

The Vision
 First Baptist Church
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Sunday Worship Times

Morning Worship @ 10:15 am
 Small Groups- Resuming Sun. Feb 28th @ 5:30pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

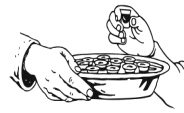
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 Worship Leader & Family Ministries
 Chris Roth, Youth & Outreach Director..... 214-0233
 Pam Caruthers, Secretary
 Gina Reed, Secretary
 Staci King, Financial Secretary/Treasurer

Church Office Hours
 Monday-Thursday
 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
 Friday-8:00 am-Noon
Staff Meeting
 Monday 1:30 pm



**FOR MARCH
 MONDAY
 March 22nd**



Lord's Supper
 Sunday, March 7th
 10:15 am
 Morning Worship Service

Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday, March 2nd

YAH Council @ 1:15 pm
 Church Council @ 7:00 pm

Sunday, March 14th

Meal served in Fellowship Hall @ 5:30 pm
 Business Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Sunday, March 28th

Deacons Meeting @ 4:00 pm

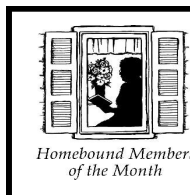
Community Youth Night

Wednesday, March 10th
 6:30-8:00 pm @ FBC Fellowship Hall
 Meal: Lasagna & Breadsticks

Speaker: Parker Garfield-Youth Pastor Assembly of God
 Music: Milford Christian Church Praise Team

Toby Mac

In Concert @ Barco Drive in Theatre
Sunday, Apr. 18th-Gate opens 6:00pm
See Chris Roth for Youth Tickets
For all other tickets go to
Driveintheatertour.com/tobymac



March Homebound
Maxine Francis

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To Know Christ and to
 Make Him Known



**Daylight Savings Time
 Begins March 14th**



Sunday, March 21st

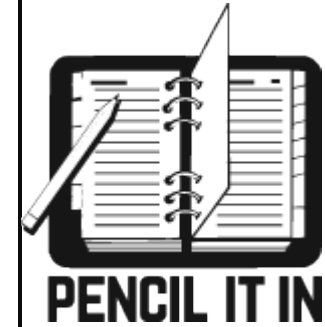
10:15 am Morning Worship Service

**WATERED GARDENS
 Outreach Mission**

531 Kentucky Ave.
 Joplin, Mo. 64801

Changing lives one
 Person at a time!

Find out what you can do to help
 With this Ministry.



MONDAY
 MARCH 29th

5:00 pm

PENCIL IT IN

PRAYER WARRIOR
 BANQUET

Sign-Up Sheets available soon

From the Pastor's Heart

Dear First Family and Friends,

It is hard to imagine that just one year ago we were thrust into change of ministry that none of us ever expected. If you had told me all the deviations that we would need to make to continue ministry, I would not have believed you. Dismissing two months of in-service worship, on-line to live streaming, no potluck fellowships (how Un-Baptist!), mask mandate, just to mention a few. Other factors of anxiety, fear, uncertainty, and confusion just add to the surmounting description of our last year. Adding to those factors, the change of ministry with our members in Assisted Care facilities, homebound, and hospitals has added to the frustration of trying to keep everyone connected and in touch with each other.

People are beginning to ask whether we will get back to normal. Others are speculating that we will never be "normal" again and we will need to adjust to this "new" normal. One aspect we may be overlooking, change is inevitable as we are going to grow. Paul wrote to the church in Rome, citing a well-versed passage. "And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to His purpose for them." (NLT).

Yes, ministry is different than it was a year ago. God is blessing in ways we could never imagine or expected. To God Be The Glory!

Keeping the Main Thing, the main thing,
 Pastor Robb

Looking Ahead

- March 2 1:15 pm YAH Council Meeting
7:00 pm Church Council
- March 3 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 4 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 7 **10:15 am Lords Supper**
5:30 pm Small Groups
- March 10 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
7:00 pm Community Youth Night
@ FBC
- March 11 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 14 **Daylight Savings Time Begins**
5:30 pm Supper Served in FH
6:00 pm Business Meeting
- March 14-20 Spring Break
- March 17 **St. Patricks Day**
6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 18 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 21 10:15 am **Watered Gardens**
3:00 pm OPBA Semi Annual Meeting
5:30 pm Small Groups
- March 24 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 25 10:30 am Crafters
1:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 28 4:00 pm Deacons Meeting
5:30 pm Small Groups
- March 29 10:00 am Crafters
5:00 pm Prayer Warrior Banquet
- March 31 1:00 pm Coloring Page Ministry
6:00 pm Women's Bible Study

MINISTRY OF PRAYER CHURCH FAMILY

Maksim Bary Mike Koehn Wayne Leavell Melanie Bruffett
Ralph Stahl Bonnie O'Neal Royce/Sue Hines
Rose/Oscar / Linda Bronson Brian Gilbert Dwayne Jones

EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY

Melissa Fanning, friend of Jennifer Beem Linda Welch
Gary Gordon, friend of Ron & Lynn Ann Sandberg
Justin Weis, friend of Anna Voorhees Dennis Suiter, husband of Sherry Suiter
Tom Dingman, brother of Wayne Dingman, Jan Bowman
Elizabeth Banwart, cousin of David & Peggy Banwart
Gloretta Rhodes, wife of Bro. Gordon Rhodes
Beth Pettibon, friend of Barb & David Thrasher
Josie Chairez, great niece of Brenda Onstott
Dwayne Sprouls, brother of Dwight Sprouls
Roger McCaslin, nephew of Denzil Voorhees
Jessica Querry, sister-in-law of Kerri Beshore

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Dylan Hill-Eielson Air Force base, Alaska-son in law of Darin & Jennifer Beem
Caleb Stevens-USAF Las Vegas,NV. Son of Gary & Shelia Stevens
Richard Jones - Army, son of Dwayne & Linda Jones
Brandon Lipe - Chicago, Il. grandson of Noel & Lynn Grigery
Joey Rossiter - North Carolina, grandson of Sue Hobson
Merissa Schmidt - Pentagon, granddaughter of Wanda Reno
Landon McManis - Moody AFB, GA, grandson of Albert & Justine McManis
Mark Jones - Okinawa, Japan, son of Dwayne & Linda Jones
Patrick Beetler - Camp LaJeune, NC, son of Sherry Stettler
Nathan Davis-National Guard, husband of Sarah Davis

MISSION OUTREACH

Pastoral Staff Lamar's Unchurched Building Committee

PRAYER WARRIOR BANQUET MONDAY, MAR. 29TH 5:00 PM



NO DELIVERY THIS MONTH-
GIFTS MAY BE BROUGHT TO PRAYER WARRIOR
BANQUET.

CRAFTERS: WILL MEET MARCH 25TH @ 10:30 AM.
TO PREPARE GIFTS FOR BANQUET.

Family Ministries

For the last few years, I have grown to appreciate Hymn style music both old and new. It seems to me that there are more and more songwriters rediscovering this beautiful genre. CityAlight, Sovereign Grace, the Getty's, Matt Papa, Shane and Shane, and many others; are reintroducing the church to music both rich in Biblical lyrical content while at the same time using instrumentation familiar to our culture. Of course, this is not a new concept. Crosby, Wesley, Newton, Spafford, all did the same for the worshipers of their era. Truly, there is nothing new under the sun, and I have to remind myself that these great songwriters were the "contemporary" music writers, with their new rhythms and melodies. A few years ago, I found the song, "**He Will Hold Me Fast**", and not realizing it was over 100years old, I wrongly thought I had found a "New" Hymn. This was the beginning of my journey. I love the way the songwriter weaves together the themes of God's sovereignty and love in each verse, to bring the believer to a place of security and confidence. Verse 3 reads:

Verse 3

*"Those He saves are His delight,
Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast."*

Chorus

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast,
for my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast."*

(Ada Habershon, 1861-1918)

Over the next few months, I plan to introduce/reintroduce more songs such as these. I believe God is still inspiring believers to write for His glory and for our edification. Please join me in this journey as we worship together.

Steve

A Big "**Thank You**" to all those who helped with and attended the "Western Round-Up Dinner". Jenny Tucker, Jessica Stahl and the Youth for Decorations. Lynn Ann Sandberg, Vickie Morris
And Kristi Gordon for organizing the meal, Chris Roth for lining up the entertainment, Pam Caruthers and Chastity O'Neal for collecting money, our Collision Youth and parents who worked hard and most importantly, thank you to our Church congregation for attending and supporting our youth group. We are all truly blessed to be part of an amazing church family. The total amount received to date was \$3,370.00.



Our Deepest Sympathy goes out to these families:

Todd & Staci King
In the loss of his mother (Karen Hardy)

Sam & Joleen LeeMasters in the loss of his stepdad
(Earl Johnson)

Vital Signs for February, 2021

Average Attendance for February
Morning Worship - 166
Sunday School - 135

Treasurer's Report for January 2021
Total Income: \$ 57,349.01
Total Expenditures: \$ 47,770.69