GOD'S PEOPLE IN WORSHIP

The First Sunday of Lent March 9, 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 I Stand Amazed in the Presence

Lighting of the Candles The Gospel Procession Words of Welcome Announcements Introduce Reverend Doctor John Williams

Warren Smith

Jane Smith, organist

*Passing of the Peace Pastor: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. People: And also with you.

*Opening Song of Praise: "Come Now Is the Time to Worship"

*Song of Praise:

"Better Is One Day"

"I Love to Tell the Story"

Hymn of Praise #560: Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Mission Moment

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Children's Sermon Jos *Nursery and toddler care is provided in the choir room, next to the Parlor.

Josh Robinson

Lynda Alderman

*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: Deuteronomy 26:1-11 **New Testament Reading:** Luke 4:1-13 Song of Reflection:

"Grace Greater than our Sin"

Scripture Reading: Romans 10:8-13Sermon:"The Call that Collects"Pastor John

*Song of Response #451:

"Be Still, My Soul"

*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 <u>Shut-Ins:</u> Dana Coble; Sylvia Starky; Bev Hughes; Golden Peterson; Gloria Terrill; Carol Allen; Marsha Hermreck; Gene Bromert <u>Military Service People:</u> Brad Davis-Kuwait (Bill Kern's grandson); PFC Aaron Bigge-Fort Meade, Maryland (Sandy Holbert's grandson); Lt Matt Ashwill (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.** Macaroni and cheese, Saltines, Ramen Noodles, Jelly Toilet Paper, Kleenex, Paper Towels always needed

*No longer needing plastic containers

FBC Puppet Ministry

New FBC Puppet Team! First Baptist Church is looking to start a new puppet ministry to spread joy and God's word through the fun and creative use of puppets. We would like to invite anyone, middle school age or older, that has an interest in being part of this new ministry to join us. No experience required. Practices will take place weekly in Elliot Hall after the conclusion of our fellowship time following Sunday services. Contact Eric or Josh with any questions.

ABWM Meeting

Wednesday, March 19 at 9:30 in Elliott Hall. Sandy is hostess. Lilly will present the February Bible Study on Isaiah 40:29 and Vangie the March Bible Study on Psalm 46:1. All of these verses are related to our theme of Be Bold, Be Courageous. Our special project will be an offering for the scholarship fund. We will be making plans for two events which will be held in our church this Spring. All women of the church are invited to attend any of our meetings or to participate in any way they can.

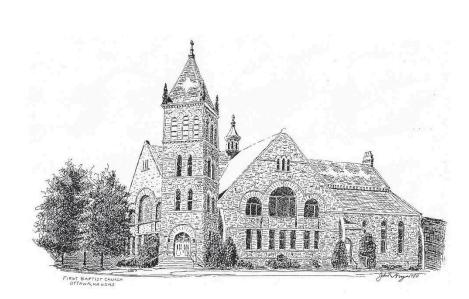
Bell Choir will have practice on Wednesday at 6:30pm

Old Fashioned Potluck

A potluck will be held today in Elliott Hall to get acquainted with our interim pastor, John WIlliams.

America for Christ

\$320 has been given toward our goal of \$2,250. This will be given as an offering above our regular tithes Checks can be made to FBC with a notation for AFC offering. You may also use the special envelopes found in your Sunday bulletin. We have all received "Grace upon Grace". Let us give generously.



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