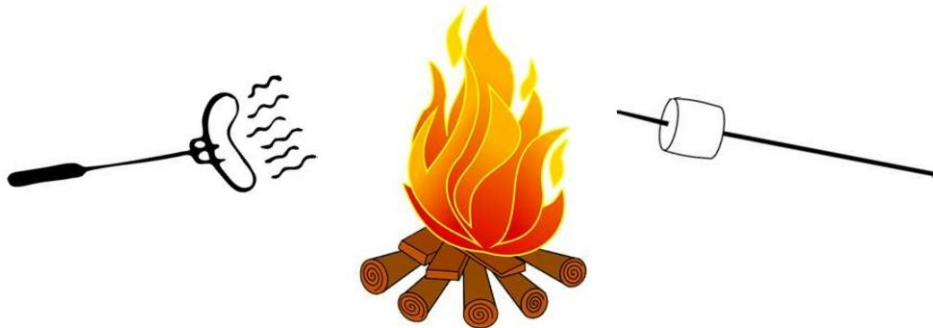


FBC Macomb Monthly Newsletter

2019 OCTOBER

All Church Wiener Roast Saturday, October 12 5:00 p.m.

**First Baptist Church of Macomb
1515 S. Candy Lane
Macomb, IL 61455**



**Hotdogs, buns & table service will be furnished.
Everyone please bring a covered dish and
a lawn chair.**

**Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board
near the front entrance if you are planning to
attend and what dish you are intending to bring.**

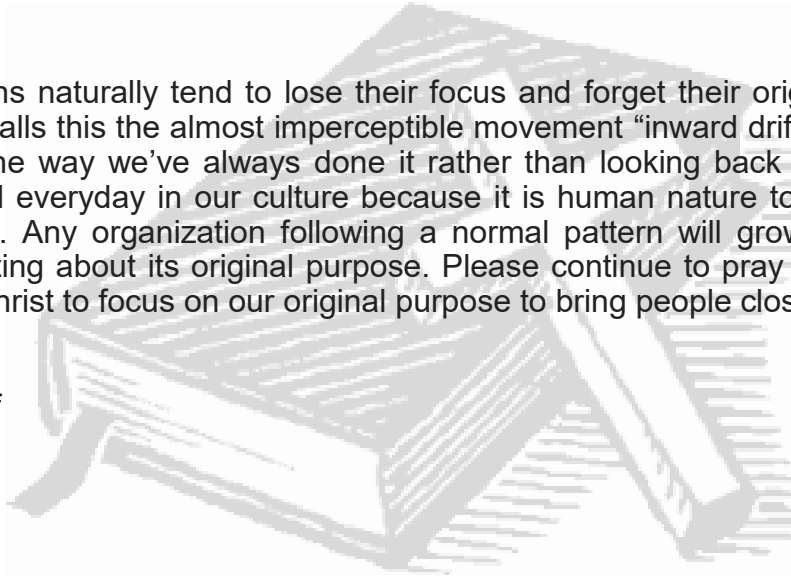
Plenty of fun!

Come join us!

Words from Pastor Jon

All organizations naturally tend to lose their focus and forget their original purposes over time. Thom Rainer calls this the almost imperceptible movement “inward drift.” This drift becomes one of protecting the way we’ve always done it rather than looking back to reasons for existence. Businesses fail everyday in our culture because it is human nature to create what we like and what we know. Any organization following a normal pattern will grow older and more inward focused forgetting about its original purpose. Please continue to pray as we make adjustments as a body of Christ to focus on our original purpose to bring people closer to Jesus.

Jon Self
@pastorjonself



Sermon Series

October 6	<i>Mystery of You</i>	Ephesians 3:1-12
October 13	<i>Pray with Power</i>	Ephesians 3:14-21
October 20	<i>By Way of Thanks</i>	Ephesians 4:1-16
October 27	<i>Release It!</i>	Ephesians 4:25-32

Candle Lighters & Opening Prayer Leaders



October 6—Deena Mangalaraj & Richard Hurt
 October 13—Malaki Richardson & Lora Wallace
 October 20—Celena Mangalaraj & Rob Wallace
 October 27—Kevin Wu & Jim Richardson



Church Board Update

The Board met on September 10 at 6:30 pm. The meeting was opened with devotion and group prayer. After the prayer the following business was conducted...

- ◆ Normal financial and church business.
- ◆ Reports were presented.
- ◆ The Board is starting to look at the current year income and expenses. From this information will be working on the budget for next year.
- ◆ The board agreed to have the annual wiener roast at the church this year. It will be out on the front lawn on October 12 at 5:30. See the bulletin board for more information.

The Board thanks each of you for your prayers as we conduct the business of the church.

Rich Sample
FBC Board Chairperson



The commitment total for our 2018 Vision 4 Tomorrow campaign is \$307,275.00. As of September 30, 2019, \$111,738.87 has been given toward this campaign. Every dollar given to the building fund goes to our monthly loan payment of \$6,366.88 or to completion of Phase I. How do I contribute to the reduction of the church loan? Simply write your amount on the "Building Fund" line of a giving envelope or in the memo line of your check. You can also make an official commitment to the campaign by contacting Leann in the office. All commitments are confidential.

If you haven't seen the progress on the completion of the building, go to the east end and check it out. The youth room has been moved to the double rooms at the end of the east hallway. Children's church now resides in the larger conference room on the east end. Ceiling tiles and trim have been installed. The handicap spaces and parking lines have been refreshed. Potholes have been filled and the parking lot gravel has been drug to the surface. If you would like to help with any of the projects, check with Rich Sample about what you can do.

Judy Hurt
Capital Campaign Follow-up Director



Birthdays & Anniversaries



October

- 6**—Carolyn Tomlinson
Pastor Jon Self
- 8**—Laura Fisher
Brandon Wheeler
- 15**—Marshal Jordan
- 16**—Allen & Paula Black (a)
- 18**—Bob Babcock
George Mangalaraj
- 19**—Kenzie Derry
- 20**—Ruth Anne Ceder
- 22**—Bronson Royer
- 23**—Mike Geltmacher
- 27**—Johnsy Mangalaraj
- 30**—Virgil Henderson
Mary Hoff
Gerald Jones
- 31**—Ron Smith

November

- 4**—Donna McMahon
- 8**—Richard Hainline
- 11**—Donna Marlowe
- 13**—Ginny Doxstader
- 18**—Allen Black
- 20**—Ian Molina
- 26**—Ozden Cale
- 29**—Eli Foulk
- 30**—Isa Molina

Upcoming Events at a Glance

- ◆ **Saturday, October 12, 5:00—8:00 p.m.**—All Church Wiener Roast at FBC Macomb. Hotdogs and buns will be furnished. Please bring a dish to share and a lawn chair. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board near front entrance if you are planning to attend and what dish you are intending to bring.
- ◆ **Monday, October 14**—Columbus Day—Church Office is Closed
- ◆ **Wednesday, October 16, 11:30 a.m.**—Join us for lunch at Gelsosomo's Pizzeria on the East side of Chandler Park the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Everyone is welcome. Come -Fellowship-Laugh.



Operation Christmas Child

If you would like to bring items to fill a shoebox, please bring them, clearly marked Boy/Girl & the Age group, and postage (\$9) to the church office no later than Wednesday, October 30.

If you would like to give monetarily, \$9 per shoebox, please put OCC in the memo portion of your check and put in the special line of your giving envelope OCC. Thank you!

Ways to Volunteer

- ◆ Saturday's at 8:00 a.m.—Work Day at FBC. Volunteers needed. There are a variety of tasks that need to be done to complete the east end of the building. Not sure how you can help? Come and find out how you can lend a hand.
- ◆ Greeters—Be one of the first people to greet worshipers on Sunday mornings.
- ◆ Fellowship Team—Do you enjoy cooking and/or entertaining? Consider a committee that supports fellowship activities and hosts funeral dinners.
- ◆ Hospitality Team—Volunteer to pick up the donuts and/or make the coffee on Sunday Mornings.
- ◆ Opening Prayer Leader—Do you feel the call? Volunteer to serve in the rotation for the opening prayer at the beginning of worship.
- ◆ Transportation Ministry—Provide rides for those who cannot drive to worship, out of town medical appointments or hospital visits.
- ◆ Ushers—Assist during worship with seating, greeting and collecting the morning offering.





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Please Join Us!

Worship—Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning Bible Studies
8:00 a.m.—Early Bird Adult
10:45 a.m.—For All Ages

Find us on the web at www.fbcmacomb.com

Podcasts of the weekly message can be heard or downloaded by clicking on the Podcast link on the home page.

Senior Pastor
Jon Self

Director of Christian Education
Gee Min Glaue

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Custodian
Lisa Barker

