



First Baptist Crossings

*First Baptist Church of Smithville
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Notes From Dave...

Who is in charge of your life? Is it your accountant or financial planner? Your boss at work? Your spouse? Your parent? Or could it be yourself?

I recently completed a little book by Phillip Keller titled, "A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23." This high point of the Old Testament, promises much insight into life with God and Keller's comments add even deeper understanding to the Shepherd Psalm.

First, it is not a compliment for us to be compared to sheep. Sheep are not very bright compared to other animals. They are easily led either to a wrong place or a right place.

The key element is having the right shepherd.

David the psalmist says, "The Lord is my shepherd." Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep and my sheep know me." (John 10:14)

Who is in charge of your life? Isaiah says, "We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way." (Isaiah 53:6) We all tend to let other things and other people lead us. But when we let Him, the Good Shepherd comes looking for us in order to bring us back to be under his leadership.

Who is in charge of your life? We along with David, can declare, "The LORD is my shepherd. He is in charge of my life."

Tis the Season-Storm Season That Is

Like it or not, spring can bring storms to the Kansas City/Smithville area. If we have storm warnings while services are going on at the church building, we need to have a plan in place. Experts say the best place to go is either to a basement or the most inner area where there are no windows.



If we are at church and a warning is issued, we will notify all present and ask that we all walk to the inner hallway on the ground level. We can "huddle" in that hall and in the classrooms on the south side, i.e. the adult classrooms without outer windows.

We pray that we will not have damaging storms this spring, but if they do come, we want to be prepared to go to the safest place.

Mother's Day Breakfast

In honor of Mother's Day, the youth will be preparing breakfast on Mother's Day Sunday, May 8th, during the fellowship time. Please join us in celebrating all mothers and all those women that have filled motherly roles in our lives.



T-Shirt Orders

We will be placing an order for FBC t-shirts. The design is the same as the shirts that were ordered last year (designed by Julianna Santos). There are two colors to choose from, navy or teal and they come in adult and youth sizes. The order will be placed by June 7th and the cost is \$7.00 per shirt. Please let someone in the office know the color and size, before this date so you don't miss out!

Graduation Sunday



Join us in worship on Sunday, May 15th at 9:30 am as we honor our high school graduate with a cake reception to follow.

Whitney Jeanne Kelly
Smithville High School
Class of 2016

Wednesday Night Dinner Menu



May 11-Deli Sandwiches

Please bring a side item (chips or a salad)

May 18-Potato Bar

Bring your favorite topping (sour cream, chili, cheese, bacon bits, etc. and a side dish)

May 25-Ham Sandwiches

Please bring a side dish (salad, chips, veggie tray, etc.)

If you would like to bring a dessert, cookies or brownies would be great!

Don't forget to sign-up on the bulletin board if you are coming for dinner.

Church Office Closed

In observance of Memorial Day, the church office will be closed on Monday, May 30th. Have a safe and happy holiday.



Thank You...

First Baptist Church would like to extend our appreciation to Tammy Kelly for cleaning our church the past three years. Actually, the entire Kelly family deserves our appreciation as they all have been involved in keeping the church. Enjoy your extra time! God Bless.

Welcome New Church Custodian

Please welcome Charles Layton as our Church Custodian. Charles officially began his duties Sunday, April 10, 2016 and will be cleaning the church mostly at night. He is the custodian at the Smithville Primary Elementary School during the day, and has been employed there for 16 years.

Volunteers in May

Nursery Department

May 1	Pam Petty & Joy Bettis
May 8	Donna White & Ruth Hiatt
May 15	Dorothy Allen & Carla Berner
May 22	Kathy Petty & Jennifer Edwards
May 29	Tammy Kelly & Whitney Kelly

Greeters

May 1	Betty Shuler & Dorothy Allen
May 8	Rosalie Swaney & Lois Earlywine
May 15	Linda Frazier & Carol Shaffer
May 22	Darlene McMillian & Carolyn Forsyth
May 29	Dorothy Huntley & Rosalie Swaney

Children's Sermon Leaders

May 1	Jenny Holmes
May 8	Ruth Hiatt
May 15	Graduation Sunday
May 22	Randy Kelly
May 29	Becky Everly

Deacon of the Week

May 1	Linda Frazier
May 8	Ruth Hiatt
May 15	Randy Holmes
May 22	Lee Huntley
May 29	Randy Kelly

Hospitality

May	Dorothy Huntley
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Bridge Street Ministries

Tuesday, May 3
AM-Kathy Petty/ Jennifer Edwards, Shirley Phillips & Carolyn Forsyth
PM-Joel White, Donna White & Hubert Shuler

Tuesday, May 10
AM-First United Methodist
PM-First United Methodist

Saturday, May 14
AM-Rosemary Long/Cody Wilson, Carol Shaffer & Linda Fraizer

Tuesday, May 17
AM-Betty Shuler, Dorothy Huntley & Dorothy Allen
PM-Rosemary Long, Jim Long & Dave Chiles

Tuesday, May 24
AM-Ruth Hiatt, Jim Hiatt & Karen Youmans
PM-Randy Kelly, Margaret Fales & Judy Asher

Tuesday, May 31
AM-First United Methodist
PM-First United Methodist

Vacation Bible School Meeting

Save the Date!

Monday, June 6th at 6:30 pm
in the Fellowship Hall

We are making lots of progress and excited about this years VBS, but we still need volunteers to help lead the children to and from each activity. Please join us or sign up on the bulletin board if you can help out.



Calendar of Events

- May 1 Team's Meeting, 11:30 am
- May 8 Mother's Day Breakfast, 10:30 am
- May 11 Dinner 5:45, Bible Study, 6:30 pm
- May 15 Graduation Sunday
- May 18 Dinner 5:45, Bible Study, 6:30 pm
- May 25 Dinner 5:45, Bible Study, 6:30 pm
- May 29 Deacon's Meeting, 11:30 am
- May 30 Memorial Day, (Office is Closed)

In our Prayers



Our Church Family:

Gary Teegarden	Audrey Tygart
Dorothy Perkins	Lloyd & Darlene Wilson
Bill Edwards	Jaxon Caw
Joyce Teegarden	Kathleen Hinton
Debbie Crockett	

In Christian Sympathy

To the family of Dorothy Miller on her passing.

Financial Figures
April Offerings \$9,424.52

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May Birthdays



May...

**You have a very
Happy Birthday!**

May 1	Whitney Kelly
May 2	Carolyn Jensen
May 10	David Everly
May 13	Lee Huntley
	Bella Crawford
May 20	Jim Long
May 21	Bill Forsyth
May 22	Denney Fales
May 24	Dustin White

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

- 9:30 am Worship
- 10:15 am Coffee & Snacks
- 10:30 am Bible Study

Tuesdays

- 10:00 am –12:00 pm Bridge Street Ministries Open
- 1:00 pm PEPPi Exercise Class
- 6:00 pm—8:00 pm Bridge Street Ministries Open

Bridge Street Ministries is also open the 2nd Saturday of the month from 10 am-12 noon

Wednesdays

- 6:30 pm—7:15 pm Children's Programming
- 6:00 pm—7:15 pm Youth Group

Ministers & Staff

Rev. David Everly, *Pastor*
Cody Wilson, *Youth Director*
Betty Shuler, *Secretary*
Tammy Kelly, *Secretary*
Margaret Fales, *Music*
Athena Gillespie, *Pianist*

Office Hours:

Mondays 9am-1pm
Tuesdays 9am-1pm
Thursdays 9am-1pm