle, Helen Murdock, Randy Wheeler, Joe Burns, Marilyn Estell, Leland Robertson.