

First Baptist Church
25 N. Eighth Street – P.O. Box 124
Keokuk, Iowa
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Return Service Requested

August 2022



Baptist Visitor

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SUNDAYS

9:00 Sunday School
10:20 Morning Service

WEDNESDAYS

6:00 BEF



PRAYER REQUESTS: Unspoken Requests, Michelle Dorethy and Family,
Doug & Amy Roeglin and Family, Ginger Curfman, Barb Collier, Bev Brotherton (eyes),
Don Hale, Mark & Kelly Neuendorf, Doris Adkins, Family of Ruth Roeglin,
Fouad & Noura – Pastor Bob’s friends in Egypt, Loza – Fouad’s Mother N Law, Sherry Dalton,
Family of Tim Nehre (West Nairobi School & Health), Carol Ryland, Tom & Betty Dickens, Mike Gibson,
Simon Bentzinger, Evonne Young – John, Sylvia, Teresa Brotherton,
Kristy Engel – Health & Travel, Emma, 3yr old ran over by pick-up, Joyce Wade,
Nations of the World (Ukraine), Steve’s Aunt, Stantons in Hungary, Minnie Kolditz,
Elsie – 91 year old with blockage, Teresa Jefferson, Don & Grace Hall, Jerry Brotherton,
Diana Cook – (Cheryl, her friend had cancerous growth removed),
Virginia Lefler (Bev Brotherton’s mom n law), Family of Ruth Roeglin,
Danielle Allsup & Lonnetta Sutterfield – both medical and both family friends to Dutch,
Please pray for Christians kidnapped in Egypt!
Mary Mina Latif 17 yr. old girl
Abonoub Harbi ghobrial Girgis 26 yr. old man
Randa Fathallah Lawndy 24 yr. old girl & her 1 yr. old son
**“Do not be afraid.... Still others will write on their hand, ‘the Lord’s’.... Do not tremble,
do not be afraid” (Isaiah 44:2,5,8, NIV).**

STAFF

Teresa (Tess) Brotherton (secretary@keokukfbc.org)
 Julie Ramsey, Organist
 Russell Brotherton, Custodian



OFFICE HOURS
 Monday-Friday
 9 a.m. – 11:30
 12:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Stewardship ATTENDANCE

JUNE	SUNDAY SCHOOL	SANCTUARY/ NURSERY	PARKING LOT
26	35	46	4
JULY			
3	38	50	9
10	35	37	6
17	39	39/2	1

FINANCES

General Missions Maint. Total
 Needed each week:

(Averages include Maxwell Trust expenditures.)

JUNE	3,120.00	721.00	626.00	4,452.00
26	2,052.00	429.00	320.00	2,801.00
JULY	3,120.00	721.00	626.00	4,452.00
3	4,222.90	1,068.00	648.00	5,758.90
10	3,879.20	578.05	325.00	4,782.25
17	1,658.00	190.00	225.00	2,073.00

OTHER TOTALS FOR JULY

Deacon Fellowship Fund. \$ 10.00

OTHER FUNDS TO DATE

Stained Glass Preservation Fund . . \$22,661.17

AUGUST

The Lord replied, 'My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.'
 Exodus 33:14

Dear Lord, May I feel the warmth of your presence today ~ a sweet touch of your love. Thank you for always standing by my side.

THE PEACE OF HEAVEN



From the Past

From the Deacon Bench

The past is coming to a close, the restrictions of the past fifteen months are being lifted, and we will return to normal. But is the pre COVID days what we should return to?

Yes, the church being open is good. Yes, singing God's praises with other church members in our sanctuary is a blessing. Seeing our pastor as he shares God's word is better than just hearing through the car radio. The time to visit with one another before and after service helps us feel like a body of believers who share the same appreciation for God, our church, and its mission.

Will we return to doing the same things the same way, or will we accept and try new things? Will we return to Sunday school classes, maybe even start new ones to meet all member's needs? Will we attend just Sunday school, or just church? Will we become active through our Boards or Committees, or say no when asked to become a more active part of the life of FBC?

Next year marks the 175th anniversary of First Baptist Church in Keokuk. How will you help celebrate? How will you help continue sharing God's light and work at First Baptist Church? Welcome back, First Baptist!!!



Stella Mae Benedict was born on Sunday morning, July 3, at 1:28 a.m. to Rachel and Zach Benedict. Grandparents are Debra and Steve Carman.

Mother and daughter are doing well and thankful for a safe pregnancy and delivery.



Thank you

The Board of Trustees and the Board of Deacons would like to thank the families of Gary Brotherton, Hazel Linqvist, Thelma Spees, Bettye Wirsig, Joyceann McFadden, Jim Walter, Shari Dunagan and Melvin & Maxine Baum for their generosity in approving the use of their loves ones' memorial funds to purchase an electronic message sign. The sign will be mounted on the educational building and face toward North Seventh Street. The sign will be used to announce upcoming church events as well as serve as an outreach to the community with messages of encouragement and spiritual insight. May the Lord enable FBC to use this sign as a method of ministry for evangelism and reaching lives for Christ.

Our 2023 calendars have been ordered! They will be available when they come in around October-ish. Cost will be \$2 each.



Church T-shirts



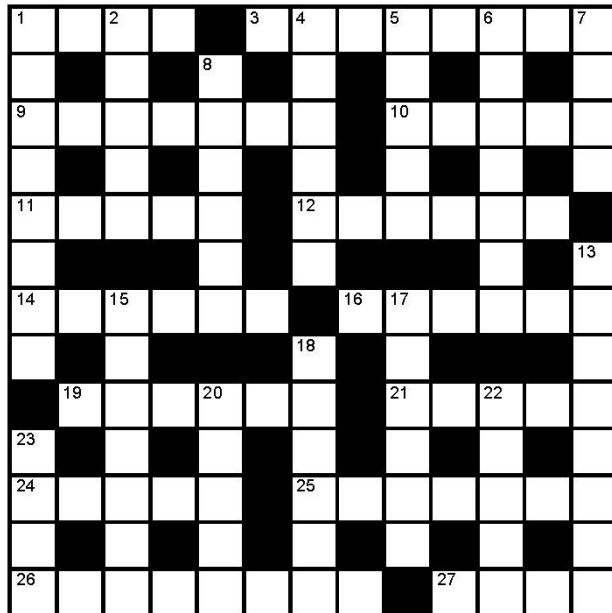
Beginning July 24 there will be a table in Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings thru Aug. 14 to order a church t-shirt. There will be 1 shirt of each size to check the size you want/need and a picture of what the finished shirt will look like. The cost of sizes small – XL is \$12; and the cost of sizes 2X-5X is \$15. Shirts need to be paid for at the time of your order (thank you). Any checks should be made out to Debby Baum. The dead line for ordering is Aug. 14th. The plan is to wear these shirts during the 175th celebration and other events that follow including the Labor Day Parade.

“Keokuk, IA” will be added under the logo.

Matthew

Across

- 1 Fear Him who is able to destroy _____ soul and body in hell. Matt 10:28 (4)
- 3 “By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not _____.” Matt 13:14 (8)
- 9 Jesus calls Peter this after he proclaims Jesus the “Christ, Son of the living God.” It means “Son of Jonah.” Matt 16:17 (7)
- 10 Along with clothing of sackcloth, this was a physical display of repentance. Matt 11:21 (5)
- 11 Means a “flowing of blood” and describes the woman who touched the hem of Jesus' garment. Matt 9:20 (5)
- 12 One sheep may “go _____” and the Shepherd will leave his ninety-nine to find it and rejoice. Matt 18:12 (6)
- 14 The Pharisees sought to do this to Jesus when he healed a man with a withered hand on the Sabbath. Matt 12:10 (6)
- 16 One of the twelve apostles. Matt 10:2-4 (6)
- 19 Synonym for “young woman.” Matt 26:69 (6)
- 21 The Heavenly Father feeds the fowls of the air, although they do not sow, reap or gather into these. Matt 6:26 (5)
- 24 “And ye shall be _____ of all men for my name’s sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.” Matt 10:22 (5)



- 25 What mingled with fire in Exodus 9:24 during the plagues? (3, 4)
- 26 These were what Christ performed when he went from town to town. (8)
- 27 Jesus opened these when two men answered that they believed that he was able to heal them. Matt 9:29 (4)

Down

- 1 Adjective form of “Bible.” (8)
- 2 These are sown by an enemy with the good seed. They will grow together until the harvest and then be gathered first and burned. Matt 13:25-32 (5)
- 4 The Old Testament prophet who said “Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.” Matt 3:3 (6)
- 5 Jesus left Nazareth and dwelt in Capernaum, which is on the _____ of the Sea of Galilee. Matt 4:13 (5)

6 This son of Abraham is not in the genealogy of Christ. Matt 1:2 (7)

7 This was where the wise men were from when they came to worship Jesus. Matt 2:1 (4)

8 “The sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the _____ of the heavens shall be shaken.” Matt 24:29 (6)

13 The Greek definition of this word (apostolos) means “messengers.” Matt 10:2 (8)

15 “But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.” Matthew _____ 6, verse 13. (7)

17 Although Matthew was a Jew, he wrote this gospel in Greek. Other New Testament texts were written in Aramaic. What language was the Old Testament written in? (6)

18 “Wherefore, if God so _____ the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more _____ you, O ye of little faith?” Matt 6:30 (6)

20 Begat by Azor and begat Achim. Matt 1:1-16 (5)

22 “Therefore be ye also _____: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.” Matt 24:44 (5)

23 “But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless _____ that curse you, do good to _____ that hate you, and pray for _____ which despitefully use you, and persecute you.” Matt 5:44 (4)



August, A.D. 2022

Dear Church Family,

It's a sign of the times! This past week our new computerized sign arrived. Soon it will be installed on the side of the Education Building, between the second and third floor windows, facing the courthouse. It is about 14 x 3 feet in size and weighs about 300 pounds. With the sign we will post events for the church, Bible verses, and excellent quotes. We may also post humorous things occasionally, as long as they are appropriate. We want it to be so well done that people say, "Hey, let's drive down Blondeau today to see what's on the First Baptist sign!" The idea of putting up such a sign was the brainchild of our deacon, Tom Brown. He as well as others on different boards, along with Russell, were all part of it making it happen.

As far as sermons are concerned, I am going to preach a short topical series that I have titled, "Four Common Conditions of Mortal Mankind." The idea for the series was from Daniel Doriani's book, *Putting the Truth to Work*, where he suggested a topical series on The four conditions of humanity—at creation, the fall, redemption, and glory. The first one will have been preached by the time you read this, on July 24. The other three will be preached in August.

The theme and updated schedule for the 175th is:

5G since 1847—"With Gratitude for God's Grace, We Give Him the Glory!"

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Monday, September 5	10:00a.m.	Float in Labor Day parade
Saturday, September 17	10:00	Free car wash @ 7 th & Blondeau
Thursday, September 22	afternoon	Jamey Simmons Quintet arrives
Friday, September 23	a.m.	Jamey on KOKX with Suzy G.
Friday, September 23	all day	Jamey Simmons Quintet at KMS & KHS
Friday, September 23	6:00 – 8:00	Soiree socializing & refreshments at FBCK
Saturday, September 24	11:00	Music practice
Saturday, September 24	6:00 – 8:00 p.m.	Concert at Rand Park Pavilion—JSQuintet with McNamara Band
Sunday, September 25	9:00 – 10:00	Sunday School—JSQuintet the whole hour
Sunday, September 25	10:20	Worship Service
Sunday, September 25	11:45	Potluck meal

Please plan to support these events with your attendance. Invite friends! That's it, folks! May the Lord bless you as you keep your eyes on Jesus!

Sincerely in Christ,
Pastor Bob Brandhagen





AUGUST

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 5:30 Sewing & Crafts	3 No BEF	4	5	6
7	8 6:00 CE Board	9	10 No BEF	11 9:00 Effie 6:30 Trustees	12	13
1 Last day to order T-shirts	15	16 5:30 Sewing & Crafts	17 No BEF	18 Hamilton 	19 	20
21 11:30 Deaconesses	22	23 Keokuk & Central Lee 	24 No BEF	25	26	27
28 3:30 Deacons	29	30 5:30 Sewing & Crafts	31 6:00 Kids BEF			



1 Anna Thomas
2 Kasey Kirchner
4 Chelsey Riffle
5 Julie Ramsey
7 Zachary Brobston
8 Betty Dickens
9 Victor Kerr
12 Dottie Pillans
Tait Matlock
Jeff Breemeersch
13 Joe Baker

15 Haley Ashworth
Emory Rose Dickens
16 Zayne Gabriel Brown
17 Joe Ryland
Alicia Pillans
Kayson Hotop
19 Heidi Noelle Rose
19 Joseph Shipman
20 Teresa Glasscock
Niky Smith
22 Bill Ryland, Jr.
23 Ryan Richardson
Gabriel Young
26 Traci Billings
27 Debra Carman
29 Justin Helmick
30 Mark Pfaffe



*Ben & Caleigh Hayhurst
August 1, 2020*

*Don & Ana King
August 5, 1972*

*Ryan & LeAnn Brotherton
August 29, 1998*

*Josh & Kasey Kirchner
August 29, 2009*

God blessed Iowa with some of the best home grown sweet corn!

