

GOD'S PEOPLE IN WORSHIP
The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
July 23, 2023 – 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

Lighting of the Candles
The Gospel Procession

***Opening Song of Praise:** "How Great is Our God"

***Passing of the Peace**

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

People: And also with you.

Words of Welcome
Announcements

***Hymn of Praise #587:** "Make Me A Channel of Your Peace"

***Call to Worship:** Psalm 139:1-12;23-24

O LORD, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down
and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.

You search out my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue,
O LORD, you know it completely.

You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.
Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?

If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast.

If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,
and night wraps itself around me,"

even the darkness is not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the day,

Search me, O God, and know my heart;
test me and know my thoughts.

ALL: See if there is any wicked way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.

Song of Praise: "God of Wonders"
Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Children's Sermon

Jen Kane

*Nursery and toddler care is provided just inside the west door of Elliott Hall

*K - 5th grade are dismissed to attend children's church in Elliott Hall

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 28:10-19

Warren Smith

New Testament Reading: Romans 8:12-25

Song of Reflection: "Spirit of the Living God"

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:24-30,36-43

Sermon: "Dynamics of Kingdom Living"

Dr. Reggie Wenika

***Song of Response #352:** "Spirit Song"

***Benediction**
Postlude



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PRAYER TIME: Wednesdays at 12:30 in EH. If you have a prayer request for Wednesday let Pastor Tiger know or 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; Susan Flory (Wayne Jones' daughter); Tom Lantis (Kelli Ball's father); Rachel Morsett; Mattie Willhite; Amber Fast; Mason Sweeney; Wayne Jones

Shut-Ins: Betty Bloomer; Dana Coble; Doris Grogan; Sylvia Starky; Bev Hughes; Golden Peterson; Gloria Terrill; Helen Macy

Military Service People: Nicholas Hermreck-Virginia; Sgt. Nate Plaschka-Fort Hood Texas

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



Hope House Needs

spaghetti sauce, ramen noodles, jelly, canned peas, canned mixed vegetables, pancake mix



*We would like to thank everyone for your thoughts, prayers and support. Mom wanted the memorial to go to youth camping scholarships.
John & Cheryl Dryden and Family*

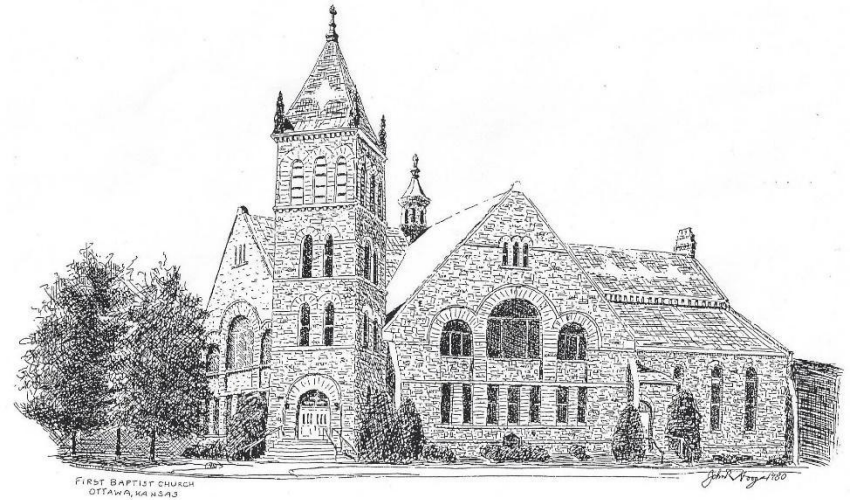
**Back 2 School Bash
Cuts 4 Kids**

**Saturday, August 5
10am - 1pm
Elliott Hall**



We will have school supplies to give away for kids entering grades K-12, some free haircut vouchers, a free lunch, and some children's activities. Please join us to help get our community children ready to go back to school! You can donate school supplies at the back of the sanctuary or church office during July.

Quarterly Business Meeting will be August 20th after church



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