



THE LINK

Oct. 25, 2017

the YMCAY

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FUN FOR ALL

Pumpkin Plunge

Saturday, October 28
12:00-4:00pm

Enjoy splashing around with dozens of pumpkins--including one you can take home for yourself!

Plus, everyone can enjoy FREE carnival games and be captivated by a clever balloon artist. To top it off, we will be playing "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown" on the big screen. Come join us for fun and games!!

For more information, contact Hunter Copeland.
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Upcoming Events

Wednesday, Oct. 25

5:15 p.m. – Movin' Up

Thursday, Oct. 26

7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

Sunday, Oct. 29

9:00 a.m. – Sunday School

10:05 a.m. – Kids' Time

10:15 a.m. – Worship Service

Teachers This Sunday

Nursery

Helen Steffen / Mary Bishop

Kids' Time

Judy Wanner / Loren Wanner

LOL

Debbie Cantrell

All-Church Thanksgiving Dinner

Mark your calendar for Sunday, November 12. After our worship service we will have our All-Church Thanksgiving Dinner. Turkey and the fixin's will be provided. Please bring side dishes such as vegetables, salads, and desserts. Sign up on your Welcome Card this Sunday and let us know the number from your family that plan to attend. Thanks to those already signed up!

Last Week

Oct. 22, 2017

Attendance

Worship Service – 111

Sunday School - 54

Stewardship Report

Giving Toward:

Current Expense	\$2424.00
Missions	\$220.00
Building/ Maint. Fund	\$101.00
World Missions Offering	\$145.00
Total:	\$2890.00

My Dear Church Family,

Where does one begin to thank so many friends for so many blessings? I deeply appreciate each of you for your prayers, cards, food, housecleaning, visits, flowers, and phone calls. I was lifted up and carried through a difficult journey. You have been the hands and feet of Christ to me. You walked with me through the storm. With all my heart I thank you. I also want to thank and praise our glorious Lord for His kindness, mercy, and grace. The psalmist declared, "God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in trouble" (Ps. 46:1). As I lay my head upon God's shoulder within the circle of His arms, I felt His comforting love and your heartfelt prayers. God gave me the best friends when He gave each of you to me.

Love and Prayers, Judy Ziegler

Administrative Board Meeting

The Administrative Board will have a brief meeting after church this Sunday.

Christian Ed Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 1, the Christian Education Board will meet at 6:30 p.m.

Bowling Party

On Wednesday, November 1 we will have a bowling party instead of our regular Movin' Up. Meet at the Bowling Alley from 5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. p.m.

Annual Meeting

The FBC annual meeting will be held on November 5, after the worship service. At this meeting, we will go over and approve our 2018 budget. We will also vote to approve new leaders for 2018.

Pastor Appreciation

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. The deacons invite you to speak or write a word of encouragement or appreciation to Pastor Les and Debbie. A basket is in the foyer for such cards or notes.

Thank you

FBC Family, We appreciate deeply all your prayers and words of sympathy at the passing of Bonnie. Blessings, Sam and Margaret McAfee

Prayer

Ed Higgins - for his continued healing
Herm McCormick - for his continued healing



Marching Together Toward 2018

Here are a few items on the church calendar as we walk the last couple of months of this year together. Some of these items were placed on our church calendar based solely on last year's schedule. All dates are Sundays unless otherwise noted. Watch the church newsletters and bulletins for updates and additions.

- Nov. 5 Annual Business Meeting (2018 budget & officers review & approval)
- Nov. 12 All-Church Thanksgiving Meal (Bring side dishes to share)
- Nov. 19 Begin collecting items for shut-in member goodie bags
- Nov. 19 Decorate church after worship service with lunch provided
- Nov. 23 Thursday – Happy Thanksgiving!
- Nov. 26 First Sunday of Advent
- Dec. 10 Advent Caroling 1pm - 4 downtown churches ending at FBC
- Dec. 17 Christmas Caroling to shut-ins & delivering goodie bags
- Dec. 24 Normal morning schedule with Christmas Eve service at 7pm
- Dec. 25 Monday – Happy Birthday Jesus!
- Jan. 1 Monday - Happy New Year!

Wow! Time sure flies when you're having fun. To get us oriented for this amazing season here are some rich and powerful Scripture verses.

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not treat prophecies with contempt but test them all; hold on to what is good, reject every kind of evil. May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-24).

Make it a great season,

Les



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Homebound Members

Christian Care

Joan Sills – Room 222
Mildred Huss – Room 219B

River Terrace

Phebe Edington – Room 134
LaVera Krummen – Room 116

Markle Health and Rehabilitation

Barbara French – Room 216

As we co-labor with other churches
in our community,
this week we pray for:
Bethel Church
Pastor Ron Garner

First Baptist Church

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First Baptist Church - Bluffton, Indiana

Pastor: Les Cantrell
Cell phone: 260-273-9073
Music Director: Sarah Landell
Secretary: Debbie Cantrell

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