



# The Messenger

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## WEEKLY SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, SEPT. 7	MONDAY, SEPT. 8	TUESDAY, SEPT. 9	WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10	THURSDAY, SEPT. 11	FRIDAY, SEPT. 12	SATURDAY, SEPT. 13
8:00 Worship 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Worship 2:00 Jesi Ashworth Shower 5:00 Fall Bible Studies 5:00 Choirs/Missions 6:00 Baptism Service		10:00 Ladies Joy SS Class 11:00 Horseshoe Bend Bookmobile 6:00 King's Kids 6:00 Deacon Meeting	5:00 Golden Notes 6:00 Prayer Meeting 6:00 Youth Kinect 6:45 Church Choir	12:00 Movie <i>I Believe</i> 6:30 Movie <i>I Believe</i> Popcorn/Pizza both		
SUNDAY, SEPT. 14	MONDAY, SEPT. 15	TUESDAY, SEPT. 16	WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 17	THURSDAY, SEPT. 18	FRIDAY, SEPT. 19	SATURDAY, SEPT. 20
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### SCRIPTURE FOR SEPTEMBER

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Proverbs 3:5-6 (NKJV)

### GIVING THEIR TIME AND TALENT

#### Deacons On Call

Sept 07: Ben Ingram & Cody May  
Sept 14: Buster Webster & Eddie Owen

#### Sunday Morning Nursery

Sept 07: Kelly Langley & Sandra Morgan  
Sept 14: Mike & Morgan Brown  
**Nursery Volunteers Needed!**

### FACTS & FIGURES

Budget Needs Weekly ..... 23,995.27  
**8/17/2025**  
Budget Giving ..... 15,248.71  
Designated Giving ..... 1,252.71  
Budget Giving YTD ..... 421,953.94  
Building Debt ..... 670.00  
Sunday School ..... 168  
8:00 AM Worship ..... 133  
10:45 AM Worship ..... 275

#### 8/24/2025

Budget Giving ..... 17,434.49  
Designated Giving ..... 436.50  
Budget Giving YTD ..... 439,388.43  
Building Debt ..... 430.00  
Sunday School ..... 171  
8:00 AM Worship ..... 141  
10:45 AM Worship ..... 232

### WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Jason & Charity George



### Pastor's Thoughts Dr. Rusty J. Sowell

I have a sense of why our Lord was angry in the cemetery where the lifeless body of His friend laid, Lazarus. There in the presence of death and weeping, as He who stepped out on the edge of eternity, and spoke the world into being, found Himself in the abode of the dead. Anger rose within Him, fully God, yet fully man. Beyond our ability to understand this Biblical truth, but Jesus was angry, "Because it was never supposed to be this way." Death wasn't part of the original plan. He grieved, yet, He knew for whence He came, that death would not be the last word, thanks be to God, "life" is the last word. Jesus said later in John 14:1-16, "I am the way, the truth, the life.." I'm so thankful that as the song says, "Because He lives, we can face tomorrow.." And, because He lives, so shall we. I trust to see you in church this Sunday.

### Join a Choir! Church Choir & Singers, Golden Notes

Choir rehearsals resume September 10th! Whether you've sung with us before or are brand new, we'd love to have your voice join us in worship. Golden Notes rehearse at 5:00 p.m. and Church Choir at 6:45 p.m., Singers will follow.

### Students & Kids Restart - Sunday, September 7

Student Choir and Kid's Music & Missions are back in action! Bring your friends, bring your Bibles - let's kick off the new season with music, games, snacks, and a whole lot of Jesus! We meet 5:00-6:15 p.m.

### Junior Youth Ministry Crawford Morris

Hello Church! We are so excited for school to be starting back. The 6th graders have moved up to 7th grade and we have loved seeing the new faces in the Youth Ministry. We had our Youth Ministry Kickoff last week and we had a blast hanging out. Remember that we have Church this Wednesday at the East Campus at 6pm. We meet in the basement of the East Campus for Sunday School. We hope everyone has a great week and we will see you soon! God Bless.

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### Fall Bible Study Begins! Discipleship Offerings for September

Looking for meaningful connection this fall?  
Our small groups are forming now, and there's a seat saved just for you!

- *READ, A Bible study method for unpacking God's word.* Learn how to better interact with your Bible to develop a richer understanding and deeper love for God's word. Bring your Bible and 2 different translations to this five-week study, beginning September 7th in the fellowship hall from 5:00-6:15 p.m. Study is led by Lynda Caswell.
- *Failylife's Art of Parenting aiming your child's heart toward God.* This eight-session, video-driven small group series is designed to help parents raise their children on a biblical foundation. The study is ideal for parents, stepparents, single parents, and expectant parents who are raising children of all ages. The first meeting will be September 14th, 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the basement youth room. This study is led by Chuck and Karesa Adams.
- D Life for Women, led by Karen Self, meets in the basement, 5:00 p.m.
- D Life for Men, led by Eddie Owen, meets in the basement, 5:00 p.m.

Covered in Prayer Shower

Join us for a Linen Shower for

Jesi Ashworth

Daughter of Stephanie Dunson

Sunday, September 7

PBC Mission House | 2:00 - 3:30 pm

blankets, towels, sheets, etc...