

FBC SEYMOUR



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10:30AM Worship **In the Sanctuary & Online**

Gathering Music

Karla Shutters

Announcements

Pastor Caleb Maris

Praise & Worship

Praise

This is Our God

Worship Through Giving

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Message

Worship and the Winter Blues

Psalm 42 & 43

Rev. Nathan Parker

Responding to God

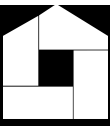
Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Benediction

Rev. Nathan Parker



***Scan the QR code
to give online!***



This week marks the ninth anniversary of FBC's calling Rev. Dr. Jeremy Myers to be our pastor. As we begin Dr. J's tenth year leading us here at FBC Seymour, he and Robyn will be spending the month of January in Florida and Mexico on the second leg of their sabbatical. While the summer leg in July was focused on the whole Myers family experiencing one last family trip before the kids moved on to trade school and ministry, this January leg is a chance for Dr. J and Robyn to get away to re-charge and connect as a couple for an extended period of time as they enter this new season as empty-nesters. In his absence, it will give our FBC family the chance to hear from our other three pastors in the pulpit, along with Mark Thompson (our ABC IN/KY Executive Director) and Jordan Morris (the camp director at Indian Creek, our ABC region camp).

The concept of a sabbatical comes from the biblical idea of Sabbath rest, which originates with God's resting on the seventh day after creation (Genesis 2:1-4). In the Old Testament, the Sabbath was a 24-hour period each week for ceasing from regular work and responsibilities to focus on rest, reflection and renewal. There was also a Sabbath year, observed every seventh year (Leviticus 25:1-7), when the people of Israel would allow the land to lie fallow for a year, which helped to replenish the nutrients in the soil and allow for more productive harvests. A sabbatical in our context is really an extended Sabbath, a longer period of time off away from pastoral duties that allows for physical, mental, spiritual and emotional recovery from the demands of work and life.

Dr. J has now faithfully served FBC Seymour for nine years, pouring his heart and soul into our church and our community. That is more than 4 years longer than the average tenure of a senior pastor in America today. He wrestles weekly with the biblical text so deeply and intensely because he cares so greatly about the spiritual health of those who call FBC Seymour home. He desires for all of us to understand and apply God's Word to our lives at the deepest level, and he works unceasingly to help us do so. Yet, as Charles Spurgeon, the great English Baptist preacher once said to his Pastor's College students, "Rest time is not waste time. It is economy to gather fresh strength. . . . It is wisdom to take occasional furlough."

We have already benefitted greatly from what Dr. J experienced on the July trip following the journeys of Paul, and I have no doubt this leg of the sabbatical will strengthen Dr. J to come back and minister with clearer vision and renewed intensity without burning out. Please join me in prayer over the next month for our pastor and his wife that they will travel safely, that they will experience the Lord's Sabbath rest and renewal, and return recharged and ready for the next season of fruitful ministry here at FBC Seymour!

EXPERIENCE **FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SEYMOUR**

THIS WEEK'S Activities

Sunday, January 11

- 9:15AM** Sunday School classes for all ages
- 10:30AM** Sunday Morning Worship (In-Person and online)
- 5:00PM** Board of Deacons
- 5:30PM** The Attic Student Ministry

Monday, January 12

- 5:30PM** Men's Bible Study
- 6:00PM** Board of Trustees
- 6:30PM** Women at the Well

Tuesday, January 13

- 10:00AM** Griefshare

Wednesday, January 14

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

UPDATE YOUR INFO

Help us stay in touch!

We had several of our staff Christmas cards get returned this year because of wrong addresses 😞. If your info has changed (address, phone #, email, etc), and especially if you didn't get a Christmas card from the FBC staff, please update your info with the FBC office so we can stay in touch! (office@fbchome.org)

<Ushers Needed!>

We are in need of adults to serve as ushers to pass the plates for the offering during services. Students are welcome to serve as well, but we need at least 2 adults for each service.

Please contact Jason Senn (812 498 4300) to get plugged in!

SECURITY TEAM

We are in need of a few more adults to help with the security during church services.

The basic responsibility will be staying in the foyer with the computer and letting anyone in who may show up late. You can still listen to the sermon from the foyer while you serve in this capacity.

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Spring 2026 Small Group Sign-Up

Groups begin meeting in January.

Name(s): _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

I want to join a group! (choose group below)

- ☐ **Hebrews – women’s group**
Fridays at 10:30 a.m. – beginning January 9
Led by Joellen Martin

Hebrews reminds us to continue walking toward Jesus regardless of our culture or our circumstances. The study helps women make the connection between God the Father and God the Son and reminds us that Jesus is supreme, but He is also compassionate, empathetic, and loving to no end.

- ☐ **God Never Gives Up on You – all adults**
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. – beginning January 14
Led by Pastor Tim

In this study, bestselling author Max Lucado reveals how God’s grace came after Jacob. Grace found him in the desert. Grace protected him in exile. Grace wrestled him to the ground and blessed him. Grace led him home to Canaan. Jacob's story invites us to believe in a God who sticks with us until we are safely at home.

- **Financial Peace University – all adults**
(\$79 fee/family – scholarships available)
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. – beginning January 14
Led by Deryk & Jill Baurle

According to a recent study, 40% of Americans say their financial situation has caused them to lose sleep in the past month. If that's you, it's time to make a change. Take the first step and take control of your finances by signing up for Financial Peace University. The course fee includes a workbook and a one-year membership to Ramsey+, full of financial tools and resources.

- **Who Are They? Little Known Characters of the Bible**
– all adults
Mondays at 6:30 p.m. – beginning January 19
Led by Tom Franke

Get a glimpse of 8 different characters that are mentioned ever-so-briefly in the Bible and see what we can learn from these “one-hit wonders”. If you’ve never heard of characters such as Gomer, Gamaliel, Jabez, or Ehud, then this might be the study for you!

- **The Bible in a Year – women’s group**
Sundays at 9:15 a.m. – beginning January 14
Led by Kelly Woods

Journey through a year of intentional spiritual growth with this uniquely crafted Bible study that weaves together the major themes of Scripture. Unlike traditional chronological or book-by-book approaches, this study illuminates 52 essential themes of the Christian faith, from Creation to Praise, helping you build a comprehensive biblical worldview while developing practical faith.



January Birthdays

JAN. 1	BILL JARVIS
JAN. 2	YVONNE HAAS
JAN. 4	MARISSA LILLO
JAN. 5	JULIA ALLMAN
JAN. 9	TOM WILLIAMS
JAN. 11	CONNIE WAYMAN
	SARAH STAIR
JAN. 14	GREG HUNT
JAN. 15	MARION GREGORY
	ANNA MARKS
	ALAN SMITH
JAN. 16	CHRISTIE SENN
JAN. 19	MADI SWANEY
JAN. 20	BRAYLON FLOYD
JAN. 22	CAROL MCBRIDE
JAN. 23	MARCIA HATTON
	TIM SHIPP
JAN. 24	YOGI FOUTS
	SCOTT MURPHY
	SHANNAN SILVER
JAN. 25	SHAWN MALONE
JAN. 26	TANNER MEAD
JAN. 28	ELTON CHAMBERS
JAN. 29	DREW HUNT
JAN. 30	LYNDSEY GREENAWALT

GRIEF SHARE



New class kicks off
Tuesday, January 13 at 10:00 AM!

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, Janet Howard

SS Nursery Jan 11: Katie Yee

SS Nursery Jan 18: Rachel Parker

Children's Church Jan 11: Amy Greenawalt

CC Jan 11: Amy Greenawalt

Nursery Jan 11: Montica Chambers, Sara Bowling, Melissa McAdams

Nursery Jan 18: Suzanne McAdams, Karla Shutters, Patty O'Bier

Shut-in for January: Jo First - 444 Fountain Drive, Apt. 101, Seymour, IN. 47274

College Students for January:

• Garrett Driver (Jan 21) - 715 W. Hampton Dr., Indianapolis, IN. 46208

Current Opportunities to Serve

- Serve as an usher or on the Security Team (contact Jason Senn at 812 498 4300)
- 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, January 4, 2026

Offering

Total Receipts.....\$17,549.82
Weekly Offering Needed.....\$15,038.95
Budget Needed YTD.....\$15,038.95
Offering Received YTD.....\$17,549.82

Attendance

Sunday School..... 65
Sunday Morning Worship.....185

OUR PASTORAL TEAM

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

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

Tim Stair, Director of Children and Family Ministries - tim@fbchome.org

Caleb Maris, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries - caleb@fbchome.org

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