

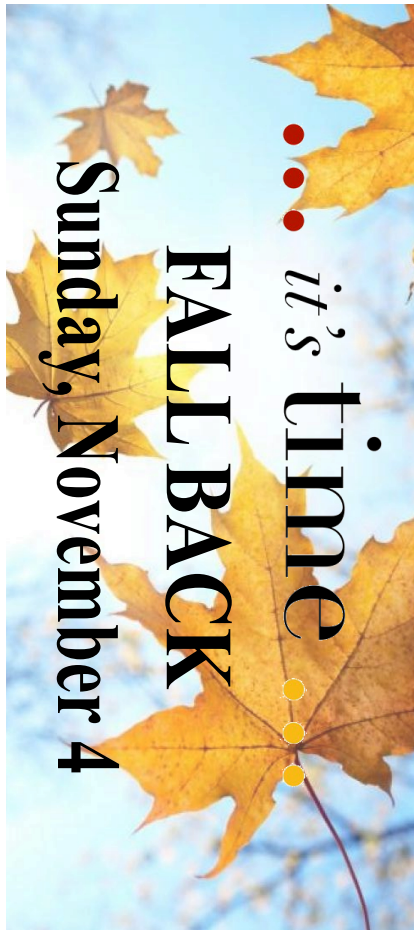
## South Main Family Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 18  
5:30 p.m.  
Family Life Center

Cost: \$10 (7th Grade and Older)  
\$6 (6th Grade and Younger)

Tickets available online, in the church office,  
Wednesdays in the Great Hall,  
and Sundays in the Main Connection

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... it's time  
**FALL BACK**  
Sunday, November 4

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# M A I N E V E N T S

## RON'S REJOICINGS



Dr. Ron Lyles, Pastor

## Days of Gratitude

### Gratitude FOR Service and Sacrifice: November 11

The statistics of casualties during World War I (1914-1918) are staggering. An estimated 15-19 million deaths resulted from battle and the flu epidemic in prisoner camps, while some 23 million suffered injuries. Four million USA soldiers and sailors were mobilized, and 116,708 Americans were killed in battle.

The “war to end all wars,” as World War I was called, did not fulfill that ideal, but it did itself come to an end. The peace agreement ending hostilities was signed at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month or November 11, 1918. This day was designated as Armistice Day in the Allied coalition of nations, including the United States. In 1954 the name of this day to remember was changed from Armistice Day to Veterans Day to broaden this time as one of remembering all veterans of military service.

The 2018 centennial anniversary of Armistice Day is on a Sunday. That will give us the privilege to express gratitude to the men and women in our congregation and all other veterans for their service and sacrifice. We were protected and blessed by their willingness to defend our liberty and national ideals. Our gratitude is appropriate.

### Gratitude THROUGH Service and Sacrifice: November 22

The fourth Thursday of this month is designated as a national Day of Thanksgiving. Jesus followers will join with persons of all faith and no faith on this day to “celebrate” Thanksgiving. In addition to that celebration, many Jesus followers express their gratitude to God in other ways through their service and sacrifice.

I pray one of the ways that you express your thanksgiving to God for all that he has given you materially is to be faithful in your consistent and sacrificial giving back to God some of your money through our church. As you watch the sharing of sentiments of others in the “Thanks for Asking” videos, ask yourself why is it that you choose to give to support the ministries of South Main, or ask yourself why is it that you choose not to express your gratitude to God by giving back to him.

The Gospel of Luke declares that Jesus healed ten men who had the feared condition of leprosy. After he healed them, one returned to Jesus to express gratitude to him. Jesus accepted his thanksgiving and then asked, “Where are the others?” fully expecting all ten to express their gratitude. In the same way, Jesus expects all of his followers today to express gratitude through meaningful service and sacrifice by giving our time, energies, and possessions to benefit others. Our gratitude is appropriate.

Your Pastor



SM Kidz

Dreaming of a relaxing vacation?

Bring your entire family: Grandparents, Parents, and Children to experience adventure, renewal of spirit and bonding as a family.

Family Camp Meeting  
November 7, 7:45-8:15 p.m.  
in the Great Hall

Come and see what Family Camp is all about!

Jennifer Evans

CHRISTMAS GIFT WREATH FOR MISSIONS



The missions gift wreath will be located in the Narthex, beginning November 4, with gift tags containing the names and ages of boys and girls from our mission sites.

Pick a name, purchase a \$15-\$20 gift, and return it (wrapped, with name tag attached) to the Main Connection by December 2.

Notes From Jeff

Here are some upcoming events.

P1

The Education Ministry Team will be rolling out phase two of our Family Ministry on January 27. You will begin to see new information weekly about P1 (Priority One).

Next is Love and Laughter Date Night with Jeff and Debby McElroy from Knoxville, Tennessee on Friday, February 1. You can register online. Military and First Responders are free.



DATE NIGHT FEBRUARY 1  
6:30 - 9:30

Jeff Fuqua

SURVIVING  
THE  
HOLIDAYS

After the loss of a loved one

Sunday, November 4  
3:00 p.m. in the Martin Room

GRIEF SHARE

FLC NEWS

0.5K  
race



THE RACE FOR THE  
REST OF US

Saturday, November 10, 9:00 a.m.  
SMBC Parking Lot

November is here which means so is our 0.5K race for the rest of us! Come out and support our Family Life Ministry and Rooftops ministry Saturday, November 10, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. If you missed sign ups, come talk to myself or Loyd in the FLC and we can find a place for you to volunteer and help make the event great! We look forward to a great crowd, and lots of fun!



We also have Upward Basketball registration open. Boys and girls in 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade can come and join our basketball league. Practices will start towards the end of this month and games will start the first Saturday in January!

Kevin Richard



Thanksgiving Turkey Drive

Pasadena Community Ministries  
\$10 buys a large turkey

Make checks payable to "Pasadena Community Ministries" and place in an offering envelope.

Music Notes

IT'S FALL! I know we have been in the season of Fall for a while, but it's actually beginning to feel like it. The cooler weather is a good sign that Thanksgiving and Advent are upon us. Plan on enjoying our Thanksgiving meal set for Sunday evening, November 18, at 5:30. The food is always delicious, but the testimonies and time together reflecting on God's goodness are the best. I hope to see you there.



Our *Sounds of the Season* program is set for Sunday, December 16, at 5:40 p.m. All our children's and youth choirs will be dressed in their finest Christmas outfits and singing your favorite carols. We will follow this service with hot chocolate and Christmas cookies in the Great Hall. We even encourage you to share your favorite recipe with us and bring a few dozen of your best cookies.



The *Christmas Eve Service of Carols and Candles* is set for 5:30 and 9:00 p.m. on December 24. Sign your family up to sing in the family choir that fills the loft at the 5:30 service. Email [jalogan@southmain.org](mailto:jalogan@southmain.org) with your count and we will reserve a spot for you and your family.

You take all these items and add *A South Main Bethlehem* and you have a wonderful Fall set in place for you and your family. Let the celebration begin!

Bobie Miller

Student Ministry Intel



Our annual Youth Tailgate Service was a big success! We had a terrific turnout and a wonderful time of Christian fellowship and worship. I am so thankful to everyone who volunteered their time and helped in multiple ways to make this occasion possible.

We have made some cool upgrades in the Student Ministry area which includes some new furniture and the installation of new LED lighting. As the holidays approach, I encourage you to walk through the youth area and see for yourself how God has blessed us and continues to do so.

I am truly blessed to serve the Lord in a church that openly supports Student Ministry and its efforts to reach young people for Christ. I appreciate your continued prayers and encouragement.

Brian Sadler

Kelley's Comment



Marsha Griffin began her Christian journey when she made a profession of faith in 1972. She became a member of South Main in 2004 and began working with us as Ministry Assistant supporting our Children and Student Ministries a few months later. Marsha's husband is Ken Griffin and he teaches one of our adult Sunday School classes. They have four adult children and eleven grandchildren.

One of Marsha's favorite scriptures is Revelation 3:20, "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me."

Marsha likes to read, crochet, listen to music, and travel. Her favorite dessert is Italian Cream Cake, and you will never catch her eating liver and onions. Her favorite vacation spot is anywhere near the mountains, and she loves to watch college football.

Kelley Trimble

Y.A. CONNEXION

Our Sunday night small group Bible studies have come to an end. We had a great time learning, listening, and encouraging one another. If you missed the opportunity, no worries, we will be starting up again in the New Year. We will look at Sunday nights again and also look at starting in weekly home groups. Each Bible study will be geared with you in mind.

There are so many areas in which Young Adults live: Single, single with preschoolers, single with elementary-Jr High, married, married with preschoolers, married with elementary-Jr High. On top of all these add in sports, cheer, dance, school, etc and life is off and running. In the midst of life there is a need for community, discipleship, and encouragement. We are looking forward to joining and encouraging you along the way.

Tico Montoya

A South Main BETHLEHEM

December 7, 8, & 9 5:00-9:00 p.m.

COORDINATORS

You can meet with Tommy Arnold and Brenda Lyles any Wednesday night in the Main Connection between 6:15-7:15.

COSTUME FITTINGS, SOUTH SUITE

November 11 11:45-2:00 p.m. Only workers for all 3 nights  
November 14 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
November 18 11:45-2:00 p.m.  
November 25 11:45-2:00 p.m.  
November 28 6:00-8:00 p.m.

WORK DAY (both "inside sit down" and "wall-building" work)

Saturday, November 24, 8:00 a.m.

"ALL VOLUNTEER" FINAL MEETING FOR PRAYER & INFORMATION

Sunday, December 2, 5:40 p.m., Worship Center

HELP SPREAD THE WORD!

Yard Signs & Publicity Post Cards available Sunday, November 4.

NEED A PLACE TO VOLUNTEER?

Contact one of the area coordinators.

Angels	Lydia McMillin, Karen Kendrick	713-898-7727
Baskets	Barbara Gillies	713-822-4824
Bread	Denise Walters	281-467-6091
Butter	Gail & Gordon Smith	281-487-8761
Carpentry	Gary Humphrey	281-744-4881
Census & Beggars	Vickie & Rick Goolsby	832-687-9330
Costumes	Robin Lewis	281-794-7570
Greeters	Debbie Tribble	832-414-9337
Home	Jana Post & Amy Suffron	281-222-7692
Hospitality	Sherry Green	713-302-6373
Inn Keeper		
Leather	Carolyn Perkins	832-776-6195
Market	Amy Carlson, Tara Battle	281-726-5910
Medical Team	Glenn Lindsey	281-709-3144
Metal	Dan Hinton	281-460-2280
Music (Instruments)	Ronda Cooper	254-366-1345
Olive Oil	Tonya Morgan, Sally Wright	713-213-6223
Parking	Jack Bailey	713-906-2585
Parting Gift	Brenda Wells	281-610-3783
Pottery	Jill Berry	281-794-8003
Roman Guards	Stephen Bailey	832-205-0324
Roman Guards	Charlie Smith, Jr.	713-429-9302
Rope Making	Bob & Debra Dockens	713-725-1242
Shepherds	Stacie Rizqi	832-875-4924
Synagogue	John Christopher	713-492-8468
Townspeople	Mary Moore	281-627-3251
Weaving Loom	Susan Manning	713-906-9773
Well	Carla Moody	713-305-3050
Wine Press	Cynthia Bailey	713-805-6814
Wine Press	Patricia Powitzky	832-385-3019
Wise Men	Oscar Tobias	281-435-3458

For more information or to volunteer, contact Tommy Arnold (281-635-1025) or Brenda Lyles (713-412-4384).