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Regular Schedule:

Sunday	8:00 A.M. Worship	Wednesday	7:30-10:30 A.M. Walking Track
	9:15 A.M. Bible Study		6:00 P.M. Ignite, Children's Choir
	10:30 A.M. Worship		6:50 P.M. Children's Mission Groups
	Lighthouse Harbor		6:30 P.M. Mid-week Meditation
	5:00 P.M. Kingdom Praise		6:45 P.M. Adult Choir
	6:00 P.M. Worship		

Activities for January 18 through January 31

Thursday	January 18
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
10:00 A.M.	LIFE Plus Bible Study
6:30 P.M.	Discerning the Voice of God
7:00 P.M.	Cuba Mission Trip Meeting, Fletcher home.

Friday	January 19
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
Saturday	January 20
4:30 P.M.	LIFE Plus to Thee Abbey Kitchen
Sunday	January 21

Regular Schedule	4:00 P.M.	Youth Drama Rehearsal
Monday	January 22	
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track	
1:30 P.M.	CARE "E" Team	
7:00 P.M.	Youth Girls Bible Study, 326 Moss Lane	
	Youth Boys Bible Study, Student Center	

Tuesday	January 23
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
1:00 P.M.	Ceramics
1:30 P.M.	Senior Choir
6:30 P.M.	Divorce Care
7:00 P.M.	Bible Study Fellowship

Wednesday	January 24
Regular Schedule	
Thursday	January 25
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
9:00 A.M.	Seed Sew-ers
10:00 A.M.	LIFE Plus Bible Study
Friday	January 26
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
4:30 P.M.	Glow Women's Retreat at Pinecrest begins
Saturday	January 27
5:00 P.M.	Glow Women's Retreat at Pinecrest ends
Sunday	January 28
Regular Schedule	
5:00 P.M.	Trustees
Monday	January 29
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
1:30 P.M.	NO CARE Team
7:00 P.M.	Youth Girls Bible Study, 326 Moss Lane
	Youth Boys Bible Study, Student Center
Tuesday	January 30
7:30-10:30 A.M.	Walking Track
11:00 A.M.	Discerning the Voice of God (conference center)
1:00 P.M.	Ceramics
1:30 P.M.	Senior Choir
6:30 P.M.	Divorce Care (room 122)
	Youth Parent Seminar (conference center)
7:00 P.M.	Bible Study Fellowship
Wednesday	January 31
Regular Schedule	



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News and Views

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January 18, 2018

Bettie Jo and I left this past Sunday afternoon with six from the First Baptist family for a 15-day tour of Greece and Israel. This group will join others for a total group of 31 people. We will spend five days in Greece visiting historical sites including Philippi, Thessalonica, Athens, and Corinth as we explore Paul's missionary journeys. Then we will travel to Israel for 8 days following the footsteps of Jesus and exploring Biblical history. Two of my brothers are pastors. The three of us have been hosting tours like this for about 25 years. In a real sense they are spiritual pilgrimages, and many people have profound spiritual experiences during the trips. I hope you will pray for us while we are away.

This Sunday morning, January 21, Dr. Brian Ford, Executive Director of Churchnet, will be filling the pulpit for me. Brian became the new leader of Churchnet this past April when I retired. He is a gifted leader and preacher. I know you will be blessed as he comes to share with the First Baptist Church family. I am also grateful to Jason for his willingness to fill the pulpit while I am away. He will again be preaching this Sunday evening as he did last Sunday. He will also be preaching on Sunday morning, January 28. Dr. Owen Taylor will be preaching on Sunday evening, January 28. Owen and I have been friends since we were in school together. He is the founding pastor of Sanctuary Fellowship in St. Louis, where he still serves. He is also the Community Transformation Team Leader for Churchnet. I hope you will plan to be present to hear him on Sunday evening, January 28.

Last week I attended the Annual Gathering of the North American Baptist Fellowship in Dallas, Texas. The North American Baptist Fellowship is one of the six regional fellowships of the Baptist World Alliance. It represents a diverse Baptist family in the United States and Canada of approximately 18 million people of many different races and ethnic backgrounds. The NABF is committed to working together to strengthen the ministries of each body and our ministry around the world through prayer, networking, sharing resources, and cooperative ministry ventures. I always enjoy the opportunity to fellowship with leaders from the nearly thirty Baptist bodies and organizations which are a part of the NABF. We have the opportunity to share problems and challenges. We explore ways to collaborate in our ministries. We learn from each other. We spend time in worship and prayer.

This year we elected Jeremy Bell from Canada as our new General Secretary. Jeremy is an incredibly gifted missional leader and theologian. Jeremy—whose parents immigrated from Northern Ireland and whose extended family speaks eight languages and at least a half-dozen English dialects—challenged Baptists to embrace their heritage as a people who have challenged authority while acting compassionately. He is a graduate of Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, Calif., and Royal Roads University in Victoria, British Columbia. He is an ordained minister of the Baptist Union of Western Canada and founding pastor of Kitsilano Christian Community Church in Vancouver. He served as a minister at First Baptist Church in Vancouver and as chaplain and residential dean at Carey Hall in Vancouver. I believe he will do an outstanding job providing leadership for our regional body. Many Baptists from our state have never had the opportunity to attend a meeting of the Baptist World Alliance. We have Annual Gatherings each July, and every five years we have a World Congress which is a much larger gathering of the Baptist family. It is unlike any other Baptist gathering I have ever attended. This year's Annual Gathering will be in Switzerland, and the next global gathering will be in Rio in 2020.

Jim Hill



Open House
January 25
2:00 P.M.

Come let us introduce to you the newly renovated Burney II Assisted Living area. As a supportive church, we would like to invite you to attend this event.

We will have a ribbon cutting ceremony and are excited that the renovated wing's namesake, John Burney, will be on-hand to participate. John is 104 years of age and served the Home as Superintendent when this wing was originally constructed.

Your gifts have been instrumental in making this project a reality and we would like the opportunity to show you what your investment has achieved.

Adult Choir Wants You!

If you love to sing come and join the Adult Choir. Our goal is to "Proclaim the Praises of God" and we want you to be a part! The spring semester for the Adult Choir has just begun and you're in time to join.

If you just want to try it out, great! Our semester will run through Easter (April 1) giving you a wonderful opportunity to see how fun and worshipful choir can be!

Baptist Home Visit

Join LIFE Plus as they make a Valentine's visit down to the Baptist Home in Ironton.

We will leave the church on Tuesday, February 13 at 9:00 A.M., lead a special program for the residents, provide cookies for them, head over to *Thee Abbey Kitchen* for lunch, and then return home. Each participant is asked to bring three dozen cookies (sugar free are needed) to share with the residents. Sign up on the LIFE Plus bulletin board.

Senior Adult Day at MBU

LIFE Plus will travel to Missouri Baptist University for their presentation of "JAZZ and more!" on Friday, March 23.

This year we are going to try to eat at the college after the show but because tickets for lunch sell quickly sign-up and payment will be due Sunday, February 4. If we are not able to purchase enough tickets for lunch we will instead go to a restaurant.

The cost is \$20.00 for lunch and show plus a \$5.00 bus fee. We will leave the church at 7:45 A.M. and return around 3:00 P.M. Sign-up sheets are located on the LIFE Plus bulletin board.



On Friday, February 23 our church will host a livestream viewing of *Right Now Media's*, "Work As Worship Retreat."

During the retreat we will join business owners, CEO's, and other leaders across the country who want their faith to impact their work. The retreat begins at 7:15 A.M. and ends at 2:30 P.M.

For questions about the retreat check out the video and follow the link on the church website at www.farmingtonfbc.org or type in <https://www.workasworshipretreat.org/registration?id=324767385>. Registration must be online. Lunch is provided so we are asking that you register no later than Friday, February 9.



Lottie Moon Offering

Our Goal: \$30,000.00
Given to Date: \$25,521.98

CARE Ministries

Caring, Assisting, Reaching, Encouraging

We have launched our new CARE ministry and would like for you to join us! We meet on Mondays at 1:30 P.M. to write letters and cards, visit homes or hospitals, and reach out to new prospects and church members. There are four teams, which means you will only need to be here one Monday a month. The "C" team meets the first Monday, "A" meets the second Monday, "R" meets the third Monday and "E" meets the fourth Monday. If you are interested in helping with this vital ministry of our church, please contact Gordon Epps or the church office for more information. Be the hands and feet of Jesus!

Parenting Techies Workshop

Once a month, the parents of teenagers and pre-teens are invited to church for a seminar discussing issues that parents of teenagers face. It will be a time of learning, and growing together as we work together to raise the next generation. The first meeting is Tuesday, January 30 from 6:30 – 8:30 P.M. in the conference center. Please bring your smartphone, iPad, or any other electronics you own for a hands on learning experience.

Prayer List:

Ed Doughty (son of Donna White), Barrie Penninger (mother of Tracey Skuta), Jody Threlkeld (brother of Tracey Skuta), Jim Krause Jr., Janet Dobbs (sister of Mary Gaston), Richard Jones (father of Steve Jones), Russell Leek

Christian Sympathy:

To Phil Tatum and family in the death of his brother, Dr. Harold Tatum.

Mystery Dinner Theatre

Actors from the Bissell Mansion are coming to perform a mystery dinner theatre for us 6:00 P.M. on Friday, February 16.

The show is "Lucy Loves Ricky" and is just in time for Valentine's Day. Audience participation is expected. The meal will be catered by Baylee Joe's. The cost for the dinner and show is \$32 per person. The deadline to register is Sunday, February 11.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone for all your prayers and support for me since I received my "Christmas miracle." All is going well and all the calls have been greatly appreciated. Continue to keep me in prayers as I continue to improve. I am so thankful to be a part of this church.

Carol Will

Words cannot fully express our heartfelt thanks for the sympathy, love, and support you extended to our family during the loss of Artie Detring, our loved one. We greatly appreciate the memorial to the Baptist Home, the delicious meal prepared and served by the ladies after the service. Many thanks to all for your prayers and support in many ways.

The Loman Stone Family

Financial Statistics for:

January 7, 2018

Budget Requirements	\$ 17,923.00
Budget Receipts (1-7-18)	14,692.50
Requirement (wk 15)	268,845.00
Receipts (wk 15)	282,489.72
STB-BTS (from Oct)	25,233.00

Sunday, January 14, 2018

Our Church Studying: 268