

Worshiping Together
The First Sunday of Lent
February 22, 2026 – 9:30 a.m.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering: We have come together in the Lord's name, from our homes, from our families, to be a worshipping people of God. Gathering means that we are one people, a people united in a common worship of God.

***Please stand if able**

Prelude "You Are My Hiding Place"

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:** "Lord I Lift Your Name On High"

***Song of Praise:** "Grace Like Rain"

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 32 Ricky Norval

Hymn of Praise: "Because He Lives"

*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: Romans 5:12-17

Ricky Norval

Song of Reflection:

"It Is Well With My Soul/ The Rivers Gonna Keep On Rolling"

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon: "Standardized Testing"

Pastor Joy

***Song of Response:** "Open Our Eyes/Make Me A Servant"

***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

Bob Lovett (Kim Randel's father); 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; Gloria Terrill; Carol Allen; Marsha Hermreck; Gene Bromert; Jeannie Randel; Bob & Judi Becker; Lex & Dee Gislar; Ron & Linda Walker

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.**
Spaghetti sauce, Corn, Peas, Mixed veggies, Mac & cheese
Toilet Paper, Kleenex, Paper Towels always needed
*No longer needing plastic containers



The Spring Secret Place Devotionals are in the office for \$1 each.

You are all invited to attend Ricky & Alex Norval's baby shower today during fellowship time. Come enjoy cake and punch with us.

Save the Date

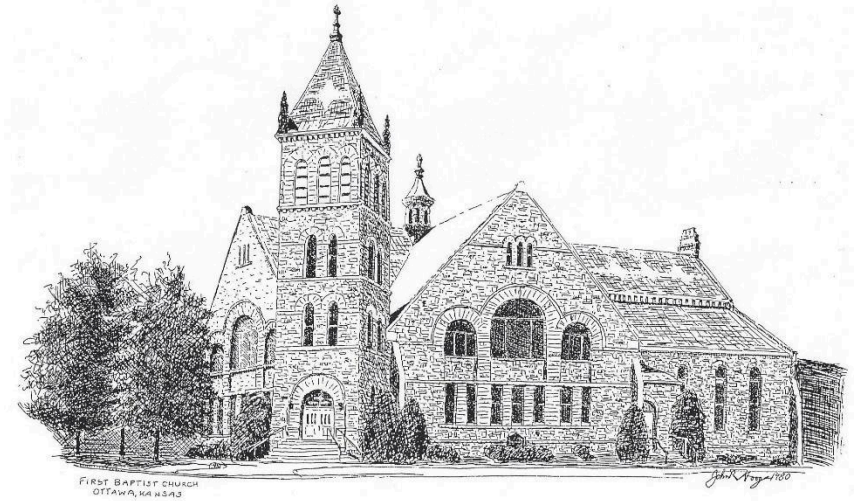
A baby shower for Joy and Austin will be **Sunday, April 19th**, more details to come.

Thankful Thursday will be **February 26, 5-6:30pm**. Please sign up to bring a dessert or help serve or simply come eat. You are encouraged to sit with someone new to you, share a story and get to know our neighbors.

Community youth group spaghetti dinner fundraiser is in Elliott Hall **Saturday, February 28th from 5-6:30pm**. Come support them and enjoy a delicious dinner.

The Celebration of Life for Dylce Dietz, Cara Gatlin's grandfather, will be held on **February 28th 2026 at 2pm** at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 401 West 13th Street, Ottawa, KS with a reception to follow.

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.



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