

A Word From Our Pastor

There is nothing like a great Home Coming. Home coming is all about returning to your roots. It's when graduates return, school spirits are high, parades march in the streets, tail-gate food galore, football games raise energy, and the week is closed with a celebration of food and dance for the students. Home coming is a really fun time. It makes me wonder about the joy we will have at the greatest homecoming of all.

1 Thess. 4:16-18 reads, "16 For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord."

You think our parties are grand? Can you imagine the Lord's?

I love the lyrics in Mercy Me's song, "Surrounded by You glory, What will my heart feel, Will I dance for you Jesus, or in awe of You be still, Will I stand in your presence, or to my knees will I fall, Will I sing hallelujah, Will I be able to speak at all, I can only imagine, I can only imagine."

There is going to be a banquet filled with celebration. You've never experienced anything like it. I can't wait for Homecoming! Come Lord Jesus!



Going on This Month

- 10/6 7:30 pm Business Meeting
- 10/7 9:30 am WOM Meeting
- 10/9 6:30 pm AWANA
FBC Youth
- 10/10 7:30 am FCA Youth
5:00 pm Prayer Meeting
- 10/16 6:30 pm AWANA
6:30 pm FBC Youth
- 10/17 7:30 am FCA Youth
5:00 pm Prayer Meeting
- 10/23 6:30 pm AWANA
6:30 pm FBC Youth
- 10/24 7:30 am FCA Youth
5:00 pm Prayer Meeting
- 10/26 7:45 am Men's Breakfast
10:00 am Ladies Brunch
- 10/27 5:00 pm Deacon's Meeting
6:30 pm Reverb – FBC Youth

Ministry Highlight

God is good and here are some of the things we at FBC Bethany are doing or did for the Lord this month:

On Wednesday, August 28th we celebrated with our Children's Ministry AWANA kickoff by serving families hotdogs, drinks, and games for the kids on the church lawn.

On Friday, September 6th several volunteers in the life of our church baked over 600 cookies for South Harrison school district's Grand Parents Day.

On Sunday, September 22nd, our children's Bible Drillers ministry officially kicked off.

On Wednesday, September 25th we served South Harrison over 560 donuts and cups of juice in front of the middle and elementary school. We are so very proud of our students who led in prayer or read their favorite Bible verses at 'See You At The Pole'.



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Faithful Servants

We appreciate your service to our church for our Lord...

October 6

Bus Driver: Jeff Bottcher

Prayer: Eric Sweat

Greeters: David Mulnix, Carol Mulnix, Mary Jane Sweat, Gerald Parker & Larry Smith

Praise Team: Ranae Shahan & Leslie Price

Special Music: Kim Fish

S.S. Nursery: Kim Fish & Arlene Lanning

Nursery/2 & 3 Year Old:

Lori Pottorff & Rita McCall

Children Church 4-K: Arlene Lanning & Travis Ellis

Evening Service Nursery: : Arlene Lanning

October 13

Bus Driver: Eric Sweat

Prayer: Jack Hodge

Greeters: Eldon Woodward, Ella Adkins, Dale Adkins, Greta Bottcher & Kelvin & Angie Cox

Praise Team: Michelle Williams & Julie Kunce

Special Music: George Frazier

S.S. Nursery: Leslie Price & Arlene Lanning

Nursery/2 & 3 Year Old:

Taurren Bottcher & Jamie Carter

Children Church 4-K: Kalsey McCall &

Tricia Spurling

Evening Service Nursery: Lois Woodward

October 20

Bus Driver: Bryan Barnett

Prayer: Mike Rogers

Greeters: Jana Price, Bob Price, Jackie Wynne, Brad Bowman & Ruby Heintz

Praise Team: Ranae Shahan & Leslie Price

Special Music: Youth Choir &

Greg Woodward

S.S. Nursery: Julie Kunce & Arlene Lanning

Nursery/2 & 3 Year Old:

Lois Woodward & Megan Gray

Children Church 4-K: Kalsey McCall &

Tricia Spurling

Evening Service Nursery: Rita McCall

October 27

Bus Driver: Gary Lanning

Prayer: Carma Hansel, Tom Hansel, Michelle Williams, Bob Johnson & Sharon Johnson

Praise Team: Ranae Shahan & Leslie Price

Special Music: Men's Quartet & Lori Pottorff

S.S. Nursery: Brooklyn Ellis & Arlene Lanning

Nursery/2 & 3 Year Old: Wendy Johnson & Greta Bottcher

Children Church 4-K: Ranae Shahan & Harmony Cornett

Evening Service Nursery: Carol Mulnix

Youth Highlight

Last month we kicked off the 2019 5th Quarter Season. Following each home football game, in the high school cafeteria there is available for students an abundance of food, fun games, and a short devotional given by one of the local pastors. At the end of the month we also observed "See You At The Pole", a now world-wide time of prayer for our communities, schools, and government leaders. I'm thankful that we have so many who show up to publicly align with and exalt the name of Jesus. It is a true blessing and sight to see!

Kids Highlight

September 4th, was the official beginning of our 2019 AWANA ministry Season. Children have already started memorizing and reciting Bible verses to the AWANA leaders. Each night the kids have a Bible lesson, a time of prayer, recite verses from memory, game time, and enjoy a snack. In Sparks several children have already earned their red vests and badges. In Truth In Training (TNT) several of the girls and boys have earned their AWANA books and are off to a great start learning about our Lord. If your student requires transportation please be sure to contact the church office.

The Children's Bible Drill ministry began on Sept. 22nd. It's still not too late to join. Students in grades 4-6th will learn how to quickly navigate their Bibles, memorize verses, and learn key passages.

Looking Ahead

This upcoming month we are looking to launch for the first time, a New Member's Course. It is designed as an introduction to our church and will touch upon our beliefs, values, and church history. The class is perfect for those considering church membership or who have recently joined.

There are a few more things ahead. 1. Our FBC Women on Mission (WOM) will be organizing our Operation Christmas Child from October 8 thru November 18th. 2. Our church is taking up a donation for our Community Compassion Offering (CCO). It's used to assist those in need that God draws to our church doorsteps. 3. We will be collecting candy and plan to hand out more than 500 Bible tracts to children on Halloween night at our Bethany square. If you wish to help please contact the church office.

With Gratitude

Once again on behalf of myself and all South Harrison staff, I wanted to thank you for the wonderful luncheon, kind words of encouragement and continued support. We greatly appreciate it.

- Dennis Easton (South Harrison District Superintendent)