



September 16, 2018

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If you have any questions concerning the message from today, or are interested in obtaining information about church membership, please see the Pastor after the service, drop a note in the offering plate indicating your desire to talk with the Pastor, or call the church office.

Announcements

Home Fellowships

Home Fellowships are **tonight** at 6:00 p.m. Bring a snack to share. Hosts, you need only supply drinks. You may use paper products from the church kitchen if you like. Your home assignments are on pages 4 and 5. No regular attenders were intentionally left off. If you are not on a list, go to the home of your choice, and let Dawn know, so you won't get left off next time. Have fun!

Wednesday Night

This week's menu features **Meatloaf!** Please sign the list in the hall if you are joining us for dinner.

Ministry Opportunities

- The ladies' Joy Class meets every Tuesday morning at 9:00 a.m. They are helping Pat Beatty with the blankets for A Touch of Hope, and they are making dolls for Appalachian children. You can also bring your own craft projects, or just come for fellowship!
- Pat Beatty will be in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, **September 20**, from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. working on the A Touch of Hope blankets. Come join her!
- We need someone to make the Panera run the first Thursday of each month. The process is simple. Let us know if you can help!

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This Week at FABC

Today

Coffee Fellowship	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Home Fellowships	6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Dinner - Meatloaf	5:45 p.m.
Youth & Awana	6:30 p.m.
Prayer & Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

Thursday

Senior Adult Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

FABC Deacons

Shawn Champion	433-0098
Mickey Fell	920-4557
Ron Fowler	901-409-8628
Jimmy Kicklighter (CH)	355-5616
Jack Moore	547-5000
Billy Morris, Sr.	398-1038
Kelly Stanford	441-2151
John Sumner	658-4186
Michael Walker	655-2497
Ric Zittrouer	210-0344

September 16, 2018

10:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

* Opening Chorus & Greeting
“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”
Words are on the back of the bulletin

* Call to Worship
Psalm 46:1-3

* Hymn #36
“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Prayer of General Confession
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Special Music

Scripture Reading
Acts 21:1-14
Steve Posner

Receiving of Tithes and
Offerings

* Hymn #290
“Be Still, My Soul”

Message
Bob Dimmitt
We Need Our Nausea, Part 10
1 Timothy 6:6-11, Ecclesiastes #40

* Hymn, to right
“Doxology”
Old Hundred tune

6:00 p.m.

Home Fellowships

Assignments are on
pages 4 and 5

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings
flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen

* All those who are able, please stand.

We Need Our Nausea, Part 10

Ecclesiastes #40

1 Timothy 6:6-11

We all have both intrinsic (the things you do purely because you value them in and of themselves, not because of anything you get out of them, you do it for the joy of it) and extrinsic (the things you do not because you actually want to do them but because you'll get something in return—money, admiration, sex, status) motives. No one is driven by only one or the other.

1. Thinking extrinsically poisons your relationships with other people.
- 2.
3. When you are materialistic you wonder if people are judging you.
4. All of us have certain innate needs—

What is the remedy? **1 Timothy 6:11-12**

One aspect of world that I have been able to identify as harmful to Christians is the assumption that anything worthwhile can be acquired at once.

In our kind of culture anything, even news about God, can be sold if it is packaged freshly; but when it loses its novelty, it goes on the garbage heap.

Paul gives four commands in 1 Timothy 6:11-12 that are pillars for perseverance (to help ward off slipping into deep sadness): Flee; pursue; fight; and lay hold or take hold.

Paul explains that the development of our Christian character (righteousness, godliness, etc) requires a daily choice to work out our salvation in fear and trembling.

Prayer of General Confession

Dear Lord,

If you should remember our iniquities, who could stand before you? But we thank you that there is forgiveness with you so that we may fear and honor you; with you there is mercy, even abundant redemption, for you promised to redeem even Israel from all their iniquities.

The sacrifices that you look for are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, O Lord, you will not despise: Even though you are the high and lofty One that inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy; though the heavens are your throne, and the earth your footstool, yet even to us will you look, upon us that are poor and humble, of a broken and a contrite spirit, and that tremble at your word, you revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

You have graciously assured us, that those that cover their sins shall not prosper, yet those that confess and forsake them will find mercy. And when any poor repentant sinner says, "I will confess my transgression to the Lord," you forgive them the iniquity of their sin, and therefore, every one that is godly will likewise pray to you, in a time when you may be found.

We know that your word tells us that if we say, We have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but thou hast said that if we confess our sins, thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Therefore Lord, we ask that you would help us to confess our sins to you, and that you would indeed forgive us, as you have sworn to do.

Amen

Hebrews 10:14-18

For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

"This is the covenant that I will make with them

after those days, declares the Lord:

I will put my laws on their hearts,
and write them on their minds,"

then he adds,

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.



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Senior Saints' Lunch

The monthly lunches will resume with a trip to the Mighty 8th Museum in Pooler that will include lunch and a tour, on this Tuesday, **September 18**. The \$22 ticket includes both! Mark your calendars, and sign up in the hall.

Morning Bible Study for Seniors

Thursday, **September 20**, 10:00 a.m.

Youth Gym Night

Friday, **September 22**, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., the Youth will play volleyball in the gym.

Young Adult Bible Study

Thursday, **September 27**, 6:30 p.m., at the Sheffields'.

Deacons' Meeting

Tuesday, **October 9**, 7:00 p.m.

Quarterly Meeting

Sunday, **October 21**, time TBA.

Weekly Catechism Question

Question #70:

Which is the 5th commandment?

Answer:

The fifth commandment is, "Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long upon th eland which the Lord thy God gives thee."

Scripture:

Exodus 20:12

Deacon

Nominations Sought

Deacon elections are coming up! Please submit names to Bob, Tim, or any of the current deacons and they will contact the nominees if it is determined that they are qualified to serve. Guidelines and other info you need for Deacons are on page 8. If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Bob or Tim.

Life Line Health Screenings at FABC in October

Ferguson Avenue Baptist Church is pleased to offer a preventive health event. Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings on Thursday, **October 25**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to:

- blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke;
- abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta;
- hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease;
- atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a
- bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis.

Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **There are three ways to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979.**

Dawn has flyers in her office that contain more details. Also, the Thursday morning Bible study will meet that day in a different location here at the church, which will be determined.

Home Assignments

Latoya Cruz-Camacho

9651 Lehigh Avenue

Bill & Sona Bailey
Kay Beardshaw
Gary & Patricia Beatty
Sharon Boaen
Sonja Clements
Donna Cowart
Joe & Belinda Crumbley
Gene Daniel
Paulette Davis
Steven & Susan Haupt
Eric & Amy Horton
Charles & Betty Hurndon
Billy Morris, Jr.
Gloria Phillips
Peggy Russell
Jay & Tamera Smith
Kelly & Dawn Stanford
Claude & Susan Su
Mary Taylor
Margaret Thill
David & Susan Torrance
Michael & Karrie Walker
Marianne Walker
Charles & Cindy Wise
Emily Wise

Bethany Humphrey

85 Superior Avenue, #2

John & Saundra Bridges
Sue Crews
Edward Deal
Bob & Cindy Dimmitt
June Erlandson
Mickey & Becky Fell
Robbie & Jessica Gorman
Kay Groves
Wendell & Melissa Hill
Beth Holland
Larry & Michelle Jones
Jimmy & Tammy Kicklighter
Cathy Lane
Shelmagene Lewis
Samp & Beth Lewis
Dean & Beverly McCraw
Aileen Pinckney
Brittany Pinckney
Justin & Alex Pinckney
Mike & Gena Russell
Arthur & Jeanette Salter
Mo & Pam Sarhan
Jim & Heather Schraeder
Keiaysha Seabrain
May Strong
Joan Ward
John & Diana Watkins
Dean & Patricia Wedincamp
Alice White

Tim & Lauren Wade
10032 Ferguson Avenue

Anna Betz
John Earl & Carolyn Blanton
Sylvia Blue
Eleanor Bowden
Shawn Champion
Bobby Deloach
Jan Deloach
Libby Evans
Virginia Flowers
Ray & Jeanie Groover
Jerramie & Rebekah Helmick
Darrell & Becky Hendricks
Geri Hendrix
Glynn & Natalie Horton
John & Pam Humphrey
Logan & Stacey Kelly
Don & Angela King
Bucky Lanier
Ernest & Harriet Lynch
Glen & Donna Martin
Barbara McCall
Elizabeth McVey
Cole Morris
Dennis Morgan
Joe & Patricia Morris
Wayne & Laurie Noha
Neil Reagan
Jay & Lisa Rowe
Clyde & CC Sheffield
Kay Stanford
John & Tricia Sumner
Tommy & Krista Tompkins
Michael & Tricia Torrance
Jay & Andrea Turner
Aaron & Rebekah Waite
Billy & Brenda Waters
Teena Wheless
Ric & Kelly Zittrouer

Steve & Linnea Posner
107 Beaulieu Bend

Pam Anderson
Ed & Marie Barbier
Annette Berry
Eugene & Laura Britton
Reggie & Leasa Brown
Jim & Rita Campbell
Matt & Jessica Coleman
Jessica Dimmitt
Jimmy & Janice Donaldson
Danny & Janet Edwards
Kim Eriksen
Howard & Lynn Ernst
Lance & Julie Ficek
Jerry Fields
Ron & Mary Ann Fowler
Robert & Jill Holland
Ann Hughes
Steve & Lesia Jackson
Tom & Amy Keller
Michael & Ruth Kleinpeter
Harris Lane
Jim & Glenda Lutton
Napoleon & Savannah Martin
Barbara Mason
Richard Mills
Jack & Connie Moore
Alex & Nicole Morris
Billy & Suzan Morris
Mike & Elinor Morris
Barbara Rahn
Margaret Ellen Rahn
Danny & Kamee Roberson
Ovella Roberson
Conner & Madeline Schraeder
Jack & Ronna Sherrod
Jenny Smith
Elaine Spica
Kelvin & Janice Stanford
Everett & Mary Ann Tarver

GUIDELINES FOR DEACON ELECTION - I Timothy 3: 8-13

The minimum qualifications are as follows:

- A deacon must be reverent—serious in mind and character, not flippant toward the work of God.
- A deacon is not double-tongued. He must be honest and consistent, discreet, not saying one thing to some people and then another thing to others.
- A deacon must not be given to much wine—not preoccupied with drink. His judgment is never to be clouded by alcohol, or any other chemical.
- A deacon must not be greedy for money—does not have a reputation for being preoccupied with gaining material wealth and things. He does not use his position to gain money from others—not covetous.
- A deacon holds the mystery of the faith with a pure conscience. He believes the Gospel with no doubts. He is firmly convinced of the truths of Scripture and the trustworthiness of the Scriptures themselves.
- Let a deacon first be tested—meaning that he is not new a believer, and he is someone who has already demonstrated spiritual maturity and a willingness to serve others, to be inconvenienced without complaint.
- A deacon must be found blameless; no valid accusation of wrongdoing can be made against him.
- A deacon must be the husband of one wife; obviously not polygamous, not a womanizer. Some think this means he cannot be a divorced man, but there are some divorces which God allows and recognizes. Therefore, if there are biblical grounds for a divorce, then we cannot justifiably disqualify that man. Even though it might be best not to seek this position as a divorced man, he is not necessarily eliminated. (As a side—if there has been a divorce, it should be so far in the past that the man in question has shown a long pattern of solid family leadership.)
- A deacon rules his own house well—he leads his family by example, shows wisdom in handling problems, his wife and children respect him, and his wife and children are not unruly.
- A deacon's wife must be:
 - Reverent—same as number one above.
 - Must not be a gossip, control her tongue, emotions, and opinions of others and sensitive issues.
 - Temperate, alert, watchful, and clear-headed—unclouded judgment, not clouded by alcohol, or any substance.
 - Faithful in all things—absolutely trustworthy in all things and in all situations.
 - We might add a spiritual maturity that has been proven.

Mickey Fell, Billy Morris, Sr., Kelly Stanford, and Ric Zittrouer are scheduled to rotate off, however, each one may be re-nominated as they are allowed to succeed themselves. There will be at least 5 vacancies this year.

Deacon Election Submissions - Please submit names to Bro. Bob, Tim, or any of the current deacons by October 9, and they will contact the nominees if it is determined that they are qualified to serve.

Who Decided What Books to Include in the Bible?

5 Principles.

By Sean McDowell

How was it decided what books would become part of the Bible? This question relates to *canonicity*. The word *canon* comes from the root word *reed*. The reed was used as a measuring rod and came to mean “standard.” *Canon* thus refers to the officially accepted list of biblical books.

We are going to briefly consider five guiding principles for canonization from the updated *Evidence that Demands a Verdict*. But first, realize that the church did not create the canon; it did not determine which books would be called Scripture. Instead it recognized, or discovered, which books had been inspired from their inception. Some people think the early church created the list; that they sat down and asked which books fit their dogma, and threw out the rest. It didn’t happen that way at all. In the end they recognized, or discovered, which books had been inspired from their inception.

Here are five ways they could tell:

1. Was the book written by a prophet of God? If it was written by a spokesman for God, or commissioned by an apostle, then it was considered the Word of God.

2. Was the writer confirmed by acts of God? Miracles frequently separate true prophets from false ones. Moses performed miracles as proof of his divine calling (Exodus 4:1-9). Elijah defeated the prophets of Baal (1 Kings 18). The apostles perform miracles at the start of the early church (Acts 3:1-9).

3. Did the message tell the truth about God? God cannot contradict Himself (2 Corinthians 1:17-18). And God cannot lie (Hebrews 6:18). Thus, Church Fathers rejected any book with false statements about God. In fact, according to Geisler and Nix, they maintained the policy, “If in doubt, throw it out.”

4. Does it come with the power of God? Church fathers believed the Bible was “living and active” (Hebrews 4:12) and thus should have transforming power for edification (2 Timothy 3:17), sanctification, and evangelism (1 Peter 1:23). Thus, if a book did not have the power to change a life, then it was not divinely inspired. The presence of God’s transforming power was a strong indication that a given book had His stamp of approval.

5. Was it accepted by the people of God? In his letter to the church at Thessalonica, Paul said, “*And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.*” Church Fathers considered whether or not a book was accepted by the first believers as Scripture. If so, then it was regarded as canonical. This practice was seen in the Bible itself. One instance is when the apostle Peter acknowledges Paul’s writings as Scripture on par with the OT (2 Peter 3:16).

Discussions about what books to include in the canon are complex, of course, and go beyond the scope of this article. Some books were accepted in the canon much earlier than others. Orthodox, Protestant and Catholics differ over a few books too. Nevertheless, these five principles help clarify that the process of deciding what books were in the Bible was not left up to chance or happenstance. The Church Fathers were very intentional about what books they recognized as divinely inspired, and the common ground across Christian traditions far outweigh the differences. ❖

Missionary of the Week

Kris & Nina Brackett
GCC - Croatia

Pascal and Becky Grenade are missionaries to the island of Mauritius, Pascal's home country. They are raising four young children, Liam, Adrien, Ashlen, and baby girl Haava.

We received an email update from them this week! God willing, Pascal will be here to share in the morning worship service on **October 28**.



Dear friends,

We would like to thank all of you who took the time to pray for Jeff last month. At the time there was a bit of a time crunch for him to obtain an interview at the embassy and book his flight to the US in time for matriculation. We are happy to let you know that he was able to obtain a timely interview and that he made in to the US in time for international student orientation. We would appreciate your continued prayers for him as he adapts to living in the US, being on his own and the educational system as well.

Two Sundays ago, following the morning service at church, the congregation went to the seaside for a baptism. A man named Lainsley made a profession of faith several months ago, and he was baptized. This past Saturday he moved to the UK. He really wanted to be baptized before moving to the UK as a testimony to his family members and friends that he has placed his confidence in Christ alone. We are thankful for the past months during which he attended church and was able to get some grounding in the scriptures and in Christian doctrine. We would appreciate your prayers for him that his faith will endure that he will continue to grow in his Christian walk. Please pray also that he will find a church family that is centered around the scriptures and that desires to honor Christ in all things.

This past Saturday after I got home from kids club with our boys, I saw someone whom I have not seen in many years. His name is Eddy Molière and he was a clerk at my high school. He is a Jehovah's witness and he was making visits in the neighborhood. We talked about the scriptures and I shared Acts 4.12 with him emphasizing the importance of understanding biblical truths concerning Jesus. If Jesus is the name by which we must be saved, then what we believe about Jesus is crucial. Please pray that his spiritual understanding might be enlightened.

We appreciate your prayers for us and for the ministry in Mauritius. Please feel free to share requests of your own with us.

Blessings,
Pascal and Becky

Sunday School Classes & Descriptions

Adult

- “Revelation” - Organ Side Overflow
Room: Matt Coleman
- “Chronological Survey of the Bible” -
Fellowship Hall: Bob Dimmitt
- “Church History” - Youth House: Steve
Posner
- “Abigail” - Room 28: Tamera Smith,
Women’s Class

Students & Children

- Babies - Room 3: Kay Stanford & Sandra
Bridges
- 1s & 2s - Room 24: Michael & Ruth Klein-
peter/Danny & Kamee Roberson
- 3s & 4s - Room 25: Emily Wise, Susan Su,
Donna Martin
- Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grade - Room
200: Jimmy & Angie Creech
- 3rd-6th Grade Boys - Room 202: Ric
Zittrouer & Richie Mills
- 3rd-6th Grade Girls - Room 204: Mary
Ann Fowler, Amy Horton
- Youth Guys - Room 206: Tim Wade,
Bobby Deloach
- Youth Girls - Room 207: Sona Bailey,
Jessica Dimmitt, & Lauren Wade

Sign up for Flocknote

Our text messaging alert system can help you keep up with what’s happening here at Ferguson. To join, simply text FABC to 84576. You will receive a new text with a link to click on, sign up, and join relevant groups. When you sign up, please include your first and last names, email address, and mobile phone number. Then choose which groups you would need notices from. Be sure to at least join the “Congregation” group. Tim Wade or Dawn Stanford are happy to help you figure it out, if need be.

Bible Reading Schedule

September 2018

	1	2 Timothy 4 - Titus 3
	2	John 1-3
	3	John 4-5
	4	John 6
	5	John 7-8
	6	John 9-10
	7	John 11-12
	8	John 13-15
	9	John 16-18
	10	John 19-21
	11	2 Corinthians 1-4
	12	2 Corinthians 5-8
	13	2 Corinthians 9-13
	14	Exodus 1-4
	15	Exodus 5-8
	16	Exodus 9-11
	17	Exodus 12-14
	18	Exodus 15-17
	19	Exodus 18-20
	20	Exodus 21-23
	21	Exodus 24-26
	22	Exodus 27-28
	23	Exodus 29-30
	24	Exodus 31-33
	25	Exodus 34-36
	26	Exodus 37-38
	27	Exodus 39-40
	28	Romans 1-2
	29	Romans 3-4
	30	Romans 5-7



Come Christians Join To Sing

1. Come, Christians, join to sing—
Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King—
Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice,
Before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice:
Alleluia! Amen!

2. Come, lift your hearts on high—
Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky—
Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend,
To us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end:
Alleluia! Amen!

3. Praise yet our Christ again—
Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain—
Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore
His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore,
"Alleluia! Amen!"

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For Hearing Impaired

If you have difficulties hearing, we have listening aid devices available. Ask any of the ushers, or the technician in the sound booth, if you are in need of one of these devices.

Nursery September 16

10:30 A.M.

Babies:

Mary Ann Fowler, Kay Stanford,
Pam Sarhan

Toddlers - 4 year olds:

Karrie & Lindsey Walker/
Aaron Waite, Linnea Posner

6:00 P.M.

Home Fellowships

Nursery September 23

10:30 A.M.

Babies:

Shelma Lewis, Jeanie Groover,
Linda Walker

Toddlers - 4 year olds:

Lisa & Addisyn Rowe/
Lauren Rowe, Myri Hymon

6:00 P.M.

Heather Schraeder, Tricia Sumner,
Bethany Humphrey

Ushers September 16

10:30 A.M.

Kelly Stanford, Johnny Bridges,
Reggie Brown, Bucky Lanier

6:00 P.M.

Home Fellowships

Ushers September 23

10:30 A.M.

Jimmy Kicklighter, Mike Morris,
Danny Roberson, Kelly Stanford

6:00 P.M.

Jimmy Donaldson, Ron Fowler

Sunday Greeters - September 16

Mary Fowler, Jeanie Groover

September Lock-Up Deacons

Ric Zittrouer, Shawn Champion