***October-November, 2025***

***Bascom Community Church***

***Worship on Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.***

***Sunday School at 9:30 a.m***

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***October-November Dates to Remember***

***October 4*** Men’s Breakfast at Tiffin Frisch’s Big Boy 9:00 a.m.

***October 5*** Communion Sunday 10:30 a.m.

**October 13** Columbus Day

**October 14** Administrative Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.

**October 28** Trunk or Treat 6:00-7:00 p.m.

**October 31**Happy Halloween

**November 1** Men’s Breakfast at American Table in Fostoria 9:00 a.m.

**November 2** Don’t forget to turn your clocks back 1 hour!

**November 2** All Saints’ Day Worship Service & Communion Sunday

**November 11** Veteran’s Day

**November 15** Spaghetti Supper 4:00-7:00 p.m.

**November 23** Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship Service at Hopewell Church

of God-Pastor Dean providing message 7:00 p.m.

**November 27** Happy Thanksgiving



**CHRISTIANITY IN UNCERTAIN TIMES**

**“So don’t be anxious about tomorrow. God will take care of your tomorrow too.” Matthew 6:34 (TLB)**

This is a revision of a newsletter article that I first submitted in 2020 during the pandemic. While some of the issues may have changed, the siren’s song of uncertainty and frustration continue to seek our attention. This letter is to serve as a reminder that our attention needs to remain firmly on Jesus and not on the messiness that this world sometimes can be.

 We are just a few weeks into the fall school semester. In the first week alone, we had at least two school shootings. We have had one more since then, and as I finish writing this letter, I have just seen coverage about a man driving through the front doors of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Grand Blanc, Michigan. The driver then opened fire with an assault rifle killing one person and injuring nine others before setting the church on fire. In addition, we are still reeling from the assassination of Charlie Kirk. And to top it all off, both political parties seem to be more interested in posturing and creating sound bites than working together to resolve issues and improve the quality of Americans’ lives.

 Let’s face it. We do live in a time of great uncertainty. Frustration, anger, and resentment are pervasive throughout our country. Underlying these emotions is a deep fear that things are only going to get worse. These are indeed unstable times and people feel it. Which raises the question “How do we live in the church in times of uncertainty”? Every Christian must not only face this question but determine how they are going to respond to it in their daily lives. We’re in a season of unpredictability and many people are looking to us, rather they admit it or not, to model what a peaceful life in Christ looks like during these times.

I want to share with you some practical ways that we can lead strongly during times of uncertainty:

1. Step up, lean in, take responsibility, and pray hard.

As a follower of a Risen Savior, times of uncertainty should call out the best in us. This is not a time for us to shrink back in fear. This is a time for us to boldly and courageously step up to be part of the solution. As the old saying goes: “When the going gets tough, the tough get going.”

2. Acknowledge that this is a season of uncertainty.

God’s children do not live in denial or try to pretend that everything is fine when it clearly is not. If we do not acknowledge the reality of these seemingly chaotic situations, it will lead to people thinking we are clueless to what is really going on. We have a God that will never leave nor forsake us; enabling us to confidently say to others “Yes, these are indeed uncertain times, but our God is in control. And, we don’t have to be afraid.”

3. Take care of ourselves.

This can feel counterintuitive. In times of instability, we can be so focused on the crisis that we can think that we do not have time to, or it does not matter if, we take care of ourselves. But we know that seasons of uncertainty can be quite draining and depleting. It is critical that we do our best to be physically, emotionally, relationally, and spiritually healthy. It is imperative that during times of uncertainty, we do not skimp on our time with God. As I have heard said, “We need all the God we can get.”

Spending time with God not only fills our tanks, it also gives us an eternal perspective. Spending time with God reminds us that this world is not all there is. Spending time with God reminds us that the universe is not spinning out of control because the God that created everything is more powerful than anything that happens in His creation. Spending time with God reminds us that we have a loving Heavenly Father who will “work together all things for good for those who love Him” (Romans 8:28).

God Bless……. *Pastor Dean*

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***Scripture Readings for October-November, 2025***

These Scriptures go along with the pastor’s weekly sermons.

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|  *Wednesday***1 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Habakkuk 1 & 2](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=HABAKKUK+1;2)[Lamentations 4](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LAMENTATIONS+4) | *Thursday***2 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Psalm 37](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+37)[Lamentations 5](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LAMENTATIONS+5) | *Friday***3 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[2 Timothy 1](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+TIMOTHY+1)[Jeremiah 39](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+39) | *Saturday***4 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Luke 17:1-10](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+17:1-10)[Jeremiah 40](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+40) | *Sunday***5 Oct 2025**   C PROPER 22(27)[{ Lamentations 1:1-6](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LAMENTATIONS+1:1-6)[*Either* Lamentations 3:19-26](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LAMENTATIONS+3:19-26)[*or* Psalm 137](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++137)*or*[Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=HABAKKUK+1:1-4;2:1-4)[Psalm 37:1-9 }](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+37:1-9)[2 Timothy 1:1-14](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+TIMOTHY+1:1-14)[Luke 17:5-10](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+17:5-10)*(PM, see next Sunday)* |
| *Monday***6 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Jeremiah 29:1-23](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+29:1-23)[Jeremiah 41](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+41) | *Tuesday***7 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Psalm 66](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+66)[Jeremiah 42](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+42) | *Wednesday***8 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[2 Kings 5](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+KINGS+5)[Jeremiah 43](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+43) | *Thursday***9 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Psalm 111](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+111)[Jeremiah 44](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+44) | *Friday***10 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[2 Timothy 2](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+TIMOTHY+2)[Jeremiah 45](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+45) | *Saturday***11 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Luke 17:11-37](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+17:11-37)[Jeremiah 46](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+46) | *Sunday***12 Oct 2025**   C PROPER 23(28)[{ Jeremiah 29:1,4-7](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+29:1,4-7)[Psalm 66:1-12](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+66:1-12)*or*[2 Kings 5:1-3,7-15c](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+KINGS+5:1-3,7-15)[Psalm 111 }](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++111)[2 Timothy 2:8-15](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+TIMOTHY+2:8-15)[Luke 17:11-19](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+17:11-19)*(PM, see next Sunday)* |
| *Monday***13 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Jeremiah 30 & 31](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+30;31)[Jeremiah 47](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+47) | *Tuesday***14 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Psalm 119:97-104](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+119:97-104)[Jeremiah 48](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+48) | *Wednesday***15 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Genesis 32:22-32](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=GENESIS+32:22-32)[Jeremiah 49](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+49) | *Thursday***16 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Psalm 121](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+121)[Jeremiah 50](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+50) | *Friday***17 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[2 Timothy 3:1-4:5](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+TIMOTHY+3:1-4:5)[Jeremiah 51](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+51) | *Saturday***18 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Luke 18:1-8](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+18:1-8)[Jeremiah 52](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+52) | *Sunday***19 Oct 2025**   C PROPER 24(29)[{ Jeremiah 31:27-34](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+31:27-34)[Psalm 119:97-104](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++119:97-104)*or*[Genesis 32:22-31](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=GENESIS+32:22-31)[Psalm 121 }](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++121)[2 Timothy 3:14-4:5](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+TIMOTHY+3:14-4:5)[Luke 18:1-8](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE++18:1-8)*(PM, see next Sunday)* |
| *Monday***20 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Joel 1 & 2](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JOEL+1;2)[*(Psalm 127)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+127) | *Tuesday***21 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Psalm 65](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+65)[Joel 3](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JOEL+3) | *Wednesday***22 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Jeremiah 14 & 15](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+14;15)[*(Psalm 128)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+128) | *Thursday***23 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Psalm 84](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+84)[*(Psalm 129)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+129) | *Friday***24 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[2 Timothy 4:6-22](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+TIMOTHY+4:6-22)[*(Psalm 130)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+130) | *Saturday***25 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Luke 18:9-43](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+18:9-43)[*(Psalm 131)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+131) | *Sunday***26 Oct 2025**   C PROPER 25(30)[{ Joel 2:23-32](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JOEL+2:23-32)[Psalm 65](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++65)*or*[Jeremiah 14:7-10,19-22](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+14:7-10,19-22)[Psalm 84:1-7 }](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+84:1-7)[2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+TIMOTHY+4:6-8,16-18)[Luke 18:9-14](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+18:9-14)*(PM, see next Sunday)* |
| *Monday***27 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Habakkuk 1 & 2](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=HABAKKUK+1;2)[Psalm 119:137-144](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+119:137-144) | *Tuesday***28 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Isaiah 1:2-31](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=ISAIAH+1:2-31)[Psalm 32](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+32)[Habakkuk 3](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=HABAKKUK+3) | *Wednesday***29 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[2 Thessalonians 1](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+THESSALONIANS+1)[*(Psalm 132)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+132) | *Thursday***30 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Luke 19](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+19)[*(Psalm 133)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+133) | *Friday***31 Oct 2025**   ORDINARY[Daniel 7:1-3,15-18](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=DANIEL+7:1-3,15-18)[Psalm 149](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+149)[Ephesians 1:11-23](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=EPHESIANS+1:11-23)[Luke 6:20-31](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+6:20-31) | *Saturday***1 Nov 2025**   C ALL SAINTS[Daniel 7:1-3,15-18](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=DANIEL++7:1-3,15-18)[Psalm 149](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++149)[Ephesians 1:11-23](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=EPHESIANS++1:11-23)[Luke 6:20-31](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE++6:20-31) | *Sunday***2 Nov 2025**   C PROPER 26(31)[{ Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=HABAKKUK+1:1-4;2:1-4)[Psalm 119:137-144](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++119:137-144)*or*[Isaiah 1:10-18](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=ISAIAH+1:10-18)[Psalm 32:1-7 }](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+32:1-7)[2 Thessalonians 1:1-4,11-12](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+THESSALONIANS+1:1-4,11-12)[Luke 19:1-10](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+19:1-10)*(or ALL SAINTS)**(PM, see next Sunday)* |
| *Monday***3 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Haggai 1 & 2](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=HAGGAI+1;2)[*(Psalm 134)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+134) | *Tuesday***4 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Psalm 145](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+145)[Psalm 98](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+98)[*(Psalm 135)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+135) | *Wednesday***5 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Job 19](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JOB+19)[*(Psalm 136)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+136) | *Thursday***6 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Psalm 17](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+17)[*(Psalm 137)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+137) | *Friday***7 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[2 Thessalonians 2](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+THESSALONIANS+2)[*(Psalm 138)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+138) | *Saturday***8 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Luke 20](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+20)[*(Psalm 139)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+139) | *Sunday***9 Nov 2025**   C PROPER 27(32)[{ Haggai 1:15b-2:9](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=HAGGAI+1:15-2:9)[*Either* Psalm 145:1-5,17-21](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+145:1-5,17-21)[*or* Psalm 98](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++98)*or*[Job 19:23-27a](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JOB+19:23-27)[Psalm 17:1-9 }](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+17:1-9)[2 Thessalonians 2:1-5,13-17](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+THESSALONIANS+2:1-5,13-17)[Luke 20:27-38](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+20:27-38)*(PM, see next Sunday)* |
| *Monday***10 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Isaiah 65:17-25](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=ISAIAH+65:17-25)[Malachi 1](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=MALACHI+1) | *Tuesday***11 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Isaiah 12](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=ISAIAH+12)[Malachi 2](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=MALACHI+2) | *Wednesday***12 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Malachi 3 & 4](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=MALACHI+3;4)[*(Psalm 140)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+140) | *Thursday***13 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Psalm 98](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+98)[*(Psalm 141)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+141) | *Friday***14 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[2 Thessalonians 3](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+THESSALONIANS+3)[*(Psalm 142)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+142) | *Saturday***15 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Luke 21 & 22](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+21;22)[*(Psalm 143)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+143) | *Sunday***16 Nov 2025**   C PROPER 28(33)[{ Isaiah 65:17-25](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=ISAIAH++65:17-25)[Isaiah 12](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=ISAIAH++12)*or*[Malachi 4:1-2a](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=MALACHI+4:1-2)[Psalm 98 }](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++98)[2 Thessalonians 3:6-13](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=2+THESSALONIANS+3:6-13)[Luke 21:5-19](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+21:5-19) |
| *Monday***17 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Jeremiah 23:1-6](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+23:1-6)[Luke 1:68-79](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+1:68-79)[Psalm 46](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+46)[Colossians 1:11-20](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=COLOSSIANS+1:11-20)[Luke 23:33-43](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+23:33-43) | *Tuesday***18 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Jeremiah 23:1-8](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH+23:1-8)[*(Psalm 144)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+144) | *Wednesday***19 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Luke 1:67-80](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+1:67-80)[*(Psalm 145)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+145) | *Thursday***20 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Psalm 46](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++46)[*(Psalm 146)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+146) | *Friday***21 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Colossians 1:3-23](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=COLOSSIANS+1:3-23)[*(Psalm 147)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+147) | *Saturday***22 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Luke 23 & 24](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE+23;24)[*(Psalm 148)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+148) | *Sunday***23 Nov 2025**   C CHRIST THE KING[Jeremiah 23:1-6](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JEREMIAH++23:1-6)[*Either* Luke 1:68-79](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE++1:68-79)[*or* Psalm 46](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+++46)[Colossians 1:11-20](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=COLOSSIANS++1:11-20)[Luke 23:33-43](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=LUKE++23:33-43) |
| *Monday***24 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Deuteronomy 26:1-11](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=DEUTERONOMY+26:1-11)[Psalm 100](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+100)[Philippians 4:4-9](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PHILIPPIANS+4:4-9)[John 6:25-35](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JOHN+6:25-35) | *Tuesday***25 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Deuteronomy 26:1-15](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=DEUTERONOMY+26:1-15)[Psalm 100](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++100)[*(Psalm 149)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+149) | *Wednesday***26 Nov 2025**   ORDINARY[Philippians 4:2-9](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PHILIPPIANS+4:2-9)[John 6:25-59](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JOHN+6:25-59)[*(Psalm 150)*](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+150) | *Thursday***27 Nov 2025**   C THANKSGIVING[Deuteronomy 26:1-11](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=DEUTERONOMY++26:1-11)[Psalm 100](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+++100)[Philippians 4:4-9](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PHILIPPIANS++4:4-9)[John 6:25-35](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=JOHN++6:25-35) | *Friday***28 Nov 2025**   ADVENT[Isaiah 2:1-5](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=ISAIAH+2:1-5)[Psalm 122](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM+122)[Romans 13:11-14](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=ROMANS+13:11-14)[Matthew 24:36-44](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=MATTHEW+24:36-44) | *Saturday***29 Nov 2025**   ADVENT[Isaiah 1 & 2 & 3 & 4](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=ISAIAH+1;2;3;4) | *Sunday***30 Nov 2025**   A 1 ADVENT[Isaiah 2:1-5](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=ISAIAH++2:1-5)[Psalm 122](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=PSALM++122)[Romans 13:11-14](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=ROMANS++13:11-14)[Matthew 24:36-44](http://www.biblegateway.com/bible?passage=MATTHEW++24:36-44) |



**Spaghetti Supper**

**Saturday, November 15th, 2025**

**4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.**

Minimum donation: $10.00-$12.00 p.p.

Dine-in and carryout available

Proceeds will be donated to Connor Whaley

Please spread the word, and if you would like to help out by providing money toward preparing the dinner, providing baked goods or working during the supper, please see Morgan Johnson or Shelby Lopez.

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***Adult Sunday School***

If you wake up early on Sunday morning – way before you have to leave for church - why not head to church and join us for Sunday School?  We don’t always solve all the issues discussed but we have a good time trying!!!  The past two months we have studied a series on faith, and another on breaking the huddle and running the play (God’s play), led by a famous sports announcer – a lot of football parallels.  As you look at the calendar, how timely!!

Please join us!!





 ***Ultimate Fall Breakfast Casserole***

*Makes 12 servings*

## **Ingredients**

* 1 (1-pound) loaf cinnamon-raisin bread
* 1 (8-ounce) package reduced-fat cream cheese, cut into 3/4-inch cubes
* 8 large eggs
* 1 (12-ounce) can evaporated milk
* 1 cup canned pumpkin, about 8 ounces
* 2/3 cup brown sugar, packed
* 1/2 cup fat-free milk
* 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
* 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
* 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
* 1/8 teaspoon ground cloves
* 1/2 teaspoon salt
* 1/2 cup pecans, chopped
* confectioners' sugar, optional, to taste
* maple syrup, optional, warmed, to taste



**Directions**

Step 1 -Grease a 9x13-inch baking dish.

Step 2 -Cut each slice of the bread loaf into quarters.

Step 3 -Arrange 1/2 of the bread quarters in the prepared baking dish.

Step 4 -Add a layer of the cubed cream cheese to the baking dish.

Step 5 -Top with the remaining bread quarters, pressing down slightly.

Step 6 -In a large bowl, whisk together the eggs, the evaporated milk, the pumpkin, the brown sugar, the fat-free-milk, the cinnamon, the nutmeg, the ginger, the cloves, and the salt.

Step 7 -Pour the egg mixture over the top of the casserole.

Step 8 -Cover and refrigerate the casserole for at least 8 hours and up to overnight.

Step 9 -Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.

Step 10 -Transfer the casserole from the fridge while the oven heats.

Step 11 -Bake, covered, for 40 minutes.

Step 12 -Uncover the casserole and sprinkle the top with the pecans.

Step 13 -Bake, uncovered, until lightly browned and a knife inserted into the center comes out clean, about 25-30 minutes.

Step 14 -Let the casserole stand until cooled slightly, about 5-10 minutes.

Step 15 -Dust with the confectioners' sugar and serve with the maple syrup.

***“If you want to thank a soldier, be the kind of American worth fighting for.”*** - author unknown



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***Bascom Community Calendar***

For the 64th year, the Bascom Community Calendar is complete!!!  Thanks to all church members who completed routes.  Also, thanks to Juanita Yambert for once more handling the vendor advertisements.  We very much appreciate those vendors!!!  If you happen to see one of them, please thank them for supporting the calendar.

Thanks to Tiell Financial Group for sponsoring the calendar picture.  With the completion of their new building, we asked them if they would be willing to sponsor the picture.  You’ll have to check it out!!

Calendars should be delivered late October to early November.  A few extra calendars were ordered and will be available.  If you are interested, please see Ron Lutz.

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November is the month that we are reminded to be “thankful” for everything we have been given by our Heavenly Father. What better way to say thank you than to help others in need in our own community? Maybe you would like to volunteer but just don’t know what is available or where to start……..well…………here is the information right at your fingertips in just 2 easy steps!

Just copy and paste the following into your web browser to see the local opportunities available: <https://rsvp.fcsserves.org/seneca/>

Then when you find something that is a good fit for you, click on Contact Jamie Today! on that page to get started!

 Make a difference! It’s a win-win situation!

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Join us in our parking lot on Tuesday evening, October 28th from 6:00-7:00 p.m. as we open our trunks and participate in giving out candy at the annual Bascom Community Trick or Treat. It’s a lot of fun! Feel free to dress up in costume and decorate your trunk if you would like! Or you may also donate candy to be given out at the event by bringing it into the office prior to the event. We go through A LOT of candy! Hope to see you there!



We will be participating in Operation Christmas Child again this year. More information coming soon on how you can pack a shoebox with love and send it to a child across the world!

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 ***August, 2025 Administrative Board Meeting Minutes***

August 12, 2025 6:00 p.m.

Present: Shelby Lopez, Morgan Johnson, Bob Manz, Deb Lutz, Ed Smith, Pastor Dean, Marcia Abbott, Jeanne VanBuskirk, Lori Clay

Minutes taken by Lori Clay

Marcia Abbott called the meeting to order. Pastor Dean opened with prayer. He also passed around pictures of the landscaping that was completed at the parsonage.

Regarding the church building, [A] An air conditioner to replace the one that had failed was purchased for Pastor Dean’s office from Lowe’s (cost $329.00) – note: office temperature at @ 9:00 am was reaching 90 degrees. [B] The elevator quit working during the State Inspection on Tuesday, July 8th. Premiere Elevator was contacted and the earliest available date was the following Tuesday… those utilizing the elevator & Marcia were notified … Repairs by Premiere performed on July 15th – cause (1) exterior lock not making consistent contact to close circuit – shims were inserted (2) contacts on exterior door were dirty and unable to close circuit – contacts cleaned NOTE: Pastor Dean was shown how to perform a three month maintenance program that he will share with Chuck Popenberg - Invoice $381.00. [C] The State of Ohio is transitioning to a new portal system. It will soon become paperless. The requested information has been provided and once the portal is operational, all relevant information will be shared with Lori.

Regarding the parsonage, [A] Please see the photos being distributed concerning the downstairs bathroom subfloor that may need some repairs and the flooring that needs replaced. Pastor Dean will call Lee’s Flooring per the Board to check and see what needs done. [B] The driveway gravel needs to be refreshed (last done approximately 6 years ago by Ken Thallman). Per the Board, Pastor Dean will get an estimate. [C] Due to purchasing the new water conditioner ($1,975.75) and paying for the landscaping ($2,500), Pastor Dean and Danene will exceed the Housing Allowance Exclusion of $5,000.00 for 2025 … they are requesting an increase … please note that this does not cost the church any additional funds, this impacts Pastor Dean’s self-employment income tax. The Board was in agreement with that. Bob Manz motioned that the Board approve a housing exclusion of $9000.00 for 2025, Deb Lutz seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Lori Clay purchased a 7.94% CD on June 23rd with the $20,000.00 gift from Union UCC. The “Raise the Roof” fund balance as of 6/30/25 - $495.25.

Pastor Dean had a video meeting with a representative from RightNow Media – he stated that our usage is abnormally high for a church our size with a high usage in the “kids” programming as well as teachings (1,788 minutes in the first quarter, normally less than 1,000). This is a good thing!

Lori Clay read the meeting minutes from June, and there were no changes. She gave the Treasurer’s report and checkbook balance of $8205.92. Jeanne Van Buskirk made a motion to accept the report, Ed Smith seconded it, and all were in favor. Motion carried.

Bob shared that we should be receiving a tax refund on our gas bills….around $250.00. It will take a few more bill cycles. He still can’t find a good rate on gas.

Morgan Johnson stated that they are planning the Spaghetti Supper for November 8th from 4-7 p.m. Minimum donation $10-12. It will benefit Connor Whaley, a local child who has cancer. She will do a color flyer by September 1st. Spaghetti with meat sauce, breadstick, salad, dessert and drink. They will offer a gluten free option.

Ron Lutz and Bob Manz reviewed the 2024 records. Only discrepancy was one item where Pastor Dean used his own credit card but was reimbursed for it.

Morgan Johnson ended the meeting with prayer. Next meeting will be October 14th at 6:00 p.m.

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