

# First Baptist Church

## "Staying Connected"- November 2026

**Pastoral Leadership: Rev. Gundar Lamberts and Rev. Deb Harkness**  
(Alternating Sundays)



**Sunday Morning Worship**  
**Meadow Glen Terrace Apartments**  
**712 South Jefferson**  
**Indianola, IA 50125**

**Coffee Fellowship – 9:00 a.m.**  
**Worship 9:30 a.m.**

### **Church Mailing Address**

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**Community Thanksgiving Worship**  
**Sunday, November 22, 2026**  
**3:00 p.m.**  
**United Presbyterian Church**

## **Advent Season**

This year, Advent Season begins on November 29 and continues for 4 Sundays leading up to Christmas Eve. Themes for Advent are Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love. The Advent Wreath holds 5 candles, 4 purple, 1 rose and the white Christ candle in the center.

Advent is the Christian season of *waiting* and *preparation* for the coming of Christ—both His birth at Christmas and His promised return.

The word *Advent* comes from the Latin *adventus*, meaning *coming* or *arrival*. It points to Christ's coming in three ways:

- His birth in Bethlehem,
- His coming into the hearts of believers,
- His return at the Second Coming.

### **Why Advent Matters**

Advent slows us down in a busy season. It invites believers to:

- Prepare room in their hearts for Christ,
- Reflect on God's promises,
- Practice hope in the midst of darkness,
- Remember that Christmas is about God drawing near.



### **November 15, 2026 – Following Worship**

Investment Distribution  
2027 Budget Approval  
Officer & Team Leader Election  
Officer and Team Leader positions are open to church members. If you wish to serve a position on the Church Council, please contact Polly Wright 515-371-0106

## Prayer List

### Community & World

Safe and abundant harvest for our farmers  
Family & friends providing care for our  
homebound.

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*

- Nov. 1 – Daylight Savings Time ends
- Nov. 3 – Election Day
- Nov. 4 – Choir Practice
- Nov. 4 – Church Council Meeting
- Nov. 11 – Veteran's Day
- Nov. 15 – Church Business Meeting
- Nov. 22 – Community Thanksgiving Worship
- Nov. 26 – Thanksgiving Day
- Nov. 29 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

## Pastor Contact Info

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