

Sunday, September 20, 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
Missions & Ministries	WMO 2020	Kyle Todack
Children's Message		Nancy Marlett
Praise Music		Praise Team
Scripture Reading	Acts 11:19-30 NIV	Linda O'Neill
Message	"The Power of Encouragement Rooted in Truth"	Pastor Keith
Closing Song		Praise Team
Benediction		Pastor Keith

Scripture Reading

¹⁹Now those who had been scattered by the persecution that broke out when Stephen was killed traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus and Antioch, spreading the word only among Jews.²⁰Some of them, however, men from Cyprus and Cyrene, went to Antioch and began to speak to Greeks also, telling them the good news about the Lord Jesus.²¹The Lord's

hand was with them, and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord.²²News of this reached the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch.²³When he arrived and saw what the grace of God had done, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts.²⁴He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord.²⁵Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul,²⁶ and when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people. The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.²⁷During this time some prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch.²⁸One of them, named Agabus, stood up and through the Spirit predicted that a severe famine would spread over the entire Roman world. (This happened during the reign of Claudius.)²⁹The disciples, as each one was able, decided to provide help for the brothers and sisters living in Judea.³⁰This they did, sending their gift to the elders by Barnabas and Saul.

Announcements

Ladies Bible Study: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, 10:00AM in person in the lounge and on Zoom. Study topic is Joshua.

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Wednesday Evening Bible Study: This past Wednesday evening we finished up taking a look at the Edomites in the book of Obadiah. Do you know anything about the ancient city of Ninevah and the prominence that it had so many years ago? You are invited to join us this Wednesday, 7:00PM in the Baraca and on ZOOM as we begin to study the book of Jonah. It is SO MUCH more than a mere 'fish story'.

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World Mission Offering: The World Mission Offering (WMO) has been crucial in funding ministries around the world, especially during the challenging times in our world's history. With Covid-19 this year has been a challenge for everyone and our world outreach ministries are no exception. They rely on funding to help carry out the mission of spreading the good news of Jesus Christ and of God's word. Last year our church collected \$725.00 for this offering. Our goal this year is \$900.00.

Deadline for submission to the October Tower Topics is September 23rd.

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Prayer March 2020 with Franklin Graham on September 26th.

Please take a moment to pray for the believers who will march on our Nation's Capital as they stop at key locations to ask God to heal the divisions in our nation, guide our leaders, protect our religious freedoms, and pour out His Spirit on America.

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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.
- Please enter using the front doors (volunteers and employees may use the back entrance).
- 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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Remember to remain faithful in your giving:

1. Check payable to First Baptist Church and mailed to:

First Baptist Church
1406 Monroe Street

OR

Kay Hollister
6021 Day Hollow Road

Endicott, NY 13760

Endicott, NY 13760

2. Using your bank "billpay" with "payment" sent to:

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

3. Using "Online Giving" feature through our website.

Go to www.firstbaptistendicott.com

Financial Update

Year Goal	Weekly Goal	YTD Given
\$110,600.00	\$2,126.92	\$79,951.84
YTD Goal	Given 09-13	%
\$ 78,696.04	\$2,950.00	101.60
Capital Campaign	\$18,185.00	



Sunday School and Rally Day
September 20th – 9:30AM



Adult Sunday School (TBA at a later date)
Lower elementary (Kindergarten- 4th grade)
Upper Elementary/Middle School (5th through 7th grade)
Middle School/ High School (8th through 12th grade)

Welcome back! This Sunday is Rally Day for Children's Sunday School and we're excited to get them back in the word of God. Things will kick off at 9:30 in the sanctuary and will run until 10:30. Please make sure all children have masks. Social distancing will be practiced as well.

Operation Christmas Child!!

Due to COVID restrictions we will have 2 options for preparing the boxes this year:

1. You can take shoeboxes to fill and return to FBC for delivery.
2. You can give money to purchase items for your shoeboxes.

International Operation Christmas Child

- Deadline to donate money for a volunteer to purchase items for your international shoeboxes is Sunday 11/1/20.
- All International Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes need to be at church by Sunday 11/15/20.
- The shoeboxes will be taken to the drop-off location on Monday 11/16/20.
- International OCC requests a \$9 shipping fee be included with each shoebox.

Local Christmas Child Shoeboxes

- Deadline to donate money for a volunteer purchase items for your local shoeboxes is Sunday 12/6/20.
- All Local Christmas Child Shoeboxes need to be at church by Sunday 12/13/20.

General Information

- Shoeboxes will be available in the sanctuary starting on Sunday 9/27/20
- Lists of gift ideas for the 6 different groups will be provided
Boys—2-4 years old, 5-9 years old, 10-14 years old
Girls—2-4 years old, 5-9 years old, 10-14 years old
- The gift lists for the international and local boxes will be the same
- Local shoeboxes can also include liquid items (i.e. shampoo, glue, bubbles, etc.)

We have 120 plastic shoeboxes to be used. Each shoebox may contain donated items already received such as cloth grocery bags, matchbox cars, small blankets, water bottles, face masks and tennis balls. These items will be placed in shoeboxes before they are given out.

If you wish to donate money, want to volunteer to help, or have any questions, please contact:

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