The Beacon Newsletter

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

OUR CHURCH OFFICERS Moderator: Vice-Moderator: Cheryl Zinz Clerk: Denice Papesh Treasurer: J. David Garn Missions Treasurer Sherrell McCafferty Financial Secretary: Laure Smith



In Person worship resumes February 7

You can view previous church services at MABCSaginaw.org or by searching for Michigan Avenue Baptist Church on YouTube

The Church office is currently Closed

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

MICHIGAN AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH 203 S. Michigan Ave - Saginaw, Michigan 48602 Church office: (989) 793-8555 Email: <u>MichiganAveBaptist@sbcglobal.net</u> Website: MABCSaginaw.org

Core Convictions:
The gospel of Jesus is good news for everyone!
Church is a safe place.

There is a place for YOU at the table.

MICHIGAN AVENUE BAPTIST ON-SITE
WORSHIP
WHAT TO EXPECT

WHEN YOU ARRIVE	 Doors will open at 10:15. A greeter will open the door for you. Please put on your mask before entering the building. If you do not have a mask, one will be provided. Please enter only through the Adams Street entrance (by the chairlift). Please use only touchless greetings. Your temperature will be checked with a touchless thermometer. We will be social distancing so try to stay 6' apart and keep hallways clear. The unisex bathrooms on the sanctuary level are available. They will be cleaned after each use.
	The service will be held in the sanctuary. Please sit in seats
DURING	marked with a yellow cross.
THE	 During the summer, families will worship together. Services will be shorter and planned with all ages in mind.
SERVICE	Because it's difficult to sing while wearing masks, we're going to
	avoid congregational singing and focus on instrumental and solo pieces.
	 We will share the peace of Christ from our seats using a touchless
	greeting. The viewing gallery will be open for one family per week on a first-
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	An offering plate will be available to place your offering in as you
GIVING	enter the sanctuary.
	You may mail your offering to 203 S. Michigan Ave. Saginaw, MI 48602
DURING	On the first Sunday of the month, communion is available in pre-
COMMUNION	packaged cups. You will be given one as you arrive.
	you exit.
AFTER	 You will be dismissed by rows. Feel free to linger in the parking lot and visit while observing social
SERVICE	distancing.

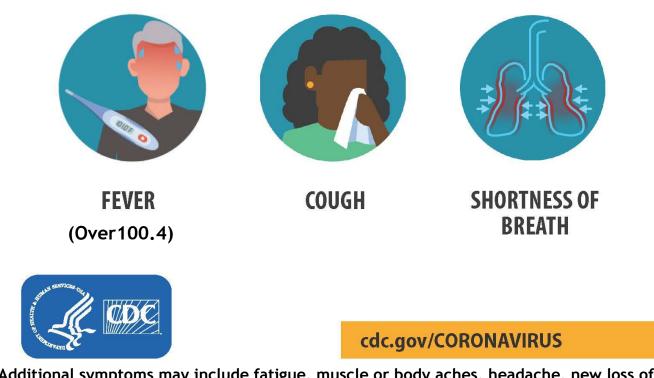


Feeling Sick?

Stay home when you are sick!

We want to keep everyone in our church family healthy. If you feel unwell or have the following symptoms, please stay home and contact your healthcare provider.

DO NOT ENTER if you have:



Additional symptoms may include fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, sore throat, congestion or runny nose



Tithes and Offerings may be mailed to

Michigan Avenue Baptist Church 203 S. Michigan Avenue Saginaw, Mi 48602



We have some baby items (food, diapers) and disposable adult briefs (Depends, and other brands) in various sizes available in the food pantry. If you know someone who could use them, please contact the church office.

Announcements

** Team Leaders, it is imperative that you submit your annual report as soon as possible. The deadline was December 31.

** Annual Giving Statements were mailed on January 6, 2021.

** Contribution envelopes are available in the sanctuary. If you will not be attending in person worship, please contact the office to make arrangements to get your envelopes. Even without an envelope you may still mail in your contribution as the computer program is able to reference your giving number with your name.

** Holly is in the office each week and checks the answering machine periodically. She is also working from home. If you need to contact her, please call the church and leave a message.



The Annual Business Meeting will be held on February 25 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. Copies of the report will be emailed prior to the meeting. If you would like a printed copy of the Annual Report, please contact the office or Holly to make arrangements.



Please contact the church for the Zoom password and log in information

Missions



The Salvation Army is a religious, charitable and social service agency serving millions of men, women and children around the world since 1865. The organization follows the mainstream Christian belief, and its objectives are the relief of poverty and delivery of service to people in need, and the education and advancement of the Christian religion. The Army believes its service to others is the practical expression of its faith. As such, we are a diverse group of Soldiers, adherents, church members, volunteers and staff working in local mission to serve the residents of Saginaw County.

The purpose of The Salvation Army is stated in the mission statement:

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church.

Its message is based on the Bible.

Its ministry is motivated by the love of God.

Its **mission** is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in his name without discrimination.

The MABC Mission team invites you to give as you are able.

CHURCH PRAYER CHAIN BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

As you probably know, the church maintains a prayer chain, as well as a Sunday bulletin list of prayer requests to keep our membership and extended family informed regarding the joys and concerns of our loved ones. Currently, 18 faithful members participate in the prayer chain, but there is always room for more! If you would like to be part of this prayer network, or if you would like someone placed on the prayer chain or the weekly prayer list for the bulletin (or both), please contact Nancy Lewis.

If you do not wish to be an active part of the prayer chain, but would like notifications of requests that are going out on the chain, you may contact me and request an email or text notification. I will make every effort to inform you of these requests as soon as I receive them, but please understand that during these extraordinary times, I often get calls late at night or early in the morning. Prayer is a powerful way to stay connected with everyone who is experiencing joy or needs comfort. Please consider being part of this important network.

Nancy Lewis

Women's Bible Study

"Seeing Jesus in the Old Testament" By Nancy Guthrie

Gain a fresh perspective on Israel's history---and a deeper understanding of Jesus as the fulfillment of Scripture. Guiding you through a 10-session, Christ-centered study of Joshua through Esther, Guthrie compares Jesus to Joshua, who led his people into the Promised Land; Boaz, who redeemed Ruth; and David, who ruled Israel with righteousness. This will be the third excellent study by Nancy Guthrie for our women's Bible study that includes both seekers and long time believers. She beautifully connects and contrasts the heroes of the Old Testament with Jesus - she always points to Jesus. We have together gained new insight and understanding into the Old Testament; and hope women from our church congregation and their friends will want to join us.

Contact the Church, 989-793-8555 to order a book and to receive the Zoom information. We meet at 6:15 p.m. Monday evenings

Flower Schedule

* Denotes that this person has more than one Sunday assigned. If you would like to provide flowers for that Sunday, please contact that person directly and let the office know so that we may acknowledge your gift in the bulletin.

<u>January</u>

3 - No Flowers
*10 - Connie Ellsworth
17 - Mary Leary
24 - Sandy Aaron
31 - Todd Hall

<u>February</u>

7 - No Flowers*1421 - Gloria Hernandez28 - Ted/Denice Papesh

<u>March</u>

7 - No Flowers14 - Terry Ellsworth21 - Pam Leaman28 - Sherry McCafferty

<u>April</u>

- 4 Easter Flowers
- 11 Sharon Murphy
- 18 Nancy Lewis
- 25 Chris Lopez

<u>May</u>

2 - No Flowers
9 - Sandy Ellsworth (Mothers Day)
*16 - Arlene Leary
23 - Greg/ Sharon Schultz
*30 - Becky Geidans

<u>June</u>

- 6 No Flowers
- 12 Carol Moore
- 20 BobbiJo Gotham
- 27 Jan Wheeler

<u>July</u>

4 - No Flowers *11 - Sharon Mason 18 - Mary Larkin 25 - Shirley Yancer

<u>August</u>

1 - No Flowers
 *8 - Arlene Leary
 *15 - Becky Geidans
 22 - Jeremy Reis
 *29 - Sharon Mason

September

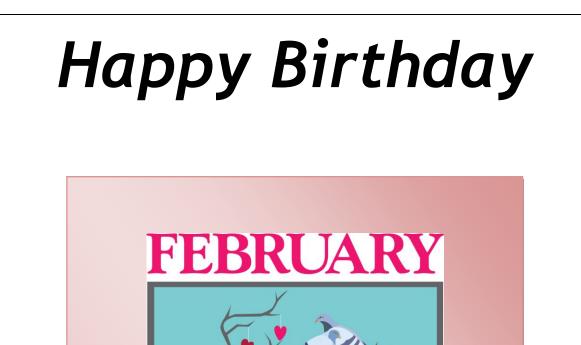
5 - No Flowers *12 - Jan Wheeler 19 - Rick/Laure Smith 26 - Brenda/ Al Ferrell

<u>October</u>

- 3 No Flowers
- 10 Jody/Cyndi James
- 17 Diana Lemmer
- 24 Nikki Seno
- 31 Teddy Pelkey

<u>November</u>

- 7 No Flowers
- *14 Connie Ellsworth
- 21 John/Debbie Rickert
- 28 Sally Egerer



BIRTHDAYS

Connie Ellsworth

Brenda Ferrell

Jody James

17 Kyle Casey
 23 Lukas Casey
 24 Gregg Schultz

26 Lois Smith

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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.

Rusty Ellsworth III