

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

Ben Carnes and Jon Snoeberger are the deacons of Fellowship Bible Church. Pastor Jansen Lorch is assistant pastor and missionary appointee to Chile.

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.

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, “The just shall live by faith.” – Romans 1:16-17

MORNING WORSHIP – 10:45 a.m.

Prelude	
Announcements	
Opening Prayer	
Hymn * # 2	“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”
Hymn * # 172	“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”
Scripture Reading: Psalm 56	
Pastoral Prayer	Pastor Postiff
Offering & Musical Ministry “Fairest Lord Jesus”	Jael Carnes
Musical Ministry “The Lord is My Light and My Salvation”	Naomi Postiff
Hymn *# 132 (November Hymn of the Month)	“What Grace Is Mine”
Teaching of the Word	Pastor Postiff
Hymn *# 24	“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”
Benediction, Postlude	* Congregation Standing

BIBLE STUDY AND WORSHIP – 6:00 p.m.

Hymn Sing	Selections
Scripture Reading: Zechariah 14	
Teaching of the Word	Pastor Postiff
Table of the Lord	

DEVOTIONAL READING – Rooted in the Right Place: Biblical Discipleship in a Therapeutic Age by Pastor Paul Tautges

We live in what many have called a “therapeutic age.” In our cultural moment, we often treat feelings as authority, view the self as the solution, and frequently discuss healing without referencing repentance, holiness, or reconciliation with God...

From the 2000s to today, the self is no longer merely viewed as wounded or in need of healing. The self has become authority itself. Our culture now says, “I am who I say I am. My feelings define reality. My happiness is ultimate.”

The message surrounding us is remarkably consistent: “Look within. Trust yourself. Your feelings will tell you what is true. Your happiness is supreme.”

None of this surprises God. Long before social media, self-help culture, or modern therapeutic language existed, the Lord exposed the danger of self-trust and the blessing of trusting Him.

Jeremiah 17 speaks directly into our moment. The prophet writes: “Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the Lord...Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. He is like a tree planted by water...” (Jer. 17:5, 7–8) If you could summarize the passage in one sentence, it might be this: Every person roots his life somewhere. Trusting in self leads to barrenness; trusting in the Lord leads to fruitfulness.

Jeremiah first paints a sobering picture of the person who trusts in man and “makes flesh his strength.” He describes this person as “a shrub in the desert.” It is a vivid image of spiritual dryness—isolated, rootless, unable to flourish.

Notice that Jeremiah is not merely describing outspoken rebellion against God. A person may still attend church, speak Christian vocabulary, and maintain outward morality while leaning on

human wisdom, human strength, or self-reliance. That is the subtle danger of our therapeutic age. Over time, the self moves from being consulted to being enthroned.

God designed the human heart to trust. The heart is always leaning somewhere. If trust in the Lord diminishes, trust in self inevitably grows. Something always fills the vacuum.

Therefore, cultural slogans such as “follow your heart” or “live your truth” are spiritually dangerous. They sound liberating, but Jeremiah exposes the deeper reality. A life rooted in self cannot sustain spiritual health. Like the desert shrub, it may survive for a time, but it cannot truly flourish.

In contrast, Jeremiah describes the one who trusts in the Lord as “a tree planted by water.” Its roots stretch toward the stream. Even when heat comes and drought arrives, the tree continues to bear fruit. What a hopeful picture.

Notice that the Bible does not present trusting God as a one-time emotional experience. It is a settled posture of the heart. “Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.” God Himself—not circumstances, emotions, or personal strength—is the foundation of confidence. To be continued, from <https://counselingoneanother.com/2026/05/15/rooted-in-the-right-place-biblical-discipleship-in-a-therapeutic-age/>

NURSERY MINISTRY

TODAY. SS Melissa; AM Karen, Jael; Naomi; PM Open

NEXT WEEK. SS Karen; AM Janette; PM Open

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME. Welcome on this first Lord's Day of November. We are thankful to gather in worship today and pray you will be blessed and strengthened in the faith.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM REHEARSALS TODAY. Choir meets today following the morning worship. If you are in the instrumental ensemble, we'll meet after the choir is finished.

COMMUNION DURING EVENING SERVICE. Our 6pm service will be centered on remembering our Lord's sacrificial death for us through the Lord's Table. Please take some time this afternoon to examine your heart and walk and come to worship the Lord in this special service.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK. Our weekly time of prayer is on Wednesday, starting at 6:30pm, followed by Bible study at 7:30. Men also meet for Bible study and prayer on Saturday at 8:00am.

YOUNG ADULT GATHERING. We are hosting a fellowship dinner for Young Adults at the Postiffs home on Friday, November 13 from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. Several other churches' young adults have been invited as well—Faithway Baptist and TriLakes Baptist among them.

NOTE OF THANKS. We wanted to express appreciation to the Dowell family for hosting the youth last week at their home. Thank you for an enjoyable and edifying time. Thanks also to Ben Carnes for giving the devotional.

NOVEMBER VERSES OF THE MONTH. Please learn John 14:5-6: Thomas said to Him, “Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

- **November 22** is our **Thanksgiving Potluck** after morning worship service.
- **November 29** is a 5th Sunday **Singspiration** at Hiawatha at 5:00pm. We bring desserts!
- **Saturday, December 12** is the **rehearsal** for the Christmas Concert in the morning.
- **December 13** at 3:30pm is our annual **Christmas Concert Outreach**. Printed invitations are available for you to use to invite friends!