

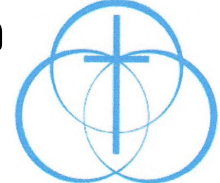
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PASTOR'S THOUGHTS

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Choir Director

Happy New Year Beloved!

As we step into the new year, I wonder how you feel about the future. Are you optimistic? Do you have concerns about what will happen? A few of us will think, "The past year has been terrible. I hope 2024 is a better year than 2023!" Maybe you have no feelings at all and are indifferent to the transition. You may consider it "just another year".

One thing is certain. . . 2024 is coming ready or not. That is, unless the Lord initiates the Revelation plan as foretold by the Prophets. Despite the difficulties that surround us personally or globally, I want to encourage each and every one of you to remain steadfast in your faith. Let us not be discouraged by the circumstances we see around us, but rather let us be inspired to shine the light of Christ even brighter. Our ministry is needed now more than ever, and it is our duty to continue spreading the love and hope that comes from our faith.

As we move forward into this new year, let us remember that our hope is not found in the circumstances of the world but in the unchanging love and faithfulness of our Heavenly Father. May we be a beacon of hope and encouragement to those around us, and may our ministry continue to touch lives and bring glory to God.

I am grateful for each and every one of you, and I am excited to see what God has in store for us in this new year. I believe we have been led by God to where we are today as a Church. We have a solid, growing, loving congregation that loves the Lord Jesus Christ.

-Continued in next column

CHOIR

This choir practices each Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. The choir sings for worship service, special services on Christmas and Easter and a couple of concerts each year.

RUBY BELL CHOIR

For children ages 4 years old and up.

This bell choir performs a couple of times a year under the direction of Mrs. Peggy Hubbell.

CHOIR CONTACT INFORMATION

for more information or questions

Choirs

Debbie at 740-601-0112

Scott at 740-604-4772 or

email at southbloomfieldmusic@gmail.com

Miss Peggy at peghubb@aol.com.



Pastor's Thoughts continued

We have ministries in place that support the less fortunate in our community. We have emerging ministries on the horizon to be even more effective in sharing the love of God with those who need it most. We also have complete ownership of our property, and we are financially stable.

May we face the challenges ahead with unwavering faith and a determination to make a difference in the lives of those we encounter. May God bless you abundantly in this new year, and may His peace and joy fill your hearts.

With the love of Christ for you in my heart beloved,

Pastor Floyd

**COMING EVENTS
MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

**FAMILY GAME
NIGHT**

Friday, January 19th

6 pm in the family room

A great time for the whole family!

Games for Every Age.

See the last page of this newsletter
for more details

LADIES LUNCHEON

The ladies January birthday and social luncheon will meet at the **Olive Garden** in Grove City on **Tuesday, January 16th**. Make sure you let Pat know at (614) 309-2384 or pat3duncan@yahoo.com, that you will be attending. She will call ahead to reserve a space. If you need a ride, be in the family room parking lot by 11 am otherwise, be at the restaurant by 11:20.



**A SEND OFF FOR
THOMAS MCPEEK**

Join Thomas in the **family room on Sunday, February 11th following worship**. We will have a cookie and coffee reception as we get the chance to say "good bye". Thomas will leave for Marine Boot Camp. We will be able to wish him well as he follows a new path and sacrifices for our country.



VISITATION TEAM

Do you know we have a visitation team? If you know of someone from our church who would like a phone call or a visit, please contact Pat Acord at pat3duncan@yahoo.com or (614) 309-2384.

TRANSPORTATION

There is a team that will provide transportation if needed to a medical appointment, church event, Bible study, etc. Just let Bill Johnson know at shmoojake@yahoo.com, and he will arrange that for you.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study for Men

Pastor Floyd facilitates this men's Bible study. They meet in the family room each week following church service. The approximate time is 10:15 am. All men are welcome!

Ladies Bible Study

This group meets on alternating Fridays each month at 10 am. Check the calendar at the end of this newsletter or the Sunday bulletin for dates. All ladies are welcome.

Bible Study with Dean Jacob

This group meets on Wednesdays in the family room at 6:30 pm. This Bible study uses the Les Feldick curriculum. They are currently studying the Gospels. Everyone is welcome.



**ATTENTION
CLEANING TEAMS!**

The new schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the entryway. Please check your dates. We are so happy to welcome cleaning team nine. This will make your dates change, so please check and write down the dates. You will see your assigned date at the end of the monthly newsletter under "On Duty This Month." If you need any assistance or a sub, please contact Carol Johnson at 740-412-7349 or email acj5054@yahoo.com.

Join our cleaning team! It only takes about 1 to 1½ hours. The more people that join, the less often you will clean. There are 2 people on a team (unless you would like to do this by yourself), so find your partner. You can help in this ministry to our church! Currently, each team is cleaning once every 9 weeks. Contact Carol at the above information or fill out the "How You Can Serve" paper in the entryway and put it in the offering plate. The cleaning teams will be glad you did!



A NOTE FROM BECKY YATES

As we all thank our Lord and Savior for His many blessings, I would like to thank everyone for allowing me to design altar flowers for their loved ones this past year. I am humbled by your trust in me and am looking forward to continuing this privilege. I am very grateful, as well, for all who donated beautiful flowers, vases, and supplies. Those who have put me in contact with others donating are greatly appreciated. As of now, I'm set on flowers, but can always use vases. I hope you will continue to allow me this pleasure of 'a little touch of sunshine' to add to our beautiful altar.

If you are interested in an arrangement this year, please call me at 740-505-3015 or email at msbeckylb@yahoo.com.

Also, I must thank my church family for your egg cartons and let you know we have plenty as of now. Our chickens seem to 'rule the roost' when and if they decide to lay, so this being said, one egg a day doesn't fill a carton very fast.

Best wishes for this new year,
Becky Yates

SOUTH BLOOMFIELD CHURCH DOES IT AGAIN!

2023 Thanksgiving and Christmas. We collected 200 cake mixes and 200 icings for the families at the Ashville Food Pantry for Christmas meals. Between Thanksgiving and Christmas, they served 400 families. Thank you to all who donated canned goods for Thanksgiving and box mixes for Christmas.

Our church always comes through!

-Shana



CHRISTMAS CARD BAGS

If you took your Christmas cards home in your bag, please return the bag for use next year.

AND WHAT A GREAT AFTERNOON IT WAS!

The Family Christmas Party held on December 3rd was well attended. The food was great. The crafts were fun, and the cookie decorating was a great success. The choir's voices were in their best form as they sang and led the Christmas carols.

The Social Activity Committee would like to thank:

For the Food Donations

Karen Karshner, Melanie Willeford, Debbie Forquer, Linda Talbott, Claud Clark and Kathleen Woodard

And

Craft Donations

Peggy Hubbell, Abby Perdeu, Becky Brown, and Claud Clark

Also

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

To Becky Yates for all the work and time she spent on the beautiful decorations to make this event festive.

And last, but not least, we thank you for attending and supporting this event. As you know, there would be no event without YOU!

We look forward to making this an annual event. So be watching for information in December.

- Sponsored by the Social Activity Committee and the Music Department

HOW CAN YOU SERVE?

The lists are up and running. Did you miss it? Would you like to do one of the following?

Acolyte

Sing in the Choir

Clean the main floor of the church
once every 10 weeks

Be a Greeter

Say the Invocation

Collect the Offering

Read Scripture

Teach Sunday School

and other choices



Sign up. The forms are in the entryway of the sanctuary. Pick one up. Mark your choices and place it in the offering plate or in the pastor's mailbox in the entryway. **Get on the list now!**

BRICKS FOR THE WALKWAY 2024

You may order a brick to memorialize or honor a loved one, to mark a special date such as an anniversary, or for anything family-related.



Bricks may be ordered year-round, although the order for the bricks is usually sent in once a year. Order forms for the bricks are located at the entrance of the sanctuary. You may place your order form in the offering plate or give it to Jo Ann.

When the bricks are received, Pastor Floyd will dedicate them before they are laid in the walkway.

Brick Cost:

Small Brick \$75 Large Brick \$150

Proceeds go to the general fund. For questions contact Jo Ann Echelbarger at sechelba@columbus.rr.com

**DAIRY QUEEN CERTIFICATES**

Do you go to DQ for your treats? Buy some coupons from Terry while raising money for our church. They are great as gifts as well! Each certificate purchased is worth \$3 and raises \$1.50 for our church.

There are five locations for their use: Circleville, South Bloomfield, Lancaster, New Lexington, and Baltimore.

If you would like to purchase these certificates, see Terry Roesse or you can email the church office at southbloomfieldgmc@gmail.com. Checks may be made payable to *South Bloomfield MC*. Thank you for your continued support!

BIBLE TRIVIA

True or False
David wrote the entire book of Psalms.
See the answer on page 7.

FELLOWSHIP HALL RENTAL

Did you know you can rent Fellowship Hall for events? You can email or call the church office to check your date for availability. You will then fill out a rental agreement. It then goes to the church office with your deposit or payment.

Cost:

*Member: \$125 for the first 3 hours
\$ 30 for each additional hour
Maximum \$300

***Member Kitchen Fee:**

\$30.00 for any stove, oven or warmer
(Flat Fee for 3 hours) \$10 each hour.
No charge for use of the refrigerator.

* Non-Member: \$200 for the first 3 hours
\$ 30 for each additional hour
Maximum \$500

*** Non -Member Kitchen Fee:**

\$30.00 for any stove, oven or warmer
(Flat Fee for 3 hours) \$10 each hour.
No charge for use of the refrigerator.

* \$125 refundable deposit.

The rental agreement gives you all the additional information you need. For questions you may contact Jennifer in the church office at southbloomfieldgmc@gmail.com or 740-983-2110.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE TO MEET**

The nominating committee will meet on Wednesday, January 3rd, at 6:30 pm. This committee will be working to fill all of the various committee positions in our church. This committee includes Susan Campbell, Bob Forquer, Josh Schiff, and Mayme Wheeler.

SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:2 (NIV)

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

MISSIONS

ASHVILLE FOOD PANTRY

20 Church St., Ashville, OH
OPEN: 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month
HOURS: 10 to 1 pm and 6 pm to 7:30 pm

Donations may be taken to the food pantry or placed in the church hallway on the shelf in front of the window.

If you know someone in need please feel free to give them these numbers:

- * Food Pantry Cell #(614) 687-2442
- * Thecala Acord (740) 497-0552

We appreciate your support!

-Thecala

WEEKEND PACKS

We are back this year! The next packing date is as follows:

Tuesday, January 2nd at 5 pm



-Shana

SLEEP MAT MISSION

This group meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 10:30 am.

Next meeting date and time:

Thursday, January 18, 2024

If you would like to come just for the fellowship, a cup of coffee, and a snack, please do.

This is a very rewarding mission project. You can come at any time. It is so easy; there is something for everybody of all ages. You can also do this in your home. Any help you can give is greatly appreciated.

Questions or if you would like to get on the monthly reminder list? Email peeb26@outlook.com.

TO DONATE TO OUR MISSIONS

If you feel led to make a monetary donation to any of our missions, please see the following:

ASHVILLE FOOD PANTRY

To give a gift to support the food pantry, please make your check payable to "Ashville Food Pantry" and place it in the offering plate, or mark your cash donation for the "Ashville Food Pantry."

WEEKEND PACKS - for school children

Please make your check payable to "SBMC Women Who Care" and place it in the offering plate, or mark your cash donation for "Weekend Packs."

SLEEP MAT MISSION/HOMELESS MINISTRY

To make a donation for this ministry, please make your check payable to "South Bloomfield MC" and write "Homeless Mission" in the memo or mark your cash donation for the "Homeless Mission".

All donations are very much appreciated!

DON'T FORGET THE FOOD CUPBOARD BOX

This cupboard, sponsored by the Circleville host ministry, helps provide food and toiletries to anyone in need. Simply open the door and take your immediate needs.

If you would like to donate **non-perishable food (can and box items) and toiletries** you may place items directly into the cupboards. Please - no glass items!

FOOD AND TOILETRIES ONLY PLEASE!



THE BLACK BOX IS NOT JUST FOR AIRPLANES!

Did you know we have a black box? It sits right outside the church office in the entryway. What is it for? Glad you asked! Pastor Floyd brought it with him many years ago. It is to be used for sharing private information, such as questions or concerns, etc., for him only. It is locked, and he is the only one with a key.

YOU CAN HELP OUR CHURCH - EARN \$\$\$\$

Would you like to help our church earn money? **KROGER** gives our church money each quarter for you shopping there.

Sign up - Here's how. If you need help signing up, you may contact Scott Brown: email at cmboriginals@gmail.com, southbloomfieldmusic@gmail.com, or text at 740.604.4772.

The Kroger program makes fund-raising easy by donating to local organizations based on the shopping you do every day. Once you link your card to an organization, all you have to do is shop at Kroger and swipe your Shopper's Card. Here's how it works:

Go to www.kroger.com. Scroll to the bottom of the page and click "community". Scroll down to community rewards - click "sign up".

1. Create a digital account. You need a digital account to participate in Kroger Community Rewards. If you already have a digital account, simply link your Shopper's Card to your account so that all transactions apply toward the organization you choose.
2. Link your card to an organization.
(South Bloomfield UMC)
3. Sign in to your digital account.
4. Search for your organization here.
5. Enter the name or NPO number of the organization you wish to support.
6. Select the appropriate organization from the list and click "Save".

Your selected organization will also display in the Kroger Community Rewards section of your account. If you need to review or revisit your organization, you can always do so under your "Account details".

Any transactions moving forward using the Shopper's Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program, at

no added cost to you. Kroger donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Kroger Community Rewards organizations.

Note: If you are a customer, make sure you have a preferred store selected to view participating organizations. If you are applying on behalf of an organization, please select a store in the same area as your organization.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

There is **no charge for the App** or to be listed in this directory!

Are you in the church directory? Do you know how to access the church directory? There is no charge for the app or to be listed in this directory! On your computer, go to <https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com>, or go to the App Store and download the app to your phone. It is the one with the green square and the little white church in the center. Then follow their instructions.

To have directory access, you must be included in the directory with at least your name and email address. They will send you a code and a password to your email address for access. You can change the password once you access the directory.

To be included in the directory, you can choose what you would like to see listed. You may include in your listing a picture (portrait sent directly to Pam's email), name, address, email address, phone number, birthday, etc., Send all submissions, changes, updates, etc., and pictures directly to Pam Moody at pammood2@icloud.com. Help keep this directory up-to-date.



NEEDED:

Preschool teachers. If you would like to help teach on a rotating schedule, please contact Peggy at peghubb@aol.com.

PRAYER LIST

The Border Patrol	Joyce Matzenbach
Isaac Brown	Delores Messick
Roger Campbell	Sandy Dresbach Meyers
Gerry Daniels	Charlie Moody
Jan Duffey	JoRita Morrow
Norma Egan	Ruth Preston
Stan Echelbarger	Danny Roese
Howard Emry	Michael Roese
Cathy Groves	Ron Roese
Pam Hannah	Sandra Ruh
Donna Hartley	Joyce Speakman family
Mike Havens	Vonda Sweeney
Scarlet Grey Hedrick	Pat Von Ins
Richard "Bear" Jones	Laci VanGundy
Jodie Kirk	Jim Bob Welsh
Don Lee	David Winner
Harold Lee	Roman Witryk

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 1 Evelyn Rawlins
- 3 Bruce Roese
- 15 Darryl Ward
- 17 Tom Conner, Debbie Knapp
- 18 Mona Toole
- 19 Thomas McPeek
- 20 Connie McPeek, Kelly Sells
- 21 Sarah Tipton
- 22 Brian Porter
- 23 Janice Young, Terri Feazel
- 26 Paula Cahill
- 27 Alex Perdew
- 31 Rick Knapp



SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Logan Karshner Tristen Teets
 Justin Vance



26 Gary and Evelyn Rawlins

**ANY CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS?
 PLEASE NOTIFY THE APPROPRIATE PERSON.
 KEEP THESE LISTS UP TO DATE!**

Church Directory

Contact: Pam Moody at pammooddy2@icloud.com

Email changes for church information

Contact: Jennifer at southbloomfieldgmc@gmail.com

ANNIVERSARY LIST or BIRTHDAY LIST

Notify the church office at southbloomfieldgmc@gmail.com.

PRAYER LIST PLEASE NOTE

If a name has been on the prayer list for 3 months and no contact has been made to keep it on the list, it will then be removed.

NEWSLETTER

The deadline for articles to be placed in the November issue of the Newsletter is

Thursday, January 25, 2024

Please email your articles, information and calendar dates to: peeb26@outlook.com. (Information received after the deadline will be held for next newsletter).

BIBLE TRIVIA ANSWER

False: The Psalms are a collection by many writers, but David contributed the most.

MONTHLY CALENDAR

ON DUTY THIS MONTH

MONTHLY RECURRING EVENTS

Sundays:

- † 9 am Worship Service
- † Sunday School - Children attend worship through Children’s Moment and then go to their class.
- † Preschool - Kindergarten meet in the Family Room.
Teachers:
Abby Perdew, Becky Brown, Izzy Wheeler
- † 1st grade - 5th grade meet in the Family Room, behind the church.
Teachers: Susan Campbell, Connie McPeek, Amy Peters, Kendra Sherman, Rena Puckett
- † 6th grade - High School meet in the basement.
Teacher: Dan Zeimer
- † Men’s Bible study following our church service. Approximate time is 10:15 a.m.



Date	Day	Time	Event
1	Mon		HAPPY NEW YEAR!
2	Tues	5 pm	Weekend Packing
3	Wed	6:30	Nominating Committee
9	Tues	6:30 pm	Admin Board Meeting
12	Fri	10 am	Ladies Bible Study
16	Tues	11 am	Ladies Luncheon
		6 pm	Social Activity Committee
18	Thurs	10:30 am	Mat Mission
		6 pm	Set Up Game Night
19	Fri	6 pm	Family Game Night
25	Thurs	-----	Newsletter Articles due
26	Fri	10 am	Ladies Bible Study
28	Sun	-----	Newsletter Sent out

January 7

Sunday School Teachers:

Abby Perdew, Rena Puckett, Dan Zeimer
Greeters: Paul and Donna Calder
Offering: Shannon Horvath and Linda Talbott
Cleaning Team 4th - 6th: Team 3

January 14

Sunday School Teachers:

Peggy Hubbell, Susan Campbell, Dan Zeimer
Greeters: Kathleen Woodard and Karen Karshner
Offering: Becky Brown and Claud Clark
Cleaning Team 11th - 13th: Team 4

January 21

Sunday School Teachers:

Izzy Wheeler, Kendra Sherman, Dan Zeimer
Greeters: Claud Clark and Paulette McCathran
Offering: Susan Seevers and Jewell Roese
Cleaning Team 18th - 20th: Team 5

January 28

Sunday School Teachers:

Abby Perdew, Connie McPeek, Dan Zeimer
Greeters: Susan Seevers and Becky Yates
Offering: Roger and Susan Campbell
Cleaning Team 25th - 27th: Team 6

CHURCH STAFF

Floyd Hubbell, *Pastor*
 Debbie Forquer, *Pianist, Choir Director*
 Scott Brown, *Choir Director*
 Ellery Elick, *Instrumental Director*
 Karen Karshner, *Worship Leader*
 Jennifer Vance, *Administrative Assistant*

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Bruce Roese/Jim McDaniels, *Trustees*
 Jewell Roese, *Board Chair*
 Dan Zeimer, *Pastor Parish Chair*
 Terry Roese, *Finance Chair*
 John Hammer, *Treasurer*

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Friday, January 19th, 2024
6 pm In the Family Room



Join in the fun.
Games for all ages.



BINGO Spot it Connect 4
Checkers/tic tac toe
Cornhole Ring Toss
and more



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-Sponsored by the Social Activity Committee