

First Baptist Church

"Staying Connected"-August 2025

Interim Pastors: Rev. Gundar Lamberts and Rev. Deb Harkness
(Alternating Sundays)

Quarterly Business Meeting – July 13, 2025

Reports from the team leaders were included in the meeting packet. The primary agenda item was the announcement from New Heights Church that they will be adding a 2nd service to their Sunday morning worship schedule. Moderator, Polly Wright presented some options for First Baptist Church worship when the 11:00 a.m. worship time in the sanctuary is no longer available.

Discussion followed by the church family. Since there are unanswered questions at this time, Pastor Kevin from New Heights will be contacted to meet with the congregation after FBC worship to address these questions.

Please keep FBC worship in your prayers!

Thank You

Thank you to Pastor Gundar for preparing a delicious lunch following the Quarterly Meeting. Also, thanks to the church family who provided rolls and desserts and the men for helping with set up and tear down of tables and chairs.



**Good Will Offering
Fellowship Lunch
\$153.00**

**OGHS total offering received \$733.00
Thank You!**

Informal Church Meeting -- July 27, 2025

Pastor Kevin from New Heights Church meet informally with First Baptist Church members to address questions from the Quarterly meeting.

New Heights has announced that effective **October 5, 2025**, they will add a second worship service on Sunday morning. New Heights services will be 9:00 – 10:05 a.m. and 10:30 – 11:35 a.m. On the 1st Sunday of each month, a Fellowship Lunch will follow their 2nd worship service.

The Council will address member concerns voiced at the Quarterly Business Meeting and answers to the questions addressed by Pastor Kevin when the Council meets on August 6.

Council recommendations will be brought to the congregation at a special business meeting in a few weeks; date TBD. The date will be announced 2 weeks prior to the meeting.

Please continue to pray for First Baptist Church and New Heights Church as we discern this change.

*Keep
praying
for your
church.
God is
hearing
you.*

Community & World

Pray for First Baptist Church as we discern our worship schedule.

Pray for all students as they return to school.

Pray for all Christians around the world.

Pray for all Global Servants as they serve God around the world.

Pray for those serving our country at home and abroad.

Pray for God's guidance of all government leaders.

Pray for the leading of the Holy Spirit as we reach out into the community.

Give thanks for all of God's blessings.

Dates to Remember

Aug. 2 – National Balloon Classic (last day)

Aug. 6 – Church Council Mtg.

Aug. 7 – 17 Iowa State Fair

Aug. 25 – First Day of School

Pastor Contact Info

**"Change
begins at the
end of your
comfort zone."**

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