

## THIS WEEK @ A GLANCE

SEP 7	TUES	6:30 PM	Midweek Fellowship Group @ Mast's
SEP 8	WED	10:00 AM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Women's Discipleship Group Midweek Fellowship Groups @ Jepma & Koedyker Wolters'
SEP 9	THU	6:00 AM 7:00 PM	Men's Discipleship Group Women's Discipleship Group
SEP 11	SAT	7:00 AM 9:00 AM 12:00 PM	Men's Discipleship Group Choir Rehearsal Church Reserved for Private Event

### VENTURA FALL SCHEDULE

#### SUNDAY MORNINGS (beginning Sept. 12)

**Sunday School (9:30 AM):** Each Sunday morning we have the opportunity to pray and dive into the Word of God in a small-group context – offering something for all ages.  
**Morning Worship (10:30 AM):** We will continue to have our main worship gathering at 10:30. We **will continue** to offer seating in the Gathering Center. We are also excited to begin coffee service again.

#### SUNDAY EVENINGS (5:00-6:30)

We will continue to incorporate men's and women's discipleship groups, as well as both SQUAD (middle school) and SOWERS (high school) gatherings. Nursery will also be available (ages 0-2). **We are thrilled to be able to offer a children's program during this time as well for ages 4 through elementary.**

#### WEEKDAYS (Mondays-Thursdays)

We will again incorporate regular office hours where the church building will be open to anyone, and the pastors will be available to you. **Office hours will be Mon, Wed, Thurs from 9-5.** During this time you are also welcome to meet with others at the church. Coffee, tea and water will be available.



For more information and future events, please visit our church website at: [www.venturabaptistchurch.com](http://www.venturabaptistchurch.com) and click on the "Calendar" tab.



Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Cor 9:6-7

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

- ◇ **Announcements** Pastor David Pollard
- ◇ **Call to Worship** Pastor Timothy Durey
- ◇ **Song of Worship** *O Worship the King*
- ◇ **Song of Hope** *Jesus Firm Foundation*
- ◇ **Prayer of Corporate Confession and Lament**
- ◇ **Song of Confession** *I Will Glory in My Redeemer*
- ◇ **Song of Trust** *Ancient of Days*
- ◇ **Scripture Reading & Prayer** Daniel 5:1-12
- ◇ **Sermon** Pastor Timothy Durey
- ◇ **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** Jude 24-25

**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.

#### MISSIONARY of the MONTH: Bob & Sandy Piatt



*Bob & Sandy Piatt were approved as Baptist Bible Fellowship missionaries to Japan in May 1974 where they have been serving ever since. Due to the 4th wave of Covid cases and restrictions in the Osaka area, the Piatt's have been limited in their opportunities to visit in person with others, however, they are thankful that Sandy has been allowed to return to Onshinryo to teach a Bible class. Bob shared recently that he and Sandy have received the second dose of the vaccine for the corona virus, but "many of our people haven't received any of the vaccines. Pray with us that they will stay safe."*

### 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	\$7,491	Weekly Budget	\$6,597
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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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:mail@venturabaptistchurch.com)

I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING

List any areas of interest or skills:

## LOOKING AHEAD...

### SEPTEMBER

5	Communion No evening activities
7/8	Midweek Fellowship Groups
8	Women's DG* (10am)
9	Men's DG (6am) Women's DG (7pm)
11	Men's DG Group (7am) Choir Rehearsal (9 am)
12	Sunday School "Promotion Day" Sunday School resumes @ 9:30 am Evening Activities resume
13	Elder Meeting
14/15	Midweek Fellowship Groups
15	Women's DG (10am)
16	Men's DG (6am) Women's DG (7pm)
18	Men's DG Group (7am)
19	DG/Children & Youth (5pm)
21/22	Midweek Fellowship Groups
22	Women's DG (10am) Safe Haven Team Meeting (10am)
23	Men's DG (6am) Women's DG (7pm)
25	Men's DG Group (7am)
25-26	Missions Emphasis Weekend Missions Banquet (25th TBD)
26	DG/Children & Youth (5pm)
27	Elder Meeting
28/29	Midweek Fellowship Groups
Oct 2	Baby Shower for Autumn Scott

\*DG = Discipleship Groups

## DISCIPLESHIP & FELLOWSHIP

### CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP

**NURSERY NEEDS:** *We are blessed to assist in the undistracted ministry of the Word and the Gospel by providing a safe and loving environment for little ones to be cared for while their parents worship with the congregation at large. This is a privilege and a valuable service to our entire church family. If you have not already, please prayerfully consider how you can help serve alongside our church family in this ministry.* (More information can be found in the weekly email.)

**SUNDAY EVENING HELPERS:** We are in need of volunteers to help Gayle TesLaa with the children's ministry program for the fall. Please be praying for God to provide and consider if you might be an answer to that prayer. Contact David Pollard for more details.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION SUNDAY:** On Sunday, Sept. 12, all children 3 and older and adults will meet together in the auditorium as we kick off a new year of Sunday school classes and "promote" children to new classes. At this time we will introduce the teachers for this and say a few words about the curriculum being used.

### CHURCH FAMILY

**FALL DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS:** There is still time to sign up for our fall sessions of Discipleship Groups. Both the men's and women's groups will be studying the book of **2 Timothy**. We anticipate groups will begin the week of **September 6th**. Women will have the option of signing up for Wednesday morning, Thursday evening or Sunday evening. Men will have the options of signing up for Thursday morning, Saturday morning, or Sunday evening. Both will have the option of writing in an "other" timeframe if none of those options work for you, and we will see if we can accommodate. If you have questions or would like more information, you may contact Mark Buhl ([mdbuhl@gmail.com](mailto:mdbuhl@gmail.com)). You may sign up online (the link is in the weekly email) or talk to Mark or Amy Buhl.

**CHILDCARE NEED FOR DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS:** In order to continue hosting women's discipleship groups are Wednesday mornings (10 - 11:30am weekly beginning Sept 8) we are in need of a 1 adult woman to serve in nursery, 1 helper (age 12+) for nursery, 1 helper (age 12+) for the older children's group. A huge thank you to Gayle TeSlaa for leading the older children's group! If you are able to meet this need or would be willing to serve on a rotation basis, please contact Amy Buhl ([akbuhl@gmail.com](mailto:akbuhl@gmail.com)). These roles are eligible for pay (\$20 per week).

**Ideally, we love to have someone take on the role of coordinator for the childcare (making sure the nursery is staffed and communicating among the volunteers) to free Amy up for the leadership of the discipleship groups. If you are willing to serve in this capacity, please let Amy know that as well. Thank you in advance!**

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**MISSIONS EMPHASIS WEEKEND:** On Saturday, Sept 25, our missions committee will host our annual Missions Banquet, and on Sunday, Sept 26, we will have a missionary speaker during the Sunday school hour and the morning worship service. We will provide more information about that soon!



**PURSUING JESUS TOGETHER**

9/5/21

