

By the Numbers		Deacons on Call/Seating Hosts
Attendance	09/06/26	September 10 – September 16
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Giving for the Week of	09/06/26	Dan Grubbs 864-910-2555 Dan.grubbs@wctel.net
Budget Receipts	41,176.00	
World Missions	1,575.00	
Reach & Renew	12,153.00	
Designated	686.00	September 17– September 23
Budget Requirements		Steve Wilkie 864-910-2888 paparef9922@gmail.com
YTD Received	1,378,103.00	
YTD Budget Req.	1,465,123.00	Bill King 864-337-9552 scrufytam@gmail.com

FAMILY GROUP DEVOTION
“Jesus Taught About the Kingdom”

READ IT FROM THE BIBLE: Matthew 13

SAY IT: More than 100 years ago, a group of missionaries developed a unique way to illustrate the idea of committing everything to the kingdom of God. These Christians were known as one-way missionaries because they would buy one-way tickets to their mission destinations with no intention to return.

They were so confident they would never return to their homes that they would pack all their belongings in a coffin that would be used to “bury” them when they died on the mission field. As they traveled to the ends of the earth, they said goodbye to everyone and everything they had ever known, all for the kingdom of God.

Jesus’ parables about the hidden treasure and the priceless pearl represent an encounter that changes everything. In one, a man stumbles upon treasure buried in a field. In the other, a merchant who has searched his entire life for fine pearls suddenly discovers one so valuable nothing else compares. In both cases, these men sell everything to obtain what they’ve found.

From a worldly perspective, selling everything to obtain one thing seems reckless and unwise. And yet, the man sells all he owns “in his joy.” This isn’t about grim duty or forced giving—it’s about overwhelming delight. When you truly see the worth of the kingdom, sacrificing everything you have for it doesn’t feel like loss. Rather, it brings great gain.

Many times, we find ourselves chasing a thousand smaller treasures, such as comfort, reputation, and control. But none of those treasures ultimately satisfy. They demand more and give less. But when we encounter Jesus, the true treasure, everything else finds its proper place. Paul echoes this in Philippians 3:8: “I also consider everything to be a loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.”

MEMORIZE IT: “The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God remains forever.: Isaiah 40:8 (CSB)

PRAY IT: Heavenly Father, Thank You for sending Jesus, our King, and for teaching us what Your kingdom is like. Help our family to treasure Jesus above everything else and to find our greatest joy in knowing and following Him. Teach us to trust Your Word, because it is true and remains forever. May we love You more than anything this world can offer. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Models of Joy
Philippians 2:19-30

The Example of _____ (vv. 19-24)

A Model of _____ (vv. 20-21)

A Model of _____ (vv. 22-24)

The Example of _____ (vv. 25-30)

A Model of _____ (vv. 25)

A Model of _____ (vv. 26-27)

A Model of _____ (vv.28-30)

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SEPT. 15 - NOV. 17
LED BY LYNN MATHIS

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

TUESDAY'S AT 9:30AM
CONNECTING PLACE

LEARN MORE AT SOUTHMAIN.CHURCH/EVENTS

This Week at South Main

13	SUNDAY	14	MONDAY	15	TUESDAY	16	WEDNESDAY
8:30AM - Worship -Preschool Childcare Children's Church 1 st /2 nd Grades 9:45AM - Sunday School Small Group 11:00AM - Worship Preschool Childcare 3:00PM - Grief Support Group 4:30PM - Personnel Committee 5:00PM - Choir Rehearsal 6:00PM – Deacon Meeting		11:00AM - Mamsie Russel Circle 11:00AM - Martha Frank WMU Group (Off Campus)		9:30AM - Women's Bible Study: Joshua 6:00PM - Men's Recovery		6:00PM - Adult Discipleship Groups 6:00PM - Preschool- Wee Trackers Elementary- Truth Trackers Students- Midweek 6:00PM - Prayer Meeting 7:00PM – Finance Committee 7:30PM - Worship Team Rehearsal	
17	THURSDAY	18	FRIDAY	19	SATURDAY	20	SUNDAY
						8:30AM - Worship -Preschool Childcare -Children's Church 1 st /2 nd Grades 9:45AM - Sunday School Small Group 11:00AM - Worship -Preschool Childcare 5:00PM - Choir Rehearsal 5:00PM - Properties Committee 6:00PM - Missions Team Meeting	

UPWARD

southmain sports

BASKETBALL

LEAGUE

GIRLS: K5-3RD GRADE | BOYS: K5-2ND GRADE

FIRST PRACTICE: WEEK OF OCT. 5 | FIRST GAME: NOV. 7

SCAN TO REGISTER

\$65 PER PLAYER

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

groups

ADULT D-GROUPS

FALL 2026

WEDNESDAYS AT 6PM

SOUTHMAIN.CHURCH/DGROUPS

8:30 Worship	
Welcome	Andy Roberson
Great Things	Praise Band and Congregation
Pastoral Prayer	Keith Polatty
Breathe On Me Breath Of God	Praise Band and Congregation
I Will Follow	Praise Band and Congregation
Morning Message	Dr. Brian Saxon
Highlands (Song of Ascent)	Praise Band and Congregation
Closing	Dr. Brian Saxon

11:00 Worship	
Lead On, O King Eternal	Cynthia Adams, Piano; Keith Polatty, Organ
Welcome	Andy Roberson
Serve the Lord with Gladness #495	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Lord, Here Am I #486	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Serve the Lord with Gladness #495 (Chorus)	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Pastoral Prayer	Keith Polatty
The Solid Rock #406	Chancel Choir, Orchestra and Congregation
Who Can Satisfy My Soul Like You?	Chance Choir and Orchestra; Becky Sumerel, Soprano
Morning Message	Dr. Brian Saxon
Let Others See Jesus In You #571	Congregation
Closing	Dr. Brian Saxon
Postlude	Keith Polatty, Organ

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO SERVE?

Our Welcome Team Needs Drivers!

TEXT CART TO 864.392.9815

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MISSIONS UPDATE

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CONNIE MAXWELL CORN MAZE

South Main is pleased to again partner with Connie Maxwell Children’s Ministry. In recent years we have been recognized as one of the top 25 giving churches over a period of 125 years. Thank you South Main for believing in the mission partnership with Connie Maxwell Children’s Ministries.

We also partner beyond our financial giving... people resources matter as well. During the upcoming month there are several ways you can volunteer with our church to communicate the message of hope. Take a look at the volunteer opportunities below.

Volunteer @ Corn Maze – Volunteer to assist at the annual corn maze. Volunteer opportunities include parking, tractor rides, working at the kids zone, facepainting and more. Shifts range from 3 – 4 hours. Currently we need approximately 30 volunteers from our church.

- Thursday, October 1 - Thursday, October 1 (4:00 – 8:00 PM).
- Friday, October 2 - Friday, October 2 (4:00 – 8:00 PM)
- Saturday, October 3 - Saturday, October 3 includes numerous shifts. (10:30 – 2:00 PM) (2:00 – 5:00 PM) and (5:00 – 8:00 PM)

To volunteer, text keyword *MAZE* to 864-392-9815. We will email you the necessary registration link to volunteer at Connie Maxwell.

Christmas Store – Children or a SS/Small Group can purchase items for the CCMC Christmas Store. The store provides a way for the boys and girls to give gifts to their family and friends, using “Connie Maxwell Dollars”. The donated items are displayed in a way that resembles a store so the children can learn how to manage their money and make choices. Find your list of items to donate at the new mission display.

Local missions with a purpose!

Andy Roberson

GIVE ONLINE

TEXT GIVE TO 864.392.9815

new here?

text us your name and “guest”

scan or text (864) 392-9815

need prayer?

text us your name and how we can pray for you!

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ready for baptism?

text the word “baptism” to sign-up!

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