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Gathering Music

Karla Shutters

Announcements

Pastor Tim Stair

Praise & Worship

House of the Lord

Send the Light

Worship Through Giving

Made for More

3rd Grade Bible Presentation

Message

MISSION is the VISION: Change of Plans

Acts 16:6-15

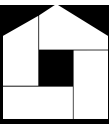
Rev. Dr. Jeremy S. Myers

Song of Response

We Believe (The Victory)

Benediction

Rev. Nathan Parker



The full heat of the season is upon us. Yes, the summer sun has been at peak performance for several weeks now, but that is not what I am referring to. Shining right along with the sun are the smiling faces in all of the “back to school” photos. Every time I open Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter (I refuse to call it X), I’m greeted by images of excited, and often mildly annoyed, young people heading off into new adventures in growth and learning.

While some have expressed annoyance at the flood of back to school photos, I very much appreciate and enjoy them. The sharing of these photos provides us with a window into the lives of our family and friends. They allow us to see and celebrate the growth and development as year after year our children become young women and men. They serve as sources of encouragement as they reveal the imminent potential about to be unleashed by the experiences to come. These pictures, along with the captions provided by their parents and caregivers, also provide us with reminders that there is often a bit of bitterness that comes with the sweetness of time’s passage. This is particularly true when we see a “last first day” picture, or when we see pictures of young men and women standing in their new rooms and parents prepare to leave their beloved babies at college.

In my own life, I feel the bittersweetness very sharply. The Myers household only sent one person back to school this year, and that was Mrs. Myers heading back to serve as a teacher’s aide. We do have one more final back to school photo to come when JJ heads off to Hobart Institute of Welding Technology next month, but that will almost certainly be the end for us. We celebrate the accomplishments of our children and look forward to seeing what they do in adulthood, but change is a double edged sword.

Perusing these pictures and the accompanying captions and considering the complexities of my own experience got me thinking, perhaps rather than seeing these photos as objects for our entertainment we might treat them as opportunities for engagement in the act of prayer. They provide us with very specific people and situations, joys and concerns, hopes and heartaches. In essence, back to school pictures serve as unarticulated, yet implicit prayer requests. In fact many of the pictures posted by family and friends could and should serve as gentle nudges to pray.

In Philippians 1:3-4 the Apostle Paul writes, “Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God. Whenever I pray, I make my requests for all of you with joy...” It’s exceedingly difficult to see a person’s picture and not think of them. When a person’s picture pops up on our social media feed, why not take a quick moment to pray for that person at that very moment? The prayer need not be elaborate. Perhaps we could simply praise God for that person’s life and the opportunities that lie before them, and that God would bless them, keep them, make His face shine upon them, and give them peace. And, while we’re at it, perhaps we pray for mom and dad back home, because they really need it. Let’s turn every picture into a prayer.

EXPERIENCE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SEYMOUR

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, August 24

- 9:15AM** Sunday School classes for all ages
10:30AM Sunday Morning Worship (In-Person and online)
12:00PM RECONNECT Dinner & Foam Party
5:30PM The ATTIC Student Ministry

Monday, August 25

- 5:30PM** Men's Bible Study
6:30PM Oktoberfest Pepperoni Rolling

Tuesday, August 26

- 10:00AM** GriefShare

Wednesday, August 27

- 5:00PM** Family Dinner
6:30PM Celebrate Recovery

Oktoberfest Drink Donations!



We need a total of 30 12-packs of Coke, 22 12-packs of Sprite, and 12 12-packs of Diet Coke. If you don't have time to run to the store, monetary donations will be accepted as well!



We are looking for items to stock our pantry to be used in our hot meal ministry.

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| Corn | Peaches |
| Green Beans | Pears |
| Carrots | Apple Sauce |
| Peas | Cake Mixes |
| Baked Beans | Cake Frosting |
| Canned Potatoes (white potatoes) | Peanut Butter |
| Canned Sweet Potatoes | Salsa |
| Spaghetti Sauce | Vegetable Oil |
| Spaghetti (dry/uncooked) | |

Donations can be taken to the Office at:
FBC Seymour, 505 Community Dr, Seymour, (812)522-1909
Items must not be out of date.

Join us this Fall!

women
at the **Well**

A WOMEN'S GROUP FOR THOSE 18 AND
OLDER LOOKING TO GROW IN THEIR FAITH

TEAM
BUILDING
AND GAMES

SCRIPTURE
STUDY

GET
CONNECTED

COMMUNITY
OUTREACH

INSIGHTFUL
SPEAKERS



"But whoever drinks the water I give
them will never thirst." -John 4:14

Scan here for more info:





Special event for our 55+ group at FBC!
Invite your friends...please sign up in
welcome center or contact Joyce Corya
or Suzanne McAdams.

***Learn strategies to stay sharp and
reduce your risk for developing dementia!***



Sunday, September 14, 12 noon, right after AM worship

Pitch in dinner in the Fellowship Center. Ham, rolls, drinks and table service provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Program to follow: a guest speaker on the topic of "Brain Health". Sign up at the welcome center so that we have a variety of food. NO CHARGE - just bring a dish to share. Open to any of your friends 55+ even if they do not attend FBC. Just be sure to RSVP for them and bring a little extra food to share.



*Scan the QR code
to give online!*

Pastor On-Call: If you have a pastoral emergency outside of church office hours, please call (812) 498-4169 and the on-call pastor will follow up with you.

Visitation Team: If you would like a visit from our visitation team or would like to be added to the shut-in list, please call or email the church office ([\(812-522-1909\)](tel:812-522-1909)/office@fbchome.org).

Pray for Our Known Sick: Glen Brock, Bill Bracker, Wayne Waggoner, Bill Hatton, Greg Hatton, Jerry Turner, Kaye Thompson, Jack Wildman

SS Nursery Aug 24: Katie Yee

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Children's Church Aug 24: Montica Chambers

Children's Church Aug 31: Pastor Tim Stair

Nursery Aug 24: Amanda Doyle, Avah Kriete, Kaitlyn Ude

Nursery Aug 31: Amy & Lyndsey Greenawalt, Alex Lantz

Shut-in for August: Jo First - 444 Fountain Drive, Apt. 101, Seymour, IN.

Current Opportunities to Serve

- Rolling Pepperoni Rolls for Oktoberfest on Mondays from 6:30-8:30 PM
- Serve as a Sunday School Leader or Co-Leader
- Serve on the Welcome Team
- Serve as a Children's Church leader

Contact the FBC Office ([812-522-1909](tel:812-522-1909) or office@fbchome.org) if you would be open to serve in any of these ways!

Last Sunday, August 17, 2025

Offering

Total Receipts.....\$15,242.28

Attendance

Sunday School..... 75

Sunday Morning Worship.....235

OUR PASTORAL TEAM

Dr. Jeremy Myers, Senior Pastor - jeremy@fbchome.org

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