WELCOME! April 21, 2024

We're so glad you worshiped with us today! Our prayer is that you would experience God's love and truth through Jesus Christ!

*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:

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TODAY'S WORSHIP GATHERING

Everlasting God

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/ **OFFERING**

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MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

"Finding True Happiness: Practicing Contentment" Matthew 6:19-34 Pastor Rebekah Gilbert

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

Sunday A.M. Discipleship	104
Sunday A.M. Worship	142
Midweek Activities	72
On-Line Views	16
Saturday's Faith Promise Dinner	104

SBFN MINISTRY TEAM

Lead Pastor - Andy Lauer Children's Pastor - Brenda El-Talabani Worship Pastor - Rebekah Gilbert NYI President - Megan Williamson Missions Director - Sue Harris Office Administrator - Carole Snyder

THIS WEEK AT SBFN

Sunday

8-11:15 a.m.	Prayer Room is Open
8:00 a.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal
9:00 a.m.	S.S./Discipleship: Children,
	Youth, Foundations & Adult
10:15 a.m.	Morning Worship Gathering

Wednesday

All Day	Prayer and Fasting
11:00 a.m.	Ladies Crafts
6:00 p.m.	Children's Ministries Activities
	WIRED - Youth Ministries
	The Forge - Men's Group
	She Soars - Women's Group
	Come to the Water

Worship Practice

Thursday

6:00 p.m.	Quilting Group
7:00 p.m.	Men's Basketbal

Saturday

4:00 p.m. Parents' Night Out

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	The Narrowing - ONU Group

Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

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Received week of	(4/14/24)	\$8,463.92
Needed Weekly	,	\$6,765.85
Average Giving YTD		\$7,605.93

March Missional Giving

World Evangelism Fund	\$1,960.29
Child Sponsorship	\$30.00

Church Building & Facilities

\$566.643.21 Mortgage Balance

UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

SERMON SERIES: FINDING TRUE HAPPINESS

Companies spend billions in advertising to try to convince us that their products will make us happy. Podcasters, "influencers", and religious gurus claim to have the secret to happiness. But as so many have already discovered, true happiness is elusive...unless you know the Source of true happiness. Join us the next few weeks as we continue to explore what the Bible has to say about discovering true happiness in our lives.

SPECIAL MUSIC NEXT WEEK WITH "THE NARROW"

Join us next Sunday, April 28th, as the music ministry group "The Narrow" from Olivet Nazarene University will be leading us in worship. The Narrow travels and leads worship at churches, camps, and retreats as well as ONU chapel services throughout the year. You don't want to miss it!

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT - Saturday, April 27th

Parents' Night Out is for parents of infants - 5th graders. The hope is that this will allow you a few hours of time to spend together or maybe getting some needed errands done kid-free. We ask families that participate in this Parents' Night Out to also schedule to help with childcare during one of the weeks as well. The schedule is on a rotating basis with all **PARENTS** NIGHT

participating families. To participate, You will need to fill out some paperwork prior to your first time participating. Any questions please see Karen Greer.

FOURTH SUNDAY CONNECTIONS - Next Week, April 28th Please join us in wearing name tags every 4th Sunday at SBFN in order to help us all know one another better, especially those who are newer to SBFN. Fourth Sundays

will also continue to have the Connections Table for those who are new to SBFN to visit with the pastors and receive a gift and some free discipleship materials. Let's continue to be the church God has called us to be by knowing and caring for one another!

BAPTISM CLASS - Sunday, May 5th

In Matthew 28:19 Jesus instructed that His followers should be baptized. Simply put, undergoing baptism is something a person does to indicate that he or she is a follower of Jesus Christ - dying to their former way of life, with all its sin and selfishness, and being raised up again into a new life with Christ. If you're a follower

of Jesus but have never been baptized, this is your opportunity to publicly proclaim your life in Jesus. Whether you are sure you want to be baptized, or simply want to learn more about it, join the Adult or Children's

classes that are available on Sunday, May 5th. The Children's class will be during the children's 9 a.m. hour upstairs with Pastor Brenda. While the Adult class will be following the morning worship time in Pastor Andy's office. Then the baptism service will be that next Sunday, May 12th (Mother's Day) during the morning worship time. If you wish to be baptized, you must go through the class.

HAVE A GRADUATION TO ANNOUNCE?

We are so proud of all of our graduates! Please contact the church office if you have a student (high school of college) whose graduation party you would like announced in the bulletin. If we do not hear from you, we will not be able to post the information. Thank you!

UPCOMING GRADUATION PARTIES:

*Naomi Lauer - Sunday, May 5th, from 2 - 5 p.m., here at

DISCOVERING SBFN: MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Membership is an exciting opportunity to become a part of all that God is doing through ministry here at SBFN. If you have ever thought about being a member here at SBFN now you have an opportunity to learn more during our "Discovering SBFN" membership class on Sunday, May 26th after the morning worship gathering, from noon -

3 p.m., in room FC107 in the gym. Want to know more about the mission and ministry of SBFN? This is your opportunity to do that **≥**MEMBERS and explore membership without having to make a commitment until you're ready to do

so. *NO CHILDCARE AVAILABLE*

LADIES SAVE THE DATE!!

Ladies, remember to keep these 6 weeks open on your calendar! Beginning Wednesday, May 1st, and going through Wednesday, June 12th Barb Motuelle will be presenting a 6 - week Bible Study titled "12 Ordinary Men". The Bible Study will begin promptly at 6 p.m. and end at 7:30 p.m. We will meet here at SBFN in room FC106 (located right off the gym's main entrance). All

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Ladies are welcome. If you plan to attend or have any questions, fill out a yellow connection card with your name and phone number on it. Someone will get back with you, or you can contact Barb Motuelle at 269-362-5567.

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THE KIDS STORE NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS!!

The Kids Store is in need of children's toys. We need toys for both our boys and girls. The toys need to be for children ages 3 yrs. old through elementary age. We appreciate any new or gently used toys that are donated. The toys only need to be a few dollars in price, nothing super expensive, but if the toy needs batteries, please include the batteries. You may bring the item to the church office during office hours, or bring them to church on Sunday mornings and hand them to Pastor Brenda. The kids really do enjoy using their Naz Bucks they earn, so please help restock our shelves. Thank you!

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 shared 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, Elected Leaders, 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 an end to conflict and wars around the world. *Pray for U.S. Soldiers. Police, First Responders, and families. *Pray for those who have lost loved ones.

SPECIFIC PRAYER CONCERNS: (New is in bold)

*Carol - (Kim Hengert's Mom) Kim and her siblings decided to let their mother pass peacefully in the early morning hours of 4/19. *Louise - UPDATE - (Carolyne Wallace Mother-in-Law) passed away peacefully on 4/11. Services are on 4/20 in OH.

*Dan Tingle - (Darilyne Tingle's brother-in-law) passed away on 4/14. We rejoice that he is resting in the arms of Jesus now.

*Ed - (friend of Darilyne & Carolyne) has been put in hospice care at Brickyard Fountainview. Prayers for God's will over him at this time. *Bud Williams - UPDATE - (David Williams Dad) cancer, continued health concerns. Please continue to pray for Bud, Lea, and the William's family.

*Audrey Fay Martin - (Dana Keeton's Mom) passed away on 4/4. Continued prayers for the family during this difficult time appreciated. *Russell - (Evelyn Lowrance's, great grandson) has lead poisoning from painted walls in their house. There is a treatment, but doctors aren't sure if Russell's kidneys can handle it due to him being so fragile already. Has been admitted at Memorial Hospital.

*Jason & Virginia Pease - prayers for their children that they would accept Jesus Christ as their personal Lord & Savior, and develop a personal relationship with him.

*Tracy Paulus - (Bill and Mary Paulus' daughter-in-law) had heart oblation surgery on 4/3, surgery went well. Prayers during recovery. *Mary Paulus - UPDATE - moved to Creekside Village for rehab. She is in room 112. Plans are for her to be there for at least 1-2 weeks. Pray Mary will do all of what is needed so she can go home like she wants. Prayers for Bill as well as he travels to be with Mary each day. *Mary Nafrady - health concerns.

*John - (Christina Correll's Uncle) diagnosed with cancer. Prayers for his family, and for healing and strength.

*Dick Hesser - (Darleen Minix's father) Has liver cancer. Has begun radiation treatments. Doctor's are hopeful they will be able to shrink cancer and maintain it. Thank you for all the continued prayers. *Toby Braun - needs God to guide him as he recovers from drug addiction. Continued prayers are very much appreciated.

SBFN INFORMATION

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 tithe such as weekly, monthly, 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, scan the QR Code provided, 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.

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.



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. Check it out and share it at www.sbfnaz.org.

A QUICK VIEW OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

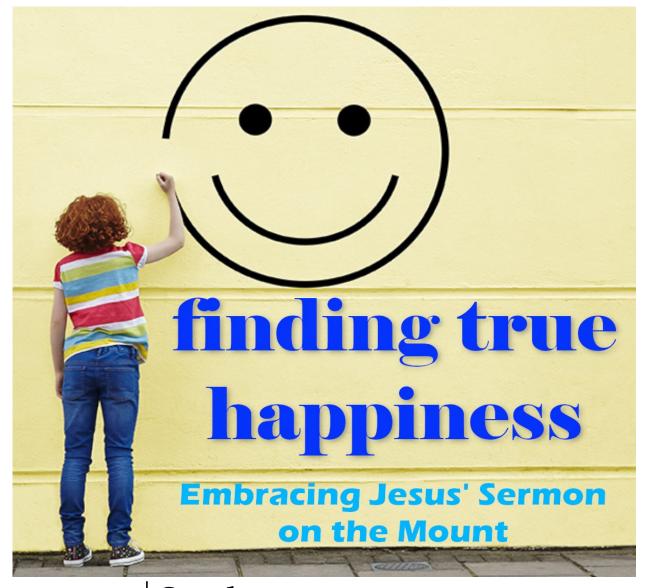
APRIL

28 - The Narrow - ONU Worship Group (10:15 a.m.) 29 & 30 - District Assembly @ Valparaiso Naz.

MAY

- 5 Children's Baptism Class (9 a.m.) Baptism Class (after morning worship) Naomi Lauer's Grad. Party (2 - 5p.m. @ SBFN)
- 12 Mother's Day Baptism Service
- 14 Church Board Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
- 16 18 NYI Regional Celebrate Life @ ONU
- 18 Parent's Night Out (4 p.m. 7:30 p.m.)
- 26 Discovering SBFN: Membership Class

- 2 Children's Promotion Sunday (10:15 a.m.) Youth Welcome Party (5 p.m.)
- 5 Youth **SERVE** begins





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