Weekly Calendar

November 1, Sunday
- Early Morning Worship (Main Bldg.) ..... 8:30 a.m.
- Fellowship Time at NorthPoint (FLC) ..... 9:00 a.m.
- Morning Worship at NorthPoint (FLC) ..... 9:30 a.m.
- Bible Study (Main Bldg.) ..... 9:45 a.m.
- Bible Study at NorthPoint (FLC) ..... 10:30 a.m.
- Morning Worship (Main Bldg.) ..... 11:00 a.m.
- KidsMin Volunteer Training (FH) ..... Noon
- Deacons Meeting (Choir Room) ..... 5:00 p.m.
- Discipleship Pathway Groups ..... 6:30 p.m.

November 2, Monday
- Senior Adult Exercise Class (FLC) ..... 9:00 a.m.
- Upward Basketball Evaluations (FLC) ..... 5:00-7:00 p.m.

November 3, Tuesday
- Grief Share (FH) ..... 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- Celebrate Recovery (FLC-Loft/5:45 – 6:30 p.m. Fellowship Time) ..... 6:30 p.m.
- Upward Basketball Evaluations (FLC) ..... 5:00-7:00 p.m.

November 4, Wednesday
- Senior Adult Exercise Class (FLC) ..... 9:00 a.m.
- Discipleship Pathway Group (FH) ..... 1:00 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Meal (FH) ..... 5:15 – 6:15 p.m.
- The Loft @ FLC (Grades 7-12) ..... 6:30 p.m.
- Mission Friends (3s, 4s, 5s & Kindergarten) ..... 6:30 p.m.
- TeamKID (Grades 1-6) ..... 6:30 p.m.
- Discipleship Pathway Groups ..... 6:30 p.m.
- Adult Choir Rehearsal ..... 7:30 p.m.

November 5, Thursday
- Upward Basketball Evaluations (FLC) ..... 5:00-7:00 p.m.

November 6, Friday
- Senior Adult Exercise Class (FLC) ..... 9:00 a.m.

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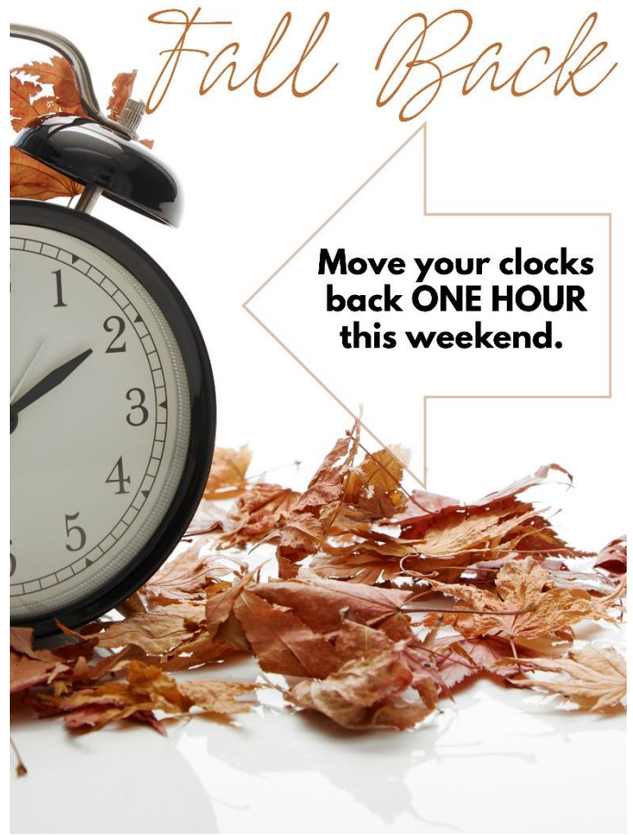
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New Sermon Series Begins this Sunday!

Pastor's Corner

I know that the *Princess Bride* movie is not everyone's cup of tea. I don't understand that, but I accept it. That said, in the movie, there is a scene where Wesley (AKA the Dread Pirate Roberts) has been mostly dead all day, and his closest friends take him to see Miracle Max. Miracle Max asks the mostly dead Wesley, "What you got that's worth living for?" To which Wesley croaks out, "True love."

You may be going through some really difficult times—the loss of a loved one, cancer, financial issues, etc.—and you might be finding it difficult to see anything to be grateful for right now. This week, we begin a new sermon series called *Count Your Blessings*. Sunday, we look at God's free gift of salvation! This amazing, incredible, unmerited gift was purchased **FOR** us by the very blood of Jesus. It is the clearest manifestation of God's true love for us, a love that can be seen virtually anywhere! And, folks, that is reason enough, even during dark days, to be grateful.

Pastor James

Hospital Update

(as of 10/26/2026)
Vicki Griner – Mercy, Rogers
Max Edmondson – Recently Dismissed

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to David and Becky West and family in the passing of Becky's father, Thomas Claiborne. Services were Friday, October 23, in Tennessee.

Thank You

Thank you all for the many prayers, cards, visits, calls and food sent during my health journey. Each touch from you has been an encouragement for me and a reminder of the love of God for each of His creations. I am especially thankful for the Bible verses, hymns and choruses I have learned over the years that I used to give me peace and strength just when I needed it. Looking forward to being back and worshipping with you soon.

Blessings,
Linda and (Nurse) Troy Lowe

A Word from the Pastor

On Sunday, October 18, we had a church-wide Town Hall meeting to talk about the potential change in our Sunday morning schedule. Of the 80-plus people in attendance, the meeting was overwhelmingly positive. Some objections have been raised. Many of these can be overcome with flexibility, and some cannot.

The schedule I have proposed involves a church-wide shared sacrifice of 30 minutes of your Sunday for probably 90% of our church. We have flipped it, reversed it, shifted it both one way and then the other, and what we are looking at is the most equitable solution for the greatest number of people. There is just no way around it.

This will involve:
Main Campus: Sunday morning will begin with Sunday School at 9:00 a.m., followed by a combined worship service at 10:30 a.m.

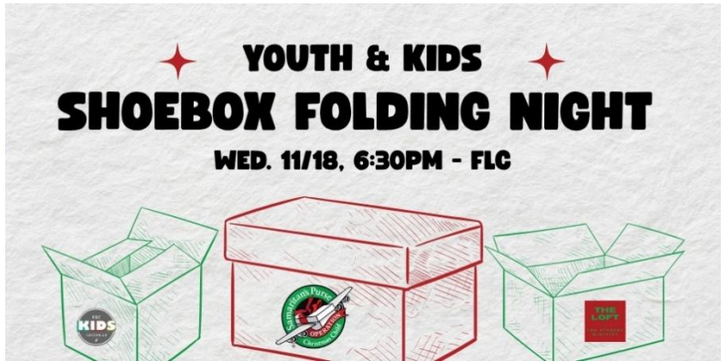
Northpoint: The order will be reversed, with worship beginning at 9:00 a.m., followed by Sunday School.

This still leaves us with an "early" service, but it shifts to the Family Life Center. So, for those who want to get to church and get on with their day, they will move 30 minutes later and 400 feet farther south.

If you still have questions, come to me. We will return to the tabled motion at our November Business Meeting. If approved, the likely time change will begin in January 2027.

Pastor James





Senior Adult Thanksgiving Dinner



The 55+ Thanksgiving Dinner will be Sunday, November 15, in the Fellowship Hall at noon. If your last name begins with **A-H**, please bring a dessert. If your last name begins with **I-Z**, please bring a side, salad, or vegetable. Call Jeff or Haley (417-846-0003) to sign up.

Operation Christmas Child Packing Party

Our annual Christmas Shoebox Packing Party will be on Sunday, November 22, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center.

O.C.C Processing Center Mission Trip

There is a mission opportunity in Dallas, TX, at the Operation Christmas Child Processing Center. The trip will be December 10-11, and the cost is $130.00 per person. There are 4 spots remaining. **Call the office to sign up.**

Day of Global Youth Evangelism

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On Saturday, November 14, youth ministries around the world are uniting to activate young people to reach their world with the message of Jesus. Our youth will be traveling to New Site Church in Monett for an all-day training and outreach session. The church bus will leave the parking lot at 8:00 a.m. Scan the QR code to sign-up.