

Sunday, December 23, 2018

Welcome to First Baptist Church!

If you are visiting with us today, we are glad you came, and we trust the music and message will be a source of blessing and spiritual encouragement to you. Here at FBC, the things that are meaningful to God are the things that are meaningful to us—and that includes the opportunity to know you and help you know the Lord better and more deeply.

If you are from the area and do not attend a Bible preaching church, we would like to invite you to study the Word of God with us regularly.

We care about you!

Today At First Baptist Church

Breakfast Café 9:00 am—9:30am

Sunday School 9:45am—10:45am

- East Overflow (101)—(Adult Class) - led by Bob Nickerson
The Gospel Project (Genesis)
- West Overflow (102)—(Adult Class) - led by Pastor Nate Archer
Can I be Sure I'm Saved by RC Sproul
- Fireside room (111)—(Young Families) **The Gospel Project (Genesis)**
led by David Williamson and Eric Manrose
*Starting January 6th *Respectable Sins* by Jerry Bridges
- Conference room (118)—(Ladies class) - led by Pam Jacobson
Pilgrims Progress
- College & Career class (122)—led by Ross Sprague

Morning Service— 11:00 AM

Pastor Nate Archer

The Invitation

Luke 14:7-24

NO PM Service



Our Mission

To Magnify the Glory of God by Multiplying and Maturing Followers of Christ

If you are new here, we would like to extend a warm welcome and invite you to become part of our church family.

FBC Children And Teen Ministries

Nurseries: are offered during all of our worship services and Sunday School.

Sunday School: for all ages with comprehensive, Bible-centered curriculum designed to ground children and teens in the Word and faith.

Kingdom Kids: is for our 2-3 & 4-5 year old's. Bible time, play time and snack time takes place in their classrooms and playroom in the Breakfast Café area.

Kidz Blast: is designed for K-3rd graders. "Kidz" are dismissed from the morning service, after praise and worship, look for the kidz blast flag and the adult who will lead the kids downstairs for their own time of learning about God's Word.

Word of Life: is an exciting program on Wednesday nights from 6:30pm-8:00pm for pre-K through 5th grade that provides children with training in the Scriptures and personal devotions. Kids interact with each other in fun group games and learn together through a Christ-centered Bible lesson.

Youth Group: High School & Middle School students meet Wednesday nights from 6:30pm-8:00pm in the Willis Recreation Center. Come early for open gym at 6:00pm!

Opportunities This Week @ FBC

Tuesday, December 25th:



Wednesday, December 26th:

No Evening Programs

Thursday, December 27th:

7:00pm

Open Adult Basketball– Willis Center

Christmas Cards

Remember to pick up your Christmas cards from the tables in the large foyer.

Gideon Fundraiser

Use the Gideon envelopes provided in last weeks bulletin and return them to the Welcome Center or place in the offering plate by **Dec 30th**. Thank you for your generosity!

Fellowship Dinners

Fellowship Dinners will be on **January 20th** from 5pm-7pm.

Get to know others at an in home dinner.

Sign up using the forms at the Welcome Center or on our website. Be a host, a guest or let us know if you are unable to attend. Return your forms to the Welcome Center box by **Dec. 30th**.

Contact the office with any questions.



Tithing / Giving for 2018

Your new 2019 envelopes are here.

Please pick them up at the Welcome Center.

Be advised that you will be getting a new envelope number.

Please discard any unused envelopes from 2018.

Please help us end the year well by having all of your 2018 giving/offerings made by December 31st.

All members should have received a confidential e-mail last week with their year to date 2018 giving. If you did not or need to change the e-mail please let the office know. Thank you for your faithful generosity.

Public Service Announcement

Office will be closed Dec 24th, 25th, 31st and Jan. 1st

There will be a helper filling in for Nina through January 4th.

Please direct all your questions or ministry updates by phone (269)795-7926 or e-mail to office@fbcmiddleville.net

Capital Improvement Push!

The amount still needed to complete phase 2a is now \$5,186.62.

Thank you for your support!

Youth Group

Lake Effect (MS Only) - January 25th-26th—Cost is \$70 drop off at 4:00pm, pick up at 10:00pm

This retreat is at Lincoln Lake Camp, with chapel sessions, small group time, The Birdsongs leading worship and many fun activities.

Deep End (HS Only) - March 1st—March 3rd

Early Registration \$65. Early registration ends January 28th.

The focus of this years retreat will be How to Study the Bible!

Women's Ministry

Women's Bible Study will be starting a new series on January 9th.

AM study—Refresh by Shona & David Murray

PM study—Sweeter than Chocolate by Pam Gillaspie

Young Families Event

January 12th Men's Grand Rapids Griffins & dinner outing

Game starts at 7PM. Carpool will be leaving the

back of the church at 4:00pm.

Cost is \$21, plus dinner at Peppino's

Signup and pay by January 6th.



Winter Calendar

Dec. 26th—No Wednesday Programs

Dec. 30th—Breakfast Café 9am, Sunday School 9:45am,

AM Service 11am, PM Service 6pm

Jan. 2nd—No Wednesday Programs

Jan. 9th—All Wednesday Programs resume

Jan. 12th—Young Families Men's Grand Rapids Griffins outing

Jan. 20th—Fellowship Dinners

Remember to feed our



Being good stewards of our resources by recycling is a great reason by itself, but in this case you also earn funds for church ministries!

What can go in the bin located in the south parking lot:

- Newsprint
- Phone Books
- Catalogs/Magazines
- Junk Mail
- Office/School paper
- Hard & Soft cover books

FBC Nursery & Pre-K Schedule	December 23rd	December 30th
Coordinator	Christine Harned	Brenda Steiner
<u>Sunday School</u> Infants / Walkers	No Sunday School	B Steiner & B Raber
<u>Morning Worship</u> Infants Walkers	C Harned A Boonstra	J & A Chapman
<u>Evening Worship</u> Room 105	No PM Service	S Henderson & C Deppe

Date	Breakfast Café Workers	Breakfast Coffee Maker	Prayer Partners
December 23rd	No Café	No Café	J Junge / R Henderson
December 30th	Rebecca & Janet	Alyssa	G Ledbetter / D Slagter



Office Hours
Monday: Closed
Tuesday – Friday: 9:00-3:30



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