

**GOD'S PEOPLE IN WORSHIP**  
*The Third Sunday of Lent*  
**March 23, 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** Holy Manna, arr. Robert Lau 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:** "Forever"

**\*Song of Praise:** "As The Deer"

**Hymn of Praise #440:** "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

**Mission Moment**

**Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer**

**Children's Sermon**

Pastor Joy

\*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.

**Bells:** "God Is So Good"

**Old Testament Reading:** Isaiah 61:1-11

Jan Lee

**New Testament Reading:** Colossians 3:12-17

**Song of Reflection:** "Amazing Grace"

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 4:16-21

**Sermon:** "An Anointed People"

Pastor Joy

**\*Song of Response #576:** "Make Me a Servant"

**\*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

**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 (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.**

Canned Peas, Mixed Vegetables, Saltines, Ramen Noodles,  
Bar Soap

Toilet Paper, Kleenex, Paper Towels always needed

\*No longer needing plastic containers

Christy will be leaving at noon on Thursday March 27 and will be  
off Friday.

### **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.

Please join us for **Thankful Thursday on March 27, 5-6:30**, help prepare, serve, bring a dessert or simply come eat, share stories and a smile.

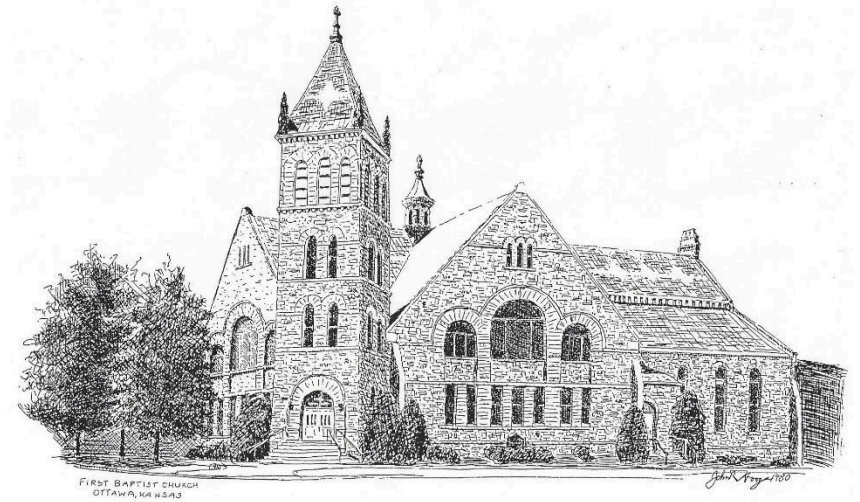
### **Branson Trip**

Our FBC Branson trip will be June 20th and 21st. This was a great trip last year and we are looking forward to it again this summer. Registration forms have been emailed to you and are available in the office. Your deposit is due April 6, final payment due May 5.

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

### **America for Christ**

**\$894 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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