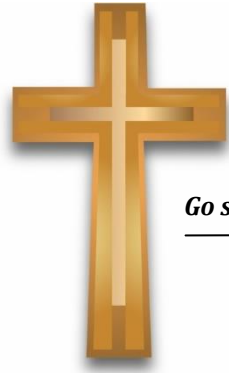


Sunday, August 9, 2020



Welcome to
**First Baptist Church
of Endicott**

*Know the love of God in Jesus Christ;
Grow as followers of Him;
Go share the love of God in our community and world.*

Interim Pastor • Rev. Dr. Keith Marlett
Worship Leader • Jared O'Neill
Praise Team Leader • Bill Starring

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Praise & Worship

Opening Song		Praise Team
Opening Prayer		Worship Leader
Announcements		Worship Leader
Children's Message		Nancy Marlett
Praise Music		Praise Team
Scripture Reading	Acts 9: 1-19 NIV	Kay Hollister
Special Music	<i>It Is Well</i> DiMarco/Spafford/Bliss Kyle Todack, Vocal	
Message	"Unexpected Encounters"	Pastor Keith
Closing Song		Praise Team
Benediction		Pastor Keith

Scripture Reading

¹Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. ³As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed

around him. ⁴He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" ⁵"Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. ⁶"Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." ⁷The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. ⁸Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. ⁹For three days he was blind and did not eat or drink anything. ¹⁰In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, "Ananias!" "Yes, Lord," he answered. ¹¹The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. ¹²In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight." ¹³"Lord," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem. ¹⁴And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. ¹⁶I will show him how much he must suffer for my name." ¹⁷Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, ¹⁹and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

Prayers, Concerns & Celebrations

Health Concerns: Dale Peloke; Al McFall; Dan Marlett; Pat McFall; Valerie O'Neill;
Church family, friends, and our homebound members;
All victims and families of COVID-19; and
All those on the front lines battling and protecting;
The Pastoral Search Committee;
Our virtual worship service;
God's direction during this time of transition.

Prayer requests of a personal nature will not be shared during the virtual worship service but can be expressed following the benediction after the cameras are turned off.

Announcements

NYS Safety Requirements for Sanctuary Worship:

- Face coverings are required at all times unless seated;
- A hand sanitizer station is located in the back of the sanctuary;
- Ushers will guide attendees to the pews available to maintain social distancing;
- A collection plate station is located in the back of the sanctuary;
- For the safety of others, if you have a fever, cough, or are not feeling well, please do not attend.

Childcare *will not* be provided and children need to remain with their parents at all times.

- We recommend bringing items for your children to use during the service (coloring books, quiet toys).
- Rooms will be available for you and your children if you need to remove yourself during the service. See an usher if you need an available room.

The Board of Ministries requests:

- Please enter using the front doors (volunteers/employees may use the back entrance);
- If possible, please limit the use of the church building to the sanctuary and main floor restrooms when possible to minimize the amount of cleaning/sanitizing needed after the service;
- Coffee, snacks and our drinking fountain will not be available during the service;
- After service, please dismiss yourselves in an orderly fashion and congregate outside if you wish.

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Pastor Keith is offering a **time of prayer** at the end of the morning worship service (following the benediction), after the live feed has been turned off. If you have a prayer request that you would like shared at that time, please email the church office or call

Christi during regular office hours (427-3363) by no later than Friday morning so that they can be passed on to Pastor Keith.

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Pastor Keith is looking for a couple of **volunteers who will help 'manage' our current website** as well as help build a new one that will be replacing the current one. If any of this is of interest to you, please let Pastor Keith know.

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Ladies Bible Study will not meet during the month of August. Study will resume on September 16th. Stay tuned for the next study topic!

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Vacation Bible School: August 17-21, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Sponsored by First Baptist Church of Endicott and Child Evangelism Fellowship®. Bible stories, songs, snacks, games, prizes! A registration form is enclosed. Volunteers are also needed to help with this event. See Nancy Marlett or Amanda Rice with any questions.

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After reviewing the continuing Covid virus presence, we have sadly made the decision **cancel our Homecoming concert** at Main Street Baptist Church on August 30th. May God bless you as you love and serve Him in new and different ways in the midst of the virus filled world. -Reg & Gretchen Dunneman

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Remember to remain faithful in your giving:

1. By check made payable to First Baptist Church and mailed to:

First Baptist Church	OR	Kay Hollister
1406 Monroe Street		6021 Day Hollow Road
Endicott, NY 13760		Endicott, NY 13760

2. By using your bank "billpay" with "payment" sent to:

First Baptist church of Endicott
1406 Monroe Street
Endicott, NY 13760

3. By using "Online Giving" feature through our website.

Go to www.firstbaptistendicott.com

Please consider giving to the **Diaconate Fund** by designating on your on-line giving or at the place provided at the back of sanctuary.

Financial Update

Year Goal	Weekly Goal	YTD Given
\$110,600.00	\$2,126.92	\$68,934.28
YTD Goal	Given 08-02	%
\$65,934.52	\$2,560.00	104.55
Capital Campaign	\$17,125.00	

We are extending our collection of school supplies for the children in Dodoma, Tanzania, to August 19th.

Please drop off your donations at the church **by August 19th** (a box will be in the church lobby) or you can mail them to:

Village to Village Care Inc.
1994 Donna Ave.
Endicott, NY 13760

Items for collection:

- Children's Books
- Notebooks
- Pencils
- Pens
- Erasers
- Pencil Bags
- Water bottles
- Bar Soaps
- Band-aids
- Antibacterial ointments
- Alcohol pads
- Socks (white)
- Plain white children's t-shirt
- Children's underwear (boy & girl)
- Cloth face masks (small & medium)



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Questions: email office_fbcendicott@yahoo.com
or call 607-729-5531

I give permission (required) for: Name of Child(ren) Ages 5 and up:

**To attend VBS at:
First Baptist Church of Endicott
1406 Monroe St., Endicott, NY**

Parent Name: _____

Print

Signature: _____

2 Emergency contacts and phone numbers:
