

First Baptist Church
25 N. Eighth Street – P.O. Box 124
Keokuk, Iowa
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May 2025



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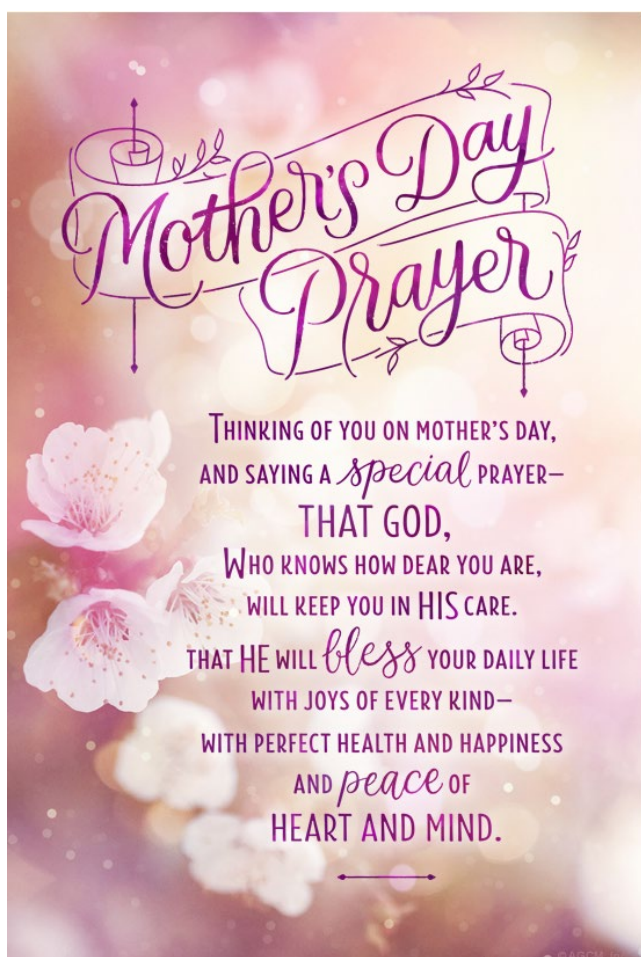
REV. BOB BRANDHAGEN, PASTOR

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SUNDAYS

9:00 Sunday School
10:20 Morning Service



STAFF

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



OFFICE HOURS

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

Stewardship

ATTENDANCE

MARCH	SUNDAY SCHOOL	PARKING LOT	SANCTUARY
30	42	4	43
APRIL			
6	48	4	53
13	46	6	49
20	47	2	74



4/17/25 Maundy Thursday – 14
4/18/25 Good Friday – 9
4/20/25 Sunrise Service - 64



♥ ...Keep your father's command and
do not forsake your mother's teaching.
♥ Bind them always on your heart;
fasten them around your neck.
Proverbs 6:20-21

UVBS

July 27-31 at 6:00 PM

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**MINISTERS AND MISSIONARIES
EDUCATION FUND**

1 In 1956 the will of Miss Gladys Garnett established a fund to assist students to prepare for Christian ministry.
Over the years, dozens of students have been aided. If you are a Keokuk FBC member and entering a full-time Christian ministry program for the 2025-2026 school year, you qualify.

2 A second scholarship fund was set up as a memorial to Clauzelle Pfafe for members or children of members wishing to enter the medical field

3 A third scholarship fund was set up through the Maxwell Trust. This is for members or children of members of Keokuk FBC who will be entering a post-high school education program.

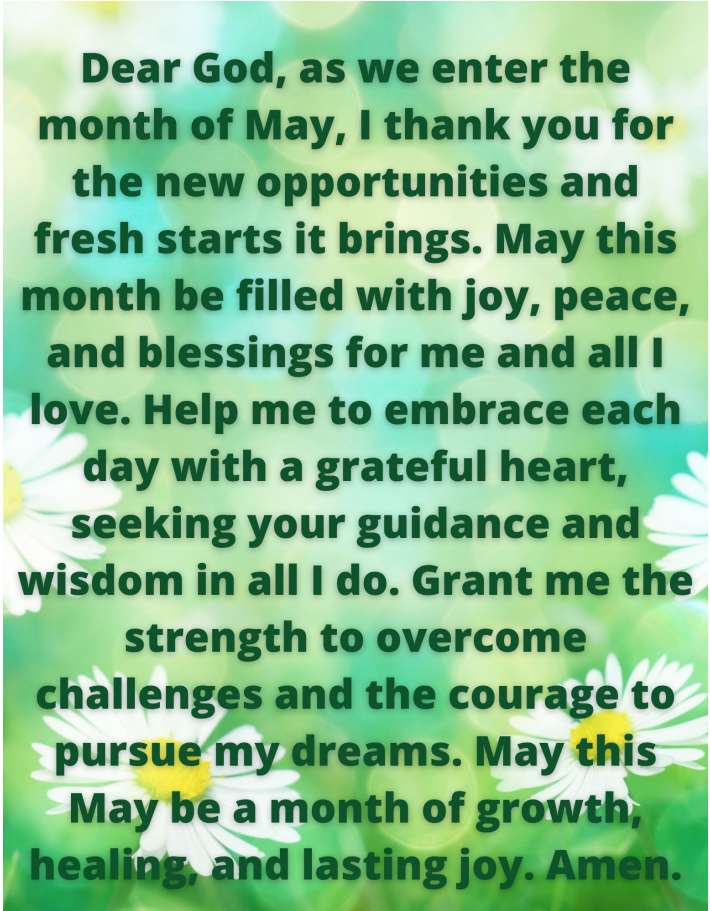
All monies are given in the form of a non-interest-bearing loan. You will be asked to sign a promissory note. If you discontinue your education before the semester of the loan is completed, you will then be expected to begin paying back the loan. If you successfully complete the semester, the loan becomes a gift from Keokuk First Baptist Church.
Application forms for all three scholarships are available in the church office and need to be filled out and returned by June 9, 2025.
If you are aware of students who qualify and may be interested, please pick up an application form for them.

NOTE: For those of you who have filled out the applications in the past, there is no need to fill out the “chosen field” or “spiritual walk” paragraphs if you are continuing the same educational path.

***Application forms may be picked up in the church office or Tess will mail them to you.**

Please feel free to contact Caleigh Hayhurst at 217-430-3931 if you have any questions.

M & M Education Committee



For the Graduate.....
*You’re young, you’re invincible,
but never underestimate the power of other
people’s love and prayers. -Tony Snow*



Dear Family of God,

As I write this letter, it is Monday, April 21, A.D. 2025, the day after the celebration of Jesus' rising from the grave. If you look at our electronic sign on the Education Building, it says, "This is no ordinary time; it is Extraordinary Time!" This might need some unpacking as to the meaning. Many Protestants do not pay much attention to the church calendar. I don't. But in the church calendar that the Roman Catholic Church observes, the day after Easter is the end of Lent, and a new season known as Ordinary Time takes the place of Lent. You may ask how long Ordinary Time lasts. It lasts from the end of Lent until the beginning of Advent, which is the beginning of preparing to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ in Bethlehem. So, the Catholic calendar's Ordinary Time essentially lasts from April until November each year.

Why did I want our electronic sign to say, "This is no ordinary time; it is extraordinary time"? I wrote that to help our community and our church to understand that once Jesus rose from the dead, *that changed everything*. No other so-called god has ever done that. Yes, the resurrection changed everything, and still changes everything now, over 2000 years later. No more *status quo* in our day-to-day lives. No more "ordinary time."

The Apostle Paul did not want to live in an ordinary way, so he wrote in the passage below about just how full of "power" life can be when one decides to "press on," and by God's grace to ultimately be "perfect" and receive "the prize."

Phil 3:10-14 (NASB)—"that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; ¹¹in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. ¹²Not that I have already obtained *it* or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. ¹³Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of *it* yet; but one thing *I do*: forgetting what *lies* behind and reaching forward to what *lies* ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."

Okay, say it with me, "This is no ordinary time; it is Extraordinary Time!" Live in an extraordinary way! How? Press on! Pray for God's Power! Get the Prize!

Sincerely Serving the Savior and the Saints,
Pastor Bob Brandhaugen



From the Deacon Bench



I remember as a child growing up in Elvaston, IA that on the first of many our Sunday school class would make up May baskets of flowers for May Day and put them out on the front porches all around the town. Something that isn't really done to much anymore but it was a fun thing to do as a child.

Spring is a time of rebirth and rejuvenation as well as being a reminder to us that we can start anew with Christ simply by saying a simple prayer and asking Jesus into our hearts and reading his word daily and praying daily for his guidance in our lives. So, if you haven't done so, what are you waiting for?

Yours in Christ
Deacon
Tom Brown

May's Prayer Requests

Friends & Family: Unspoken Requests, Michelle Dorethy, Jeff Matlock, Steve Roeglin – **brain tumor - only weeks to live**, Wes Davis, Mike Gibson, Ginger Richardson, Tom Rudd, Teresa Glasscock, Ginger Curfman, Teresa Jefferson, Ken Mlyniec, Don Hale, Mark & Kelly Neuendorf, Bob & Barb Collier, Bev Brotherton (eyes), John & Jeanne Taylor, Teresa Brotherton, Dutch Salama, **Missionaries:** Doug (getting worse) & Amy Roeglin, Kristy Engel, Tim & Erin Nehre, Shawn & Teresa Ott (Forest Lake), **Political:** Nations of the World
Please pray for Christians kidnapped in Egypt:

Oven-Roasted Corn on the Cob

Oven-roasted corn on the cob is a delicious side. The ears of corn are coated with mayonnaise, Parmesan cheese, chili powder, parsley, and black pepper before being wrapped in foil and roasted in the oven. A great way to prepare everyone's favorite summertime dish!

Prep Time: 10 mins

Cook Time: 20 mins

Servings: 5



Ingredients

- 5 ears corn, husks and silk removed
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 cup shredded Parmesan cheese
- 1 tablespoon chili powder
- 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

Directions

1. Gather all ingredients.
2. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C).
3. Cut 5 squares of aluminum foil 1 ½ times the size of the ears of corn; place each ear of corn in the center of a piece of foil. Stir mayonnaise, Parmesan cheese, chili powder, ground black pepper, and fresh parsley together in a bowl until it forms a thick paste.
4. Rub about 2 tablespoons of the paste over each ear of corn. Wrap the aluminum foil around the corn and seal. Arrange corn on a baking sheet.
5. Bake in preheated oven for 10 minutes, turn, and continue baking another 10 minutes.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						
Deacon of the month is Steve Baum				1  11:15 Prayer	2	3
4 11:30 CE Board	5	6 12 noon Sewing & Crafts Group	7	8 9:00 Effie Linquist Circle 11:15 Prayer 6:30 Trustees	9	10
11  HAPPY Mother's DAY	12	13 12 noon Sewing & Crafts Group	14	15 9-2 Food Pantry 11:15 Prayer	16	17  ARMED FORCES DAY
18	19  NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	20 12 noon Sewing & Crafts Group	21	22 11:15 Prayer	23	24
25 11:30 Deaconesses 3:30 Deacons	26 OFFICE CLOSED  Memorial Day	27 12 noon Sewing & Crafts Group	28	29 11:15 Prayer	30	31



2 Cathy Derr
 Shaun Huffman
 Shawn Daniels
 8 Lisa Spees
 9 Evan Bierwirth
 10 Andrew Glasscock
 11 Courtney Brown
 Treyvin Jarrell
 12 Holly Jarrell
 Natalie Roeglin
 13 Pat Baum
 15 Russell Brotherton
 Tyran Jarrell

16 Brandon Daniels
 Grace Newlon
 18 Jeff Matlock
 Danielle Brobston
 Phillip Kaehler
 19 Alisha Neil
 20 Linda Thomas
 24 Amber Helmick
 Robert Strohmaier
 25 Abigail Taylor
 26 Lexys Jarrell
 27 Kayla Dickens
 28 James Bogener
 Kyndra Ryland
 31 Kendall Rose



<i>Austin & Sujata Almon</i> <i>May 29, 2021</i>	<i>Rob & Chelsey Riffle</i> <i>May 16, 1992</i>
<i>Tom & Betty Dickens</i> <i>May 3, 1969</i>	<i>Autumn & Austin Ferguson</i> <i>May 30, 2015</i>
<i>Clint & Leslie Glasscock</i> <i>May 3, 2013</i>	<i>Russell & Teresa Brotherton</i> <i>May 17, 1968</i>
<i>Yates & Tess Brotherton</i> <i>May 3, 2014</i>	
<i>Joe & Merry Powers</i> <i>May 11, 1996</i>	

