

FELLOWSHIP means communion, sharing, contribution, partnership.

OUR SERVICES

All regular services of Fellowship Bible Church meet in our facilities at 2775 Bedford Road, Ann Arbor. The Parsonage and study of the Pastor are located at 3290 Charing Cross Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48108.

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Wed. Prayer 6:30 p.m.
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. Saturday Men's Prayer 8:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening, Truth Trackers 6:00 p.m.

OUR BELIEFS

1. We believe the 66-book Bible is verbally inspired and inerrant in the original writings. We believe that the Bible must be interpreted literally, according to context, history, and grammar. We believe the dispensational approach to the Bible.
2. We believe there is one living and true God, eternally existing in three persons – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
3. We believe that man was created in the image of God, but he sinned, and thereby all human beings are born with a sin nature which is at enmity with God. Man therefore needs to be reconciled to God, released from slavery to sin, and delivered from God's wrath against sin and the guilt of sin.
4. We believe in Christ's virgin birth, physical bodily resurrection, ascension, and present intercession for us.
5. We believe that Jesus Christ died in our place at Calvary and that His sacrifice is the only ground for forgiveness of sin.
6. We believe that salvation is by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, and that all who so believe are eternally saved, transformed, and being sanctified.
7. We believe in the imminent, pretribulational rapture of the church. We believe in the personal, premillennial return of the Lord Jesus to the earth to set up His Kingdom.

OUR STAFF

James Widgeon and Ben Carnes are the deacons of Fellowship Bible Church. Jansen Lorch ministers as pastoral intern.

OUR INVITATION

We invite you to receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior, join the church membership, grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord, and consider how you can serve to promote the gospel to the ends of the earth. Please see Pastor Postiff or one of the deacons if you have spiritual needs or questions. We are happy to serve you in whatever way we can.

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BIBLE CHURCH



"If it's the Bible you want, come to Fellowship Bible."

Rev. Matthew A. Postiff, Ph.D. Th.M., Pastor

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**"That which we have seen and heard we declare to you,
that you also may have fellowship with us;
and truly our fellowship is with the Father,
and with His Son, Jesus Christ." 1 John 1:3**

SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:45 a.m.

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.”
– Matthew 22:37-40

MORNING WORSHIP – 10:45 a.m.

Prelude	
Announcements	
Opening Prayer	
Hymn * # 119	“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”
Hymn * # 146	“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”
Scripture Reading	Deuteronomy 19
Musical Ministry “It Is Well”	Jael Carnes
Pastoral Prayer	
Hymn *# 284	“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”
Teaching of the Word	Pastor Postiff
Hymn * # 319	“I’ll Live for Him”
Benediction	
Postlude	* Congregation Standing

BIBLE STUDY – 6:00 p.m.

Prelude	
Hymn Sing	Selections
Scripture Reading	2 Kings 10
Teaching of the Word	Pastor Postiff

DEVOTIONAL READING – Excerpt from “How to Listen to an Expository Sermon”

Listening to a sermon, like reading, or like preparing a sermon, is a skill. It can be learned. Listening can be done well or poorly. You may object to this assessment, saying you have listened to many sermons, but any mother of young children can tell you that there is a world of difference between hearing and listening. Listening is more than just hearing the words. Listening involves processing, questioning, and criticizing what is being heard. I fear that many Christians have never truly listened to a sermon in their life.

How often have you been asked, post-service, “Wasn’t that a great sermon?” But what makes a sermon great? Is it that the sermon was short? Is it that you learned something new? Is it that it made you laugh or cry? Is it that the preacher held your attention throughout? There’s nothing wrong with these things, but we must understand that the goal of listening to a sermon is not to be entertained, to learn Bible trivia, or to experience a range of emotions. The goal of listening to a sermon is that you would have your mind transformed by the Word such that your life would be changed more into the image of Christ by the power of the Word of God applied by the Spirit of God (James 1:22; Rom. 12:2).

Expository sermon listening, therefore, is serious business. So, let’s look at three sermon listening skills that can help us to get the most out of the Lord’s Day message. There are some obvious things we will not cover. You should already be previewing the passage before church and reviewing it afterwards, but I want to focus on what you should be doing *during* the preaching of the Word.

Listen Actively. In a baseball game, there is a big difference between an active catcher and a passive one. I know this because I have been hit in the head by a baseball (several times). An active catcher is focused, he is anticipating the throw and watching all of the runners. He is fully engaged. The passive catcher, on the other hand, is simply enjoying the day

and just happy to be outside. Every batter-up and butterfly breaks his focus. At best he is only catching some of the pitches, and making some of the easy plays.

The same is true of listeners. A passive listener sits in church and hopes that with enough coffee, and if the pastor is really on his game that day, he will go home with a few helpful takeaways for his Christian life. But we must do more than simply sit there and hope a sermon point or two just happen to fall into our metaphorical mitt. If you aren’t listening actively, you are missing out!

So how do you actively listen to a sermon? **Take notes.**

Grab a notebook or a sheet of paper. At the top of the page write down the sermon title, the date, the preacher’s name, and the text(s) he is preaching from. Then, simply follow along and outline the structure of the sermon as the preacher makes his points.

But this is key: The point of taking sermon notes is not to create a historical record of that sermon. You are not a stenographer (unless you are, in which case thank you for your service to the justice system. But there’s no court on Sunday so give it a rest). I rarely look back at my notes after I review them the week the sermon was given.

The point of taking notes during a sermon is synthesis. You are seeking to take what the preacher is saying from the Bible and combine it with what you already know of the Bible and of your own Christian life. It’s like scratch paper on a math test. You’re just working it out. Those notes are simply the forge where the sermon and your knowledge are melded together such that your understanding grows and your sanctification is fueled. – To be continued, from <https://blog.tms.edu/the-art-of-enjoying-an-expository-sermon>

NURSERY MINISTRY**Today**

AM Becky, Kalee
PM Barb

Next Sunday

AM Theda, Karen/Jael
PM Naomi

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME. May the Lord bless you as you participate in worship today, and may He be glorified in each heart and life.

EVENING SERVICE. Pastor will begin a series in the book of Joel during our 6pm service.

PRAYER MEETING. We meet for corporate prayer and Bible study on Wednesday night at 6:30. Prayer requests can be emailed to Kalee Lorch at klorch@fbcaa.org to be included on the prayer sheet.

MEN’S PRAYER FELLOWSHIP. Men meet for an edifying time of fellowship, prayer and Bible study Saturday mornings at 8:00 a.m. Tom McParlan is bringing the Word. We have a need for one brother to bring some continental breakfast.

FAREWELL FELLOWSHIP. Tom, Barb, and Luke McParlan are planning to move out of state early next month. We’d like to take some time following the morning service on August 2 to have a farewell fellowship with these dear ones. Weather permitting, we’ll have an outdoor fellowship, and you can feel free to bring your own picnic lunch or just enjoy some time of fellowship.

VBS ONE WEEK AWAY! We are looking forward to VBS! We’ll need some help on July 26 after morning service to set up. Your faith filled prayers and support are appreciated!