

A Message from the Pastor

It seems that each month there is something we must cancel due to COVID 19 precautions. This month, at least to me, really hurts. We must cancel our annual Thanksgiving Fellowship.

The Thanksgiving Fellowship is held each year the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. It is always extremely well attended. We include the senior saints from Regal Estates retirement home. The buffet of turkeys and hams and family-prepared sides (and Angel Eggs!) always warms my heart. It is the door through which we enter the Christmas season. I hate that we have had to cancel.

We are being told, and I am forced to believe them, that the COVID numbers are rising at an alarming rate. The church leadership will continue to approach decisions regarding our COVID response prayerfully. I'd like to encourage all of you to not lose your discipline when it comes to using the hand-sanitizer stations as you enter the church building and to be extra vigilant in staying home should you have any symptoms that could possibly be COVID ...or the flu...or a bad cold.

We may have cancelled the Thanksgiving Fellowship, but Thanksgiving is still going to happen! Our families may gather a bit differently than we have in the past, but Thanksgiving will continue! And there is much to be Thankful for, isn't there? In the midst of the storm that has been 2020 we have found safe harbor in our worship and prayer time. We have managed to keep the church doors open so we can gather and praise Him who created us, saved us and protects us! We have been able to help people affected by hurricanes and to feed people in Africa affected by COVID 19. There is much to be thankful for, isn't there?

By the time you read this November 3rd, election day, may have passed. My guess is that we will not have reliable results yet. Regardless of what transpires, remember that the answer to our national issues is not in government, the answer is in God. He is sovereign. Benjamin Franklin wrote the following:

"Mr. President...groping as it were in the dark to find political truth, and scarce able to distinguish it when presented to us, how has it happened, Sir, that we have not hitherto once thought of humbly applying to the Father of lights to illuminate our understandings?... I have lived, Sir, a long time and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth — that God governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without his notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without his aid? We have been assured, Sir, in the sacred writings that "except the Lord build, they labor in vain that build it." Indeed.

Daniel 2:20-21... ²⁰Daniel answered and said: "Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, for wisdom and might are His. ²¹And He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and raises up kings; He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18... ¹⁶Rejoice always, ¹⁷pray without ceasing, ¹⁸in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

God bless,
Pastor Rob

November Calendar

Sunday, November 1

- Lord's Supper Services
- Day Light Saving Time Ends
- Special Called Business Mtg

Wednesday, Nov. 04

- Quarterly Report Deadline

Tuesday, Nov. 10

- EARLY December/January Newsletter Deadline

Wednesday, Nov. 11

- Veteran's Day

Sunday, Nov. 15

- T-Shirt Order Deadline

Wednesday, Nov. 18

- Quarterly Business Meeting

November 25-27

- Church Office Closed

Wednesday, Nov. 25

- NO Wednesday evening services

Sunday, Nov. 29

- 5th Sunday Hymn Sing
- Week of Prayer for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

8:15 am.....	Adult Bible Study	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg.
9:15 — 10:30 am	1st Nursery	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:30 — 10:30 am	Berean Adult Fellowship	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg.
9:30 — 10:30 am	Women's Sunday School Class	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg.
9:30 — 10:30 am	Youth Bible Study	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable
9:30 — 10:30 am	1st Worship Service	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm	2nd Nursery	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm	Pre-K Church	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm	Children's Church	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
11:00 am — 12:00 pm	2nd Worship Service	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
5:00 pm.....	Women's Ministry 2020 Fall Bible Study	**thru 11/22/2020 1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)

Monday

6:30 pm.....	Men's Ministry Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
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Wednesday

6:30 — 7:30 pm	Youth Discipleship (6th-12th grades)	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg.
6:30 — 7:30 pm	Kid's Club Bible Study (PreK4 — 6th grade)	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
6:30 — 7:30 pm	Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
6:30 — 7:30 pm	Nursery	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)



The CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
November 25-27, 2020

Reduced COVID-19 Office Hours
Tuesday - Thursday
9:30 AM—1:30'ish PM

The Church office is open Tuesday through Thursday and some Friday's, from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm. The main office phone number is 281-474-3281. If you call while the office is closed or after hours please leave a message or email fbcseabrook@yahoo.com.

November Tellers

Nov. 01	John & Cheryl Harrison and Mike & Cindy Treece
Nov. 08	Mary Johnson, Linda Long, Kathy Slater, & Pat Smartt
Nov. 15	John & Cheryl Harrison and Margie Minix
Nov. 22	Karen Broyles, Michelle Hazlett, & Linda Long
Nov. 29	Volunteers Needed

Tithes & Offering

A look at the church finances...

General Fund

September 2020 Contributions\$27,229.59

Building Fund

September 2020 Contributions\$22.67

Missions Fund

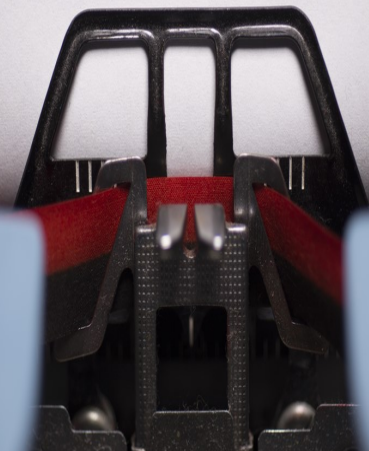
September 2020 Contributions\$419.00

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Birthdays

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Bobby Bounds
Gretchen Ennis
Alicia Wells
Stephanie Mathews
Joni Roubion
Cristey Crawford
Gene Engel
Gary Wagner
Ruby Guinn
Michelle Hazlett
Alexander Lawrence
Machelle Smith
Patrick French



Men's Monday Night Ministry

Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship
Every Monday at 6:30 pm

Our world needs strong, spiritual warriors for a time like this! Please join us every Monday night at 6:30 pm.



Everyday Theology

Women's 2020 Fall Bible Study

Every Sunday thru November 22, 2020 at 5:00 pm

"Everyday Theology ~ What You Believe Matters." The class will be lead by Cheryl Harrison.

If you want to be included in the study but are unable to attend in person, please let us know and we will provide an online experience for you! For details please contact Cheryl Harrison at charrison@fbcseabrook.org.



Sunday, November 1, 2020



OBSERVANCE OF
THE LORD'S SUPPER

9:30 & 11:00 am Services

Special Called Business Meeting

Sunday, November 1, 2020

Immediately following the second service

The Youth Pastor Search Committee will present a Youth pastor candidate.



Quarterly Business Reports

Quarterly Business Meeting Reports are due no later than Wednesday **November 4th**. We are reporting on August, September and October.

Early NEWSLETTER Deadline

Submissions are due **EARLY** for the December /January Newsletter - The deadline is **November 10th**.



Quarterly

BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, November 18, 2020
6:30 PM

Christmas Choir Rehearsals

Every Wednesday, 7:45-8:45 pm

This is your opportunity to do something you already love to do... sing Christmas Music! There is room for anyone who loves to sing to the Lord! Please join us! We will meet every Wednesday at 7:45 pm to prepare for this year's Christmas Musical Performance on Sunday, December 13th. For more details email Luke at fbcworshipleader@gmail.com

First Baptist Church of Seabrook T-Shirt Order Deadline is November 15, 2020



The FBC Seabrook Community Outreach Committee will order Indigo blue, soft, tri-blend, unisex T-Shirts. You can place your order on the sign-up sheet in the hallway by the restrooms. Cost is \$20. Payment is due when you receive your T-shirt. You can also order online by email at charrison@fbcseabrook.org.

NO WEDNESDAY
NIGHT SERVICE
November 25, 2020



5th Sunday Hymn Sing

November 29, 2020
9:30 & 11:00 am Services

Lottie Moon
CHRISTMAS OFFERING

WEEK OF PRAYER
November 29 through December 6, 2020



November 2020 Lamplight – Cultivate Love

This past Sunday, the Women's Bible Study was about humanity, and as I prepared the lesson I was once again awe-struck by our Creator.

From the first, *"Let there be light..."* to the final, *"It was very good..."* the heavens and the earth were completed in their vast array. With full authority, God's spoken word created – Light (day and night), sky, water, seas, dry ground, seed-bearing plants, fruit-bearing trees, sun, moon, stars, birds, fish, wild animals, livestock, spiders, snakes, and creepy crawlers.

Then, God said, *"Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness so they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."* So, God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them, male and female he created them (Genesis 1:26-27).

Order of events:

- ~ The Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.
- ~ The Lord God put the man in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.
- ~ The Lord God commanded the man not to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
- ~ The Lord God said, *"It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."*
- ~ The Lord God brought the animals to the man to see what he would name them.
- ~ The man named the animals, but there was no suitable helper found.
- ~ The Lord God made woman from man as a suitable helper for him.

Suitable helper — עֶזֶר כְּנֻגְדּוֹ — The word (עֶזֶר) ezer is qualified by the word (כְּנֻגְדּוֹ) kenegdo in both Genesis 2:18 and 20. Ezer kenegdo – "a helper suitable for him" – It was not good for the man to be alone, so the Lord God provided a relative – one like him – one that completed him and his need for a helper. This is a beautiful picture of the first marriage. Husband and wife working together to serve the Lord... *and then they all lived happily ever after... well... maybe if it was a "Once Upon a Time" story.*

On the contrary, this is an Eternal Story... where sin rushed in and wreaked havoc on all relationships. Sin severed the relationship between God and humanity, which in turn damaged and confused every other relationship. We found out the hard way... that without God, we can do nothing... especially relationships.

God made us in his image to be like him. He breathed his life into us, and we are of great value to him. Sin separated us from our life-giver, but he loves us so much that he provided the one and only way to restore our relationship with him.

John 3:16 – "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Ephesians 2:8-10 – "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

It's all God's handiwork and it's his salvation plan. He offers his gift of salvation to "whoever believes," and he knows those who have believed. Our purpose? Be obedient in the work that God prepared in advance for us to do... Cultivate relationships with the humans that God has placed around us and love them enough to tell them the truth.

At the Women's Bible Study, the question was asked... "Where do we start?"

Start here... Pray that God will allow you to see others as he sees them. See their value and allow the Holy Spirit's love to flow through you to them. When the Holy Spirit says, "Now!" -- Tell them about your relationship with Jesus.

Luke 10:27 - "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and, Love your neighbor as yourself."

Remember this... you are loved, and you are always in my prayers.

In Christ,
Cheryl

Cultivate Love



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30 & 11:00 am Lord's Supper Services SPECIAL CALLED BUSINESS MTG. Daylight Saving Time Ends 5:00 PM – Women's Bible Study	2  6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	3 Election Day 	4 6:30–7:30 PM Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Group Bible Study (6-12 th grade), and Kid's Club (PK4 - 6 th grade) Quarterly Report Deadline	5	6	7
8 5:00 PM Women's Ministry Fall Bible Study "Everyday Theology" 	9  6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	10  EARLY DEC/JAN Newsletter Deadline	11 6:30–7:30 PM Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Group Bible Study (6-12 th grade), and Kid's Club (PK4 - 6 th grade) VETERAN'S DAY	12	13	14 Last day to order FBCS T-Shirts is tomorrow
15 5:00 PM Women's Ministry Fall Bible Study "Everyday Theology" 	16  6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	17	18 6:30 PM QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING	19	20	21
22 5:00 PM Women's Ministry Fall Bible Study "Everyday Theology" 	23  6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	24	25 NO EVENING SERVICES	26 	27	28
Church Office Closed: November 25—27						
29 5 th Sunday 	30  6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	Regular Sunday Services 8:15—9:15 AM..... Adult Bible Study 9:15—10:30 AM..... 1 st Nursery 9:30—10:30 AM..... Berean Adult Fellowship & Women's Sunday School 9:30—10:30 AM..... Youth Bible Study 9:30—10:30 AM..... 1 st Worship Service 10:45—Noon 2 nd Nursery/Pre-K & Children's Church 11:00—Noon..... 2 nd Worship Service				