

You Are Invited to Worship With Us!

Rev. Jonathan Singer, Pastor

10:15 a.m. Sunday Worship

Sunday, June 5 - Music: Aaron Hansen, handbell soloist. Worship Leader: Beverly McCusker.

Sunday, June 12 - Rev. Gary Martin, guest in the pulpit. Music: Vicki Hembree & Susan Price.
Worship Leader: Clare Palmer.

Sunday, June 19 - Holy Communion. Music : Jim Girres, saxophone. Worship Leader: Susan Price.

Sunday, June 26 - Outdoor Worship. Music: Band of Light. Worship Leader: Dwayne Price.

Tithes and Offerings

Please continue to contribute regularly to support the work of the church, including the communion offering. Make out a separate check for the regular offering from special offerings such as communion and mission offerings.

Please mail your tithes and offerings to First Baptist, 434 Baltimore St., Waterloo, IA 50701.

If you do online banking, set up a recurring payment of your offering mailed directly to FBC.

Financial Report

(as of 4/30/2022)

Checking/Savings \$52,905.62
Apr. Contributions \$14,409.62
Apr. Expenses \$21,306.43
Foundation \$184,689.23

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Monday - Thursday
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Sunday Worship:
10:15 a.m.

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The Messenger - June 2022

What a month we've had and it isn't even Summer yet!! Before we look forward, let's look back:

It started on May 1st with two performances of the production *Once Upon a Tree*, with a cast, choir and helpers that included almost sixty people and impacted hundreds in our community. We were reminded of the words and love of Jesus, and His powerful sacrifice for all of us. I was reminded that our community can do anything when we have vision and are empowered by God's joyful Spirit.

I am so thankful for Carol Teare, our gifted pastor/organist/choir director/director and for Dr. Randall Harlow, the musical wonder! It has been a joy to work with them both and with Susan Price, our long time Administrative Assistant/Children's Associate/Children's Choir Director/Musician. As Susan retires from the children's music and ministry and transitions to "just" a modified Administrative Assistant, I celebrate all that she has accomplished in spiritually building the lives of our children. Thank you, Susan! On May 8th our children led our worship and we celebrated Susan's ministry and our children's growth. What a powerful way God is moving in the lives of our church family, and our Pastor hadn't even preached this month!

On May 15th, we welcomed Yuree and Eric Lembke; new American Baptist Global Servants at Kawthoolei Karen Baptist Bible School and College in Mae La Refugee Camp in Thailand. We were reminded of all God is doing, and what needs yet to be done, and were challenged to come alongside their crucial and newly begun work. Pray for Yuree, Eric, and baby Harper.

Mission in action. That is what we are about at First Baptist Church in Waterloo. From our Worship Choir to our Children's Choir, to the Band of Light, to our Monthly Community Meals, to our Mission Giving, to *Once Upon a Tree*; we are about having an impact and making a difference. Multi-generational music and mission is what we are all about.

As we enter the summer months, stay connected with God and with your church family. I want to encourage you to make your presence felt. There is only one you, with your gifts, abilities, and calling. When your presence is here we are all blessed. One of the realities of our time is that there are a lot of demands on our time. But I promise you this, you will never regret making "Coming to Church" a priority. Truly, the only time I ever regretted coming to church was when I had a date scheduled after and the girl said that church made her tired so she canceled. (I'm not convinced she canceled because of church 😊) Be present and enjoy the gifted musicians we have lined up each week. As your Pastor, I promise it will be worth coming and being the people of God together! Thank you for using your gifts and giving your gifts at First Baptist Church of Waterloo.

As we enter the months and look forward, school is ending and FFF is beginning. Join with us in mission, music, and ministry. Is this fun or what?

Yours with Joy,

Pastor Jon

Summer Programs for Kids

Friends in Fun and Fellowship (FFF) is our annual summer program for church, neighborhood, and community children in kindergarten through 5th grade. FFF will run weekday mornings from **June 20 to July 8 (closed July 4)**.

Please sign up on the hallway board to volunteer in the learning centers assisting FFF staff and/or setting up tables and chairs outside each morning for the free breakfast and lunch provided by the Waterloo Schools.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be held at First Congregational Church from **July 11 to 14 from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. with dinner included**. Look for more information on registration for your children and ways you can volunteer. Sponsored by FBC, Kimball Ave UMC, St. Timothy's UMC, Trinity Lutheran, Waterloo First UMC, Zion Lutheran, & First Congregational.

Mid-America ABWM Annual Event Saturday, June 11, 2022

FBC Indianola, IA

"Let the Walls Fall Down" is the theme for the region ABWM event held at FBC Indianola, IA on June 11, 2022. Registration fee is \$20 with event starting at 9:30 a.m.

Dr. Lachaska Askew, Midwest Coordinator, will give devotions with Rev. Christine Smith, National President, as guest speaker. Breakout sessions are planned along with fellowship time and welcoming our new region president.

Please sign up under **Activity #1** in worship or call the church office if you'd like to carpool to the event.

Team Meetings & Administrative Council MONDAY, JUNE 20 (note date change)

6:15 p.m. All Team members gather in the Chapel
7:30 p.m. Administrative Council meets

Please make every effort to attend!

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING (OGHS)

Received the month of June

Goal: \$1,500

*And now these three remain: faith, hope and love.
But the greatest of these is love. 1 Cor. 13:13*

OGHS is all about living out the way of love, the way of giving, the way of Christ. Gifts to OGHS resurrect dreams and (re)construct spaces for new dreams to happen. When you give, you show that love is more than just a word; your generosity is the embodiment of our connection to sisters and brothers that extends across space and time. Love is generous and compassionate. Love is action. Love goes the extra mile. Love responds to need. Love makes a difference. Love joins hands. Love works together. Love gives.



Summer Plans

The Mission Team and ABWM are teaming up to invite you to join them to visit one of our Baptist Christian Centers the last week in July. Travel to Wisconsin for an overnight stay and visit the **Milwaukee Christian Center** to learn about their programs in violence-free zone high schools, youth development programs, & older adult meal sites.

If you can't make the trip, please consider donating items from the Centers' wish list:

- baby wipes, diapers, hygiene items, shampoo
- bingo cards, adult coloring books, earbuds
- glue sticks, scissors, markers, paint brushes
- new bath towels, body wash, bath soap
- puzzles, art easels and small painting canvas
- notebooks, pencils, pens, 3-ring binders
- money for gift cards
- paper products (baggies, cups, napkins, paper towels, plates, foil, plastic wrap)
- card stock paper (assorted colors)
- hot glue guns, yarn (assorted colors)

Please bring your donations to church by July 24.

June Birthdays

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| 2 - Bev Moser | 22 - Bettina Taylor |
| 3 - Earl Baugh | 25 - Jackie Francis |
| 9 - Shaylynn Cobb | 26 - Lilian Schlette |
| 12 - Everly Anderson | 26 - Marcia Street |
| 13 - Jonathan Singer | 27 - Don Huff |
| 17 - LaVern Drewes* | 27 - Tate Newman |
| 20 - Gene Van Gorder | 28 - Kent Isaacson |
| 21 - Alison Fox | 29 - Noah Singer |

***Send a card to LaVern Drewes for his 92nd birthday to 1117 Maxhelen Blvd., #315, Waterloo, IA 50701.**

June Anniversaries

- 1 - Debbie & Bruce Foust
- 2 - Sara & Jon Singer
- 4 - Lois & Ronald Rider
- 8 - Sue & Dave Schlette
- 10 - Clare & David Palmer
- 12 - Terri & Rick Anderson
- 13 - Debra & Todd Isaacson
- 15 - Kristin & Jason Stanford
- 19 - Sandee & Leonard Harmon
- 19 - Susie & Marshall Walker
- 21 - Sue & Steve Harty
- 28 - Fernando Castillo & Andrew Nielsen

Drive-thru Style Community Meal

Wednesday, June 29, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Please sign up on the hallway board to help with this important ministry. Volunteers are needed to help prepare and package the food, hand out meals, and donate cookies for dessert.

Watch Worship Live!

Live streaming of worship is available on the [FBC YouTube channel](#). Please subscribe to the channel to get notified when the streaming starts automatically if you watch worship on your smart TV, computer or tablet. We will also be posting **a link to the stream via Facebook** in our FBC Facebook page, **and via email, both by 10:15am**. A link to the recorded service will also be provided Sunday afternoon for those wanting to watch the service later. If you join the stream **after it has started, rewind the playback** with the play bar (or remote control if using a Smart TV) so you don't miss anything.

Congratulations to Michael Price & Jacquell Song on the birth of their daughter, Acacia on April 30th.

Condolences...

To the friends & family of Marlene Bown who passed away on April 28th.

To Carolyn Vandeventer who lost her brother, Perry in April and her sister, Mary last month.

To Rick Anderson & family on the passing of his father, Dick Anderson on May 7th.

To LaVern Drewes & family on the passing of Connie Drewes on May 21.

THANK YOU to my wonderful church family for the very generous Love Gift given to me last month as I retire as Christian Education Director and Children's Choir Director. Your support, love, encouragement, and assistance is greatly appreciated. A big note of thanks to the C.E. Team, parents and the children at FBC and WCCC (Waterloo Chin Christian Church). I loved all the handmade cards and the photo of the kids and will treasure them always.

-Susan Price

I want to thank the cast & crew of "Once Upon a Tree." I loved every minute of it! My family came from Davenport and were blown away. I'm so blessed to be part of this wonderful church.

-Bobbi Jo Schaffnit

A Business Meeting will be held Sun., June 12th at 10:10 a.m. to accept the 2021-2022 Annual Program Reports. At this meeting, written reports of the church officers, ministry teams, and staff will be presented to the church. The program year is June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP

Sunday, June 26 at 10:15 a.m.

Invite your friends and neighbors to join us for a special outdoor celebration of praise and worship Sun., June 26th at 10:15 am. Outdoor seating will be provided. (Worship will be held indoors if raining)