



September 2020

First Baptist Church

"To Know Him and Make Him Known"

Pastor's Paragraph

In Whom Do You Trust?

This year has been a wild ride, and it is still not over yet! One thing that I have learned during this extraordinary time is that the institutions that we normally take for granted are not always reliable. We can't always trust them. They are wonderful institutions, and we can depend on them most of the time. . . .but not all of the time! Let me give you some examples.

1. Health Care: We have the greatest health care system in the history of mankind. I am certainly thankful for it. In some places (like New York) it was stretched, but it never collapsed during the covid-19 outbreak. However, imagine if it had been worse. Imagine if the virus turned out to be much deadlier, and doctors and nurses were getting sick and dying. When you are sick and you show up at an over-crowded hospital with few doctors or nurses, you can easily imagine that you would be turned away with no one to help you. When you need health care the most, it may not be there for you!

2. First Responders: Again, we are blessed to have dedicated men and women who serve as police officers and firefighters to protect our community. However, when anarchist mobs descend upon our cities and overwhelm our first responders, you may be left to fend for yourself. The police may withdraw to protect their own infrastructure, but they may not have the manpower to protect you.

3. Education: Our schools may have their serious problems, but we are definitely thankful for the education that our children receive. However, Christian parents have long realized that our children do not receive a complete, well-rounded education in school. That is why you send your kids to Sunday School and AWANA! The most important lessons in life are not learned at the public schools. In fact, they are forbidden from public schools! Our education system may teach your kids how to read and write, but it will not teach them right from wrong. Actually, let me clarify that. Our education system will definitely indoctrinate your kids by teaching them right and wrong. But, their idea of right and wrong may be the opposite of God's standard of right and wrong. And, when there is a risk (such as covid-19), then the schools may not even be open for regular classes. What your children need the most, they will not receive at school. You can't always put your trust in our education system.

These are just a few examples. If we listed all of the things you should not trust, it would be a long list: politicians, journalists, scientists (I trust science, but not scientists!), justice system, technology, etc. When you really need them, they will fail you. In our study of the book of Revelation, that is exactly what happens. All of the man-made systems of the world collapse. They are unable to save anyone from the wrath of God. So, all of these institutions are indeed gifts from God to help us in many ways, but we cannot put our trust in them. In the end, God who gave us these institutions will take them away. Our only hope is in our Almighty God. In Him alone we trust completely, in all things, without reservation, forever. —Pastor

SEPTEMBER 2020



Sun

Mon

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Sat



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Trustees'
Meeting 8 AM

6 Communion
SS: 9:15 AM
Worship: 10:30 AM
Prayer: 6:30 PM
Youth: 6:30 PM

7 **LABOR DAY**

Pastor's
Day-off

8 Deacons'
Meeting
7 PM

9 AWANA
Registration
Night 6:30-
8:00 PM

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11 WCBC Men's
Retreat-
Fri-Sat

12



13
SS: 9:15 AM
Worship: 10:30 AM
Prayer: 6:30 PM
Youth: 6:30 PM

14
Prayer 7 PM
Pastor's
Day-off

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16 AWANA
6:30-8 PM

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WCBC Fall Volunteer Work Camp — Monday through Saturday — 14-19th



AppleJack Weekend

20
SS: 9:15 AM
Worship: 10:30 AM
Prayer: 6:30 PM
Youth: 6:30 PM

21
Prayer 7 PM
Pastor's
Day-off

22 First Day
of Autumn!



23
AWANA
6:30-8 PM

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NARBC FALL BIBLE CONFERENCE
"RESTORING THE MINDSET OF
JOY IN MINISTRY"
SEPTEMBER 25-26
SPEAKER: MIKE HESS,
GARBC NATIONAL REP.



27 [Guests: Snells]
SS: 9:15 AM
Worship: 10:30 AM
Prayer: 6:30 PM
Youth: 6:30 PM

28
Prayer 7 PM
Pastor's
Day-off

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AWANA
6:30-8 PM



AWANA Registration Open House is Wednesday, September 9th, from 6:30-8:00 p.m.! Parents, come sign up your clubber(s), and grab some cookies! AWANA is for ages 3 through 6th grade. The first official club night is Wednesday, September 16th, from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group meets every Sunday, at 6:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Center. Youth group is for grades 7-12th!



Dear First Baptist Church family,
We were so excited to hear that you have decided to partner with us as God leads us to Mozambique! Thank you for your generosity and your prayers!! We are looking forward to getting on the field and your sacrificial support has moved us even closer to that goal! We are thankful for the opportunity to represent you in Mozambique! We pray that God will continue to bless your ministry in Nebraska City! Love in Christ, Junior & Abby Taylor

Dear Church Family,
Thank you for the beautiful flowers. Also thank you for all the prayers for our family. God bless my Church family. Thank you, Edna Chastain



July Finances

Balance Forward 7/1/2020

Deacon's Fund	\$3,696.46
Designated Fund	\$4,707.17
General Fund	\$48,850.41
Checking Account	\$57,254.04
July Income	\$13,451.82
July Expenses	\$13,064.81
Net Increase	\$387.01

Balance 7/31/2020

Deacon's Fund	\$3,446.46
Designated Fund	\$5,849.37
General Fund	\$48,345.22
Checking Account	\$57,641.05