

**First Baptist Church**  
**434 Baltimore Street**  
**Waterloo, IA 50701-2699**



# *The Messenger*

## *May 2018*

*Millennials in Ministry*  
A Brief Review of Prairie Pastors Conference 2018

Every April now, pastors from four regions including the Dakotas, Iowa, Minnesota, Kansas, and Nebraska gather in Omaha for the Prairie Pastors' Conference. Maybe you've seen some of the buzz from this year on social media. The topic was especially relevant: *Leading Across Generations: Church Ministry Today That Will Thrive Tomorrow*.

In case you've missed it, we are at historical crossroads in church and culture, a time when several divergent value systems are all at work shaping and pulling the values and priorities of an emerging generation. Millennials, Gen Xers, Boomers, Busters, even Alphas – all sharing space in society and worship, all coming with different expectations and experiences.

The work of ministry can be particularly challenging for all of us in the midst of this historic, paradigmatic shift, which is why our speaker for the event, Jolene Erlacher Ed. D., spent three days talking to ministers and clergy about the importance of recognizing, embracing, and making the most of those differences while staying true to the message God has given us.

From her bio: "Jolene worked for eight years at North Central University, specializing in leadership training, student development and personnel management. During that time, she identified the need for building awareness of generational differences as young leaders entered the workplace, especially in ministry contexts. This began an extended journey of researching the experiences and needs of Millennials in ministry positions. Her book, *Millennials in Ministry* (Judson Press) was released in 2014 and documents her findings. Jolene is fluent in Spanish and has volunteered and studied in various countries including Mexico, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Jamaica, Kenya, and South Africa. She is actively involved in her local church and community." Notable quotables: "We are all part of the body of Christ, but we need some cultural translation in order to step into our roles in the Kingdom." "The message isn't always difficult to prepare, but the messenger sure is." The discussion and sharing she led were riveting!

I do hope you have the chance to hear her speak in person. If you haven't experienced her insights, you can listen to Greg Mamula (Assoc. Exec. Minister, Nebraska Region) and Dr. Erlacher on our American Baptist Mission in 5 (Minutes) Podcast at <https://www.podbean.com/media/share/pb-9ujyb8ef242#.WsvEaBb6FDY.facebook>.

In this season, "May" God continue to guide and bless us as we seek to grow in learning about, loving, and inviting our neighbor!

- Rev. Joe Greemore



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We are a Blue Zones church!

**Sunday:**  
**Sunday School - 9:00 am**  
**Worship - 10:15 am**

**Rev. Joe Greemore**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. Carol Teare**  
*Pastor*

**Susan Price**  
*Office Manager/  
Christian Ed. Director*

**Don Huff**  
*Lay Minister*

**Dr. Randall Harlow**  
*Organist/Accompanist*

**Jenna Hendrix**  
*Youth Coordinator*

Office Hours:  
Monday-Thursday  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

**Come Worship With Us**

**May 6 - Holy Communion**

Message by Pastor Joe  
Text: Philippians 1:1-18a  
Music by Adult Choir

**May 13 - Mother's Day**

Message by Pastor Carol  
Music by Children's Choir & Bells

**May 20 - Youth & Graduate Sunday**

Youth-led worship service

**May 27 - Message by Mark Hanson**

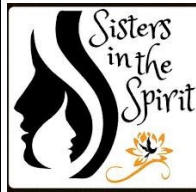
Music by Joel Harris & Mark Hanson

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING**  
**"More Than We Can Imagine"**  
**Goal: \$1,500**

During the month of May, the Mission Team will be receiving the OGHS offering. Our goal this year is \$1,500 with the entire offering designated to Puerto Rico.

When hurricanes Irma and Maria hit Puerto Rico, many homes, churches, and buildings suffered major damage. However, this situation can be turned around beyond our greatest expectations through OGHS.

As Ephesians 3:20 attests: "Now to God be the glory, who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine." Prayerfully consider your gift this month to OGHS and Puerto Rico.



**Sisters in the Spirit Trip to Czech Village**  
**Saturday, May 5th**

ALL FBC "sisters" are invited to a day trip! Meet at FBC and carpool to Cedar Rapids at 10:30 am. We will eat lunch in historic Czech Village and then go to the National Czech & Slovak Museum. Bring money for your lunch and \$8.00 museum admission. We will return to Waterloo around 4:00 pm.

Sign up in worship under *Activity #1* or call the office by May 2nd for reservations.

**Leadership Retreat & Potluck**  
**Monday, May 14, 6:00-7:30 pm**

This leadership retreat is for all staff, church officers, new, current & former members of the Christian Education, Diaconate, Mission, and Trustees Ministry Teams. Please bring a salad, vegetable, or dessert. Main dish will be provided.

**"Feel the Blessings" Spring Celebration**

American Baptist Women's Ministries and AB Girls will celebrate the program year on **Wed., May 16th** with a salad potluck at 5:30 pm. Nikki Brown from Salvation Army will share about homelessness in the Cedar Valley. **All** women and Girls of Faith (grades 3-12) are invited and encouraged to attend. Childcare will be provided upon request. Sign up under *Activity #2*.

**Community Meal**

Wednesday, May 30, 4:30-6:00 p.m.  
Invite your friends & neighbors to our meal.  
Sign up to help prepare, serve, and clean up.  
Salads and desserts are also needed!

**May Birthdays**

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|------------------------|------------------------|
| 2 - Robert Jones       | 20 - Diane Burrell     |
| 4 - Roxane Runge       | 20 - Bob Jenkins       |
| 5 - Larry Moser        | 21 - Sheleah White     |
| 5 - Verner Nelson, III | 22 - Dianne Van Gorder |
| 7 - Shirley Baldwin    | 23 - Chris lehl        |
| 8 - Samantha Satterlee | 24 - Addyson Greemore  |
| 10 - Marshall Walker   | 26 - Erma Cowlshaw     |
| 11 - Dennis Johnson    | 26 - Karen Hoppes      |
| 12 - Maxine Stone      | 26 - Clare Palmer      |
| 16 - Carly Turner      | 31 - Jayda Haywood     |
| 19 - Rye Lange         |                        |

**May Anniversaries**

- 14 - Becky Twaites & Joe Kendall  
19 - David & Liz O'Malley  
21 - John & Kim Chandler  
31 - Rye & Anne Lange

**Worship Acolytes**

- May 6 - Colin Satterlee  
May 13 - Jackson Stanford  
May 20 - Tate Newman  
May 27 - Dakota Hoepfner

**Worship Leaders**

- May 6 - Terri Anderson  
May 13 - Don Huff  
May 20 - Youth  
May 27 - Carol Teare

**Greeters**

- May 6 - Paula & Larry Nielsen  
May 13 - Kim Chandler  
May 20 - Clare & David Palmer  
May 27 - Chuck & Pat Stilwill

**Coffee and Fellowship**

- May 6 - Christian Education Team  
May 13 - Trustees Team  
May 20 - Mission Team  
May 27 - Friendly Stars Circle

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Jean & Jim Vaux on the birth of their grandson, Bennet.

**IN SYMPATHY...**

Our sincere condolences to the family of Stacey Heideman who passed away March 31.

**THANK YOU** to the many teachers, leaders, and volunteers who help with Sunday School, Youth Group, Friends Club, and Wednesday Night Meals for kids. FBC is blessed with an abundance of people who volunteer and step up when asked to help.

**THANK YOU** to Pastors Joe and Carol for their visits and prayers for Stacey. During the service, you helped put a smile on everyone's face in a time of sorrow. Thanks to the ladies for the lunch too.  
The family of Stacey Heideman

"A Pounding" - Never heard of such a creative way to again to show your love for us! All your donations helped us settle back into our home. **THANKS** especially to Wini Dewey who took the suggestions and ran with it delivering all your donations.  
Margaret & Phil Kauten

**Keep our church shut-ins in your prayers**

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| Dolores Horn       | Ray & Reta Clark |
| Eunice Cook        | Jim Baldwin      |
| Helen Hannan       | Dennis Johnson   |
| Cecilia Nelson     | Renea Roster     |
| Marlys Baumgartner |                  |

**Financial Report (as of 3/31/18)**  
**Checking/Savings \$73,256.10**  
**RBC \$73,275.70**  
**Foundation \$74,587.98**  
**March Contributions \$16,859.00**  
**March Expenses \$16,918.95**

**Pastor's New Phone Number**



Pastor Joe's new phone number is 319-231-4669. Please update his contact information in your records.  
Thanks!

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY**  
Sunday, June 10 at 10:15 a.m.

Join us for worship on Sunday, June 10th when our Celebration Children's Choir will share their music and assist in leading worship.

**Annual Conference for Women and AB Girls**  
**"FEEL" Fully Exploring & Engaging in God's Love**  
June 22-23, 2018

First Baptist Church of Fort Dodge, IA

Guest Speaker: Rev. Soozie Whitten Ford  
Young Adult Women's Speaker: Rev. Yana Pagan  
AB Girls Coordinator: Becca Whitaker

Conference begins Friday, June 22 at 12:30 pm  
and concludes at 4 pm on Sat., June 23.  
Conference fee & meals - \$72 for women  
Conference fee & meals - \$67 for AB Girls

Registration forms available in the church office  
or online at [www.mid-abc.org](http://www.mid-abc.org).

All activities are at the church and you are  
responsible for making your motel reservations.

**Outdoor Worship & Indoor Potluck**  
Sunday, June 24 at 10:15 am

Invite your friends and neighbors to join us for a special *outdoor celebration* of praise and worship on **Sunday, June 24th**. The outdoor worship service will be led by Pastor Joe Greemore and the Band of Light. Following worship, you are invited to gather in the church basement for a potluck dinner. This is a great opportunity to invite friends to join us for worship, praise, and fellowship. Outdoor seating will be provided for worship and a nursery is available for infants through age 5. Please bring a vegetable, salad or dessert dish to serve your family and extra guests. The main dish & drinks will be provided.

**Church Women United May Friendship Day**  
Friday, May 4, 12:00 pm luncheon  
Unity Presbyterian Church  
1149 Hammond Ave., Waterloo

All women are invited to "Reaching for Wholeness in Gratitude for God" luncheon. Tickets can be purchased from Carolyn Vandeventer.

**Volunteers are Needed**

Sunday Fellowship Hosts: During the summer months, volunteers are needed to provide light refreshments during fellowship time following Sunday worship. Please sign up as a family, a couple, or a group of friends. The sign-up sheet is located on the table near the church office.

Nursery Attendants: Our paid nursery attendants from U.N.I. have all gone home for the summer so our children would love to see you in the nursery during the worship hour this summer. Please sign up on the sheet located in the hallway near the church office.

FFF (Friends in Fun & Fellowship) Helper: Adult assistance is needed in our learning centers during the 4-week summer program. FFF begins June 18 and ends July 13 (except July 4). Each day, Monday through Friday, a volunteer is needed to assist the learning center teacher. 3-4 volunteers are needed each day. Please consider helping a day or a week this summer.

**Birthday & Mother's Day Gifts on Amazon**

You now have an additional way to give to FBC. If you shop on Amazon register by logging into [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) and select 'First Baptist Church 434 Baltimore' as your choice for a donation. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to First Baptist. If you need help in setting this up talk to Bob Jenkins.

**2018 Graduates**

Help us congratulate and recognize our 2018 graduates in worship on Sunday, May 20th.

Abigail Agan - will graduate from U.N.I. with a Elementary and Middle School Education degree. Following graduation, she will be student teaching in the Cedar Falls area in the fall after which she will be looking for a teaching position in the Cedar Valley area. Abi is one of our wonderful nursery attendants.

Chelsea Anderson - graduated from Allen College in December with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. She is working at Allen Hospital in the Intensive Care Unit.

Drew Hoppes - will graduate from U.N.I. with a Bachelor of Arts in Technology Management with a Minor in Manufacturing Technology Design. Drew had accepted a position as Continuous Improvement Coordinator at Neenah Foundry in Neenah, WI. He is the son of Shannon & Brian Freeland and grandson of John & Karen Hoppes.

Kent Isaacson - will graduate from Ft. Hays State University in Hays, KS with a Master of Science degree in Geology with an emphasis in Paleontology and a Museum Certificate.

**Youth Sunday & Graduate Recognition** is Sunday, May 20th when we recognize and congratulate our graduates and the FBC Youth lead our worship service.



**Teacher & Leader Recognition**  
Sunday, May 13 at 10:15 am

All Sunday School teachers, Children's Church leaders, Wednesday program leaders, and Bible study teachers are asked to come and be recognized for their faithful leadership this year. We thank God for these important people who plan, instruct, and guide us toward a relationship with Christ. Support these volunteers with your words of encouragement and attendance in worship on May 13th.

**Many Gifts, One Spirit**  
Wednesday, May 2 at 5:30 pm  
Celebration Children's Choir

The Celebration Children's Choir will share their many gifts and talents that God has blessed them with on Wed., May 2nd. Come, invite your friends and family for this wonderful time of sharing. You are also invited to a delicious dinner made by Diane & Chris Iehl before the show at 5:00 pm.



**Friends in Fun and Fellowship (FFF)**  
June 18 to July 13

FFF is our annual summer program for church, neighborhood, and community children who have just finished kindergarten through 5th grade. FFF will run weekday mornings from **June 18 to July 13** (except July 4). Applications for classroom teachers are being accepted now. Contact the church office for more information. Look for volunteer opportunity sign up in the coming weeks.

We will also partner with the Waterloo Schools as a free breakfast and lunch site this summer. Volunteers are needed to help set up tables and chairs for breakfast beginning June 18.

**Team Meetings**

*\*Leadership Retreat & Potluck  
Monday, May 14, 6:00-7:30 pm*

**For all staff, church officers, new, current & former members of the Teams.  
Bring a side dish to share.**

**Christian Education**

- ◇ FFF will be held June 18-July 13 with breakfast and lunch provided by Waterloo Schools.
- ◇ CE volunteers who teach or lead classes will be recognized in worship on May 13th.
- ◇ Graduate & Youth Sunday is May 20th.

**Diaconate**

- \* Pictorial Directory photos will be taken Sept. 27-29.
- \* Right Hand of Fellowship to Bev McCusker on April 15 and Baptisms of Karder & Shanna Bravener on April 29.

**Missions**

- One Great Hour of Sharing will be received the month of May with a goal of \$1,500.
- Chassidy Martin from Royal Legacy Christian Academy will speak to congregation on Apr. 29.
- Discussed new members to Mission Team from our Nominating Committee member.

**Trustees**

- ⇒ Electrical and heating upgrades discussed.
- ⇒ Acoustical additions in chapel discussed.
- ⇒ New floor in basement hallway discussed.

**AB Women's Ministries**

- Mailed out White Cross bandages & 4x4 squares to Democratic Republic of the Congo.
- Planned "Feel the Blessings" program for all women and girls of the church on May 16th.
- Planned 2018-2019 budget and White Cross designations.

**Church Officers & Ministry Teams 2018-2019**

**Ministers**

Rev. Joe Greemore & Rev. Carol Teare

**Church Moderator**

Marshall Walker

**Church Clerk**

Roxane Runge

**Finance Team**

Bob Jenkins, Steve Harty,  
& Gene Van Gorder

**Church Historian**

Steve Harty

**Christian Education Team**

**Expires 2019** - Shelby Greemore, Patty Jenkins

**Expires 2020** - Jenna Hendrix, Kristin Stanford, Mike Shaw

**Expires 2021** - *Candi Newman*

**Diaconate Team**

**Expires 2019** - Dan Bravener, Jean Vaux, Brenda Murray, Bruce Foust

**Expires 2020** - Lizzie Zondo, Debra Isaacson, Nancy Shaw, Terri Anderson

**Expires 2021** - *Wanda Hoepfner, Jeff McKelvie, Dianne Van Gorder*

**Mission Team**

**Expires 2019** - Karen Hoppes, Marcia Street

**Expires 2020** - Marshal Iehl, *Jim Girres*

**Expires 2021** - *Keith Dewey, Clare Palmer*

**Trustees Team**

**Expires 2019** - Dwayne Price, Chris Iehl, Toby Teare

**Expires 2020** - Bob Jenkins, Rye Lange

**Expires 2021** - *Rick Anderson, Gene Van Gorder*

*Names in BOLD ITALIC* were elected on April 29th, all others are serving in a continuing capacity.

# May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>One Great Hour of Sharing received this month. Goal \$1,500</b>		<b>1</b> 10am Staff Noon-Quilters 6pm Masons 6:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry	<b>2</b> Noon Bible Study 4:30 Bells of Praise 5:00 Dinner 5:30-6:45 Many Gifts, One Spirit Sharing	<b>3</b>  6:00 pm NA	<b>4</b> Noon CWU @ Unity Presbyterian	<b>5</b> 9:00 am ABWM Board Meeting 10:30 Sisters Trip to Czech Museum
<b>6</b> 9:00 S. School 10:15 Worship  Noon Church Row Coalition @ FBC	<b>7</b>  7:30 pm NA	<b>8</b> 10am Staff Noon-Quilters	<b>9</b> Noon Bible Study 4:30 Bells of Praise 5:00 Dinner 5:30-6:45 Friends Club & Youth Group Party	<b>10</b>  9:00 am CVIC  6:00 pm NA	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13 Mother's Day</b> 9:00 S. School 10:15 Worship	<b>14</b> 6:00-7:30 pm Leadership Retreat  7:30 pm NA	<b>15</b> Noon-Quilters Noon Pastors Lunch	<b>16</b> Noon Bible Study 5:30 pm ABW Spring Salad Celebration	<b>17</b>  4pm PIE  6:00 pm NA	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20 Pentecost Youth &amp; Graduate Sunday</b> 9:00 S. School 10:15 Worship	<b>21</b>  7:30 pm NA	<b>22</b> 10am Staff Noon Quilters	<b>23</b> Noon Bible Study	<b>24</b>  6:00 pm NA	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> 10:15 Worship	<b>28</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>  7:30 pm NA	<b>29</b> 10am Staff Noon Quilters	<b>30</b> Noon Bible Study 4:30-6:00 pm Community Meal	<b>31</b>  6:00 pm NA		