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First Baptist Church
 Of Fremont
Build, Love, Grow, Serve

October 2022

Lead Pastor Richard Crooks | Youth/Children's Ministry Coordinator Kristy Horstman | Fremont, NE

Pastor's Notes:

They call this pastor appreciation month. In every church I have worked in, I have been blessed with individuals who assured me they prayed for me and my family daily, and also individuals I knew to be great confidential intercessors, whom I could call upon any time I had a personal request for myself or a private request for another, and knew they would actually seek God's aid for the matter. I truly believe that I, or any pastor, cannot do well in ministry without the prayer support of the congregation. I recently ran across a good article by Charles Spurgeon on this topic, and thought it an appropriate moment to share it with you for this month's article--



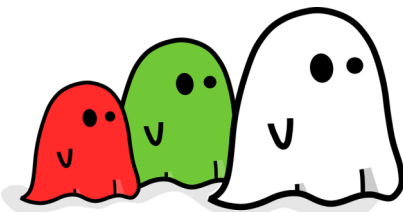
“Brethren, pray for us.” -- 1 Thessalonians 5:25

This one morning in the year we have reserved to refresh the reader's memory upon the subject of prayer for ministers, and we do most earnestly implore every Christian household to grant the fervent request of the text first uttered by an apostle and now repeated by us. Brethren, our work is solemnly momentous, involving well-being or woe to thousands; we treat with souls for God on eternal business, and our word is either a savor of life unto life, or of death unto death. A very heavy responsibility rests on us, and it will be no small mercy if at the last we be found clear of the blood of all men. As officers in Christ's army, we are the especial mark of the enmity of men and devils; they watch for our halting, and labor to take us by the heels. Our sacred calling involves us in temptations from which you are exempt, above all it too often draws us away from our personal enjoyment of truth in to a ministerial and official consideration of it. We meet with many knotty cases and are in a nonplus; we observe very sad backslidings and our hearts are wounded; we see millions perishing and our spirits sink. We wish to profit you by our preaching; we desire to be blessed to your children; we long to be useful both to saints and sinners; therefore, dear friends, intercede for us with God. Miserable men are we if we miss the aid of your prayers, but happy are we if we live in your supplications. You do not look to us but to our Master for spiritual blessings, and yet how many times has He given those blessings through His ministers; ask then, again and again, that we may be the earthen vessels into which the Lord may put the treasure of the gospel. We, the whole company of missionaries, ministers, city missionaries, and students, do in the name of Jesus beseech you



“Brethren, pray for us.” July 7 Reading Morning and Evening,
Charles Spurgeon. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House.

So as Paul, and Spurgeon highlight: “Brothers and sisters, pray for us!” But then, let me share with you some of my prayers for you, as well. Many of you have had moments in your lives when we have prayed together, at the hospital, in your home, over the phone. Sometimes, when I walk through the church sanctuary, I pray for you as I imagine you sitting in your usual space (one advantage to you not moving around all the time!). Other times I may be driving across town and pass your home, and pray for you as I drive by, or I have also driven by the homes of some who have passed away, and pray for the family that is left...which includes some of you. Sometimes I pray as I flip through the church directory for one reason or another. And during my morning readings, often an individual or another would come to mind for whom to be in prayer. When I drive to Omaha or any distance, that is always a good place to take a little time for prayer (with my eyes open, mind you...). Some of my prayers, as I know yours as well, are for our church as a whole. My primary prayers are for God to move in your lives, in our midst, in such a way that we are all drawn into a deeper relationship with Christ day by day, with fresh insights we had never known, with opportunities to share our faith and the boldness to do so, and that we will see the fruit of the seeds we have been sowing. I also pray that we each may so grow in our love for one another and our community that we truly become a great bastion of faith that is known throughout Fremont and beyond as a church that is a mighty blessing to our community, through the power of God. Nothing significant ever happens without first having been brought to the throne of God by his people!



A QUICK NOTE ON BEHALF OF THE PERSONNEL TEAM:
WE HAVE NEW CUSTODIANS AND FAMILY CENTER CUSTODIAN CONTINUING ON A SHORT WORK WEEK, A PART-TIME YOUTH MINISTER, AS WELL AS OUR MINISTRY ASSISTANT IN THE OFFICE AND OUR PASTOR. WHEN YOU BECOME AWARE OF SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED (A GOOD IDEA, AN OVERSIGHT, OR SOMETHING TO APPRECIATE), PLEASE EXPRESS ANY CONCERNS EITHER TO THE PASTOR (AS STAFF SUPERVISOR) OR ONE OF THE PERSONNEL TEAM (MIKE R, MARY W, JOEL F, MARCIA H & SHELLY B). THEY ARE THE ONES TO FOLLOW UP ON THESE CONVERSATIONS....AND FEEL FREE TO HELP OUT BY TAKING CARE OF ANY OF THINGS YOU NOTICE!

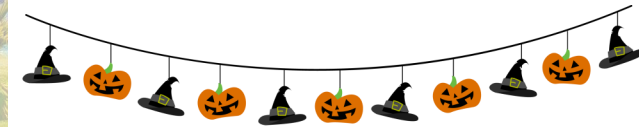
To Our Pastor Richard Crooks

You teach us from the Bible
Words of love and so much more.
Your dedication to God’s Word
Is Something we are grateful for.

You show us Christ is surely the answer
And that He’ll strengthen us each day,
You never seem to get weary
Helping others along God’s way.

Full of wisdom, guidance and loving concern
And your encouragement means so much,
We’re so blessed that you’re our Pastor
And our lives you’ve truly touched.

-Anonymous



*Sincere appreciation
for all the hard work
and dedication from
you to FBC. Thank you
Pastor Richard
and Nola Crooks
From all of us at FBC!
God Bless you both.*



To Our Pastor’s Wife Nola Crooks

It take a special person
To be a pastor’s wife
For it is not an easy task

The phone often rings at dinner time
Vacations, they are few
With so many needs in our church
There is always lots to do

When people need a helping hand
On you they can depend
For you always try to do you best
To be a faithful friend

So keep this note in a special place
So you will always know
You are a special gift from God
Who is appreciated so

-J. Morse

AB Foundation and First Baptist Fremont presents
2022 Mission Conference
Beyond Our Walls
Powered by ABNE, ABHMS, IM and...GOD

****Activities Schedule****

SATURDAY | OCTOBER 8 | 4:30 P.M.

An informal roundtable discussion time (including a light supper). With guest AB Foundation, IM missionaries, and a representative from Rainbow Acres,

SUNDAY | OCTOBER 9 | 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

9:00 a.m. - Coffee and Donuts (Meet and Greet)

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. - Worship Service (available online)

Local Mission - The Bridge Executive Director Suzanne Smith

ABC Nebraska - Greg Mamula | Moses Merrill Bev Pacas

Rainbow Acres - Mike Prochelo

ABHMS - Jeffery Haggray

IM - Sharon Koh

IM - Aaron and AmyEstelle Trout

IM Missionaries

AB Foundation - Paul Weers and Linda Cassel



11:45 - 12:30 p.m. - Lunch provided at the Church

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. - Panel Discussion with Greg Mamula, Jeff Haggray, Sharon Koh, Linda Cassel, and Paul Weers

1:45 - 2:45 p.m. - Breakout Groups - IM Missionaries, Rainbow Acres, AB Foundation, AB Home Missions, AB Nebraska, IM

3:00 p.m. - Event Ends

-First Baptist Church of Fremont-

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*Bible Book of the
Month:
2 Samuel*

American Baptist
Women's
MINISTRIES

**Don't you know
that you yourselves
are God's temple
and that God's
Spirit dwells in your
midst?
1 Corinthians 3:16**

**ABWM
October 6, 2022
1:30 p.m.
Hostess: Hannah**

October Monthly Meetings

October 10th - Esther Circle.

October 11th - Hannah Circle

October 27th - Naomi Circle



VISION TEAM MONTHLY REPORT

In attendance were Mike Raasch, Joel Foreman, Marcia Hill, Shelly Bowen, John Mitchell, June Cardwell, Mary Weldon, Eileen Cash and Randy Cash.



Mike Raasch opened in prayer and devotion.

June Cardwell reported on behalf of Christian Education that the Carnival Kick Off for Youth and Kids Club went well. There were close to 150 people in attendance and we went through close to 200 hot dogs. There were approximately 29 kids signed up for Kids Club but did not include a lot of the older kids that took home sign up sheets. June recognized the fantastic job Nola did in putting everything together and thanked everyone that came out to help. Richard added there were about 25 people who helped while Luke took the opportunity to reach out to the Youth kids about the bible and to see what they would like to learn this year. It was wonderful to not only see the kids but their family come and join in.

Marcia Hill shared that Washington school is having a carnival September 24th, 2022. Marcia offered possible help with donating gift cards or candy that may have been left over from the carnival. This would fall under Outreach. Marcia and Joel to get together about the possibilities of getting gift cards.

John Mitchell reported for Property Team the different areas they are still looking into getting fixed or taken care of. Some of the areas mentored were fixing Media Shout, getting a bid from Doug Greaser for the roof leaking, looking into having the pipe in the kitchen painted and having Dave Christianson checking with Pave The Way to fix the standing water next to the side of the North door of the building. New projects being looked at are the nursery, security cameras, doing something to the windows over by the youth room to keep the sun/hear from coming in and getting rid of the nut grass. Discussion continues on whether or we should do something in the vacant area where the houses were once located. Mary Weldon suggested having a mural painted. Month of October, The Property Team, will have a walk through the church to record what needs to be done.



Randy Cash, Treasurer, high lighted the church account,



JOIN US EACH SUNDAY (AFTER COFFEE HOUR) IN OCTOBER AS WE
CELEBRATE OUR PASTOR AND NOLA.
WE WILL BE IN FELLOWSHIP HALL @ 12:00 P.M..
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Sunday, October 2

Baked Potato Bar provided by ABW

Sunday, October 9

Roast Beef Dinner catered by Mel's Diner

Sunday, October 16

Grilling Out with ABM!

Sunday, October 23

Taco/Nacho Bar from Personnel Team & Staff

Sunday, October 30

Chili & Cinnamon Rolls from the Vision Team

Beloved.
Do not
Imitate
EVIL
imitate
Good.
Whoever
Does good
Is from
God:



If you know of someone in our church family whose name should be on this birthday and/or anniversary list and it is not, please call the office at 402-721-1265 to let us know.

Birthdays	Phone	Date	Anniversaries	Phone
Judi Staab	402-720-4038	2		
Dan Weldon	402-727-5302	2		
Amity Bruce	402-515-2733	5		
David Schultz	402-721-4901	5		
		6	Rick & Linda Crytzer	402-719-4754
Asa Summers		7		
Terri Nelson	402-720-1996	14		
		18	Steve & June Cardwell	402-478-4593
Yvonne Jessen	402-720-5811	19		
Hank Schollmeyer	402-677-2933	22		
Pam Gador	402-620-4338	24		
David Christensen	402-721-5239	26		
Jerry Woodman	402-496-3827	27		
Adryan Bruce		27		
Nancy Cole		28		



First State Bank, was sitting with a balance of \$16,422.99 while the FSB – Designated Gifts were \$19,675.16. \$1,800 given for One Great Hour of Sharing and due to the market the Endowment fund has declined by about \$77,000.00. Money is available from the special projects which can be used.

A motion was made by Mary Weldon to move \$10,000 from the Memorial funds to general funds to cover the cost of replacing the parsonage roof. Eileen Cash second the motion. Motion was approved.

Richard reported on behalf of Mary Lamberty the Mission Conference is October, 8^t & 9th 2022. A combined service will be held Sunday, 10/09/22, at 10:00am with a luncheon being served afterwards. Some of the speakers that will be present are from the AB Foundation, Bacone College, International Ministry, Home Missions and Greg Mamula. A prelude to the conference will be held September, 24th, 2022 where Walt and Jeanie White from International Ministry will attend. A caterer is still needed for the luncheon.

Eileen Cash, ABW, reported they had 25 ladies attend their last meeting. In attendance was missionary Carmella Jones from Hungary.

Pastor Richard reported the revision of the constitution was still being worked on. The questions of what to leave in, take out, or the possibility of restructuring the constitution on how the Vision Team is held and who might be a representative on the team is still being looked at. Next month we will discuss the nominating and budget committees. Bible studies continues. The question was posed on how to encourage people who are attending church on a regular basis to become members.

Pastor Richard closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted:
Shelly Bowen on behalf of Dorothy Charleston.

I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. —Psalm 34:4



Senior Residential/ Homebound

NYE SQUARE APTS

650 W 21st St. Fremont 402-721-9224

Dalton Benson 402-721-7717 #126

Wes Howe 402-721-4163 #133

Joan Sorensen 402-830-6519 #178

SHALIMAR GARDENS

749 E. 29th St. Fremont, 402-721-1616

Harlan Waugh (402-753-8046) #219

Edgewood Vista

2910 Clarkson St. Fremont 402-753-8800

Mary Ann Paulger #7



Look for us on Main Street!

Thursday | October 20th

5-7p.m.



Let the office know if you are wanting to help with Halloween Hysteria (Halloween Downtown) like pass out candy, flyers, books, etc...any donated candy

can be dropped off at the office.

Thank you in advance!!!



DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE HYMN OR WORSHIP SONG THAT DRAWS YOU NEAR TO GOD? WE WOULD LIKE TO PLAY IT FOR OTHERS DURING SUNDAY SERVICE. SIMPLY LET THE OFFICE KNOW AND WE WILL ADD IT TO OUR LIST!



Join us for GAME DAY in the Family Center as we cheer on the Huskers! Bring a snack to share and wear your Husker Gear!!!



MAYDAY GIVING--Just a reminder. When we spoke back in May about the need for all of us to do our best to grow in our giving, as members have gone home to the Lord, you responded well and it is greatly appreciated!! We just want to remind you this is an ongoing need for our church budget, so please, keep up the good work and continue to grow. (And continue to bring folks who can help share the joy and responsibility!)

October people Puzzle:

This church member has climbed one of the 14,000 ft. peaks in Colorado (Mt. Bierstadt—14,065). While ascending a second such peak, a hip went out and instead of continuing up, there was a difficult descent instead. (Member also has hiked the Narrows in Zion National Park!)

October Bible Puzzle:

You may be familiar with the great Jewish military genius, prophet and judge, Deborah whose story is found in Judges 4-5. Do you know the story of *another Deborah* in the Bible? (For the real experts, with a little effort, you can even find a third one!)

September Bible Answer:

The Patriarch of Israel whose name was changed is Benjamin. Genesis 35:16-20 tells how his mother, Rachel, died in childbirth, and named him Ben-Oni (son of my sorrow) before she died, but Jacob instead named him Benjamin (son of my right hand).

September people answer:

The golfer who showed 5-gaited horses? Cynthia Christensen

FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL



OCTOBER
14-15



FRIDAY OCT 14

HOG ROAST 6-7PM
HYMN SING 7:30PM
SPEAKER 8:00PM
CAMPFIRE 9:00PM

STARGAZING DECK
OPEN ALL NIGHT

SATURDAY OCT 15

BREAKFAST 7:30-9AM
DEVOTION 9:30AM
ACTIVITIES 10AM-4PM
FOOD TRUCKS 11:30

FARMERS MARKET OPEN
ALL DAY



Friday Dinner
Whole Hog
Roast
\$15



Saturday
Lunch
Food Trucks



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Celebrate with your ABC
NE family at the Fall
Family Festival at
Moses Merrill Camp &
Conference Center

FBC Kids Club & FBYouth



With the month of September in the books, we've had a great start to the year for our youth group! We are now averaging about 23 kids per Wednesday night and we are continuing to grow and learn! We have also added four seniors in high school who I would love for the church to really rally around before they head out into the adult world! We also have a few exciting collaborative events coming in October that we would love your help with! I pray that God would continue to use our ministry as an inspiration and impact in our community! Great things lie ahead of us church and we could never do any of it without you all! If you would like to get more involved on Wednesday nights or just with our community's youth do not hesitate to reach out! God bless!

-Luke Chavanne | Youth Pastor Interim



Moments of Worship

- Day 1: Daniel 2:20
- Day 2: John 4:24
- Day 3: Psalm 22:27
- Day 4: Psalm 29:2
- Day 5: Psalm 66:4
- Day 6: Psalm 95:6
- Day 7: Psalm 96:9
- Day 8: Psalm 99:5
- Day 9: Psalm 138:2
- Day 10: Jeremiah 7:2
- Day 11: Psalm 34:3
- Day 12: Psalm 69:30
- Day 13: Luke 1:46
- Day 14: Psalm 22:22
- Day 15: Psalm 27:6
- Day 16: Psalm 33:2
- Day 17: Psalm 34:1
- Day 18: Psalm 35:8
- Day 19: Psalm 40:3
- Day 20: Psalm 42:5
- Day 21: Psalm 44:8
- Day 22: Psalm 47:6
- Day 23: Acts 16:25
- Day 24: Romans 15:11
- Day 25: Ephesians 1:6
- Day 26: Hebrew 2:12
- Day 27: Hebrews 13:15
- Day 28: 1 Peter 2:9
- Day 29: Psalm 68:4
- Day 30: Psalm 69:34
- Day 31: Psalm 71:8

A Christian Is Like a Jack O Lantern

God picks you from the patch, brings you in, and washes all the dirt off of you.

Then He cuts off the top and scoops out all the yucky stuff.

He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, and greed.

Then He carves you a new smiling face and puts His light inside of you to shine for all the world to see.



It's always a good idea to verify times and places,
Thanks!

October 2022

Coffee & Cookies
 2 Esther
 9 Naomi
 16 ABM
 23 Hannah
 30 Sign Up Sunday



Please join us as we
 celebrate Pastor
 Appreciation Month.
 Each Sunday in October
 we will be hosting a meal
 @ 12:00 in Fellowship
 Hall.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 7am - ABM Bible Study 8am - ABM Breakfast 9am - Property Team 6:30 Husker Game
2 COMMUNION 9:30 -Traditional Service 11am - Casual Service 12:00 Meal	3 9am-Men's Coffee	4 7pm - AA Meeting	5 9:30- Women's Coffee 6:15p Meal for kids 7pm Kids Club & FBY	6 1:30 - ABWM Meeting	7 9am-Men's Coffee 6pm- N vs Rutgers	8
9 MISSION CONFERENCE w/ Sharon Koh 10am-Combined Service 12:00 Meal	10 9am-Men's Coffee 11:30 - Esther Circle 7pm - Woodcarvers	11 1:30 - Hannah Circle @ La Hacienda 6:30 - Personnel Team Meeting Followed by vision Team 7pm - AA Meeting	12 9:30- Women's Coffee 6:15p Meal for kids 7pm Kids Club & FBY	13	14 9am-Men's Coffee 10am - Nye Square Bible Study	15 N Husker vs Purdue
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