

First Baptist Church

Stepping Out – Reaching Out
February 2020

Sunday Afternoon Movie Day



March 15, 2020
2:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Many of you may have seen “The Hiding Place” when it was first on the screen in 1975. Bring your adult family and friends and experience this again in the comfort of First Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall. Refreshments provided.

A brave Christian family comes to the aid of its Jewish neighbors during the turbulent war years in Holland. This autobiographical movie is a recount of the experiences of Corrie ten Boom and her family before and during their imprisonment in a Nazi concentration camp during the Holocaust during World War II.

America for CHRIST OFFERING 2020

“You shall
LOVE your
NEIGHBOR
as **YOURSELF.**”

MATTHEW 22:39



March 2020
Goal: \$700.00

American Baptist Home Mission Society



World Day of Prayer
March 6, 2020
10:00 a.m.
St. Thomas Aquinas
Catholic Church

“Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk”
Scripture: John 5: 2-9a
Focus Country: Zimbabwe

World Day of Prayer takes place internationally on the first Friday of March every year. In 2020 that will be March 6th. This is an ecumenical effort of Indianola churches. Everyone is invited to attend.

The host country for WDP 2020 is Zimbabwe. The WDP 2020 program is based on Jesus’ encounter with a person who, although positioned for healing, had not acted upon the opportunities given (John 5:2-9a). Jesus asked –“Do you want to be made well?”

You are invited to learn about Zimbabwe’s history and rich culture. The women of Zimbabwe share their stories of international wisdom, traditions, and experiences of God’s profound love. The women of Zimbabwe are taking Jesus’ encounter to be a call to act in love for peace and reconciliation.

World Day of Prayer guiding principles affirm that “prayer is rooted in listening to God and to one another.” Through the worship service, we listen to the people of Zimbabwe. They will take us to their communities and through their concerns. Their everyday life is woven into their prayers. They invite us to follow prayer with action. WDP motto “informed prayer leads to prayerful action” affirms that prayer and actions are inseparable and that both have immeasurable influence. Let us walk in faith and prayerful action!

Source: wdp-usa.org

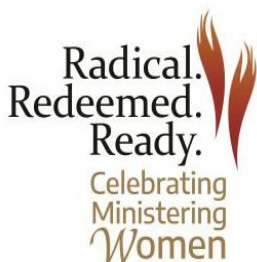
From the Pastor's Desk

James Moore in the story "Dance Your Offering" tells about a missionary in Africa who was preaching his first sermon in a mission church. When time came for the offering, the people danced their offerings forward. They danced and sang praise to God as they brought their offerings to the altar. It was a beautiful moment. What do you think? Should we get our ushers to do that?

After the service, he asked one of the people, "Why do you dance and sing when you bring your offering forward on Sunday morning?" Back came the answer: "How could we not dance? We are so grateful to God for what He has done for us in sending Jesus Christ to save us that we have to dance and sing our thanksgiving and besides it says in the Bible, God loves a cheerful giver."

Let me ask you something. Do you feel gratitude to God that strongly? Do you have a strong case of the "can't help its" when it comes to gratitude? When you are Christians, gratitude is the spirit of your lifestyle. When you are a Christian, you can't help but be grateful!

In His Service,
Pastor Larry



**American Baptist
Women's Ministries
June 16 – 19, 2020
Green Lake, WI.**

Plan to attend the American Baptist Women's Ministries' Conference held this year at Green Lake Camp and Conference Center, Green Lake, Wisconsin. The conference is open to all; women and men, young and seasoned, clergy and lay leaders.

Online registration at:

<http://www.abwomensministries.org/>

Click on Events, Celebrating Ministering Women, and more information

www.radicalredeemedready.com

Early Bird Registration before March 1 – \$149

After March 1 – \$199

Mid-American Baptist Women's Region President has reserved a lake front house for ladies from our region to share or you can stay in the Roger William Inn, Bauer or Kern Lodge. For more information email Region ABWM President, Lovena Van Haaften at dijvhaaf@gmail.com.

**American Baptist Women's Ministries
2019 – 2021 Ministry Focus
"Sisters Seeking Wholeness"**

American Baptist

**Women's
MINISTRIES**

February Bible Book
Ruth

February 27, 2020

ABWM Meeting – 1:15 p.m.

Program – Coleen Remick

2020 Dates to Remember

March 6 – World Day of Prayer

**April 17 – Iowa West Spring Rally
Dayton Oaks**

May 4 – Mother/Daughter Event

**June 6 – ABWM Region One Day Event
FBC Johnston**

**June 16 – 19, 2020 – American Baptist
Women's Ministries' National
Conference, Green Lake, WI.**

**October 2 & 3 – Mid-America Baptist
Churches 50th Anniversary & Biennial
Celebration, First Baptist Church
Pella, Iowa**

Sermon  **Quotes**

"If only we knew what was happening when we pray, we would never cease to pray". – Louie Giglio

"If weak in prayer we are weak everywhere." – Leonard Ravenhill

"This year I want to care more about people than about what people think." – Matt Hammit

"Our failures are never big enough to interrupt God's plans for us." – Dave Harvey

"Humility is going throughout life with the profound realization that God has given us a lot more than we deserve." – Kevin DeYoung

"The Holy Spirit enables us to do ordinary things with extraordinary results." – Jack Graham

February Birthdays

Feb. 7 Tom Trembly
Feb. 8 Harold Wilson
Feb. 10 Krystan Kenne
Feb. 17 Judy Morrison
Feb. 21 Jordan Berry



February Anniversary

Feb. 14 Harold & Betty Wilson

February Greeters

Feb. 2 Bun Taylor
Feb. 9 Judy Meckley
Feb. 16 Kay Wickett
Feb. 23 Mark & Rita Hines



Greeters, please arrive by 10:30 a.m.



**Annual Meeting
Rescheduled
February 2, 2020
Following Worship**

**SUNDAY
SCHOOL**

9:45 – 10:30 a.m.
Upper level
Annex

Classes are available for all age groups.

First Baptist Church Choir
Choir Director – Diana Barker



Adult Choir Practice
Wednesday
6:30 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal
Sunday 10:45 a.m.
Classroom behind
Sanctuary

Junior Choir Practice
Sunday 9:30
Upper Annex Classroom



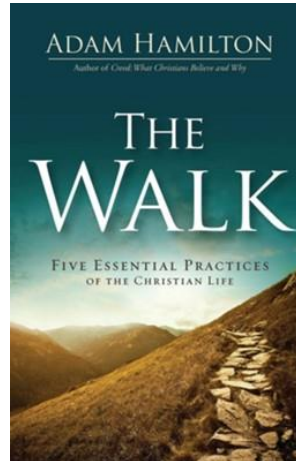
Bible Study
“3:16 Numbers of Hope”
By Max Lucado



Sunday: 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m.

Classroom behind sanctuary



Lenten Study

Lenten Bible study will be the new book by Adam Hamilton “The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life.”

Watch the weekly bulletin for dates this study will begin. Books will be available for purchase at \$14.00.



**Summer
Camp
2020**

We are preparing for summer camp and are looking for summer camp staff for the 2020 camp season. We are in need of two male cabin leaders and one female cabin leader for the summer camp season. We are also looking for kitchen help this summer. Workers and leaders must be 18 or older and willing to commit to the entire camp season. Opportunities for internships will also be available. Please call Matt or Dani at 515-547-2417 for more information.

Volunteers are also needed for summer camp. Choose to help for a day, or a week, or more.

Summer camp materials will be sent out in February. Online registration will be available again for summer camp.



The January Council Meeting was rescheduled to January 8th due to the New Year's Day Holiday.

Pastor Larry gave devotions on Jesus' baptism by John. Baptism is a new beginning as we accept Christ in our lives.

Year-end reports were included in the 2019 Annual report. Highlights of these reports follow:

Financial report indicated we had a good end of year for 2019. This can be attributed to our partnership with New Heights Church sharing general maintenance expenses.

Christian Education

The choir performances of the Cantata and Christmas carols at The Village, Vintage Hills, Windsor Manor and Good Samaritan Meadow apartments were well received.

Mission & Outreach

Kathy Graves thanked everyone for the support of all missions: local, regional and national. Operation Christmas offering was \$659.00. Retired Ministers' and Missionaries' Offering will be received January 19 and 26. Goal for this offering is \$500.00

Pastoral Care

Thank you to Nancy Baughman for her leadership of the Pastoral Care Team. Kay Wickett is the new team leader. The ABWM ladies are a part of this team. They send cards and contact the sick and homebound with calls and visits each month.

Property & Finance

Mark Hines' report included a number of projects of building upgrades when we began sharing our facility with New Heights Church. Rooms in the lower level of the Annex to be used for Christian Education were painted. Office space for 3 Pastors was painted and carpeted.

Worship Team

Coleen Remick reported on special worship services in 2019: Easter Sunrise Service, Children's Program, and Christmas Cantata, Holy Land experience by Nancy Wheeler and ABWM Sunday.

New Business

Vacation for Pastor Larry was approved for Jan. 20 to Jan. 26. Rev. Ken Wallace will bring the message on Jan. 26. The following will be added to the church calendar:

- Easter Sunrise Service and breakfast April 12 at the Annett Nature Center. There will

be no Sunday School. Regular worship service will be at the church at 11:00 a.m.

- Children's Christmas Program Dec. 13
- Christmas Cantata Dec. 20
- 2nd quarter business meeting April 19 (2nd Sunday in April is Easter Sunday)

Items to be brought before the congregation at the Jan. business meeting:

- Sylvia Strables' estate gift to the church
- New Heights Audio / Visual updates



BOAZ KEIBARAK

Evangelism, Discipleship, Peace and Justice

Boaz serves in Kenya through the Kingdom of Peace and Development (KOPAD) organization promoting ministries of evangelism, discipleship and peace and conflict transformation. KOPAD's foundation for this ministry is based on Ephesians 2:14: "For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross, he broke down the wall of hostility that separated us." (NLT) Boaz has been engaged in peacebuilding activities for over a decade. He provides conflict transformation training, mediation and reconciliation among the rural communities throughout east Kenya along the border of western Uganda. He also works in ministries of evangelism, church planting and discipleship with new believers. Boaz serves with IM as an International Associate Global Servant.

Rev. Boaz Keibarak was appointed in June 2019 to serve as an International Associate Global Servant in his home country of Kenya. He has been highly praised in peacemaking and conflict transformation by Karen Smith, IM area director in Africa and Rev.'s Dan and Sharon Buttry.

Boaz is married to Sophia Chepengat and the couple has two daughters, Hiemiah and Anastacia. Their home church is Rock Baptist Church, Kapenguria, Kenya. He will use English and Kiswahili languages in his ministry.

Mission Report December 2019

<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>YTD</i>
ABWM Love Gift	96.00	329.98
America For Christ		745.00
Apply to Life Mission Fund		345.00
Helping Hand/extra giving	160.00	490.00
Missions	199.19	2,489.19
Kristi Engel (support)		333.25
World Mission		637.00
One Great Hour of Sharing		1,029.00
Tom & Terry Myers (support)		900.00
RMMO	100.00	500.00
Kyle & Debby Witmer (support)		333.25
Operation Christmas	659.00	659.00
Total	\$ 1,214.19	\$ 8,790.67
<i>Disbursements</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>YTD</i>
ABWM Love Gift	96.00	329.98
America For Christ		745.00
Central Baptist Seminary	19.92	208.92
Dayton Oaks Camp	49.80	1,022.30
Forest Lake Camp	49.80	622.30
Helping Hand (total)	179.91	698.91
RMMO	100.00	500.00
Mid-American Region	59.76	626.76
OGHS - California Wildfires		50.00
OGHS - Hurricanes		100.00
One Great Hour of Sharing		779.00
World Mission		318.50
Kristi Engel (support)		651.75
Tom & Terry Myers (support)		900.00
OGHS - Midwest Flooding		250.00
Kyle & Debby Witmer (support)		333.25
Adopt-a-Family Thanksgiving		12.46
Operation Christmas	659.00	659.00
Sub Total	1,214.19	8,808.13
Indianola Ministerial Assoc.		500.00
SAE Fundraiser		400.00
Total	\$ 1,214.19	\$ 9,708.13

*Note: Thanksgiving Food Basket \$125.00

Thank you for your support of all mission opportunities presented throughout the year.



Helping Hand Food Pantry

This Month's Featured Items

Food Items Needed

Chili Beans, Sugar, Salt,
Ranch Dressing,
Fruit or Pudding Cups

Non-Food Items Needed

Bathroom Tissue, Bath Soap,
Dish Soap

OGHS Dollars at Work

In response to the earthquakes that shook Puerto Rico recently, ABHMS, on behalf of American Baptist Churches USA, has released \$15,000 in [One Great Hour of Sharing](#) funds to help with recovery efforts.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Windsor Manor Assisted Living in Indianola has volunteer opportunities with the seniors living at their facility. Activities that could use your help include: calling Bingo, making crafts, sewing or just having fun with the residents. If you would like to be involved at Windsor

Manor, please contact:

Vanessa Iinitzky, Activity Director
515-961-8907.

February 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 9:30 – Youth Choir Practice 9:45 – Sunday School 10:30 – Coffee Fellowship 11:00 – Worship 2:00 – Bible Study 6:00 – New Heights Youth Power Co	3	4 6:00 – Girl Scouts 	5 8:00 – Men's Coffee McDonalds 10:00 – Bible Study 5:30 – New Heights Connection Group 6:30 – Choir Practice 7:00 – Church Council Mtg.	6 6:00 – New Heights Prayer Time	7 6:00 – New Heights Evangelism Training	8 10:00 – New Heights Evangelism Training. (All Day Event)
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23 9:30 – Youth Choir Practice 9:45 – Sunday School 10:30 – Coffee Fellowship 11:00 – Worship 2:00 – Bible Study 4:00 – Village Worship 5:30 – New Heights Membership Training 6:00 – New Heights Youth Power Co.	24	25	26 8:00 – Warren County Health Mtg. 8:00 – Men's Coffee McDonalds 10:00 – Bible Study 5:30 – New Heights Connection Group 6:30 – Choir Practice Ash Wednesday	27 1:15 – ABWM Mtg. 6:00 – New Heights Prayer Time 	28 	29 

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Rev. Larry Graves, Pastor
Cell: 515-571-1444
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Military List “Serving Our Country at Home and Abroad”

Jordan Berry

805 South O St.
Indianola, IA 50125
Grandson: Pete & Kay
Berry
Birthday – Feb 21

Jason Vance

MR1 Jason Vance
ERD/CNSS 5
PSC 851 Box 920
FPO AE 09834
Nephew: Nancy Wheeler
Birthday – May 24

Joel Nickelson

19190 Potters Bridge Rd.
Noblesville, IN 46060
Grandson: Wayne & Jean
Bartlett
Birthday – July 16

Jordan Lytton

2502 Violet Lane
St. Charles, IA 50240
Great-Grandson:
Marge Fuller
Birthday – Sept 11

Darrell Strovers

230 Grove Acre Ave.
Apt 234
Pacific Grove, CA 93950
Grandson: Helen
Strovers
Birthday – April 13

Jeni Berry

805 South O St.
Indianola, IA 50125
Husband: Jordan Berry
Granddaughter-in-law:
Pete & Kay Berry
Birthday – May 29

Clayton Bell

1ECEG Unit#61437
APO, AE 09855-1437
Son: Joe & Kathy Bell
Deployment - Kuwait
Birthday – July 20

Matthew McKee

306 Main
Mingo, IA 50168
Relative: Nancy Baughman
Kay Wickett
Birthday – Oct 10

Michael Hayes

PSC 41 Box 5065
APO, AE 09464-0051
Wife: Jennifer Hayes
Son-in-law: Jeff Jenkins
Grandson-in-law:
Sally Jenkins
Birthday – May 10

Ian Beck

4145 E. 38th
Des Moines, IA 50317
Great-Grandson:
Marge Fuller
Birthday – June 22

*Thank You
For
Serving*

