

BACK TO SCHOOL KICK-OFF

WITH A **GIANT SLIP-N-SLIDE!**

AUGUST 12TH 6PM SFBC

TREVOR STUNSON WILL BE SPEAKING!

WE WILL BE GRILLING HOTDOGS!

FUN. FRIENDS. FAITH. LET'S KICK OFF THE BEST SCHOOL YEAR YET!

Church Office Hours:
 Mon.-Thur. 8-4 PM Fri. 8 AM-12 PM
Regular Weekly Schedule

SUNDAYS	
9:15 AM	Sunday School
10:30 AM	Worship (also Live Streamed)
10:30 AM	Kids Church (4 yrs-1st grade) Room 103
WEDNESDAYS	
6:00 PM	Midweek Service - Sanctuary
6:00 PM	1st-5th Warehouse Room 106 PreK & K Kidstuff Room 103
6:00 PM	Student Service Room 200
6:00 PM	Adult Choir Practice Rm 105

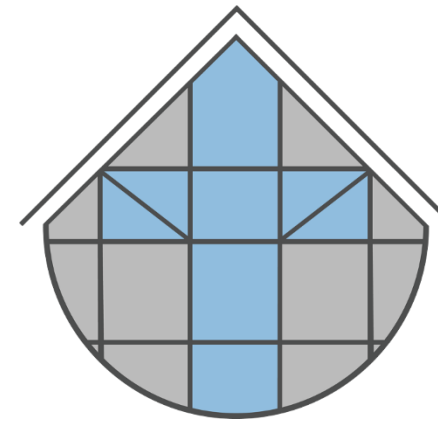
Radio - WCMT 95.1 FM
 Sundays - 10:00 AM

3 WAYS TO GIVE

IN PERSON Place in the offering plate or in the Dropbox outside the office

BY TEXT Text SFBC to: 73256

ONLINE Visit website and click "online giving" button



The Messenger

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Faithful Stewardship and the Chest of Joash

As we have passed the midpoint of another year, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude for the faithful giving and support of our church family. Your generosity has helped us continue making progress on our building debt while maintaining the ministries and outreach efforts that are impacting lives for Jesus Christ.

At the end of last year, many people made prayerful commitments to our Chest of Joash building fund. Those pledges represented more than dollars and cents. They were expressions of faith, gratitude, sacrifice and a shared vision for what God is doing through our church.

As the year progresses, this is a wonderful opportunity for all of us to reflect on the commitments we made before the Lord. The Chest of Joash has never been about obligation; it has always been about obedience, stewardship, and a shared vision for God's work through our church. As God enables, we encourage each member to continue supporting this effort with a willing heart, trusting that the Lord blesses faithfulness in every season.

We all realize that every family walks through different seasons of life. Circumstances change, unexpected expenses arise, and financial pressures can make previous commitments more difficult than anticipated. If that describes your situation, my prayer is that God will bless you as you seek His wisdom and consider the commitment you made before Him. May He give each of us grace to honor Him according to His present provision.

In 2 Corinthians 8:12, Paul wrote: *"For if there is first a willing mind, it is accepted according to what one has, and not according to what he does not have."* God is not asking any of us to give what we do not have. He does, however, call us to be faithful with what He has entrusted to us. Every gift, whether large or small, represents a shared commitment to the future ministry of our church.

The building we enjoy today is the result of faithful believers who sacrificed before us. They gave, prayed, and invested so future generations could hear the gospel, worship together, and grow in Christ. Now, we have the opportunity to do the same for those who will come after us.

As your pastor, I am deeply grateful for your love for Christ, your love for His church, and your faithful support of the ministries God has entrusted to us. Let us continue moving forward together, trusting that God will provide as we remain faithful to Him.

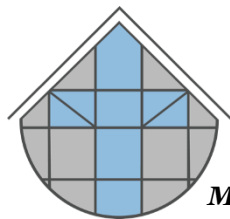
"Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful." - 1 Corinthians 4:2

May God continue to bless our church family as we serve Him together.

In Jesus,

Bro. Ron

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Join us on Saturdays as we go in teams for door-to-door community outreach. We gather in the Choir Room 105 for a brief time of prayer before heading out, and we welcome anyone who feels led to participate. This is a wonderful opportunity to share Christ's love with our neighbors and serve together as a church family. See you Sat., Aug. 8th @ 9:30 am!
Dean Doster

JOIN THE MUFFIN MONDAY TEAM!
The first day that muffins will be delivered is Monday, September 14th.

If you would like to be a member of the ministry team, please fill out a form at the Welcome Center or in your Sunday School class. Leave your completed form at the Welcome Center or turn in to your Sunday School teacher to be picked up.

If you have participated in the past, we thank you. Please sign up again. We are starting over and your name will not be carried over to the 2026-2027 team. If you have any questions, please contact Linda McIntosh in the church office Mon-Wed @ 731.479.2331.

This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalm 118:24 (NIV)



The back-to-school prayer buddy cards will be available for pick-up in the front lobby this Wednesday evening as well as Sunday morning.

Cards of Thanks

I would like to thank the Deacons and their wives for the wonderful Widow's banquet. I appreciate them taking time out of their busy day to share their time with us. The music, food, and entertainment were great. Thanks so much.
Kaye Britt

Thank you to everyone who has helped us get through everything we have been going through lately. Your support means the world to us.
Ricky & Mary Glisson

Dear Church Friends,
Please accept our grateful appreciation to everyone who helped with the meal prepared for the family of my aunt, Joyce Jones. It was delicious and such a great gesture in her memory. Thank you so much for your kindness and hard work.
Wayne & Jane Bailey

I would like to express my gratitude for the wonderful evening at the Widow/Widower dinner. The event was marked with fellowship, uplifting music, and delicious food, all of which I thoroughly enjoyed.
Donna Crutchfield

Sincere Christian Sympathy

Diane Nelms
at the loss of her husband, Tommy Nelms

Katie Bivens
At the loss of her mother, Beth Smithson

At home with the Lord
Tommy Nelms
August 8, 2026

In Loving Memory

There will be a Wedding Shower for Nick & Aalia (Bivens) West Sunday, August 16 in the lobby 1:00-2:30 PM. All ladies of the church are invited to attend. Their registry link:
https://withjoy.com/aalia-and-nick/registrylinks?utm_campaign=share_website&utm_medium=native_app&utm_source=joy

There will be a Wedding Shower in honor of Amelia Brown, bride-elect of Kaleb Harper, Sunday, August 23rd 1:30-3:00 pm in the lobby. All ladies of the church are invited to attend. The couple is registered at Walmart, Amazon, Evans Drug Company, and Vine + Branch.

NEXT STEPS
August 16 - J.R. & Becky Turner
August 23 - Phil & Barbara Lampley

Sunday, August 9 @ 10:30 AM
NURSERY: please be in the Nursery @ **10:15 AM** to help welcome the children
Dava Yarbrow, Pat Faulkner, Baronica Williams, Ann Napier, Heather Horner, Cooper Horner, Ansley Horner, MaKaylan Wells

BED BABIES @ 9:15 AM
Stephanie Pirtle

KIDS CHURCH (4yrs-1st grade) TEAM 5
Holden & Kari McConnell
Alli McFarland
Audriana Mulcahy

USHERS:
Eric Batts, Jason Batts, Kyle Clouse, Ben Green, Will Greer, Matt Moxley, Ryan Prince, Brady Simmons

WEDNESDAY NURSERY @ 5:45 PM	
August 12 Jeanette Pitts	August 19 Dava Yarbrow

Sunday School Attendance	185
Worship Attendance	330

August Prayer Focus	
Laurie Austin	Diane Nelms & family
Genie Barnes	Dana Parker
Bea Bowles	James Pierce
John Boyd	Tony Tucker
Rochelle Day	Jeff Wade
Mary Glisson	Macy Walker
Gibson Horner	Nicole Young
Debbie Macklin	

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS	
17 Mike Akers	21 Edith Anderson
18 Jr. Holt	23 Cathy Burrow
18 Mark Maloney	Mildred Dunning
18 Josie Scherer	Tucker Forrest
18 Jean Weatherly	Charles Morris
19 Ann Napier	24 Kristin Hamlin