

Sunday, October 4, 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
Praise Music		Praise Team
Scripture Reading	Acts 12:18-25 NIV	Linda O'Neill
Special Music	"One Day" Evelyn O'Neill, Vocal	Cochren and Co.
Message	"Politics Can Be Dangerous"	Pastor Keith
Prayer for Repentance		Pastor Keith
Communion		Pastor Keith
Closing Song		Praise Team
Benediction		Pastor Keith

Scripture Reading

¹⁸ In the morning, there was no small commotion among the soldiers as to what had become of Peter. ¹⁹ After Herod had a thorough search made for him and did not find him, he cross-examined the guards and ordered that they be executed.

Then Herod went from Judea to Caesarea and stayed there. ²⁰ He had been quarreling with the people of Tyre and Sidon; they now joined together and sought an audience with him. After securing the support of Blastus, a trusted personal servant of the king, they asked for peace, because they depended on the king's country for their food supply. ²¹ On the appointed day Herod, wearing his royal robes, sat on his throne and delivered a public address to the people. ²² They shouted, "This is the voice of a god, not of a man." ²³ Immediately, because Herod did not give praise to God, an angel of the Lord struck him down, and he was eaten by worms and died. ²⁴ But the word of God continued to spread and flourish. ²⁵ When Barnabas and Saul had finished their mission, they returned from Jerusalem, taking with them John, also called Mark.

Prayers, Concerns & Celebrations

Health Concerns: Dale Peloke; Al McFall; Pat McFall; Kay Hollister; Ed Rutkowski;
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

Communion will be celebrated October 4th. Tables will be set up in the sanctuary for safe distancing and individual communion

packets will be provided for each person. For those of you at home, please have your communion elements ready prior to the virtual service at 10:45.

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Repentance Sunday: Many churches in our nation have taken time recently to set time aside from the routine service to teach on repentance and lead their congregations in prayer for repentance. Today, after the message, we will likewise. Here are some passages of Scripture that you can read and ponder deeply upon what should stir our hearts regarding repentance:

Mark 1:1-5	Mark 1:14-15	Mark 6:12
Acts 17:30	Acts 26:19-20	Jeremiah 18:7-8
Luke 15:17-24		

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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: 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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Sunday School for children and youth will be held in the Baraca Room at 9:45AM. Adult class will be announced at a later date.

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Office Hours: Christi has returned to the office for regular morning office hours. Please wear a mask when entering the office during these hours. Thank you.

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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.**

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Safety Requirements for Sanctuary Worship:

- Face coverings are required at all times unless seated.

- Hand sanitizer 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 at the back of the sanctuary.
- 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 coloring books, quiet toys. Rooms will be available for you and your children if you need to remove yourself during the service.
- Please enter using the front doors.
- 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 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

Financial Update

Year Goal	Weekly Goal	YTD Given
\$110,600.00	\$2,126.92	\$ 84,166.84
YTD Goal	Given 09-27	%
\$ 82,949.88	\$ 1,770.00	101.4
World Mission	\$35.00	
Capital Campaign	\$ 18,410.00	

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 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 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.)

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:

Linda O'Neill
607-759-2516
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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!