

**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 only 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

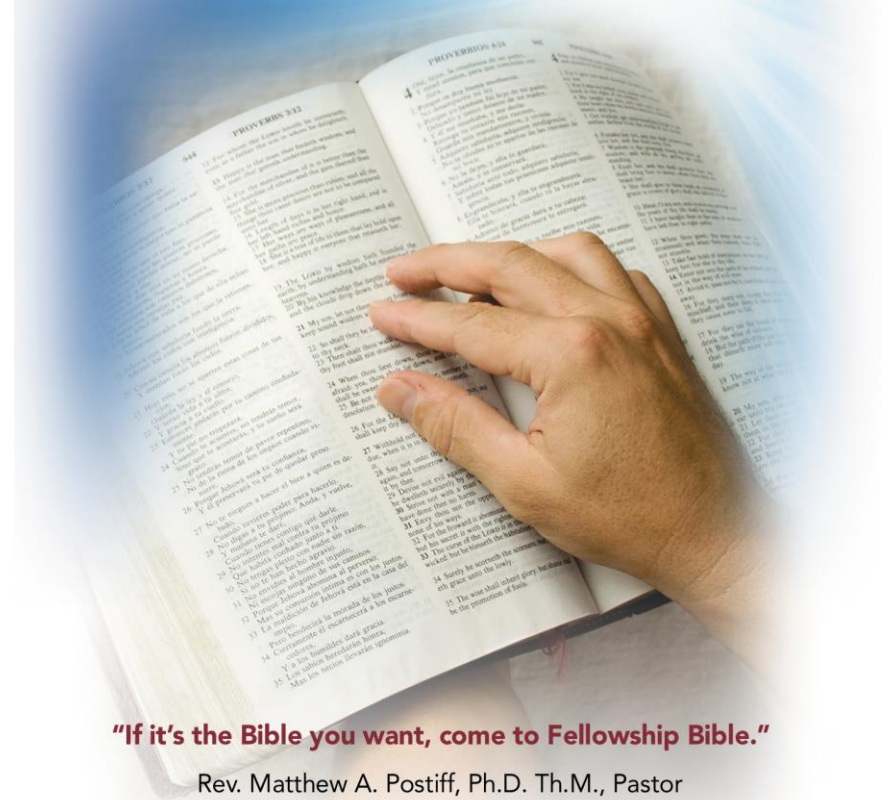
James Widgeon and Ben Carnes are the deacons of Fellowship Bible Church. Jansen Lorch ministers as pastoral intern.

### 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.

# Fellowship

## 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.**

“For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.” – Titus 2:11-14

**MORNING WORSHIP – 10:45 a.m.**

Prelude	
Announcements	
Opening Prayer	
Hymn * # 303	“Glory to His Name”
Hymn * # 308	“Nothing But the Blood”
Scripture Reading	Deuteronomy 20
Musical Ministry	Jael Carnes
Pastoral Prayer	
Musical Ministry	Naomi Postiff
Hymn *# 184	“The Bible Stands”
Teaching of the Word	Pastor Postiff
Hymn * # 595	“One Day”
Benediction	
Postlude	* Congregation Standing

**BIBLE STUDY – 6:00 p.m.**

Prelude	
Hymn Sing	Selections
Testimonies	
Scripture Reading	2 Kings 13
Teaching of the Word	Pastor Postiff

**DEVOTIONAL READING – How To Listen to An Expository Sermon, continued**

**Listen With Questions:** To be a good sermon listener means being engaged, and being engaged means asking good questions. Like what? First, “What is this sermon about?” A good expository sermon has one main point, proposition, or thesis which is drawn from the text (though it may be supported by other texts). Sometimes the pastor comes right out and tells you his point, but other times it may be more difficult to discern. The question you want to answer is: “what is the thesis or proposition being argued in this sermon?” It may be that you will not be entirely certain until mid-way or even all the way through the sermon, but once you think you have the main point, write it down. This will lead to more questions.

Second, ask, “How do the sub-points of this sermon support that main thesis?” Many expository preachers use outlines that are very transparent: “Three Reasons to Stop Sinning.” This makes your job as a listener easier because you’ve been given the skeleton of the sermon’s argument. But, depending on the preacher, you may have to figure these out for yourself. There should be a clear connection between these sub-points and the main thesis. You should also try to follow the argumentation within these sub-points. What passages is he using to support this point? How does this follow the biblical text which the sermon is based on? Are there other texts that support this point? What areas in my life need to change because of these truths? How does this change how I understand who God is?

**Listen Critically:** Part of being a good listener is not just asking questions, but questioning the sermon itself. Did the pastor prove his proposition? Did what he said really come from the text of the Bible? Are there passages that you know of which seem to contradict his conclu-

sions? I’m not saying you should be a pugnacious pest who is simply waiting for the pastor to mess up, but we must be good Bereans (Acts 17:11). Besides, I am sure your pastor does not want you swallowing all he says without question. He wants you to be discerning.

Take the questions and criticisms you’ve written down and see if you can find the answers for yourself. Is there something you’re not seeing? Perhaps you have a misunderstanding of a passage that seems to contradict the sermon. Perhaps the preacher misspoke or was simply wrong. Chase these questions down. Find the answer. Work at it. This is your spiritual growth we are talking about.

Expository preaching from a faithful pastor is a blessing from God. Why then do we often sit glassy eyed in the pew while the pastor lays out the Word, in its glory, for our benefit? Our thoughts should be on God, but instead we daydream about the Triple Dipper we are going to order at Chili’s after the service. Meanwhile, the man of God presents the feast he has laboriously prepared for our spiritual benefit. Let me assure you: the spiritual savor and nutrition of a good expository sermon, well-received, beats a microwaved mozzarella stick every time. So, don’t just sit there with your mouth open. Do some chewing. Do some listening. And let the preached Word transform you. <https://blog.tms.edu/the-art-of-enjoying-an-expository-sermon>

**NURSERY MINISTRY**

Today		Next Sunday	
AM	Theda, Jael	AM	Karen, Janette
PM	Naomi	PM	Jael

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME.** We extend a heartfelt welcome, and pray you will be blessed by your time spent in worship and the study of God’s Word today.

**VBS SET-UP.** It’s time to set up “Mystery Island” today after service! Many hands make light work; if you’re available. Thanks for your help!

**EVENING SERVICE.** Pastor is continuing his new series from the book of Joel tonight during our 6pm service. Please note if you are unable to be here in person, you are always welcome to join online!

**VBS STARTS TOMORROW!** We are excited to start a wonderful week of Bible School tomorrow! It is Monday through Friday from 10:00am. to noon. Please keep us in prayer daily for the following: (1) That God’s Word will go forth with His blessing and reach the hearts of children, bearing fruit. (2) Health, strength, and safety for the children and the workers. (3) Contacts with families. (4) For our new online ministry to run smoothly, and effectively reach the children who are participating remotely.

**WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES.** We will meet at 6:30 for prayer on Wednesday. We have been livestreaming the Bible message portion of the meeting from fbcaa.org starting at around 7:20 (exact time depends on when prayer portion is finished). Please join in!

**MEN’S PRAYER FELLOWSHIP.** Men meet for fellowship, prayer and Bible study Saturday mornings at 8:00 a.m. James Widgeon is scheduled to be the host.

**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.

**NEW ADDRESS.** The Pulla family has moved to 655 Hidden Valley Club Dr. #216 / Ann Arbor, MI 48104.