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10:30AM Worship In the Sanctuary & Online



Gathering Music

Jeanne Nichols

Announcements

Pastor Caleb Maris

Praise & Worship

I Thank God

Goodness of God

Worship Through Giving

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Message

Passing the Plate: No Free Lunch

John 6:1-15

Rev. Dr. Jeremy S. Myers

Responding to God

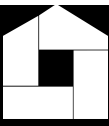
My Offering

Benediction

Rev. Nathan Parker



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to give online!***



It will come as little to no surprise to most that I have a robust collection of Bibles populating my bookshelves. The most beloved Bible in my collection is a navy blue, bonded leather, King James Version that was given to me by my Grandma Ruth when I was 11 years old. I wore that Bible out! The binding is held together by several layers of tape. The outer edges of the cover are cracked and broken; one whole section has been rubbed away from repeated flipping of pages. While I never read that particular Bible from cover to cover, I did read it early and often, due in large part to involvement in a church and a Christian school that encouraged it's people, both young and old, to read the Bible regularly for themselves.

Sitting next to that beloved KJV is a New King James Version. This Bible was purchased for me by my step-father during my high school years. As hard as it may be to believe now, I was a KJV purist into my teenage years and this was my first foray into a more modern translation. This Bible is black bonded leather and as a special touch, my dad had my name embossed on the front cover in gold lettering. This translation was much easier to read and understand, which resulted in me reading it more regularly on my own.

Over the years, I procured and utilized a wide variety of translations of the Bible. As noted above, I grew up using the King James and New King James Versions of the Bible. For several years, I had strong preferences for the English Standard Version. It, along with the New Revised Standard Version, was the preferred translation in academic circles. As a youth pastor, I would read and reference the Message Bible for a more youth friendly take on the text. During my college and seminary days, I learned to read and translate the text for myself from the Greek and Hebrew, though I was terrible at the latter. I do pull the Greek Bible off the shelf from time to time, but I don't particularly enjoy reading it. My primary Bible for many years now has been the New International Version of the Bible. It's the most commonly used Bible, which makes it more effective for preaching purposes, and I find it easy to read and understand.

Different pastors and people prefer different Bible translations. Some prefer what are known as literal translations. The translators of these Bibles have attempted to use the closest English word for each Greek or Hebrew word and in as close to the same order as possible. Some examples of this form of Bible translation include the King James Version, the New King James Version, the English Standard Version, and the New Revised Standard Version. Others prefer what are known as dynamic equivalence translations. These versions of the Bible prioritize communicating the thoughts and ideas the original texts are communicating. Some examples of this type of translation are the New International Version, the New Living Translation, and the Common English Bible. Those desiring an even more readable version of the Bible prefer what is known as a paraphrase. These Bibles are meant to read like modern books. They communicate the main ideas of the text in the most current language possible in the words of the translator. Some examples of this type of translation are the Message, the Amplified Bible, and the Living Bible.

There are a lot of opinions concerning the various translations of the Bible. My dear grandmother distrusted any translation other than the KJV. I have pastor friends that have strong preferences for the ESV or NRSV, depending on which way they lean on the liberal/conservative spectrum, due to perceived accuracy or inaccuracy. Personally, I see value all of the major modern translations of the Bible. Word for word, thought for thought, and paraphrase all have their strengths and weaknesses. But the greatest strength is the number of opportunities they provide to get people into the Word of God.

One of the first Bible verses I ever highlighted and memorized in my blue KJV Bible was 2 Timothy 2:15. It reads, "*Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.*" The best way to become the people God wants us to be and live a life that will please Him is to understand His Word. That will only happen when we make the effort to regularly interact with it. So, the best translation of the Bible is the one you'll actually read. If you have a Bible on your shelf, dust it off, crack it open, and see what God's Word has to say. And, if that translation doesn't speak your language, find one that does.

EXPERIENCE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SEYMOUR

THIS WEEK'S Activities

Sunday, November 9

9:15AM Sunday School classes for all ages

10:30AM Sunday Morning Worship
(In-Person and online)

3:45PM Voice of Praise Choir Rehearsal

5:00PM Board of Mission & Evangelism

Monday, November 10

1:30PM Emerson Elementary Veteran's Day
Program

5:30PM Men's Bible Study

6:00PM Board of Trustees

Tuesday, November 11

10:00AM GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays

Wednesday, November 12

5:00PM Family Dinner

6:30PM FBC Orchestra Rehearsal
Celebrate Recovery



GRIEF SHARE[®]

SURVIVING the HOLIDAYS

"Surviving the Holidays" is a free, 1-time class that is open to anyone who needs help coping with the holidays after the loss of a loved one. The class will be held **Tuesday, Nov 11 from 10 AM—Noon**. RSVP to FBC office (preferred so we have enough participant guides) or just come to the class.



Salt & Light (55+) to DERBY DINNER THEATER

**"Elf the Musical" Friday, December 5—Sign up at
Welcome Center TODAY to reserve a ticket.**

Starting tomorrow (Nov 10), remaining tickets will be offered to 55+ friends outside of FBC.

Tickets are \$46 each. Payment to be made at FBC office.



November Birthdays

NOV. 1	DAWSON CHAMBERS
NOV. 2	KATIE POTTS
NOV. 3	STEPHEN DICKERSON
	MIRANDA HOLLOWAY
NOV. 7	PAT FOUTS
NOV. 8	JODI FELTNER
NOV. 14	MONTICA CHAMBERS
NOV. 15	ELLIE CORNN
	REUBEN YEE
NOV. 16	RICK GREEN
NOV. 17	BILL BRACKER
	KARRIE HAYES
	CARSON SHEPHERD
	SHERRY TIEMEYER
NOV. 18	MIKE HAGEMAN
NOV. 24	TRACY WESTFALL
NOV. 25	MATT WAGGONER
NOV. 26	MARTY MEAD
NOV. 27	ELIZABETH BLAIR
NOV. 28	BRET CORNN
	LAURIE DICKERSON
NOV. 29	DAVID THOMPSON
NOV. 30	DELORES AULT



Don't forget to grab a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child on your way out! Fill it up and bring it back to the church by Sunday, November 16.

When you return your box, please put the included rubber band around it. Don't forget to include \$10 for postage under the rubber band (Cash or check payable to FBC with OCC in the memo line), or you can pay online with the included information which allows you to track your box and see where it is delivered.

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

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

SS Nursery Nov 9: Katie Yee

SS Nursery Nov 16: Rachel Parker

Children's Church Nov 9 & 16: Mindy Clay & Sally Acton

Nursery Nov 9: Montica Chambers, Sara Bowling, Melissa McAdams

Nursery Nov 15: Suzanne McAdams, Karla Shuttters, Patty O'Bier

Shut-in for November: Bill & Janet Howard, 1445 W. 2nd St., Seymour, IN.

College Students for November:

- Dawson Chambers (Nov. 1) - 3109 Redwood National Dr. Unit 4507, Orlando, FL, 32837

Our Christian Love and Sympathy is extended to Greg Hatton and his family on the death of his father.

Current Opportunities to Serve

- Sing with the choir or play with the orchestra in the Christmas cantata!
- Serve as a Sunday School Leader or Co-Leader, or Children's Church leader
- Serve on the Welcome Team

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

Last Sunday, November 2, 2025

Offering

Total Receipts.....\$14,649.11

Attendance

Sunday School..... 69

Sunday Morning Worship.....222

OUR PASTORAL TEAM

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

Rev. Nathan Parker, Pastor of Worship and Media - nathan@fbchome.org

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