



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



In Person worship
Sunday
10:45 A.M.

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

The Church office
is open by
appointment.

CHURCH TEAM LEADERS

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

MICHIGAN AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH
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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.





A Message From Pastor Carol

Dear members and friends,

One of the things I love most about summer and fall is the opportunity to enjoy a campfire in an outdoor fire pit. One of my earliest memories is of my Dad teaching me to build a “log cabin” with the fire wood to get a nice beautiful blaze. I look forward to time spent relaxing around a campfire each summer.

A few years ago, I spent a week at a cabin owned by an Amish couple in Shipshewana, Indiana. I enjoyed several roaring campfires. On the morning I was to leave, I decided to have one more fire. There was only one problem. It had rained the night before. Not a gentle rain, but a downpour. The fire pit was sopping wet. The wood was wet, and my fire starters were damp.

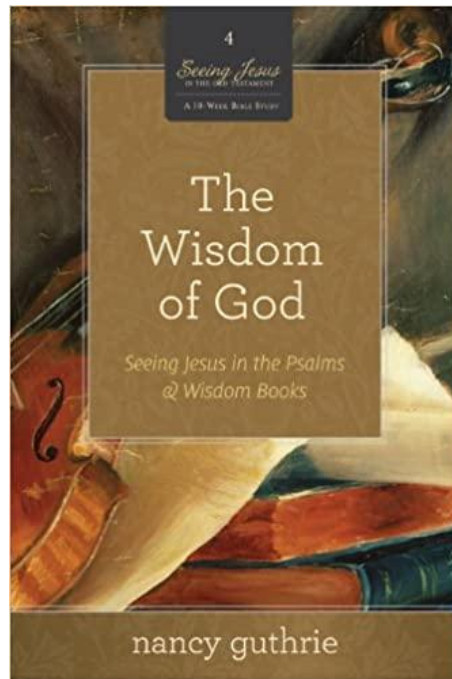
I picked the driest wood I could find. I built the perfect “log cabin.” I added some things I thought would burn easily and struck a match. Nothing happened. Things were so damp, I couldn’t even get paper to burn. I fussed and fiddled and poked and prodded and lit match after match....to no avail. Finally after about a half an hour of messing with it, I gave up.

I returned to the cabin to begin packing. As I was carrying things out to my car, I walked past the fire pit. To my great surprise, a small fire was burning merrily! I went on to have a lovely early morning campfire.

That fire got me thinking about several things. 1) The importance of fire safety and always extinguishing fires carefully. 2) How it truly “only takes a spark to get a fire going.” 3) How even when things seem hopeless, God can fan the flames.

On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came among Jesus’ disciples like a mighty rushing wind and flames of fire. The disciples were empowered to speak God’s Word and the church grew mightily. The same Spirit who empowered the early disciples lives within us today. My prayer is that God set our hearts on fire. May we burn with passion for God’s Word and God’s world. May people come to know Christ and lives be changed through our witness.

Faithfully,
Pastor Carol



The Women's Bible Study

We invite all women to join us for a Bible study beginning September 13.

When: Monday's from 6:15 p.m.-7:45 p.m.

Where: Michigan Avenue Baptist Church

* Book is approx. \$13.50 (Please see Becky Geidans)

Wouldn't you love to be wise and know the God who is Wisdom himself? This 10-week study of Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and the Song of Solomon mines the Wisdom Literature not only for wise principles for living, but also for the wise person these books point to through their drama, poetry, proverb, and song—Jesus.

Bible teacher Nancy Guthrie provides clear commentary and contemporary application of biblical truths found in the Wisdom Books regarding:

- how God guides us
- how we can make sense of our suffering and our dissatisfaction in life
- how to deal with our uneven emotions, our need for security, and our longing to be loved

Gain a fresh perspective on the Wisdom Literature, a broader understanding of Jesus as the fulfillment of Scripture, and much more, when you join with Guthrie on this incredible journey to see Jesus in the Old Testament!



Tithes and Offerings may be mailed to

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

Thank you for your continued support.



Flower Schedule

September

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



September 16, 2021
7 p.m.

If you would like an in-home visit
and communion please contact
Pastor Carol or the Church office.



JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school will resume this Fall!
More information soon!

The covid situation in Michigan continues to evolve. The CDC now recommends that both vaccinated and unvaccinated persons wear a mask indoors in communities where the risk of transmission is high (that includes Saginaw). We encourage you to use your best judgment when attending church. Please remain home if you are ill. Services can be accessed on YouTube.

Happy Birthday



Olivia Tuzas	04
Nikki Anjakos-Seno	08
Jeffery Zinz	16
Rhonda Casey	25
Harold Ellsworth	26
John Rickert	26
Noah Tuzas	30

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.