

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

GIVING: You can give online through our website, drop your offering in one of the two offering boxes in the lobby, or you can simply mail a check to the church (P.O. Box 157 - Lowell, MI 49331).

MONTHLY GIVING REPORT: August's giving was \$24,325. Our monthly need is \$33,350. Year-to-date giving through August is \$257,735.15 and our need is \$266,800.

LIFE GROUPS: A Life Group is a hospitable environment where we connect with God, and with one another by sharing life together. You can view open groups and sign up at fbclowell.churchcenter.com.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY: October 3rd ladies can come and meet for a bible study led by Terre Ritchie. It will be held in the outreach building classroom at 9:30am. It is an 8 week bible study and will meet every Tuesday. Books will be provided.

LADIES PRAYER BREAKFAST: Ladies of all ages are invited to join us for this intergenerational time of fellowship. We gather at 9am in the Fellowship Room to eat, share, and pray. We are meeting on October 7th this month.
(If you are able, consider bringing a donation to help cover food costs)

Fall into Fun Festival: This year our church will be having a fall festival. Come stop by anytime between 1-3pm on October 28th. We will have inflatables, popcorn, cotton candy, lots of games with prizes, coffee, and warm cider. If you are interested in helping out, please talk to Laura Roberts. You can also bring in candy, there will be bins put out October 1st.

Quarterly Business Meeting: October 15th we will be having our quarterly business meeting after the service. If you are a member, please plan to be there.



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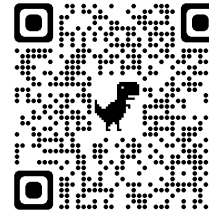
October 1, 2023

"The Test of Riches" **James 1:9-12**

Pastor Jon Pickens

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Thank you for joining us for worship today. It is our desire to be as helpful as possible during your visit. We would love to get to know a little about you. Please consider filling out the Connection Card in the chair pocket or using the QR Code to the left.



During the Service

Bibles	At the Welcome Center
Hearing Assistance	Available at the sound booth
Nursery*	Infant through age 2
Preschool*	Ages 3-5 - downstairs
Children's Church*	We offer Children's Church for grades K-3. Children are dismissed to go downstairs before the message begins.

**Please be sure to check your child in at one of our Child Check-In Stations.*

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Past messages are available online at www.fbclowell.org

This Week @ FBC

MONDAY (Church Office Closed)

6:30 pm Youth group this week

TUESDAY

9:30 am Ladies Bible Study (Cafe)

6:00 pm Tae Kwon Do (Fellowship Room)

WEDNESDAY

6:30-9:00 am Men's Morning Coffee

6:15-8:00 pm Awana

Thursday

5:30 pm Family Matters Team Meeting

7:00 pm Children's Ministry Team Meeting

7:00-9:00 pm Adult Volleyball Night (Gym)

Saturday

9:00 am Ladies Prayer Breakfast

Missions Conference

Join us for a week of hearing from our long-time missionaries - Rich, Karyn and Benjamin Visser here from France and John and Paula Dannenberg here from the Central African Republic.



Monday – 6:30pm - Youth Group

with the Vissers

Wednesday – 6:15pm - Awana

with the Vissers

Thursday – 6:30pm – Ladies' Coffee Break

with Paula Dannenberg & Karyn Visser

Saturday - 8:00am - Men's Prayer Breakfast

with John Dannenberg

Sunday Morning - 9:30am - Worship,

Elective Hour & All Church Lunch

with Vissers & Dannenbergs

Bible Reading Plans

We encourage our church body to spend time in scripture and prayer, looking for God's leading in your life, everyday. We provide reading plan booklets, reading plan bookmarks, and memory verse cards at the Faith@Home board



Current Electives!

Into the Pit and out of the Pit by Power of Yahweh

Taught by Dr. Dave Beach and Bob Copeland

This class is for those who are dealing with grief, want to help someone who's grieving, or just learn more about the Psalms. We are meeting in room 13 off of the fellowship room.

What Must I Do to Be saved?

Taught by Pastor Andrew Bolcom

"What must I do to be saved?" That is the most important question a person can ask, and that makes the answer one of eternal importance. We are meeting in room 12 off of the fellowship room.

Student Ministry Elective

Taught by Bob Berrington

High school and middle school students are encouraged to join Bob Berrington for an elective geared to students. They are currently studying prayer. High school students are also invited to jump into one of the adult electives. They will meet in room 22 in the main building.

Youth Group Fall Events:

Game Night - Join us OCT 20 ->> 6-10pm for games & gift cards & SNACKS! Feel free to bring your own equipment & snacks but we will have some here for you as well! \$5 cover for 4 hours of playing your favorite games from console to mobile! We will also be giving away 2 / \$20 giftcards for the Nintendo eShop! Bring your friends! Bring your favorite games to play or share! Meet in the Cafe!

Heidi's Corn Maze - October 27th anyone who is 6th-12th grade is welcome to join us at Heidi's 6:30pm. The cost to come will be \$10 per student which covers the corn maze, donuts, and cider. Wear warm clothes and shoes that can get muddy. To sign up, download the app Church Center. If you have any questions, talk to Pastor Andrew.

Rake n Run - November 4th anyone who is in youth group (6th-12th grade) can meet at the church at 8:00am. We will be serving people in our church and community by raking their yards. Students please bring a rake and wear warm clothes. There will be lunch provided afterwards.