



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

OUR CHURCH OFFICERS

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



**Annual
Business
Meeting
7:00 p.m.
Thursday,
January 30,
2020**

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: 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.





PASTOR'S
NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE

My devotional thought this month comes from a Bible lesson on Danielle's Place (<https://members-resource-room.com/2018/06/16/all-things-new-new-years-lesson>) The lesson dovetails perfectly with my sermon series for the month of January which focuses on God making all things new.

Did you know that God is the master of making things new?

Making a New Year resolution can help us to change, but we don't have to wait until the New Year to make changes. God can renew us at anytime of the year. He can even renew you day by day, and moment by moment. He can renew your life, your spirit, your strength, your mind, and someday he will even give you a brand new body.

[God] gives us a brand new life when we accept him as our Saviour. The Bible tells us, *"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."* (2 Corinthians 5:17) God washes away our sins and remembers them no more, so we can start a brand new life in him! Now that is a great change.

Renews our Spirit

Not only can he give us new life, but he can renew our spirits. Even Christians get depressed or sad sometimes when bad things happen, but God can renew our spirits. *"Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me."* (Ps. 51:10-12)

Renews our Strength

He can renew our strength when we feel like giving up. *"But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."* (Is. 40:31)

Renews our Minds

He renews our minds. *"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."* (Romans 12:2)

So how do we become new and be renewed day by day? - by focusing on God, the one who brings us renewal - praying, reading and meditating on the Word, singing praise, and fellowship with other believers.

May God do a new thing in your heart and life this New Year.

Faithfully,

Pastor Carol

Annual Reports are due

Annual Reports are due from:

All Team Chairpersons
Sub-Team Chairpersons
Moderator
Church Clerk
Church Treasurer
Financial Secretary
Mission (Benevolence) Treasurer
Historian
Director of Music
Pastor

Submitting your annual report is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

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Thank You!

Dear MABC Family,
Thank you so much for the Christmas Love Gift. I am truly grateful for the love of the church and the wonderful members. I look forward to a great year ahead and serving the church.

Holly Sanchez
Office Manager

MABC Family,
Thank you so much for my Christmas love gift. It means so much to have such a wonderful church family. I hope everyone has a blessed holiday season and a happy New Year.

Sarah Egerer
Nursery Attendant

Dear Congregation,

Words cannot express my gratitude to the congregation for your generous love gift, sweet treats, and other tokens of appreciation this Christmas season. Thank you. I feel so appreciated and supported. It is such a privilege to serve this congregation and I look forward to ministering with you in 2020.

Pastor Carol McCleary

Dear MABC Congregation,
I would like to thank you for the generous Christmas gift, and to let you know it is much appreciated. I think of you all not just as friends, but also as family. I hope you all had a great Christmas and are blessed in the New Year with health and happiness. May the love of the Lord shine brighter through us all in the New Year. God Bless, and may all our prayers be answered. Peace be with us all.

With much love,

Al Ferrell
Caretaker

FOOD PANTRY AT MABC

While we do not have a regular give-away food program at MABC, we do have a good pantry that is used to meet the needs of anyone who finds themselves without enough food for their families. We especially like to help those who might not be served by other organizations or are friends and/or family of our members. Please feel free to refer anyone you know to Connie Ellsworth if there is a need.

The Pantry can always use the brief list below. Thank you in advance for your support of this important ministry to the hungry!

Laundry soap, shampoo, bath soap
Paper products: toilet paper, paper towels, paper plates, napkins, Kleenex tissues.

Tuna, peanut butter, jams/jellies.
Soup, canned fruits, canned vegetables, crackers.

Baby products: diapers, baby wipes, baby wash soap.

JANUARY COMMUNION TABLE FLOWER SIGN-UP

January 5	Communion Sunday
January 12	Connie Ellsworth
January 19	Mary Leary
January 26	Sandy Aarons

2020 SAVE THE DATES

- February 2 Communion Sunday
- February 8 Men's Breakfast
- February 9 Potluck Sunday
- February 20 Church Council
- February 26 Ash Wednesday

Welcome,
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 New Year's Day	2 4:00 p.m. Prayer Team	3	4
5	6 6:15 p.m. Bible Study	7	8 Rehearsal	9 4:00 p.m. Prayer Team	10	11 9:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast
12 Potluck Sunday	13 6:15 p.m. Bible Study	14	15 Rehearsal	16 4:00 p.m. Prayer Team	17	18
19	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day 6:15 p.m. Bible Study	21	22 Rehearsal	23 4:00 p.m. Prayer Team	24	25
26	27 6:15 p.m. Bible Study	28	29 Rehearsals	30 7:00 p.m. ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING 	31	

Happy Birthday



- 07 *James Smith*
- 08 *Devin Ballien*
- 10 *Shirley Yancer*
- 15 *Shannon Ferrell*
- 18 *Daytona King*
- 21 *Cody Tuck*
- 21 *Connor Tuck*
- 22 *Hunter Parks*
- 27 *Sharon Mason*
- 29 *Sarah Ferrell*
- 30 *Jim Lewis*
- 30 *Vivian Settle*
- 31 *Chloe Tuck*

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.