

Wednesday Menus for the Month of September:

Dinner begins at 5:50 pm.

All meals include tea and coffee.

\$7—11 & Up, \$4—Children, 5-10, \$7—Take Out
\$25 max. for immediate family.

*To-Go” Plates will be prepared by the Kitchen

Personnel after the serving line closes. We cannot
guarantee “to-go” orders until all of our dine-in family
members are served. As available, additional take out
plates may be purchased at the regular price.

Meal dates are to be determined!

9/3 Eggs, Bacon/Sausage, Grits, Biscuits, Gravy & Pancakes	9/10 Chicken Alfredo, Garlic Bread, Vegetable, Salad & Dessert
9/17 Baked/Regular Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Bread, & Dessert	9/24 Pork Loin, Rice & Gravy, Vegetable, Roll & Dessert
	

MEMBERSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT:

Monthly Budget Needs:	\$37,042.00
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$8,548.00
General Offering Received as of 8/19/2025	\$24,766.00
Year-to-Date Budget Needs:	\$444,504.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received:	\$423,175.70
11am Worship Service Average Attendance	136
Average S.S. attendance as of 8/19/2025	99

FYI

- **OFFICE CLOSED:** Monday, September 1st
- **BACK-TO-SCHOOL-BASH K-5TH GRADE:**
Saturday, September 6th, at 7:30am
- **MEN’S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST:** Sunday,
September 7th, at 7:30am
- **BIBLE AND BOARDS:** Sunday, September 7th,
at 6:00pm.
- **YOUNG AT HEART:** Monday, September 8th,
at Noon.
- **RECHARGE:** Sunday, September 14th following
the 11am service.
- **CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING:** Thursday,
September 18th, at 6:30pm.
- **MEN’S MINISTRY EVENT:** Friday, September
19th, 5:30pm-8:00pm.
- **OCC WORKSHOP:** Saturday, September 20th,
at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall.
- **MOVIE NIGHT FOR 412 STUDENTS:** Saturday,
September 27th, at 6:00pm.
- **HOMECOMING SUNDAY:** Sunday, September
28th, at 10:30am.

TEAM MEETINGS IN SEPTEMBER:

- **Building & Grounds:**
Wednesday, September 3, at 6:15pm
- **Stewardship & Finance:**
Wednesday, September 10, at 6:00pm
- **Mission Team:**
Wednesday, September 17, at 6:00pm
- **Deacons’ Meeting:**
Wednesday, September 24, at 6:00pm

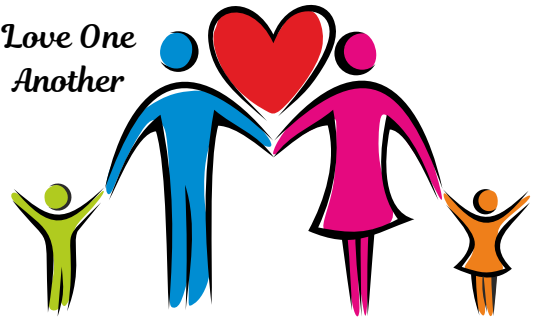
Church Staff

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“Whoever loves his brother abides in
the light, and in him there is no cause
for stumbling.” (1 John 2:10)

You will not find a more basic commandment in the Bible than the commandment to love one another. Jesus Himself agreed that two commands summarize the entire Old Testament Law: love God with all your heart, and love your neighbor as yourself. The Apostle John sees it that way too. When the light of Christ shines in someone’s heart, love for one another is the product. We love because He first loved us. And there is no better witness to the love of Jesus than the testimony exhibited by love. All of this helps explain why fellowship among believers is important. We are called to love one another, and we must be in relationship to do that. We must be in contact with one another. Our church has been blessed by a rich fellowship cultivated by the love we share for each other and the blessing of the Holy Spirit.

This month, we are putting in the work to provide a tool to enhance that fellowship. In the month of September we will be taking family pictures for a new directory. Each adult Sunday School class will be assigned a time during the Sunday School hour for their family photo, and on Homecoming Sunday, anyone who attends the church can have their picture taken. If these times don’t work, contact the church office. The cutoff for photos will be the second week of October. Your participation will enhance our fellowship and improve people’s ability to show the love of Christ to your family. Thank you for your support!

Your Pastor

Michael Wren



HOMECOMING

Sunday, September 28th

No Sunday School and Church will start at 10:30am.

Fellowship dinner immediately following the worship service. Please
bring sides/dessert to share.

Labor Day

Monday,
September 1st

HBC Office Closed



COMING IN
OCTOBER

Pumpkin Patch
Oct. 3-31,
12-6 pm daily

Trunk or Treat
Friday, October 31,
6-8pm







Children's Ministries

Wednesday Night Schedule
Beginning
September 3rd

4:45 pm – Bible Drill
5:50pm – Dinner
6:30pm – Choir in the Sanctuary
7:00pm –
1ST, 3RD, AND 5TH WEDNESDAY'S
K/1st and 2nd/3rd grades will study
"Good News" which will take a look the Gospels.
4th and 5th Graders will study

2ND AND 4TH WEDNESDAY'S
K-2nd Grade Girls
3rd – 5th Grade Girls

K-2nd Grade Boys
3rd – 5th Grade Boys



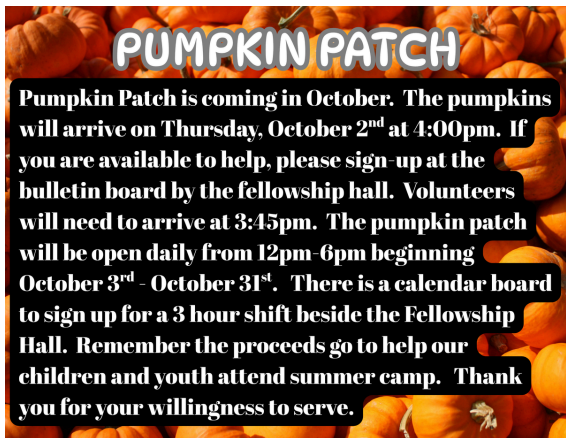
Back to School Bash
September 6, 2025
10am - Noon
K - 5TH GRADE

Games **Activities**
Food **FUN**



PUMPKIN PATCH

Pumpkin Patch is coming in October. The pumpkins will arrive on Thursday, October 2nd at 4:00pm. If you are available to help, please sign-up at the bulletin board by the fellowship hall. Volunteers will need to arrive at 3:45pm. The pumpkin patch will be open daily from 12pm-6pm beginning October 3rd - October 31st. There is a calendar board to sign up for a 3 hour shift beside the Fellowship Hall. Remember the proceeds go to help our children and youth attend summer camp. Thank you for your willingness to serve.



Student Ministries

412
STUDENTS
1 TIMOTHY 4:12

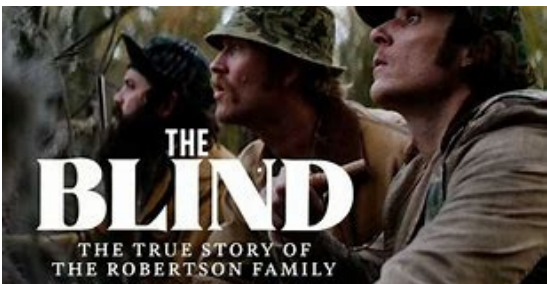


We have organized games, worship, prayer time, and Bible lessons. During the Bible lesson portion, students have the option of working from three different modules: memory verses, books of the Bible, and our biblical foundation.

ReCharge, a monthly gathering for 412 students, will meet on September 14th after the morning worship service at the Youth House. Lunch will be provided.



Movie Night



All 412 students join us on Saturday, September 27th at 6:00pm at the Youth House.

WINTER RETREAT
JAN 1-4
FELLOWSHIP BIBLE STUDY
PINNACLE RETREAT CENTER
\$120 PER STUDENT DUE OCTOBER 1ST



Women's Ministry

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study groups are continuing our studies on the Fruit of the Spirit. We would love for you to join us at 6:30pm on Wednesdays or 10:00am on Thursdays for a wonderful time of study and fellowship.



BIBLES AND BOARDS

Join us on Sunday, September 7th for a women's fellowship time at 6:00pm. Bring your Bibles for a time of devotion and a "snack board" to share with the group. We look forward to seeing you there!



Discipleship Ministry

LIBRARY NEWS: Stop by and take a look. The church library is now organized according to topics and specific authors. Don't forget that we now have a new CD/DVD/Blue Ray Player for in-library use.

Men's Ministry

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST
SEPTEMBER 7TH AT 7:30AM



MEN'S/BOY'S BYOM FELLOWSHIP EVENT:

The men will have an event on September 19th from 5:30pm-8:00pm in the HBC Fellowship Hall. "Bring your own meat"-Chicken, Steak, Pork, Hamburger or Hotdog (If you bring a hamburger or hotdog, bring a bun). We will have the grill ready by 5:30pm and all meats should be cooked by 6:30pm. We will provide Coleslaw, Potato Salad, French Fries, condiments and all necessary eating materials. Bring a friend, your meat entrée and either a drink or dessert to share.

Missions Ministry



OCC collection week is 14 weeks away! The goal for our church is 400 boxes. The goal for the Augusta area is 16,000 and globally is 12.6 million shoeboxes. We will start a goal page for online shoeboxes very soon. We will be having a project leader workshop on September 20th from 10-2pm. If you would like to know more about Operation Christmas Child see Amanda Larson, Dan & Dawn Meyer or Jimmy John.

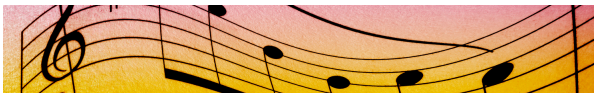
International Missions

Tribe of Peace in Northern Africa
Pray for a group of students who are studying a language. They are learning the language through stories about Jesus. Ask the Holy Spirit to prick their hearts as they encounter these stories. Pray that they will have a deep desire to know the truth. Pray for wisdom for the teachers as they handle difficult questions and discussions. Ask that they will be beacons of light to these students who walk in darkness.

Music Ministry

HBC ADULT CHOIR

The adult choir is rehearsing a special choir song for our Homecoming Service on September 28th. If you would like to join the Adult Choir for this special service, please see Amanda Brookins for more information or join us each Sunday at 9:00am. We hope to see you there!



CHILDREN 'S CHOIR

The Children's Choir will begin meeting again on Wednesday, September 3rd, at 6:30pm.

Senior Adult Ministry

Join us for Young at Heart on Monday, September 8th at 12pm. Our guest speaker is Renee Howell from Mangrove Ministries. We will learn how to focus on hearing God's plan and use His GPS as he guides us to fulfill His purpose for our lives.

