

Worshiping Together
Easter Sunday
April 5, 2026 – 9:30 a.m.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering: We have come together in the name of Jesus Christ, from our homes, from our pasts, to be a worshipping people of God. Gathering together as one people united in the common worship of a loving God that knows our names and stories.

***Please stand if able**

Prelude

Lighting of the Candles
The Gospel Procession
Words of Welcome
Announcements

***Time of Greeting**

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

Many: **And also with you.**

***Opening Song of Praise:** "Alive, Forever, Amen"

Celebration of Baptism Kendall Crowell, Brad Fodor

***Song of Praise #302:** "He Lives"

Old Testament Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-20 Russ Testorff

Hymn of Praise: "Christ Is Risen"

*Tithes and offerings collected during this song

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven,
give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us
and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever.
Amen.*

Children's Sermon

Janet Wolken

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

*K - 2nd grade are dismissed to attend children's church in the Education Bldg.

New Testament Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Russ Testorff

Song of Reflection: "Springtime"

Alan Cunningham

Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:1-15

Sermon: "For Fear"

Pastor Joy

Communion/The Lord's Supper/The Eucharist

***Song of Response #316:** "Alleluia"

***Benediction**
Postlude



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

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

Norma Coble (Dana Coble's mother); Nathan Ball; Shelly Frank; Tom Lantis (Kelli Ball's father); Janet Wolken; Bill Kern; Jenna Johnson; Angela Audiss; Warren Smith

Shut-Ins: Dana Coble; Sylvia Starky; Golden Peterson; Carol Allen; Marsha Hermreck; Gene Bromert; Jeannie Randel; Bob & Judi Becker; Lex & Dee Gislar; Ron & Linda Walker; Bob & Marilyn Lovett

Military Service People: PFC Aaron Bigge-Fort Meade, Maryland (Sandy Holbert's grandson); Lt Matt Ashwill, Germany (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.**

Syrup, Pancake Mix, Egg Noodles, Canned Chicken, Taco
Seasoning, Beef Ramen Noodles
Toilet Paper, Kleenex, Paper Towels always needed

Thank you for giving **\$817** to America for Christ during March.

Men's Bible Study will meet the **2nd and 4th Saturdays** of each month at **9am**. Come join us for study and fellowship with one another. We will meet in the **Homebuilder's Room**, the North Sanctuary door will be open.

The office will be closed on **Monday, April 6**. Christy will be out of the office **April 7 & 8**.

Mark your calendars!

VBS on May 26, 27, 28 from 6:00- 8:30 pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church

Ages: potty trained through completion of 5th grade

Volunteers: 6th grade & Beyond!

We are excited to partner with Ottawa First Methodist Church and Westminster Presbyterian Church to share the love of Jesus with our community.

Please let Pastor Joy know if you are willing to volunteer.

More details to come.

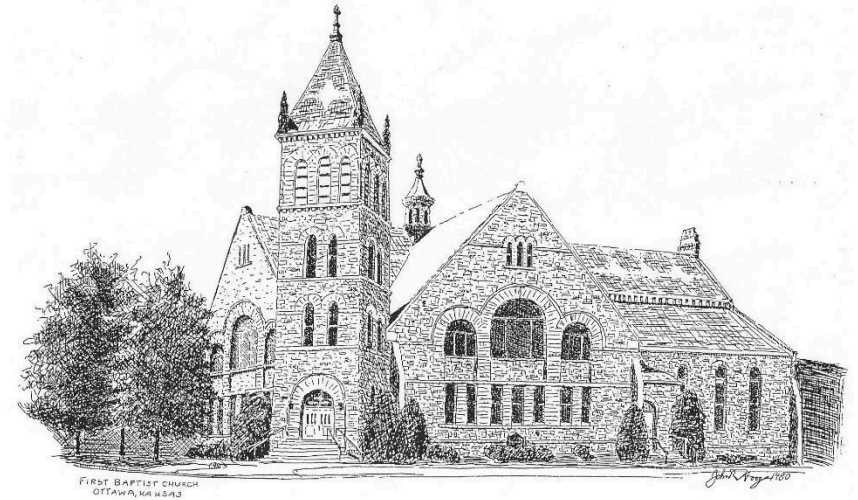
There will be no Sunday School for all ages **today**, Joy & Austin's baby shower (**4/19**) and Mother's Day (**5/10**)

A baby shower for Joy and Austin will be **Sunday, April 19th**, during fellowship time. Please join us for refreshments and to help celebrate the upcoming arrival of sweet baby Palmer. Here is their registry link, which was also sent with the bulletin email Friday.

<https://my.babylist.com/joy-martinez-marshall>

To help Joy and Austin enjoy all their gifts and time with everyone at the shower please bring your gift **unwrapped** with a card.

Youth summer camp information and sign up sheet will be in your bulletin next Sunday.



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