



October Messenger

October at First Baptist - Columbus

Dear FBC Friends:

As we continue to experience the **Red Letter Challenge** through the month of October, I'm aware that it is but one way we are sharing faith, ministry and mission together at First Baptist.

I hope those who are reading and trying the daily challenges are finding the experience to be thought provoking and, yes, maybe even challenging! The great thing about this resource is that it is one you can go back to and use again. So, if attempting 7 challenges in a week is too much for you, just pick a couple of them that speak to you and see if you can follow through with them.

I suspect the Grow Group gatherings have been enriching for those who are participating in that way. One always gains more from an experience when it is shared with others. Thanks for your participation and leadership with these groups.

I know that I am enjoying the weekly worship experiences and the creativity our worship planning team has brought to each service. By focusing on the **"red letter"** words of Jesus we have been drawing especially close to the Lord together in worship – what a blessing!

October also brings our annual participation in the World Mission Offering. This is such an important part of how we support international missions through our American Baptist Mission partners. Please join me in giving to the WMO again this year, or perhaps for the first time, so that the message of the gospel can continue to be shared world-wide. For more information go to: www.internationalministries.org/world-mission-offering/

On Sunday, Oct. 6, we will be sharing in World Communion Sunday. You will be invited to receive communion that day with a variety of bread choices, reflecting the diversity of God's world.

Finally, **Trunk or Treat** has become a fun annual outreach to our immediate neighborhood and its families. Why not sign up to host a trunk and greet the children and people of the community who come through our parking lot on Halloween? (5:00-7:00 p.m.) Dressing up is optional – but a lot of fun, too.

Here's a sneak peek at some of what's coming in November:

- All Saints Sunday (Nov. 3)
- 2019-20 Stewardship Emphasis (Nov. 10-17)
- First Baptist Christmas Market (Nov. 23)
- Thanksgiving Sunday – including our Thanksgiving Meal (Nov. 24)

In partnership - Pastor Dan

Around The Church

Quarterly Business Meeting

Join us Wednesday, October 16 at 6:00 p.m. for the 3rd Quarter Congregational Meeting. We will receive reports and updates on the mission and ministry of the church.

Search Committee Update

Our Worship Pastor Search Committee recently met with our new ABC Indiana-Kentucky regional minister, Rev. Mark Thompson. We reviewed our search process and talked about how best to move forward. We will be re-launching the search in October for additional candidates for the position. We are confident that this work is proceeding in God's timing, and we remain grateful for the prayers and support of the congregation.

Search committee members are: Missy Zimmerman (chair), Lance Alexander, Liz Lipson, Donna Tull, Jim Reid, Mollie Adams, Beth Caldwell and Pastor Dan.

All Saints Sunday

We will be sharing in observation of All Saints Sunday on November 3. This is an annual opportunity to remember those members and loved ones who have passed on in the past year.

Trunk or Treat is Coming Soon!



Please join us on Thursday, Oct. 31 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. for Trunk or Treat in the FBC parking lot! We want to fill our parking lot with trunks & treats so we have lots of trick or treaters! Candy donations also accepted if you cannot participate. Please sign up at the Welcome Center or contact Lori Cash if you're able to participate.



Around The Church

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From Pastor David.....

Dear FBC friends,



With the coming of October, we are in the full "Fall swing" mode, raking leaves, and enjoying the beautiful colors, and cooler weather. It is also a time of choir and handbell rehearsals! Our Chancel Choir sings each Sunday in worship, and practices each Wednesday from 7:00 -8:15 pm. Our Jubilation Ringers is a handbell group that meets on Mondays at 1:00 pm. Both groups are open to new members, and we would love to have you consider joining us, or even just "trying it out".

Soon, the Chancel Choir will begin working on a Christmas cantata, to be presented in worship on Dec. 15. It is a great time to come and join your voice with so many others.

As your Interim Music Director, I want to thank the dedicated singers/ringers who give of their time and talents to make beautiful music that praises and glorifies our God. It is truly a gratifying experience to work with such talented musicians. All of these music efforts are meant to enhance our worship and to "give of our best to the Master".

Blessings,
Pastor David

THANK
YOU

Thank you to each of you who contributed food or served at the Ecumenical Assembly meal sites on Sept. 3 & 10. It was much appreciated by our guests.

Mission Team

Coffee Bar Hosts

October: Keith & Teresa Arbuckle & Charlotte Oestreicher
November: Paula & Tim Pickup

Coffee Fellowship - October 27

Last Names A-H are invited to bring snacks to share.



This Month's Leadership

Pastoral Care Team

Oct. 6 - Tim & Paula Pickup
Oct. 13 - Carolyn Baker & Sue Hoffman
Oct. 20 - Ron & Peggy Lane
Oct. 27 - Dortha Anderson & Mandy Reed

Emergency Responders

Oct. 6 - Judy Rhude
Oct. 13 - Mike Compton
Oct. 20 - Forest Daugherty
Oct. 27 - Kim Hamon

Nov. 3 - Judy Rhude
Nov. 10 - Mike Compton
Nov. 17 - Forest Daugherty
Nov. 24 - Kim Hamon

Children's Sunday School

1st Sunday

4's - grade 2:
Grade 3-6: Stephanie Olson

2nd Sunday

4's - grade 2: Marcia Cheek
Grade 3-6: Terri Ketterling

3rd Sunday

4's - grade 2: Linda Reid
Grade 3-6: Beth Caldwell

4th Sunday

4's - grade 2: Deanna Glick
Grade 3-6: Anita Yancey

5th Sunday

No children's ministry opportunity today.
Children will stay with their parents in
worship on those 5th Sundays.

Serving in the Nursery This Month

October 6

Nursery Worship—Sue Hoffman & Carol Poe
Toddler Worship—Carolyn Baker & Nolan Pickup

October 13

Nursery Worship—Kayla Jones & Lucy Cash
Toddler Worship—Charlotte Oestreicher & Susan Carter

October 20

Nursery Worship—Deborah & Molly Nelson
Toddler Worship—Jennifer Kelley & Heidi Jones

October 27

Nursery Worship—Diane & Ashley Ginn
Toddler Worship—Joy Langdon & Anita Burton



Healthy Living Tips

High Blood Pressure

Epilepsy is a broad term used for a brain disorder that causes seizures. There are many different types of epilepsy. There are also many kinds of seizures. About 1 out of 10 people may have a seizure during his or her lifetime. That means seizures are common, and one day you might need to help someone during or after a seizure. Learn what you can do to keep that person safe until the seizure stops by itself.

Do I call 911? Seizures do not usually require emergency medical attention. Only call 911 if one or more of these are true:

- The person has never had a seizure before.
- The person has difficulty breathing or waking after the seizure.
- The seizure lasts longer than 5 minutes.
- The person has another seizure soon after the first one.
- The person is hurt during the seizure.
- The seizure happens in water.
- The person has a health condition like diabetes, heart disease, or is pregnant.

First aid for any type of seizure - Stay with the person until the seizure ends and he or she is fully awake. There are many types of seizures. Most seizures end in a few minutes.

These are general steps to help someone who is having any type seizure:

- Stay with the person until the seizure ends and he or she is fully awake. After it ends, help the person sit in a safe place. Once they are alert and able to communicate, tell them what happened in very simple terms.
- Comfort the person and speak calmly.
- Check to see if the person is wearing a medical bracelet or other emergency information.
- Keep yourself and other people calm.
- Offer to call a taxi or another person to make sure the person gets home safely.

First aid for generalized tonic-clonic (grand mal) seizures:

When most people think of a seizure, they think of a generalized tonic-clonic seizure, also called a grand mal seizure. In this type of seizure, the person may cry out, fall, shake or jerk, and become unaware of what's going on around them.

Here are things you can do to help someone who is having this type of seizure:

- Ease the person to the floor.
- Turn the person gently onto one side. This will help the person breathe.
- Clear the area around the person of anything hard or sharp. This can prevent injury.
- Put something soft and flat, like a folded jacket, under his or her head.
- Remove eyeglasses.
- Loosen ties or anything around the neck that may make it hard to breathe.
- Time the seizure. Call 911 if the seizure lasts longer than 5 minutes.



Stop! Do NOT

Knowing what NOT to do is important for keeping a person safe during or after a seizure. Never do any of the following things:

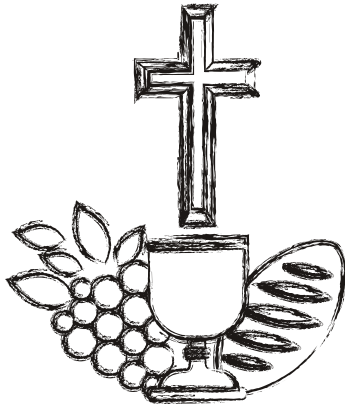
- Do **not** hold the person down or try to stop his or her movements.
- Do **not** put anything in the person's mouth. This can injure teeth or the jaw. A person having a seizure cannot swallow his or her tongue.
- Do **not** try to give mouth-to-mouth breaths (like CPR). People usually start breathing again on their own after a seizure.
- Do **not** offer the person water or food until he or she is fully alert.

Communion

October Communion

SANCTUARY SERVERS:

Linda Foster
Dick Miller
Joe Hamon
Frank Eldridge
John McKay
Wayne Lovelace
Bill Baker
Carolyn Baker
David Emmert



HOMEBOUND SERVERS:

Janet Bailey
Linda Foster
Teresa Arbuckle
Nathan Patrick
Charlotte Oestreicher
Carol Poe

COMMUNION PREPARATION:

Adam & Missy Zimmerman

CLEAN UP:

Bill Baker, Frank Eldridge,
Wayne Lovelace, Joe Hamon

November Communion

SANCTUARY SERVERS:

Jim Bokelman
Daryl McMath
Keith Arbuckle
Dick Miller
John McKay
Molly Nelson
Ron Lane
Linda Foster
Teresa Arbuckle

HOMEBOUND SERVERS:

Janet Bailey
Susan Carter
Larry Carter
Carol Poe
Charlotte Oestreicher

COMMUNION PREPARATION:

Adam & Missy Zimmerman

CLEAN-UP:

Nathan Patrick, Randy Wheeler
Keith Arbuckle, Daryl McMath

Anyone who would like to assist with communion, please contact the church office, 812-376-3321.

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.



Mission

SEEDS of Love 5K

We want to share a big “thank you” to all who participated in any way with the SEEDS of Love 5K. Our committee led us so very well. The volunteers and participants are always appreciated. This year we raised over \$12,000 for Love Chapel!

SEEDS Garden Ministry

Our Church Garden has provided a considerable amount of produce to Love Chapel throughout the 2019 growing season. Faithful gardeners and harvesters have included Forest & Marsha Daugherty, Jim Reid, Tim Pickup, Donita Compton and others.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Time to think Christmas! Time to start gathering things to fill two or three boxes for Operation Christmas Child. The boxes will be available Sunday, October 13. Don't wait to pick up your boxes. We hope to fill 120 boxes, but our dream goal will be 124.

Don't wait to start picking up small things to go in the box. Each box will contain suggestions to fill your box plus a label for the box designated girl or boy and the age for which the box has been put together. Add \$9.00 for postage, either cash or you can buy postage online at Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Child. Have fun doing this for children who have very little in their lives and struggle for survival every day! An added bonus, on October 13 Marge Betz and a friend will have available the dolls they make at Mill Race Center for a small price of \$5.00, something a little girl would love.

The deadline for filling the boxes and bringing them back will be November 17. Abigail Circle will be checking the boxes on Tuesday November 19. Dedication and delivery will be November 24. Thanks to the AFS Sunday School Class for providing the funds to buy the boxes and for Abigail Circle for sponsoring the Operation Christmas Child project. Contact Janet Bailey if you have any questions. Have fun and **THINK CHRISTMAS.**

October Birthdays

1 ~ Adam Brown
4 ~ Nancy Hughes
6 ~ Joyce Orwin, Linda Foster, Valerie Sims,
Lois Brondyke
7 ~ Dave Seal, Peggy Ganus
8 ~ Christina Wagner
9 ~ David Reed
10 ~ Norma Arnold
11 ~ Ro Whittington
13 ~ Eden Zimmerman
14 ~ Frances Arbuckle



16 ~ Jenna Flannery
20 ~ Edith Mock
21 ~ Ashley Lowman, Breanne Vogelpohl,
Carol Burton
22 ~ Olivia Williams
23 ~ Susan Carter, Matthew Hamon
27 ~ Corie Wheeler
28 ~ Paige Williams
29 ~ Verna West
31 ~ Lois Griffith

The Body of Christ Prays For...



Betty Euler, Roselyn Hoff, K.M. George, Cecil & Linda Workman, Anna DeHaven, Carl & Nancy Williams, Marcia Battle, Alvin Arbuckle, Marilyn Estell, Leland Robertson, Heidi Putterill, Don & Nancy Hughes, Randy Wheeler, Margaret Nelson.

Worship Pastor Search Team as they continue their work.

Looking Ahead

Tuesday, Oct. 1 - Hannah Circle (2:00 pm)
Tuesday, Oct. 8 - Church Council (7:00 pm)
Wednesday, Oct. 9 - Four Seasons Mending (9:00 am)
Tuesday, Oct. 15 - Newsletter Deadline
Wednesday, Oct. 16 - Quarterly Business Meeting (6:00 pm)
Sunday, Oct. 20 - 5K Wrap-Up Meeting (11:45 am)
Tuesday, Oct. 22 - Abigail Circle (7:00 pm)
Friday, Oct. 25 - Girls Night Out (Meet at church at 5:30 pm)
Sunday, Oct. 27 - Pitch-In Coffee Fellowship (Last Names A-H)
Thursday, Oct. 31 - Trunk or Treat (5:00-7:00 pm)

Service: Sunday Morning - Worship 9:30 am, 2nd Hour Learning 10:45 am

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