

## WELCOME TO VENTURA

Thanks for being here today! We welcome you to Ventura Baptist Church and pray that God would draw you closer to Himself through your time with us.

### Our Mission & Values

Our mission is to *Pursue Jesus Together*. "Christ died, and He died for all, so that those who live would no longer live for themselves, but for Him Who for their sake died and was raised" (2 Cor. 5:15). Believing in this truth compels us to live in three simple ways:



Exalting God



Edifying His Church



Evangelizing the World

**THE GOSPEL:** The good news of God's love provided through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus; granting forgiveness for sin and eternal life to all who trust in Him for salvation.

## LAST SUNDAY

Average Morning Attendance	200
Average Evening Attendance	80
Average Giving	\$5,439
Weekly Budget	\$4,655

## THIS WEEK @ A GLANCE

SEPT 05	Wednesday	6:20 PM	SQUAD (grades 6-8) Prayer @ Covey's
SEPT 05	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Praise & Worship Night @ the Church
SEPT 06	Thursday	7:15 PM	Women in Touch prayer meeting
SEPT 07	Friday	6:00 AM	Men's Prayer (Big Apple Bagel on Waverly)
SEPT 07	Friday	6:30 PM	Choir Kick-Off @ the Price's



**SUNDAY SCHOOL "PROMOTION" SUNDAY**—On Sun., Sept 9, families and students ages 3—teen will meet in the sanctuary at 9:30 am for a brief introduction of the Fall Sunday school teachers before going to their (new) individual classes. Parents, please return your "Family Info Sheets" to Lise Zinck's mailbox ASAP. Extra forms are by the mailboxes if you need them.

## MORNING SERVICE

Church Family Announcements  
Call to Worship

*O Worship the King  
To God be the Glory*

Prayer of Confession  
Scripture Reading:  
Psalm 30:2-5; 11-12

*I Need Thee Every Hour  
Psalm 86*

Worship in Giving & Song

Children's Time

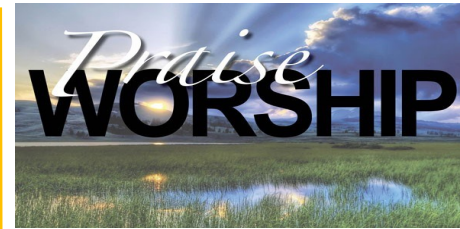
Sermon

Communion

Whether or not you are a member of Ventura, it is our desire to celebrate communion with any Christian who is looking to Jesus for forgiveness and for grace to follow Him.

Benediction

\*There is no evening service tonight.



Join us here at the church this Wed, Sept 5 at 6:30pm for a night of praise and worship together. Child care will be provided for nursery through elementary ages.



SQUAD—don't forget to join your friends at the Covey's for prayer this Wed, Sept. 5 at 6:20pm!



Church members, mark your calendars for our next Members' Lunch and Meeting on **Sun, Sept. 16** immediately following the morning service.

## MISSIONARY of the MONTH

Bryan and Heather MacPhail-Fausey  
Missionaries to Cameroon with Baptist Mid-Missions



**From their recent prayer letter:** "July 25 marked two years since our arrival in Cameroon. It is truly an amazing adventure that our Father has laid before us. As we continue to be stretched, there are times of great joy and times of great pain. There is often a lingering sense of uncertainty as we strive to comprehend and work within the culture. As we reflect on our interactions, our activities and what we have learned, we continue to refine and clarify our core ministry strategy; a strategy to build strong, mature and reproducing disciples and churches. Please continue to pray for us as we continue to implement and refine this strategy."

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for me:

Prayer request or  
praise: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please make my prayer request known to:

- Pastor
- Church Staff & Elders
- Church Prayer Chain



"...help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" Acts 20:35



We are in need of 2-3 additional people who are willing to serve in the nursery during Ladies Bible Study on either (or both) Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning. If you would serve in this way, please contact Salli Lemmen or Tracy Durey. Their information is in the church's directory .

## CONNECT WITH US

We encourage you to fill out a **Connection Card** below so we can know how to serve you better and help you get plugged in. You can tear off this card and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to any one

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I am an out-of-town visitor.

I am new to Ventura Baptist Church.

Names and ages of others in your home:

Other Requests: **I am...**

interested in Discovering Ventura Class.

interested in joining a fellowship group.

in need of benevolence care.

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars



### MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP

#### MEN'S BREAKFAST

Every **Friday at 6 am**, men meet together at Big Apple Bagel on Waverly to discuss what God is teaching them and to also encourage each other in every area of their lives. All men are welcome!

### WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP

#### WOMEN IN TOUCH PRAYER GATHERING

Enter the Throne of Grace with fellow sisters in Christ to praise and give thanksgiving to our great God as well as to intercede on behalf our children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, spouses, etc. September dates are **Thurs, Sept 6 & 20** at 7:15pm at Heidi Covey's home. All women are welcome!

#### LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, mark your calendars for the start of a new Bible study series beginning **Sept. 18 & 19**. Child care will be available for both sessions. Sign up sheets and more information are on the message board in the school house.

#### BRIDAL SHOWER

Ladies, join us on **Thurs., Sept 27** at 7pm to celebrate the upcoming marriage of Ariel Taylor to Rob Wood. They are registered at Target. For a group gift, see Cyndi Hemmes. To RSVP look for an evite in your e-mail or sign up on the message board.

#### WOMEN'S SALT CONFERENCE—CULTIVATING A TRUE COMMUNITY OF GRACE

It's almost here! **Sat., Oct. 6 (8 am—3 pm)** is the women's conference at Lakeshore Baptist in Grand Haven. This year's speaker is Holly Stratton. You can read about her on her blog: [lifehurts.us](http://lifehurts.us) Cost is \$25 (increases to \$35 on Sept. 24). You can register at [salt-womensconference.com](http://salt-womensconference.com) or sign up on the message board in the school house.

### CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP

#### SQUAD NEWS

Mark your calendars for **Sat., Sept 29 at 6:30pm** for a "Bond" fire at the Steele's house.

### MISSIONS

#### LADIES' BRUNCH AT CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Ladies, join us on **Tues, Sept. 11 from 9:30—11:00am** for a special brunch honoring Jill Henry as she is currently on home assignment from SE Asia. There is no cost for the brunch, but please sign up by Sept. 9 so we can give a count to Calvary.

#### MISSIONS EMPHASIS & BANQUET

Mark your calendars now for a special Sunday School hour with Jill Henry on **Sept. 16**. In addition, our annual banquet will be on **Sat., Sept. 22** at 5:30pm. Everyone is asked to bring an "ethnic" main dish to share. Sign up sheets are under the missions board.

### CHURCH FAMILY

#### MEMBERS' LUNCH AND MEETING

Members, please make note that our next meeting will include lunch directly following the morning service on **Sept. 16**. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.



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## The Book of Romans



"Slaves of Righteousness"

Romans 6:15-23

Pastor Timothy Durey



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