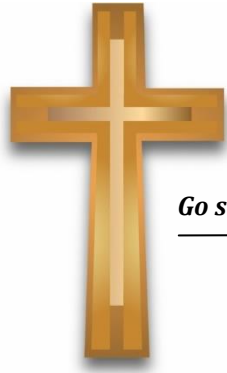


Sunday, October 18, 2020



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 • Kay Hollister
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 13:1-33 NIV	Linda O'Neill
Special Music	<i>You Say</i> Kaleena Berchtold, vocal	Anthem Lights
Message	"Good News!"	Pastor Keith
Closing Song		Praise Team
Benediction		Pastor Keith

Scripture Reading

¹Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul. ²While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." ³So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent

them off. ⁴The two of them, sent on their way by the Holy Spirit, went down to Seleucia and sailed from there to Cyprus. ⁵When they arrived at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of God in the Jewish synagogues. John was with them as their helper. ⁶They traveled through the whole island until they came to Paphos. There they met a Jewish sorcerer and false prophet named Bar-Jesus, ⁷who was an attendant of the proconsul, Sergius Paulus. The proconsul, an intelligent man, sent for Barnabas and Saul because he wanted to hear the word of God. ⁸But Elymas the sorcerer (for that is what his name means) opposed them and tried to turn the proconsul from the faith. ⁹Then Saul, who was also called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked straight at Elymas and said, ¹⁰"You are a child of the devil and an enemy of everything that is right! You are full of all kinds of deceit and trickery. Will you never stop perverting the right ways of the Lord? ¹¹Now the hand of the Lord is against you. You are going to be blind for a time, not even able to see the light of the sun." Immediately mist and darkness came over him, and he groped about, seeking someone to lead him by the hand. ¹²When the proconsul saw what had happened, he believed, for he was amazed at the teaching about the Lord. ¹³From Paphos, Paul and his companions sailed to Perga in Pamphylia, where John left them to return to Jerusalem. ¹⁴From Perga they went on to Pisidian Antioch. On the Sabbath they entered the synagogue and sat down. ¹⁵After the reading from the Law and the Prophets, the leaders of the synagogue sent word to them, saying, "Brothers, if you have a word of exhortation for the people, please speak." ¹⁶Standing up, Paul motioned with his hand and said: "Fellow Israelites and you Gentiles who worship God, listen to me! ¹⁷The God of the people of Israel chose our ancestors; he made the people prosper during their stay in Egypt; with mighty power he led them out of that country; ¹⁸for about forty years he endured their conduct in the wilderness; ¹⁹and he overthrew seven nations in Canaan, giving their land to his people as their inheritance. ²⁰All this took about 450 years. "After this, God gave them judges until the time of Samuel the prophet. ²¹Then the people asked for a king, and he gave them Saul son of Kish, of the tribe of Benjamin, who ruled forty years. ²²After removing Saul, he made David their king. God testified concerning him: 'I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do.'

²³“From this man’s descendants God has brought to Israel the Savior Jesus, as he promised. ²⁴Before the coming of Jesus, John preached repentance and baptism to all the people of Israel. ²⁵As John was completing his work, he said: ‘Who do you suppose I am? I am not the one you are looking for. But there is one coming after me whose sandals I am not worthy to untie.’ ²⁶“Fellow children of Abraham and you God-fearing Gentiles, it is to us that this message of salvation has been sent. ²⁷The people of Jerusalem and their rulers did not recognize Jesus, yet in condemning him they fulfilled the words of the prophets that are read every Sabbath. ²⁸Though they found no proper ground for a death sentence, they asked Pilate to have him executed. ²⁹When they had carried out all that was written about him, they took him down from the cross and laid him in a tomb. ³⁰But God raised him from the dead, ³¹and for many days he was seen by those who had traveled with him from Galilee to Jerusalem. They are now his witnesses to our people. ³²“We tell you the good news: What God promised our ancestors ³³he has fulfilled for us, their children, by raising up Jesus. As it is written in the second Psalm: “‘You are my son; today I have become your father.’”

Prayers, Concerns & Celebrations

Health Concerns: Dale Peloke; Al McFall; Pat McFall;
Ed Rutkowski; Gary Hollister; Marlene Dickerson
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 worship services;
God’s direction during this time of transition.

Prayer requests of a personal nature will not be shared during the virtual worship service.

The Candle of Remembrance reminds us to pray for the sons and daughters of our country, and every country, who are involved in military or alternative service around the world; and pray for peace.

Announcements

Stoughton Farms Corn Maize: Sunday, October 18th, 2:00PM.

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Believer’s Baptism will be celebrated on Sunday, November 1st, during our morning worship service. If anyone is desiring to be baptized on that day, please see Pastor Keith.

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

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Wednesday Evening Bible Study: You are invited to join us this Wednesday, 7:00PM in the Baraca Room and on ZOOM as we study the book of Jonah.

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Deadline for items to the November *Tower Topics* is October 21st.

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The Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer event of ABWM - BTA scheduled for Saturday, November 7th is being cancelled at this time due to the continuing issues of Covid-19.

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World Mission Offering: We continue to receive the World Mission Offering during the month of October. Our goal this year is \$900.00. Please prayerfully consider your donation.

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Safety Requirements for Sanctuary Worship:

- Face coverings are required at all times unless seated.
- 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.
- Please enter using the front doors.
- Please limit the use of the church building to the sanctuary and main floor restrooms.
- 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 the church or Kay Hollister at home.**

- 2. Using your bank "billpay" with "payment" sent to the church.
- 3. 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	\$ 88,386.84
YTD Goal	Given 10-11	%
\$ 87,203.72	\$ 1,890.00	101.36
World Mission	\$ 440.00	
Capital Campaign	\$ 18,770.00	

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

General Information

- Shoeboxes are available in the back of the sanctuary
- 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.)

See Linda O'Neill with any questions.



Christmas Flower Sale!!

Poinsettias \$13.00 each
(red, pink, white, red glitter)

Wreaths \$23.00 (12")
or \$28.00 (24")

All proceeds to benefit
American Baptist Women's Ministries Special Project

Money is due at time of order (checks payable to American Baptist Women and designate wreath or poinsettia on check). Please give order and payment to Jean Stone.

Deadline for flower orders is November 6th

Contact Jean Stone with any questions.

Thank you for your support of our mission!