

THIS WEEK @ A GLANCE

FEB 8	MON	6:30 PM	Elder Meeting
FEB 9	TUES	6:30 PM	Midweek Fellowship Group @ Mast's
FEB 10	WED	10:00 AM	Women's Discipleship Groups
FEB 10	WED	6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Midweek Fellowship Groups @ Jepma's, Koedyker's, Pollard's Wolter's
FEB 11	THUR	6:00 AM 7:00 PM	Men's Discipleship Group Women's Discipleship Group
FEB 13	SAT	7:00 AM	Men's Discipleship Group



When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?

Psalm 56:3-4



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MISSIONARY of the MONTH: Bob & Sandy Piatt



Robert and Sandy Piatt were approved as Baptist Bible Fellowship missionaries to Japan in May 1974 where they have been serving ever since. Bob wrote recently: *"The Coronavirus is spiking in parts of Japan. The Prefecture of Osaka, where we live, is one of [those affected]. In the 10 heavily affected Prefectures, the hospitals are almost full of corona cases. At present we are having Sunday School, Sunday AM service, and Wednesday service. We haven't had our Sunday PM service or Ladies meeting*

in about 9-10 months. Also, our park meetings have been cancelled. Our church does not have an internet hook up, so we cannot podcast our services." Please be praying for the Piatt's as they seek to continue to share the Gospel in the midst of these challenging times.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

- ◇ **Announcements & Call to Worship** Pastor David Pollard
- ◇ **Song of Worship** *O Worship the King*
- ◇ **Prayer of Corporate Confession and Lament**
- ◇ **Song of Assurance** *Mercies Anew*
- ◇ **Song of Anticipation** *Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me*
- ◇ **Scripture Reading & Prayer** Ephesians 6:10-20
- ◇ **Sermon:** Ben Gerth
"Prayer in the Spiritual Battle"
- ◇ **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** 2 Peter 1:2-3

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.

GIVING

If you have an offering, you can place your offering in one of the offering plates that is located in the Gathering Center and the Main Auditorium.

Average Giving	\$7,378	Weekly Budget	\$6,597
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EVENING SERVICE

- Ages 3-Kindergarten** Children's Annex
- 1st-3rd grade** Children's Annex
- 4th-5th grade** Schoolhouse 1
- SQUAD (grades 6-8) & SOWERS (9-12)** Auditorium
- Men's Discipleship Groups** Gathering Center
- Women's Discipleship Groups** Classrooms in Auditorium



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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 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

FIND COMMUNITY

Pursue growth, accountability and unity with other individuals or families through prayer and fellowship in a **Midweek Fellowship Group**. For more information contact Pastor Timothy at durey.vbc@gmail.com.

I AM INTERESTED IN A MWF GROUP

BECOME A MEMBER

Discovering Ventura classes meet several times a year to share Ventura's history and vision, core beliefs, and the meaning of membership. For more information contact Pastor Timothy at durey.vbc@gmail.com.

I AM INTERESTED IN DISCOVERING VENTURA

SERVE

We steward the grace we have received from God by using our gifts to serve. For more info email mail@venturabaptistchurch.com

I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING

List any areas of interest or skills:

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 of our greeters.

I AM A...

- 1st TIME GUEST REGULAR ATTENDEE
 MEMBER OUT OF TOWN GUEST

PRIMARY CONTACT INFO

NAME _____

EMAIL _____

MOBILE # _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

CITY, ST _____ ZIP _____

DOB / / GENDER M F

MARITAL STATUS _____

SPOUSE

NAME _____ DOB / /

EMAIL _____

MOBILE # _____

CHILDREN

DOB / /

PRAYER REQUESTS/COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

- PRIVATE PRAYER CHAIN

DISCIPLESHIP & FELLOWSHIP

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

MEN'S & WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP: Several men's groups and women's groups are meeting now through mid-June to study the book of 1 Timothy together. Each month is a new chapter and the weeks are divided into Observations (wk 1), Interpretation (wk 2), and Application (wk 3). On the 4th week of the month, the groups do not meet. Groups meet on the following days/times:

SUN	5 PM	Men & Women (in person @ church)
WED	10 AM	Women (in person @ church)
THU	6 AM	Men (in person @ church)
THU	7 PM	Women (in person @ church & virtual)
SAT	7 AM	Men (in person @ church)

For more information or to join a group, please contact Mark or Amy Buhl or contact the church office.

MIDWEEK FELLOWSHIP GROUPS: Prayer groups gather in various homes during the week for prayer and fellowship. Our desire is to encourage an atmosphere of accountability, spiritual growth, exhortation, and unity among one another. This is a wonderful way to connect with a smaller group within our church family. For more information or to join a group, please contact Pastor David Pollard or one of the group leaders.

CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP

CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS: Beginning **TONIGHT, Feb 7** (5:00-6:30) we look forward to resuming our Children's Sunday School time. Nursery will be offered during this time for ages 0-2. Sunday school classes will be offered for the following groups: Ages 3-Kindergarten, 1st-3rd grade, 4th-5th grade, SQUAD (grades 6-8), and SOWERS (grade 9-12). These classes will typically meet on the first three Sundays of the month. If you have questions, please talk with David Pollard or Mark Buhl.

CHURCH FAMILY

CHOIR MINISTRY: We are making plans to begin a modified choir ministry again starting in **March**. Rehearsals will be the first Saturday of the month from 9-11 am. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Mary Price (marylprice@gmail.com).

SQUAD EVENT: On, Saturday, **FEB 20th** from 10AM - NOON, all SQUAD students are invited to a winter event. SQUAD may be dropped off by parents at Van Raalte Farm (off 24th Street) for a day of fun and events. Dress warm. No cost. IF SNOW - bring sleds to go sledding. IF NO SNOW - we will hike trails. We will **not** be providing lunch at the end. Each kid can bring their own snack if desired. Parents to pick-up SQUAD at NOON. Please be sure that your child has an updated medical release form on file at the church before bringing him/her to this event. If you are unsure or have any questions, please contact David Pollard (david.pollardj@gmail.com) or Heidi Covey (heiditoddcovey@gmail.com).



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