

## GOD'S PEOPLE IN WORSHIP

*Epiphany of the Lord*

January 12, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

### GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

**Gathering:** The people come together in the Lord's name. Gathering indicates that we have been called from the world, from our homes, from our families, to be a worshiping people of God. Gathering means that we are one people, a people united in a common worship of God.

**\*Please stand if able.**

**Prelude** Ce Jour De L'an (This New Year's Day) Jane Smith, organist

**Lighting of the Candles**

**The Gospel Procession**

**Words of Welcome**

**Announcements**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**\*Opening Song of Praise #189:** "Angels from the Realms of Glory"

**\*Song of Praise:** "Light of the World"

**Hymn of Praise:** "Give Me Jesus"

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

**Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer**

**Children's Sermon**

Josh Robinson

\*Nursery and toddler care is provided in the choir room, next to the Parlor.

\*K - 5th grade are dismissed to attend children's church in the Education Bldg.

**Old Testament Reading:** Isaiah 60:1-6

Warren Smith

**New Testament Reading:** Ephesians 3:1-12

**Song of Reflection:** "I'd Rather Have Jesus"

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 2:1-12

**Sermon:** "Arise, Shine, for Your Light has Come!" Pastor Tiger

**Communion/The Lord's Supper/The Eucharist**

**\*Song of Response #436:** "Grace Alone"

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**



**PRAYER TIME: Wednesdays at 12:30 in EH. If you have a prayer request for Wednesday, call or e-mail the church office.**

### PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

Bob Lovett (Kim Randel's father); Norma Coble (Dana Coble's mother); Glenda Schmidt; Nathan Ball; Shelly Frank; Tom Lantis (Kelli Ball's father); Janet Wolken; Bill Kern; Carol Fenton (Janet Wolken's sister); John Dryden  
**Shut-Ins:** Dana Coble; Sylvia Starky; Bev Hughes; Golden Peterson; Gloria Terrill; Carol Allen; Marsha Hermreck; Gene Bromert

**Military Service People:** Brad Davis-Kuwait (Bill Kern's grandson); PFC Aaron Bigge-Fort Meade, Maryland (Sandy Holbert's grandson); Lt Matt Ashwill in Kuwait (Melissa Ashwill's son)

***We make every effort to keep this list updated. Please inform us when there are changes.***



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### **First Baptist Church Ottawa is a Welcoming and Affirming Congregation**

*The radically inclusive love of Jesus inspires us to be a fully welcoming and affirming congregation. All are loved here. All are safe here. All are invited to full participation in our life together.*

*Based upon calling, gifting, talent, experience and maturity, we celebrate baptism, communion, marriage, leadership, teaching and ordination with any gender, race, nationality, sexual orientation or identity.*



Feel free to bring items anytime but we will be emphasizing Hope House giving the **first Sunday of each month.**  
Pasta Sauce, Saltine Crackers, Jelly, Instant Oatmeal Packets  
Toilet Paper, Kleenex, Paper Towels always needed  
\*No longer needing plastic containers

### **Tiger's Retirement**

Please join us in celebrating Tiger's retirement in the parlor after worship today.

American Baptist Women will meet Wednesday **January 15 at 9:30 am** in Elliott Hall. Hostesses are Miriam Lemp and Jane Smith, Jan Lee will lead the Bible Study on Roman 8:1, Vangie Webb will give a missions report. The local project for this meeting will be an offering for the Blessing Box Meals. All women are invited to attend and enjoy the fellowship. All women of the church are American Baptist Women and invited to participate in any way they can.

**Tuesday January 14th at 10am** we will take Christmas decorations down, all are welcome to help.

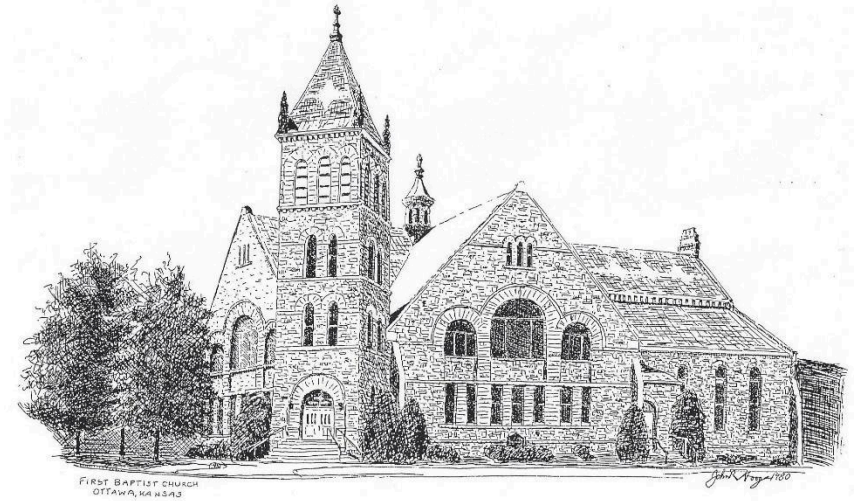
Bell Choir will have practice on **Wednesday at 6:30pm**

We will collect for RMMO in January. Recipients include retired ordained ministers and commissioned missionaries who have devoted 15 years or more to ABCUSA, as well as surviving spouses. The recipients always pause to express their gratitude. RMMO celebrates, and expresses thanks to our servant leaders. The funds collected are distributed as thank you checks.

Our staff would like to say a sincere thank you for the Christmas love gift. The appreciation and love we feel from you all during the entire year means so much to us.

### **Beautiful Space for Grace**

Please continue over and above generous giving in support of the fabulous exterior painting renovation. **Gifts can be designated beautiful space for grace/painting.** We have received **\$35,190.25** of the **\$117,115** needed.



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