

BELLEVUE HI-LIGHTS

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November 2019



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH

8:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.
in the church Fellowship Hall

LOTS OF ITEMS TO CHOOSE FROM
TO HELP YOU DECORATE
FOR CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR.



One of the most exciting things about Homecoming this year was the crowd. We had about 215 at Homecoming. It is always good to old friends again. And a "full house" adds a certain spiritual energy to our worship.

To accommodate the attendance, our men stepped in and put out extra chairs. Then after Homecoming, volunteers took out the extra chairs and reset the Worship Center to its normal weekly configuration. In case you are curious, we have 172 chairs set out in our Worship Center.

Those who study crowd dynamics tell us that people are most comfortable sitting in a crowd that is between 60-80% of seating capacity. I'm not sure how one decides to study such things. But my guess is there is always that one math geek in the Sociology Department who wants to show off. Math people are that way. They show off. They do so because they can.

At any rate, our average attendance (115) falls comfortably within our **seating capacity**, as it is called (172). We even have plenty of room to grow before reaching that supposed dreaded 80% threshold.

Another statistic, however, is much more important than our seating capacity. You see, it is exciting to draw a crowd. Everyone, especially me, gets excited over larger than average attendance. But Jesus did not commission us to get people to come to church.

Instead, He commissioned us to BE the church going out into the community. Our **sending capacity** is way more important than our seating capacity. Attendance is fickle. While we had 215 for Homecoming, the very next Sunday we only had 73.

Just because someone comes to church does not mean they will make any eternal significance during the week. Similarly, I do not think anyone who does NOT come to church will make much

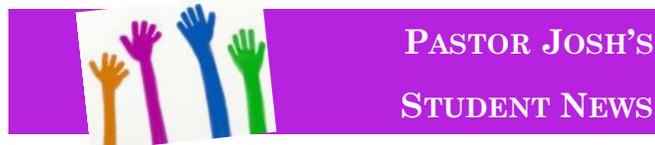
spiritual impact during the week. But I also know that church attendance does not automatically guarantee that one will shine for Jesus outside of the church building.

So my challenge is this. Let's celebrate a blessed Homecoming Day and rejoice that many of our old friends came TO church that day. But let's be even more zealous to **BE** the church throughout the week. Let's not be satisfied until we have as many, or even more, on mission during the week as gathered on Sunday. Let's celebrate our **SENDING** capacity more than our seating capacity.

To make it personal, what will YOU do this month to BE the church outside the walls?

One final word of thanksgiving. Andrea, Bekah, and I thank you all so much for the pastor appreciation fellowship, cards, and gifts. All of the comments were very heart-touching and the notes in the cards were incredible. We love our church and we are so blessed to be part of the Bellevue Church family.

Check out Pastor Jim's web page for articles, sermon videos, and other helpful resources.



PASTOR JOSH'S STUDENT NEWS

Hello church family! I hope you are rejoicing in all the blessings of the Lord. We've had a great month and are looking forward to the weeks ahead at Bellevue.

October was a great month. We had a great time during our fall fellowship and pumpkin carving. The Bellevue Birthday and homecoming was such an awesome example of the love and care we have for our church family and those who are in our lives. It's such a blessing to see the effect a single church can have on a community in a God glorifying way. We are looking for ways to bring God praise in our lives and I hope you are praying for the youth as they glorify God through their school life. Please lift them up to the Lord in your daily prayer time and ask that He works in the lives of our youth.

We have a church youth fellowship coming up November 6th on Wednesday night at the church. It will be during normal church hours. We will be doing a candy swap and playing games in the youth room with refreshments. All the youth are invited and I hope that everyone is able to come.

We are learning more and more each week about the foundations of the Christian belief from C.S. Lewis' *Mere Christianity*. We've studied about the cardinal virtues and the ways that our belief affect our actions to others and with ourselves. We are not only affecting others through our actions but our relationship with God is always in play in our daily lives. It's important that we recognize this as we walk with Him and do our best to bring glory to Him.

We are excited about November and the way God is going to work in our lives. Look for ways to show others love, mercy, and kindness just like our God has shown us. Christ is our lord and savior, let's tell others about Him!

KAYCEE'S KINGDOM KIDS KORNER



I cannot believe it is November already! This year has been filled with so many exciting and new things.

We can reflect on this past year and be incredibly thankful for all of the many blessings that God placed in each of our paths. Saying we are thankful is important but showing our gratitude truly encourages not only our relationship with God but also those around us to draw closer to Him.

One way that the Kingdom Kids will be showing our gratitude this month is by collecting canned goods (etc.) for our local food pantry like we did last year. We collected so many items for people who may have been going through the most difficult time of their life and would love for you to participate again this year and help us make a difference for people in similar situations.

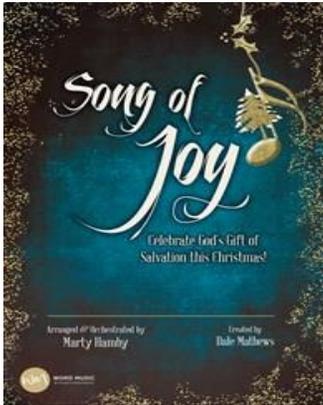


BROTHER HARRY'S NOTES



WHAT A BLESSING IT WAS TO BE A PART OF THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY of Bellevue Baptist Church! I can't remember a Homecoming when I've had such a good time in worship and praise, coupled with such good fellowship and food. I want to thank our Celebration Choir for helping me lead our worship service and for the exciting and uplifting special music they presented in the service. It truly was a great day to be in God's house to reflect on His faithfulness in our past and celebrate all He has in store for us as our faithful heavenly Father for our future. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within bless His holy name!

NOVEMBER BRINGS A TIME FOR US TO REFLECT ON THE BLESSINGS WE receive from the hand of God. The greatest blessing is the gift of His Son, Jesus. And then there's the provision and guidance He provides for us each day as we walk with Him in this present life, and the knowledge of all that He's prepared for us in that wonderful, eternal life with Him to come. Thanksgiving ushers in Christmas – two incredible seasons of the year for us as believers. May your Thanksgiving be special and your hearts filled with gratitude to our Lord Jesus as you gather together with your family, friends and church. Thank you Lord for all you do and all you've yet to do!



SONG OF JOY is the title of the Christmas work our Celebration Choir, along with some the singers at Safe Harbor Church, have been preparing to present to you in December. We are happy to be working together again on this project to present to our congregations on Sunday, December 8th at Bellevue in our morning service at 11:00 am and at Safe Harbor Church in the evening at 5:00 pm. This is a collection of some of the most beautiful and meaningful songs we have sung at Christmas and I believe the music will inspire you and encourage you in your walk with Christ and in your time of celebration this Christmas season. Please help us spread the word and make your plans to be at these presentations with family and friends. You will receive a blessing as you experience the great message and music you hear. I can't think of a better way to begin this most excellent time of the year than with a song in our hearts that celebrates the birth of our Savior showing the love of our heavenly Father!

Blessings,
Bro. Harry

<u>Weekly Amount Required To Meet Budget</u>		\$6,299.52
Received for Budget	9-29-2019	\$7,379.00
Received for Budget	10-6-2019	\$3,691.00
Received for Budget	10-13-2019	\$4,784.00
Received for Budget	10-20-2019	\$10,393.45
Received for Budget	10-24-2019	\$3,480.00
<u>Received for Building Fund</u>		
Received for Building Fund	9-29-2019	\$570.00
Received for Building Fund	10-6-2019	\$335.00
Received for Building Fund	10-13-2019	\$240.00
Received for Building Fund	10-20-2019	\$815.00
Received for Building Fund	10-24-2019	\$360.00

Flowers for our Altar

- November 3—ICO Clara Rizner's 4th birthday on November 4th, by Annette & Randy Toney
- November 10—ICO Bodhi Glover's 12th birthday, on November 8th, by Peggy & Richard Webb
- November 17—OPEN
- November 24—OPEN

Dates Available: December. 8th, 22nd, 29th



Come join us for a delicious meal, fellowship and fun!!
Our monthly Keenagers Luncheon will be on Thursday, Nov. 14th, at 12:00noon. Our guest speaker will be Mark Wilson with Wilson Wealth Stewardship. He will be talking with us about Tax Reform and how it effects us all.
Bring your favorite covered dish and also canned goods for our local Food Bank. Collecting for the Food Bank is a church-wide mission and we hope everyone is led to participate in this very worthwhile cause. Baskets will be provided for your donations. And as always, thank you for your faithfulness!!

Regular Sunday Schedule

9:45—Sunday School
 11:00—Worship
 5:00—REACH

Regular Wednesday Schedule

6:00—Prayer Meeting, Kingdom
 Kids & Student Ministry
 6:15—Choir Practice & Adult
 Bible Study

November

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 3:30pm—Deacons’ meeting 5:00pm— READY 6:00pm—Bonus Rehearsal Daylight Saving Time Ends	4 6:30pm Men’s Ministry & Joyful Servants meet Veteran’s Day	5 Election Day	6 6:00pm— Fellowship for our Youth	7 9:00am— Set up for our Christmas Bazaar	8 9:00am— Set up for our Christmas Bazaar	9 8:00am—1:00pm Christmas Bazaar
10 5:00pm— ENGAGE	11 6:30pm Men’s Ministry & Joyful Servants meet Veteran’s Day	12 	13 	14 12:00 noon-- KEENAGERS LUNCHEON with Mark Wilson <i>Bring canned goods for the Food Bank</i>	15 	16
17 5:00pm— AWAKEN 6:00pm—Bonus Rehearsal	18 	19 7:00pm— Baptist Young Women meet	20 6:00pm— Stewardship Supper	21 	22 	23
24 5:00pm— CARE 6:00pm—Bonus Rehearsal	25 	26 	27 6:00pm— NO EVENING SERVICES	28 Thanksgiving Day	29 9:00am— Decorate church for Christmas	30

Birthdays

November 2—Bro. Neal Wall
 November 4—Clara Rizner
 November 5—Teresa Everett
 November 7—Kaycee Powell
 Caitlan Bush
 November 13—Annette Ford
 November 15—Joey Rozier
 November 17—Jeffrey Powell
 November 21—Dean Grimsley
 Kaitlyn Pierce
 Savannah Bates
 November 23—Frankie Hendrickson
 November 27—Bonny Adams
 November 29—Lounette Barlow
 November 30—Dr. Rebecca Wells

Anniversaries

November 22
 Roy and Margaret Miller
 November 26
 Travis and Kim (Wall) Bryant



GREETERS

November 6 Judy Ashley, Sharon Martin, and Youth
 November 13 Nita Ryle and Frankie Hendrickson
 November 20 Linda Padgett, Bobbie Jespersen, and Youth
 November 27 Vivian Shelton and Deborah Mathews

Help Us Resurface Our Parking Lot

We are still accepting donations to help us resurface and restripe our parking lot. If you have not yet given and can, we greatly appreciate your gift. Please write "Parking Lot" on the check or on the envelope.



Deacon of the Week

November 3—November 9 Joe Toney
 November 10—November 16 Randy Toney
 November 17—November 23 William Yarbrough
 November 24—November 30 Arthur Henry



PRESCHOOL MINISTRY

CHURCH HOUR

November 3 Vivian Shelton and Mary Donaldson
 November 10 Paula Piper
 November 17 Sandy Shelton and Sharon Martin
 November 24 Lisa Hardy

SUNDAY NIGHTS

November 3 Marcheta Myers and Kaycee Powell
 November 10 Julie Norwood and Kaycee Powell
 November 17 Andrea Duggan and Kaycee Powell
 November 24 Angie Henry and Kaycee Powell

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Jeffrey & Kaycee and The Children's Team



Joyful Servants

Monday, November 11h at 6:30pm

Baptist Young Women

Tuesday, November 19th, at 7:00pm

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN ONE
OF OUR GROUPS!



**Thursday, November 14th,
at 12:00 noon**

ALL Seniors Are Invited!

**Bring your favorite covered
dishes...Invite a Friend &
Join Us!**



Men's Ministry

Monday, November 11th
at 6:30pm



Rev. Jim Duggan.....Senior Pastor
Rev. Harry Graves.....Music Minister
Josh Funderburk.....Student Minister
Mrs. Kaycee Powell Children's Director
Mrs. Peggy WebbChurch Secretary
Mrs. Annette Toney..... Financial Secretary

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