

COMING EVENTS

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| October 24: | Circle of Sisters @ 9:00 am |
| October 24: | The Movement @ 5:30 pm |
| October 24: | Praise Team @ 7:00 pm |
| October 24: | Optimist Club @ 7:00 pm |
| October 25: | The Movement @ 8:00 – 9:00 am |
| October 25: | Business Meeting / Children's BAM @ 7:00 pm |
| October 25: | Choir Practice @ 8:00 pm |
| October 26: | Pathways@ 9:00 am – 5:00 pm |
| October 26: | The Movement @ 5:30 pm |
| October 28: | Clothes Closet @ 9:00 am – Noon |
| October 29: | Church Council @ 6:00 pm |
| October 31: | Circle of Sisters @ 9:00 am |
| October 31: | The Movement @ 5:30 pm |
| October 31: | Praise Team @ 7:00 pm |
| November 1: | Deacons' Meeting @ 5:45 PM |
| November 1: | Bible Study @ 6:45 pm |
| November 1: | Children and Youth @ 6:45 pm |
| November 2: | Pathways@ 9:00 am – 5:00 pm |
| November 2: | The Movement @ 5:30 pm |
| November 4: | Clothes Closet \$1.00 Bag Day @ 9:00 am – Noon |
| November 6: | Grief Support @ 6:00 pm |
| November 6: | Trustees @ 7:00 pm |
| November 7: | Circle of Sisters @ 9:00 am |
| November 7: | The Movement @ 5:30 pm |
| November 7: | Praise Team @ 7:00 pm |
| November 8: | Bible Study @ 6:45 pm |
| November 8: | Children's BAM / Youth @ 6:45 pm |
| November 9: | Pathways@ 9:00 am – 5:00 pm |
| November 9: | The Movement @ 5:30 pm |

PASTOR – Kris Raven

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KRIS'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
 Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Dee Friel

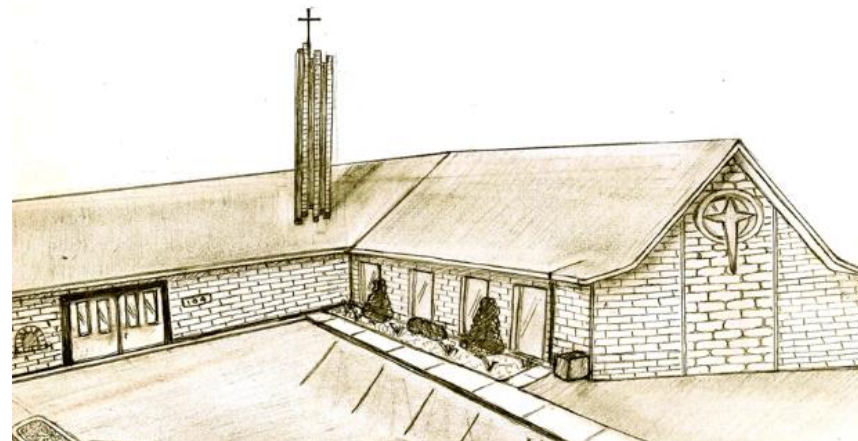
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DEE'S OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 Noon

www.fbcsweetsprings.com

Welcome to the FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SWEET SPRINGS OCTOBER 22, 2017



104 Main Street

Sweet Springs, MO 65351

660-335-6919

Sunday Worship Opportunities

9:30 am - Coffee Social

9:45 am - Education Hour

10:45 am - Morning Worship

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS -- 6:45 pm -- Bible Study

6:45 pm -- Youth Group / Children's BAM

Sermons available on-line at www.fbcsweetsprings.com

OR ask Kris for a CD

**WELCOME TO THE
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SWEET SPRINGS
October 22, 2017**

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| Kris Raven | Pastor |
| David B. Goode | Music/ Choir Director |
| Kerrie Wike | Praise Team Director |
| Rodella Young | Organist |
| Linda Perkins | Pianist |

Welcome, Announcements, and Invocation

Scripture Readers – Luanne Hall and Evelyn Mullineaux
Old Testament **New Testament**
Psalm 34: 8-14 **James 1:19-25**

Song, #484 **“Higher Ground”**

Song **“Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord”**

Song, #244 **“Spirit of the Living God”**

Song **“Freedom Reigns”**

Offering

Doxology, #253

Special Music

Message **Kris Raven**

Invitation **“Freedom Reigns”**

BENEDICTION

Closing Song **“Aaronic Benediction”**

**DURING SONGS, FEEL FREE TO SIT OR STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE
– GOD UNDERSTANDS!**

PLEASE PUT ALL CELL PHONES ON SILENT OR VIBRATE

NURSERY WORKERS’ SCHEDULE 2017*

| DATE | CHILDREN’S CHURCH | NURSERY |
|--------------|--|--|
| October 22: | Kayla Raven Daphne Hawkins Drake Goode | Kenna Eckhoff Steve Perkins Abigail Markes |
| October 29: | Marilyn Bock Donna Harvey Demetrius Harvey | Nancy Wetton Rachel Clemens Becky Boughton |
| November 5: | Carol Bridges Sherry Bertschy Lanie Dennis | Beth Perkins Ruth Cox Barb Clemens |
| November 12: | Daphne Hawkins Kayla Raven Debbie Smith | Luanne Hall Donna Harvey Patty Kelley |
| November 19: | Travis Wike Marilyn Bock | Joyce Hollingsworth Kaleb Eckhoff |

SCRIPTURE READERS’ SCHEDULE 2017

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| October 29: | Donna and Demetrius Harvey |
| November 5: | Joyce Hollingsworth and Alisa Goode |
| November 12: | Drake Goode and Abigail Markes |
| November 19: | Luanne Hall and Evelyn Mullineaux |
| November 26: | Donna and Demetrius Harvey |

FRONT DOOR GREETERS SCHEDULE 2017

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| October 22: | Joanie and Jonah Dennis |
| October 29: | Owen and Lanie Dennis |
| November 5: | Jonah and Lanie Dennis |
| November 19: | Rachel and Barb Clemens |
| November 26: | Joanie and Owen Dennis |

AUDIO AND VIDEO WORKERS 2017

| DATE | AUDIO | VIDEO |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| October 29: | Xander Goode | Abram Goode |
| November 5: | Xander Goode | Alisa Goode |
| November 12: | Jim Kemmerer | Abram Goode |
| November 19: | Abram Goode | Alisa Good |
| November 26: | Alisa Goode | Abram Goode |
| December 3: | Xander Goode | Alisa Goode |

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

*Denotes senior citizen (60+)/homebound or shut-in



THIS WEEK

October 22: Lois West *
 October 23: Daniel Kemmerer
 October 23: Larry Ownby
 October 23: Hugh and Nancy *
 Wetton – A # 52
 October 24: Ruby Brandt
 October 24: Seth Eckhoff
 October 24: Andrew Krause
 October 26: Andi Carlisle
 October 26: Isaac Owen
 October 27: Steve and Linda
 Perkins – A # 16

NEXT WEEK

October 29: Lenny Bryson
 October 31: Vicki Ownby
 October 31: Lorri Culp
 November 2: Wanda Gaddy
 November 4: Daphne Hawkins
 November 4: Norman Masters
 November 4: Tawney Maberry

Holy Mowers --

Week of

October 16:

October 23:

October 30:

November 6:

November 13:

November 20:

November 27:

Travis Wike
 Kris Raven



YOUTH

Alex Mitchell

Joyce Hollingsworth

Jim Kemmerer

YOUTH

Welcome, Visitors!



— We welcome visitors / newcomers to our congregation and hope to see you on a regular basis. If you are visiting and/or are a newcomer to our community and

congregation, we urge you to fill out a Visitor's Card and drop it in the offering plate as it comes by.

THANKS! — God has two dwellings – one in Heaven and the other in a thankful heart. I enjoy getting the FBC Messenger each month. I also want to thank you for the Exodus and Leviticus Explore the Bible Personal Study Guide. I will use the information for my spiritual journal. God bless each and everyone who keeps me in their prayers.

Cheryl Renay Brown-Wolfe

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Katie Scott, Nadine Hurd, Skip Owen, Tina Anderson and family, Kathy Goode, Aiden Mohr, Barbara Baker, Crystal Billingsley, Karen & Dakota Burditt, Ginny Butner, Beanie Eckhoff, Paul Griffitt, Anne Jacobs, Mick Kreisel, Danny Lamb, Rebecca Maples, Claudie Pannell, Rose Patterson family (especially grandson Eli), Angie Postal, Mike Raines family, Terri Smith, Sharon Swopes, Marylou Walter, Carl Webb, the family of Eldon Shivers at his passing and the Ministerial Alliance / Pastor Appreciation

OFFERING

SPECIAL / DESIGNATED

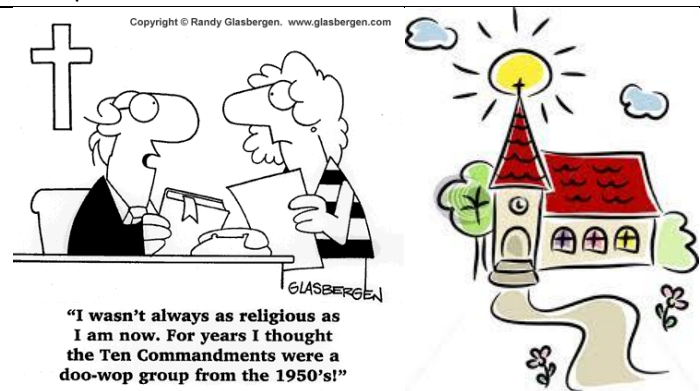
Firm Believers \$80.00

| Weekly Amount | Amount Needed | Budget +/- |
|---|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1 st Q Totals - \$19,711.84 | \$28,193.23 | -\$8,481.39 |
| 2 nd Q Totals - \$28,525.28 | \$28,193.23 | +\$ 332.05 |
| 3 rd Q Totals -- \$25,233.53 | \$28,193.23 | -\$3,325.26 |
| October 1 -- \$1,803.15 | \$ 2,168.71 | -\$ 365.56 |
| October 8 - \$2,436.73 | \$ 2,168.71 | +\$ 268.02 |
| October 15 -- \$1,452.30 | \$ 2,168.71 | -\$ 716.41 |
| TOTALS -- \$79,162.83 | \$91,085.82 | -\$11,922.99 |

Remember: Tithes needed to meet 2016 budget = \$2,168.71 Weekly

LAST WEEK'S RECORD

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| Sunday School Attendance | 66 |
| Worship Attendance | 69 |
| Nursery during Church | 11 |
| Children's Church | 16 |
| Total Worship Attendance | 96 |



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 "I wasn't always as religious as I am now. For years I thought the Ten Commandments were a doo-wop group from the 1950's!"

HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS

“The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me'.” Matthew 25:40.

* COMMUNITY CALENDAR *

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| October 28: | Optimist Halloween Costume Contest @ 2:00 pm | |
| October 28: | Optimist Trunk or Treat @ 3:00 pm (after Costume Contest) | |
| October 28: | | American Legion Fish Fry |
| October 28: | Haunted Hayride @ Fairgrounds in Sedalia @ 7 – 10:00 pm | |
| October 29: | Hog Roast Dinner at Immanuel Lutheran Church | |
| October 29: | Chili and Soup Luncheon @ Concordia Senior Center | |
| December 2: | | Santa Weekend |
| 2 nd Mondays 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm | | Food Pantry Distribution |
| 2 nd Fridays 10:00 am – 2:00 pm | | Food Pantry Distribution |

-- FUN AND FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES --

October 28 – Optimist Club Halloween Costume Contest – The Annual Optimist Club Halloween Costume Contest will take place on Saturday October 28 at 2:00 pm at the Festival Gardens Stage. A new category will be added this year for people who wish to participate as a couple and/or group.

October 28 – Annual Optimist Club Trunk or Treat - The annual Optimist Club Trunk or Treat will be held at about 3:00 pm (right after the Costume Contest) on Saturday, October 28. Please angle park on the east side of Miller Street prior to the Costume Contest at 2:00 pm Be prepared to hand out treats for about 200 children.

October 28 – American Legion Fish Fry – The Annual Fall Fish Fry sponsored by the American Legion will take place on Saturday, October 28 from 5:00 – until sold out.

October 28 – Haunted Hayride – The Sedalia Noonday Optimist Club is sponsoring a Haunted Hayride at the State Fairgrounds on Saturday, October 28 from 7:00 – 10:00 pm %4.00 per Auld / \$4.00 Child (6-12) / 5 and under free. Price includes Hayride, hot dog, chips, drink and candy. Also available for additional fee are carmel apples and hot chocolate. Proceeds benefit the After School Program .

October 29 – Annual Hog Roast Dinner at Immanuel Lutheran Church – This is the annual hog roast dinner sponsored by the Lutheran Church. All are welcome to attend.

October 29: Chili and Soup Luncheon – Join the Concorida Senior Center for a Chili and Soup Luncheon on Sunday, October 29 from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. Chili or soup, pie/cake/cookies, and drinks of coffee, tea, or water. There will be a live auction of homemade pies at 12:30 pm and a silten auction as well. Auction biudding will start on Friday, October 27 form 10:00 am – 2:00 pm on Sunday, October 29. For more information contact the Senior Center at 660-463-7393.

December 2 – Santa Weekend – Many activities will be going on that day! There will be Breakfast with Santa and the Santa Min-Mall goin on here at the church form about 8:00 – Noon. The Fire Department will also be here to give rides on the firetruck for the children. The Mu Omega sosority will have a Christmas homes tour on Sunday, December 3. The Friends of the Library also have activities for the children.

THANKS – To Whom It May Concern: I stopped for gas in Sweet Springs, MO over Labor Day weekend. I was traveling across country and had been driving for about two hours when I stopped. Unfortunately, when I reached for my purse, it was missing. I quickly realized that I had left it on my kitchen table in Olathe, KS. I needed to turn around and rive back to Olathe, but I didn't have enough gas to get home or any means of paying for gas. The lady working behind the counter at the gas station was very kind. She told that Sweet Springs had a Ministerial Alliance that could help pay for my gas. A very nice police officer from Sweet Springs came to my rescue and filled my tank with gas. He also explained that the Ministerial Alliance also provides food and lodging for stranded motorists. What a wonderful program! They not only helped me out, but it also restored my faith in people. I asked the officer for the address of the ministerial Alliance so I could pay them back for my gas. He didn't have an address, but he suggested that I send my check to the City of Sweet Springs and ask them to forward it to the Alliance. I want to thank the Alliance for helping me in my time of need and am enclosing a check to cover the cost of my gas and also to help some future stranded motorists. Thank you so much! Faye Klemens

Mission Minded --

How exciting! We are about 70% of the way to 90 boxes. We have two Sundays left to receive gifts as November 5 is the latest we can accept them. We will be organizing and setting up and will pack the boxes on November 7. You are welcome and encouraged to join the packing group at 10:15 on November 7. Bring a sack lunch, as we will finish up in the afternoon.

Some of you wish to pack your own box, some with your grandchild helping. This can be a life-changing project for your grandchild.

You are welcome to use one of our wrapped boxes. It must be returned by November 12 as all boxes will be dedicated and packed in large boxes that day to start on their journey. Be sure to include school supplies, toothbrush, comb, bar soap, and washcloth in addition to an article of clothing, a WOW gift, toy or game. A photo and note is also a very special addition, you may sign your name, but we encourage you to use the church address as a safety measure.

A big change this year is **THE COST OF SENDING EACH BOX is now \$9.00 per box**. Often we have persons for whom shopping is not an option. You can still be a BIG PART of this endeavor by writing a check for postage. Just make your check to FBC and put shoebox on the memo line. You will be a real BLESSING!

Can you believe, 10 years ago we packed 42 boxes; 5 years ago 63 boxes, last year 80 and our GOAL this year is 90 boxes. We are well on our way! As you shop and give, remember to PRAY!

And let us not forget to be continually PRAYING for our Country, our President, Vice-President, our Governor, and our Mayor and Councilmen. We are so BLESSED TO LIVE IN AMERICA! Thank You for CARING!
Blessings, Beth



Dear Church Partners,

20schemes is seeking qualified candidates for our [2018 Summer Internship Program](#). This program is a chance for those interested in ministry in difficult contexts to spend 6-8 weeks assisting a church planting team in

Scotland, receiving training in ministry and feedback on their performance.

Please consider those in your congregation who have reached their 18th birthday by June 1, 2018. There is no upper age limit, but the internship can be physically taxing.

From now until November 30, applications are open exclusively to Church Partners and those churches who have had previous interactions with 20schemes. To apply, follow the link below or visit our website at 20schemes.com.

<https://20schemes.com/uk/apply/?position=Short%20Term%20Intern>

SHOEBOX ITEMS

Toys: Include items that children will immediately embrace such as toy cars, yo-yos, jump ropes, balls, toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries), etc.

School Supplies: pens, pencil sharpeners, crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

Non-liquid Hygiene Items: Combs, etc.

Accessories: T-shirts, socks, hats, sunglasses, hair clips, jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries), etc.

A Personal Note: You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself, your family, or group. If you include your name and an address, the child may be able to write back. ***Dee has the Hand Prayer if you would like a copy to glue to the top of your box.***

WOW ITEM: Ideas include: Soccer ball with pump, Stuffed animal, Toys (puppets, trucks, etc.), Doll (baby, Barbie, etc.), Musical instrument, Outfit, Shoes

DO NOT INCLUDE: Candy; toothpaste; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans. **If you go PINTEREST, look up Operation Christmas Child. Thousands of ideas!! Age specific, gender specific, etc. Craft ideas and more!**