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Dr. Scott Harrison,
Senior Pastor



Pastor Euticauls will be here November 10-11!

Worship Preview

November 11
AM Services:
Praise Team
Sanctuary Choir
Handbells
Music Makers
Erica Carpenter

PM Service:
Youth Choir
Susan Weese & Barb
Morrison

- ◆ **Saturday, November 10 at 5:30 PM** - Supper for kids through grade 6 and their families in the Fellowship Hall
 - ◆ **Saturday, November 10 at 6:30 PM** - Church-wide reception in the Fellowship Hall; your chance to personally meet Pastor Euticauls
 - ◆ **Sunday, November 11** - Pastor Euticauls will be bringing the message in both morning worship services
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November 18
AM Services:
Orchestra
Sanctuary Choir
Ginger Carroll

PM Service:
Youth Choir

First Acts presents the 1st Annual



Desserts with Drama

Dessert Theatre

Sunday, December 9

1:30 & 6:30 PM

Fellowship Hall

You can make reservations at the kiosk in the Welcome Center or by calling the church office. All money donated will benefit the Nick Martin family.

Children

Janis Mansker, Minister of Children

Rotating Preschool Volunteers

November 11, 9:30 – Holly Elliott, Shirley Olson, Tonya Andes, Jared and Kelly Marrs

November 11, 10:45 – Pam Wishon, Brady and Laura Finch, Christina Crapisi, Brenda Morrow, Carmen McElroy

November 18, 9:30 – Sharon Gaynor, Nancy Cada

November 18, 10:45 – Gay Scharlau, Jan Baker, Kathy Duckworth, Marge Anderson, Kevin and Kelly Carey, Fran Johnson

An Amazing Church

Yes, that is what you are. We asked for help with Fall Festival with Trunk or Treat and you were there. We asked for donations and we received them.

Then, the people came. We had 180 families register. That is 567 people....and that number does not include all of us who were working. All who walked by me, expressed appreciation to me for us holding our Fall Festival with Trunk or Treat. Many were happy to go inside out of the cold. Thirty-nine (39) families who attended indicated that they would like more information about our children's events... one even requested information about our adult Bible studies!

Thank you seems inadequate for all the effort you spent. So, I will say, "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you."

In the days ahead we will be sending postcards to many and pictures to those who had their photo taken. Continue being the amazing church you are. Those who visit will see God at work in you.

KIDSHEART

Kids and families are invited to supper with Pastor Euticals Nzengu on Saturday, November 10 at 5:30 PM in the church fellowship hall. Please RSVP by noon on Friday, November 9 to Janis Mansker or Joni Notestein at children@fbcls.com, publish@fbcls.com, or 525-0700. An all-church dessert reception will follow at 6:30 PM.

Preschool Story Time

Tuesday, November 13, 10:30-11:30 AM is our next Preschool Story Time in the church library. Bring your favorite bedtime toy or item and we will read stories and have a snack.

Education

Allen Baker, Minister of Education/Outreach

New Adult Bible Fellowship Elective to Begin

A new ABF elective study entitled "The Miracles of Jesus" will begin on Sunday, November 11 at 9:30 AM in FLC-015. Jesus not only preached the kingdom of God in word, but he demonstrated it in power through his miraculous deeds. This video-driven study, facilitated by Clint and Michelle Williamson, will give participants a unique, in-depth look at the miracles of Jesus that will open your eyes to their impact on the lives he touched, what they reveal about God's heart, and their significance for us today. Don't miss out on this opportunity to learn accurate, encouraging, and challenging applications of the Bible's message to life today.

Bible Fellowship Focuses on Friendship and Support

Many people who attend First Baptist Church will admit that their closest friends are those who attend Bible Fellowship with them on Sunday mornings. It's through Bible Fellowship that people are prayed for, encouraged, ministered to, supported, and affirmed during the positive as well as the difficult experiences of life. It's a fact that for many people, their Bible Fellowship class is like their extended family. If you're not currently enrolled in a Bible Fellowship class, contact me (816-525-0700, educate@fbcls.com, 816-537-9106) and I'll help you learn about your Bible Fellowship options.

Support Group Ministries to Begin in 2008

We have begun planning with a group of our members with training/experience in Christian counseling to begin a support group ministry in 2008. We are already looking at the possibility of beginning a Christ-centered depression/anxiety recovery support group, weight loss support group, and grief support group.

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CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK November 11 - 17



Visit your
church library!

Associate Pastor

Dr. Gary Snowden, Associate Pastor

Most of us probably know George Foreman best as the good-natured spokesman for the popular electric grill that bears his name. Foreman was born in Marshall, Texas in 1949 and was a high school dropout. He joined LBJ's Job Corps program and along the way discovered a talent for boxing. Foreman won the gold medal at the Olympic Games in Mexico City in 1968. Five years later, with a professional record of 37 wins and no losses, he knocked out "Smokin' Joe Frazier" for the heavyweight title. Foreman lost his title the following year to Muhammad Ali in the famous "Rumble in the Jungle" fight in Zaire, Africa. Foreman retired from boxing three years later and became a minister. A decade later, his millions from prize fights gone, he staged a comeback, becoming the oldest heavyweight champion ever when he won back his title on Nov. 5, 1994 at the age of 45. Foreman's tenacity in reclaiming a title far past the normal age of a boxer deserves recognition. While some might question his sanity, no one can question his heart. Some Christians as they grow older are content to rest on their laurels and leave the work of ministry to folks younger than themselves. My prayer is that the Lord would give us a passion for serving others and a willing spirit to engage in meeting the needs of others for as long as He sees fit for us to live. "Nobody grows old by living a number of years. People grow old from lack of purpose. Years wrinkle the skin. Lack of purpose wrinkles the soul" (Author unknown). Let's resolve to live as people with a purpose.

First Acts

1st Annual *Desserts with Drama* Dessert Theatre - on Sunday, December 9 at 1:30 and 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Come and join us as we take a trip back to *Uncle Phil's Diner* for an evening of dessert, music, and fun. Put on your poodle skirts and leather jackets and enjoy an evening of 50's Christmas entertainment unlike anything you've ever seen. Sign up at the kiosk in the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings or call the church office (525-0700). You won't want to miss the hottest spot in town!

In Sympathy

Our sincere Christian sympathies go out to the family and friends of Thelma Bright who passed away on October 24, Sue Eagan who passed away November 1, and Bernie Magers who passed away November 6. We also extend sympathy to Joy Webb in the loss of his father, and to Martha Kean in the loss of her cousin.

Music

Randy Buffington, Minister of Music

Youth & 20-Something Contemporary Praise Service

Hey! We will be having another praise and worship service led by our 20 Somethings on Sunday evening, November 11 at 6:30 PM. Anyone who wants to attend this special service is welcome! Our traditional Sunday evening service will be held at 6:30 PM in the Worship Center.

Dessert Theatre, December 9

I hope you will come and enjoy "Uncle Phil's Diner - No Room at the Diner". This will be a wonderful time of fellowship and remembering what Christmas is all about! It will also be a special time of Missions giving as we will be raising money to benefit the Nick Martin family.

Christmas Stuff is Around the Corner!

Don't miss out on our special Christmas programs! Here's the list:

- ♦ **Children's Choirs** - "Hanging of the Green" on Sunday, November 25, 6:30 PM
- ♦ **Youth Choir** - "God of Wonders" on Sunday, December 2, 6:30 PM
- ♦ **1st Acts** - "Uncle Phil's Diner - No Room at the Diner" Dessert Theatre on Sunday, December 9, 1:30 & 6:30 PM
- ♦ **Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra** - "A World of Christmas" on Sunday, December 16, 6:30 PM

Youth

Hey, Youth!

We have a Youth Parent Leadership Team in place and there are some new and exciting things going on in Bible Fellowship and SLAM. There are also several fellowship opportunities that have already been planned (see below)!

YOUTH Stuff

- Sunday, Nov. 11 at 6:30 PM - Praise & Worship Service in the Loft
- Sunday, Nov. 11 at 7:30 PM - Messy Games in the FLC Basement
- Saturday, Dec. 1, 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM - Power Play Entertainment Center in Shawnee, KS (we'll take the church bus)
- Sunday, December 16 at 7:30 PM - Youth Gathering at the Wrights (video games, air hockey, billiards, and FOOD)

Budget Receipts	
Needs each week	\$28,165.00
Gifts given 10/28	\$27,182.13
Gifts given 11/4	\$37,118.74
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Needs Year to Date	\$1,239,260.00
Gifts Year to Date	\$1,144,576.76
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Building for All Generations	
Given 10/28 & 11/4	\$11,979.00
Given to Date	\$1,081,259.34
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KIDSHEART Africa	
Given 10/28 & 11/4	\$1,488.44
Given to Date	\$90,144.31

Featured Homebound Person

Robert Boggs

408 SE Green Street

Lee's Summit, MO 64063

Please pray for and/or send a note to our Featured Homebound Person to let them know they are in your thoughts and prayers.

Bible Fellowship Attendance

	10/28	11/4
Preschool	92	96
Children	70	63
Youth	35	55
Adults	374	382
Total	571	596



Be praying about the commitment you should make to finish the work we've started. Please turn in your commitment cards by November 11.