



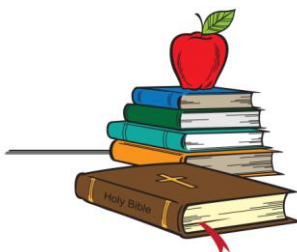
OUR STAFF

Pastor: Reverend Carol McCleary
Director of Music: John Rickert
Organist: Jeremy Reis
Office Manager: Holly Sanchez
Caretaker: Al Ferrell
Nursery Attendant: Sarah Egerer
Sound Technician: Jim Garn

OUR CHURCH OFFICERS

Moderator: Nancy Lewis
Vice-Moderator: Cheryl Zinz
Clerk: Cyndi James
Treasurer: J. David Garn
Missions Treasurer: Sherrell McCafferty
Financial Secretary: Laure Smith

September
2019



CHURCH TEAM LEADERS

Christian Ed & Youth Ministry
Cheryl Ellsworth
Facilities/Maintenance: Jody James
Historian: J. David Garn
Assistant: Cheryl Ellsworth
Finance: Jim Garn
Missions, Outreach/Evangelism:
Co-Leader: Nikki Anjakos-Seno
Hospitality: Connie Ellsworth
Music & Worship: Jan Wheeler
Pastoral Relations: Cheryl Zinz
Visitation: Gloria Hernandez
Nominating: Appointed as needed

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OUR CHURCH VISION

Drawing upon its rich history of service to God in an urban setting, Michigan Avenue Baptist Church serves as a beacon of Christ-centered ministry to the community through witness, worship, and fellowship in a culturally diverse population.





Open House

You are invited to an
Open House
302 Mayflower Dr.
Saginaw, MI 48638

Sunday, September 15
2-5 p.m.

Come see Pastor Carol's new home and fellowship with friends. Dessert will be served.

Directions -

From the church - Turn right onto Michigan Avenue. Make a right onto Gratiot. After you pass Center Rd. turn right onto Plymouth Rd. Turn left onto Colony, and right onto Mayflower Drive. My duplex is the first driveway on the right.

From Freeland - Take M-47 South. Turn left onto Gratiot Road. At the first stoplight, turn left onto Frost Road. Turn right onto Colony, Turn left onto Mayflower Dr. My duplex is the first driveway on the right.

Accessibility: There is a step onto the porch and a low step into the house. From the backyard, there are two slightly steeper steps into the house. Someone will be available to assist you up and down the steps. A bathroom is located on the first floor.

Since we won't all fit in my house at once, weather permitting we will socialize on the lawn. Please bring a lawn chair if you have one.

Please RSVP to Pastor Carol at 717-825-4845 or carol.mccleary@gmail.com

NO GIFTS

MISSION



Our September mission is The East Side Soup Kitchen. We encourage you to pray and give as God lays it upon your heart.

Thank you,
MABC Mission Team

History of East Side Soup Kitchen

In 1979 Pastor Sam Griffin and his wife, Audrey, realized there was a need for a soup kitchen in their east-side Saginaw neighborhood. It was during one of our automobile industry downturns and consequently, there were many who found themselves unemployed. Serving from the basement of their church, the East Side Soup Kitchen began in January of 1980 by feeding 15 people for lunch. The critical need they sought to meet is one we still work to address today. We average over 250 lunchtime meals per day in the Kitchen, serving Monday through Friday. We serve people from many walks of life: senior citizens on a fixed income, people with mental and physical disabilities that are unable to work, the working poor and homeless men, women and children. We welcome all guests, from the City of Saginaw and beyond.

In 1994, another realization became evident to us. We were fortunate enough to have several after-school latchkey programs in the city, but from the time the children left school at 3:00 p.m. until the time they returned home between 7:00 and 8:00 p.m., the kids went without a meal. From this unmet need, our After School Meal Program was initiated.

As one can imagine, a program this size demands facilities that are able to accommodate food preparation and meal serving for hundreds at a time. Our original locations were not designed to handle this load. The East Side Soup Kitchen started out in the basement of First Christian Church, moved to the basement of Sacred Heart Church, and then to the basement at Warren Avenue Presbyterian Church. The congregations were always very supportive of our mission, but we were consistently out-growing our facilities.

In the fall of 2002 we partnered with Hidden Harvest, an agency that strives to alleviate hunger and end food waste by providing a safe and coordinated system of rescuing surplus food and redistributing it to feed people in need. Our collaboration involved raising funds and building a new handicap accessible facility, staying within the neighborhood where there is the greatest need. The community and foundations played an integral part in the success of our partnership. In October 2005, we finally moved out of the basement and into our current location!

MISSIONS

The Missions team is happy to report that MABC has given over \$2000.00 to missions so far this year. We thank you for your generous spiritual and financial contributions. We look forward to continuing our support for local and world missions and have faith that we will finish the year strong. Below you will find a list of the previous missions and our contributions. It is amazing what God can do, and how we can be part of his greater plan.

January	American Baptist Churches of Michigan	\$100.00
February	The Salvation Army	\$105.00
March	America for Christ	\$559.06
April	The City Rescue Mission	\$215.00
May	Habitat for Humanity	\$85.80
June	One Great Hour of Sharing	\$649.81
	Regional Ministries	\$437.50
July	Hidden Harvest	\$52.50
	Ecumenical Food Pantry	\$162.50
Total		<u>\$2367.17</u>

PEACE LOVE HOPE JESUS PEACE LOVE HOPE JESUS

Dear Friends:

Thank you very much for your contribution of \$85.50 which we received on July 5, 2019. Your support of Saginaw/Shiawassee Habitat for Humanity is a part of a web of support for families struggling with inadequate housing.

We thank you for sharing this gift from the fruits of your labor. Please know that it is truly appreciated and also know that as a part of our Habitat family, you are always welcome here.

God Bless you now and always,

Carmen Mora

Development Manager

Dear Rev. McCleary & Church Family,

Many of our neighbors are struggling this summer. With the help of friends like you, those same neighbors now have the chance to pick up the pieces and put their lives back together.

Your \$215.00 helps provide meals, shelter, and recovery for vulnerable neighbors who are struggling with homelessness and addiction this summer. Thanks to you, they not only have refuge from the heat, but also the opportunity to choose a better life for themselves.

Thank you for being a source of strength, compassion, and support for the people in our community who need it the most. Your support has eased that burden and created a pathway to new life.

May God bless you,

Dan Streeter

Chief Executive Officer

City Rescue Mission of Saginaw



RALLY DAY

Sunday, September 8, 2019

9:30 a.m. Church School for All
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
12:00 p.m. Potluck Sunday

FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

As we begin our fall schedule on Rally Day, September 8, there will be opportunities to study God's Word for children, youth, and adults. Below you will find a list of these opportunities. We hope everyone will choose one of these options and join us at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday so that we might learn together of the amazing messages of the scripture.

NURSERY (birth through age 5): Staffed by Sarah Egerer, our long-time caregiver, Sarah provides a safe and loving environment for our children during their formative years. Church volunteers assist Sarah to ensure proper care and nurturing.

JESUS HUNTERS (1st through 5th grade): Led by Becky Geidans (Mrs. G.), this class uses the "Kids Sunday School Place" curriculum and the *Action Bible*, a pictorial account of the Bible written especially for children in this age group. Interactive games that bring the Bible to life are frequently interspersed into the lessons.

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL (grades 6-12): Co-taught by Cheryl Ellsworth and Jim Garn, this class delves into scripture in an interactive, hands-on style, including faith-based crafts that keep teenagers engaged and excited about coming every Sunday.

FRIENDSHIP CLASS: Led by Al Ferrell, this class is designed for special needs adults, presenting the scripture in uniquely meaningful ways to meet the needs of this special population. Al's caring and calm presence draws students toward learning more about God's Word.

WORKING CLASS (Adults): Led by Nancy Lewis, this class, composed of both men and women, will delve into the *lectio divino* style of study again this year, continuing in the book *Meeting God in Scripture* by Jan Johnson. Participants will focus on a single passage of scripture each week, studying it in-depth, using a combination of reading, meditation and discussion.

KITCHEN CLASS (adults): Led by Dave Garn. This class (obviously meeting in the kitchen), addresses topical issues through a video series. Participants (men and women) view a segment of the video series each week, followed by discussion on the week's topic.

BURROWS ROOM CLASS (adults): Led by Lois Smith, this class meets in a cozy room that looks more like our living rooms than a classroom (the Burrows Room), and reminds participants (men and women) of the rich history of our church. This intimate setting will provide the perfect "get-away" for this year's study on prayer.

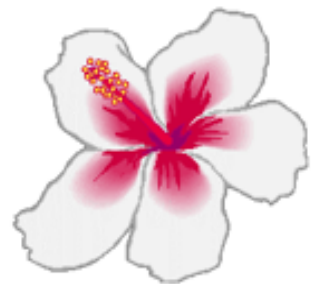
COME WALK WITH GOD



Rally Day

is on

9/8/19



Come join us in the Social Hall for a short opening with muffins and fruit before going to Sunday School with your teacher.

SINCE WE LIVE BY THE SPIRIT, LET US KEEP IN STEP WITH THE SPIRIT.

GALATIANS 5:25

PRAYER TEAM

Every Thursday the Prayer Team gathers from 4:00-5:30 p.m. to offer prayer both individually and corporately for the needs of our nation, our community, our church, our families, our friends and any other needs the Lord lays upon our hearts.

PRAYER WORKS!

Pray without ceasing!



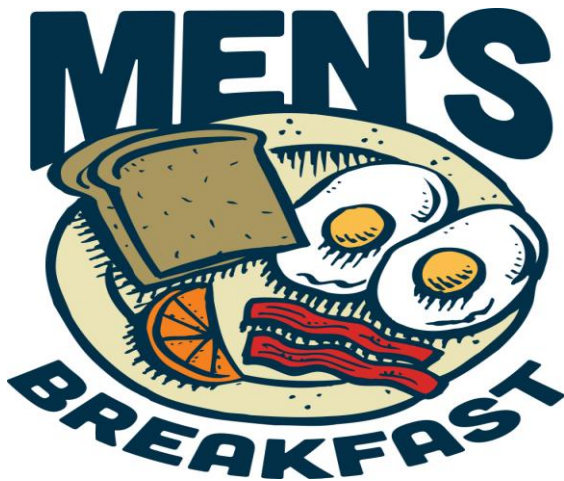
MEN'S BREAKFAST

9:00 a.m.

Saturday, September 14, 2019

We will meet at Tim's Tony's Restaurant located in the plaza at the corner of Center and Gratiot.

All men of MABC are invited and encouraged to this time of delicious food and Christian Fellowship.



Communion Table Flower SIGN -UP FOR SEPTEMBER

1 – No Flowers

8- Teddy Pelkey

15- Sharon Mason

22- Rick & Laure Smith

29- Brenda Ferrell

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

7:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 19, 2019



Please join us for Women's Bible Study and Christian fellowship Monday nights at 6:15 p.m.

Women's
BIBLE STUDY





Church Directory

We are excited to announce that we will be partnering with Lifetouch Photography for our 2019 Church Directory. We would like to invite everyone to participate in this event.

We will begin taking appointments Sunday, September 1. Pictures will be taken October 1 and 2 from 2:00-9:00 p.m.

If you have any questions or need more information please see Nancy Lewis or Sally Egerer.

On behalf of the MABC Music department we would like to encourage everyone to join the Latham Burrows Choir and the Belle Aire Handbell Choir.

Practice for the Latham Burrows Choir will start on September 4, 6:30 p.m.

Practice for the Belle Aire Handbell Choir will start on September 11, 6:30 p.m.



Practice Schedule

Starting September 11, 2019

Belle Air Handbell will begin at 6:30 p.m.
Latham Burrows Choir will begin at 7:30





The Women's Society will be hosting a Rummage Sale on September 13 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and on September 14 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. We are looking for gently used items. Items can be placed on the stage in the fellowship hall. We are always in need of volunteers for set up which will be on Thursday, September 12, from 10 am until we are finished. If you would like to volunteer your time or have questions please see Connie Ellsworth.




October 26, 2019 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

What actually is Trunk or Treat? Adults decorate the back of their cars for Halloween, load up on candy and come sit in a parking lot for kids to "Trunk or Treat" from car to car. Kids come fully dressed in costumes and holding out bags or plastic pumpkins for treats. The adults get to socialize and get creative while seeing all the cute and creative costumes.

We are looking for volunteers to decorate their car, SUV, truck, etc. in a festive theme, and to fill the back end of the vehicle with candy treats and perhaps a game to play at the Trunk or Treat festivities.

Dress in appropriate costumes (please no ghosts, witches, scary monsters, or blood and guts costumes. Think Christian themes or football/college themes, super hero themes, etc.).

Hot dogs, chips and a beverage will be offered. This will be a fun evening in the church parking lot and a great way to support the community!



Dear M.A.B.C. Scholarship Team,

I am honored to be one of this year's recipients of the Church Scholarships. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your generosity in funding the M.A.B.C. Scholarship. Thanks to your donation, I am able to continue my education at Grand Rapids Theological Seminary.

I am currently on my third year of the Masters of Divinity program. My decision and passion for ministry has allowed me to achieve a grade point average of 3.4 while maintaining a full time job. In addition to my academic pursuit, I am actively involved in the young adult group at my local church. I manage the field inspection department at Boyd Corp., and I write letters to the elderly at Pilgrim Manor. After graduation, I plan to pursue a career as a chaplain.

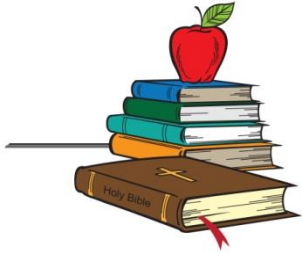
My educational pursuit would not be possible without your generous donation. Thank you for enabling me to reach my fullest personal and professional potential.

Sincerely,
Sarah Ferrell

Dear members of MABC,

I would like to express my thanks for the generous scholarship in furthering my college career. The scholarship is going to be a huge help with my final classes this year and getting the supplies and books for these classes.

Sincerely,
Devin Ballien



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Communion Sunday	2 Labor Day	3	4 Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Latham Burrows Choir	5 4:00 p.m. Prayer Time	6	7 9:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast @ Tim's Tony's
8 RALLY DAY and POTLUCK SUNDAY	9 6:15 p.m. Bible Study	10	11 Rehearsals 6:30 p.m. Belle Aire Handbell Choir 7:30 p.m. Latham Burrows Choir	12 4:00 p.m. Prayer Time	13	14
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WORSHIP AT MABC - SEPTEMBER 2

10:45 a.m.

Worship Service

RALLY DAY and POTLUCK - SEPTEMBER 9

10:45 a.m., Worship Service

12:00 p.m., Potluck Sunday

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



04	Olivia Tuzas
08	Nikki Anjakos-Seno
12	Jim Kushon
16	Jeffrey Zinz
19	Carrie Carrigan
25	Katie Graham
25	Rhonda Casey
26	Harold Ellsworth
26	John Rickert
30	Noah Tuzas
30	John Maciag

If your birthday has not been listed, please contact the church office at (989) 793-8555 with your birth date. We'd like to wish everybody a Happy Birthday during their birthday month. Please contact the church office should you have a change of address. We want to keep our records current. Thank you.