

January 15, 2023



 **South
Bend
First
Nazarene**    Find us on Facebook Tithes and Offerings Connection Card

51690 Ironwood Road • South Bend • Indiana • 46635 • 574.272.6466 secretary@southbendfirst.org
www.sbfnaz.org

WELCOME!

January 15, 2023

Our prayer is that you would discover and experience the love of God through Jesus Christ today!

We're so glad you worshiped with us today!

A staffed nursery is available during this morning's worship gathering.

Aid for the hearing impaired is available. Please see an usher for assistance.

Need Internet?

SBFN Guest Password: **SBFNet10!**

THIS WEEK AT SBFN

Sunday

| | |
|--------------|--|
| 8-11:15 a.m. | Prayer Room is Open |
| 8:00 a.m. | Band & Singers Practice |
| 9:00 a.m. | S.S./Discipleship: Children, Youth, Adults |
| 10:15 a.m. | Morning Worship Gathering |
| 12:00 p.m. | Taster's Choice: Chili Cook - off |
| 12:30 p.m. | Youth Quiz Practice |

Wednesday

| | |
|------------|--|
| 12:00 p.m. | DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING |
| 6:00 p.m. | Women's Sewing Worship Team Rehearsal |

Thursday

| | |
|-----------|------------------|
| 6:00 p.m. | Women's Quilting |
| 7:00 p.m. | Men's Basketball |

Friday

| | |
|------------|--|
| 11:30 a.m. | WALK FOR LIFE Walk for Life, begins at "The Hall" on Washington Street |
|------------|--|

Next Sunday

| | |
|--------------|--|
| 8-11:15 a.m. | Prayer Room is Open |
| 8:00 a.m. | Band & Singers Practice |
| 9:00 a.m. | S.S./Discipleship: Children, Youth, Adults |
| 10:15 a.m. | Morning Worship Gathering |
| 12:30 p.m. | Youth Quiz Practice |

TODAY'S WORSHIP GATHERING

Forever

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENT/OFFERING

All The People Said Amen
Always
Nothing But The Blood

MORNING SERMON

Together We Can: United in Truth
Psalm 145:18; Mark 3:20-27; John 4:24;
8:32; 16:13; 17:17
Lead Pastor Andy Lauer

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

| | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Sunday a.m. Discipleship | 89 |
| Sunday a.m. Worship | 144 |
| Midweek Activities | 50 |
| On-Line Views | 17 |

SBFN MINISTRY TEAM

Lead Pastor - Andy Lauer
Children's Pastor - Brenda El-Talabani
Youth Pastor - Christina Fischer
Worship Pastor - Rebekah Gilbert
Missions Director - Sue Harris
Office Administrator - Carole Snyder

SBFN NEW OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

Tithes & Offering

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Received week of (1/8/2023) | \$6,439.22 |
| Needed Weekly | \$6,824.55 |
| Average Giving YTD | \$6,354.67 |

December Missional Giving

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| WEF | \$1,385.99 |
| Child Sponsorship | \$30.00 |

Church Building & Facilities

| | |
|------------------|--------------|
| Mortgage Balance | \$663,605.42 |
|------------------|--------------|

UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

SERMON SERIES

Scripture reminds us that two can do more than one alone, and a whole group is stronger still. This new sermon series will be a call to each of us at SBFN to engage in discipleship and invite others in a more intentional way in 2023. This will be our best year yet - Together We Can!

TASTER'S CHOICE: CHILI COOK-OFF TODAY

Today is the NMI's Annual "Taster's Choice: Cook-Off". We will meet immediately following the morning worship hour. All proceeds for the luncheon will go to support "**WORLD MISSION RADIO BROADCAST**", which shares the Good News message around the world in remote areas by Missionary Brian Utter, who shared his story with us back in March, 2022.

**Here's how we will make it happen, prior to entering the gym fill out your family's order form, ie. A bowl for all the chili you want to taste for \$1 each. Add up your order for a suggested donation. You are welcome to round up or give extra donations if you'd like. After tasting the chili vote for your favorite chili by placing money into the jar on the table by the chili you select as the best. Yes, you can vote for more than one chili! Then the money will be counted and

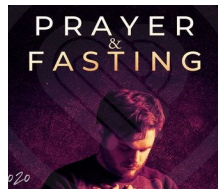
who ever has the most money in their jar will be the chili winner, and get the "Golden Ladle". There is also a children's menu of PBJ & juice. Thank you in advance for everyone's willingness to help & also to participate!



DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING - Wed. Jan. 18th

This Wednesday, January 18th we will have our first "DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING". This will take place of the 24 Prayer & Fasting we used to have on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Pray and Fast as God directs you on this day. Any special requests made will be sent through email the day before as a reminder. The prayer request are on the bulletin board by the door to our Patio.



WALK FOR LIFE THIS FRIDAY, JANUARY 20th

Human life begins at conception. According to the Bible, God has plans for each person before they're even born (Jeremiah 1:5). Recent victories against

abortion at the Supreme Court are good, but they're not enough. The battle now moves to each state, and ultimately to the hearts of people. **Join us on Friday, January 20th as the people of SBFN join others in our community to be a voice for life. The event begins at 11:30 a.m. at "The Hall" at 553 E.**

Washington St. in downtown South Bend. We will then peacefully march to the Federal Courthouse to be a voice for the image of God in the unborn.

SBFNaz KIDZ QUIZZING - Wed., January 25th

SBFNaz Kidz Bible Quizzing will begin on Wednesday, January 25th for 1st - 5th graders. We will start the night off with some Gym time beginning at 5:30 p.m. Followed by the Kick - Off our 2023 - 2024 Bible Quizzing year. Starting at 5:45 p.m. we will begin our first lesson and then be dismissed promptly at 6:45 p.m. since it's a school night. Please remember to pick up a calendar at the Children's Welcome Desk in the Children's Center this week. If you have questions or didn't get a calendar contact Pastor Brenda at 904-625-2121, or the church at 574-272-6466.



MOMMY & ME BIBLE STUDY BEGINS IN FEB.

Our Mommy & Me Bible Study will be a great time of studying the Bible together and building

community and fellowship for moms of infants and school aged children. The Bible Study will run for 7 weeks. It will **begin on Tuesday, February 7th, at 10:30 a.m.**, and continue every Tuesday after that until Tuesday, March 21st. If you have any questions or you plan to attend, please contact Sarah Fischer at 574-807-4285.

A1S1: ATTEND 1, SERVE 1

SBFN has many opportunities to grow and be disciplined. We also have many opportunities to grow and serve. Our hope is that each person who calls this his or her church home would find one of both - attend one discipleship opportunity and serve during one. We believe it's part of fulfilling our calling. If you're not already participating in discipleship or actively serving in a particular area, please prayerfully consider where you can start doing so.

Praise & Prayer

(If you would like a Praise or Prayer Request put on our list, or if you know in advance of a scheduled surgery or extended hospital stay, please let the church office know by filling out a blue Prayer Card and placing it in the offering plate. Please remember to keep us updated.)

ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS:

- *Pray for the Gospel to continue to be spread throughout the world. Pray for the Lord's soon return.**
- *Pray for the Global Church to be faithful to God and His Word.**
- *Pray for Persecuted Christians, Missionaries, SBFN, our Church Staff, our Elected Leaders, our Courts, and our Country.**
- *Pray for Hannah's House, and other Crisis Pregnancy Centers that are helping mothers who keep their children from abortion.**
- *Pray for an end to legal abortion in the U.S.**
- *Pray for conflicts to end in Ukraine.**
- *Pray for U.S. Soldiers, Police, First Responders, and the families.**
- *Pray for those who have lost loved ones.**

SPECIFIC PRAYER CONCERNS: (New ones in bold)

***Linda - UPDATE** - (Terry Minix's sister) had surgery on 1/12 at Mayo Clinic. Her diagnosis was cancer again. Please pray that she can beat this diagnosis again!

***Bruce Thompson - UPDATE** - THANKFUL his scans came back improved and no spread of disease! He has talked with the surgeon, and surgery is scheduled for 1/31/23. Please continue to pray for Bruce through this journey!

***Jeff Minix** - had esophageal surgery on 1/13 & is asking everyone to pray for him during this difficult time. Prayers the surgery is successful, and he can start feeling better quickly.

***Carole Snyder** - appt. with Endocrinologist is this week (1/18). Pray the doctors can figure out quickly what is causing such high blood sugar even while on several meds. Prayers that it can be resolved quickly without any issues.

***Keith Irons - (Scott Snyder's friend)** - taken by ambulance to the hospital with serious complications from diabetes, and a bladder infection. He has been admitted to the ICU and isn't doing well. Pray for the doctor's to be able to get his diabetes and infection under control quickly.

***Steve Conard** - having his pacemaker replaced on 1/28/23.

***Helen - UPDATE** - (Courtney Hoover's grandma) is home from the hospital on hospice care. She has decided not to do chemo to treat her stage IV lung cancer.

***Janet Candler** - so appreciative and thankful that Mandy picked her up for church. Her family needs some prayers. Dale Woods needs prayer for some serious health concerns. Both Janet's sons, and her husband Robert, need spiritual & physical prayers. Janet is faithful to leave all these prayers up to the Lord.

***Russel - UPDATE** - (Evelyn Lowrance's great grandson) Russel's port came out, so his parents took him to the ER at Lakeland Hospital. Russel Mom had to take Russel to a hospital in Grand Rapids to have the port re-inserted. The procedure could not be performed at Lakeland. Prayers for a good outcome.

SBFN INFORMATION

SBFN CONNECTION BOXES

We want to hear from you. In order to better do that, we have Connection boxes throughout the building. Please place your Connection Cards/Prayer Cards in these boxes.



ABF & S.S. CLASSES

All adult, youth, and children's Sunday School classes begin at 9:00 a.m. If you haven't already, make plans to join us next Sunday morning. You will be glad you did! Invite a friend or two to join you as well. We can't wait to see each of you very soon!



SBFN WEBSITE

Have you visited the SBFN website since it has been redone? It's a great resource for you, your family, and your friends to discover more about our church, our beliefs, and what's going on weekly. You can find it at www.sbfnaz.org. Check it out, and share it with your family and friends.



SBFN ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE

You can give from anywhere using your desktop, laptop, or smart phone. You have options to make a one-time gift, or a recurring gift such as weekly, monthly, every two weeks, or twice a month. You can also link the online giving account to your bank account, or debit or credit card. From your smartphone camera, focus it on the QR Code provided on the front of this bulletin, and it will take you straight to the online giving website. From your laptop or desktop you can simply go to the online giving option on our church's webpage and sign up there. Go to: www.sbfnaz.org, choose About SBFN, Online Giving from the scroll down box, then proceed from there.

