

Sunday, November 15, 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*

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| Opening Song       |   | Praise Team    |
| Opening Prayer     |   | Worship Leader |
| Announcements      |   | Worship Leader |
| Children’s Message |   | Nancy Marlett  |
| Praise Music       |   | Praise Team    |
| Scripture Reading  | Acts 14:1-20 NIV  | Linda O’Neill  |
| Special Music      | <i>How Can it Be</i><br>Kaleena Berchtold, Vocal        | Lauren Daigle  |
| Message            | “Mistaken Identity –<br>Hope It Doesn’t Happen to You!” | Pastor Keith   |
| Closing Song       |   | Praise Team    |
| Benediction        |   | Pastor Keith   |

*Scripture Reading*

<sup>1</sup> At Iconium Paul and Barnabas went as usual into the Jewish synagogue. There they spoke so effectively that a great number of Jews and Greeks believed. <sup>2</sup> But the Jews who refused to believe stirred up the other Gentiles and poisoned their minds against the brothers. <sup>3</sup> So Paul and Barnabas spent considerable time there, speaking boldly for

the Lord, who confirmed the message of his grace by enabling them to perform signs and wonders. <sup>4</sup> The people of the city were divided; some sided with the Jews, others with the apostles. <sup>5</sup> There was a plot afoot among both Gentiles and Jews, together with their leaders, to mistreat them and stone them. <sup>6</sup> But they found out about it and fled to the Lycaonian cities of Lystra and Derbe and to the surrounding country, <sup>7</sup> where they continued to preach the gospel. <sup>8</sup> In Lystra there sat a man who was lame. He had been that way from birth and had never walked. <sup>9</sup> He listened to Paul as he was speaking. Paul looked directly at him, saw that he had faith to be healed <sup>10</sup> and called out, “Stand up on your feet!” At that, the man jumped up and began to walk. <sup>11</sup> When the crowd saw what Paul had done, they shouted in the Lycaonian language, “The gods have come down to us in human form!” <sup>12</sup> Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul they called Hermes because he was the chief speaker. <sup>13</sup> The priest of Zeus, whose temple was just outside the city, brought bulls and wreaths to the city gates because he and the crowd wanted to offer sacrifices to them. <sup>14</sup> But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of this, they tore their clothes and rushed out into the crowd, shouting: <sup>15</sup> “Friends, why are you doing this? We too are only human, like you. We are bringing you good news, telling you to turn from these worthless things to the living God, who made the heavens and the earth and the sea and everything in them. <sup>16</sup> In the past, he let all nations go their own way. <sup>17</sup> Yet he has not left himself without testimony: He has shown kindness by giving you rain from heaven and crops in their seasons; he provides you with plenty of food and fills your hearts with joy.” <sup>18</sup> Even with these words, they had difficulty keeping the crowd from sacrificing to them. <sup>19</sup> Then some Jews came from Antioch and Iconium and won the crowd over. They stoned Paul and dragged him outside the city, thinking he was dead. <sup>20</sup> But after the disciples had gathered around him, he got up and went back into the city. The next day he and Barnabas left for Derbe.

## Prayers, Concerns & Celebrations

Health Concerns: Dale Peloke; Pat McFall; Jim Rice;  
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

**Due to the holiday weekend, the deadline for *Tower Topics* articles is November 16<sup>th</sup>.**

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"Thank you to all who have sent well wishes for a quick recovery after my knee replacement surgery. Everything seems to be going well. Thank God for answered prayer." - (Pastor) Jim Rice

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**Ladies Bible Study:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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**Please Note:** The church WIFI will be disabled during the morning worship service in order to ensure uninterrupted internet service for our live streaming.

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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](http://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         | \$110,686.43 |
| <b>YTD Goal</b>         | <b>Given 11-08</b> | <b>%</b>     |
| \$95,711.40             | \$14,619.09        | 115.65       |
|                         |                    |              |
| <b>Capital Campaign</b> | \$19,615.00        |              |

## Operation Christmas Child!!

### International Operation Christmas Child

- 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 are the same
- Local shoeboxes can also include liquid items (i.e. shampoo, glue, bubbles, etc.)



I would like to ask for the help of anyone in the church -- children, teens, adults, everyone no matter your artistic ability -- to make cards that we would like to distribute to doctors, nurses, and patients at both Lourdes and Wilson Hospitals. Thank a doctor or nurse for everything they do or help lift the spirits of a patient. Every card we distribute could be that extra inspiration a doctor or nurse needs during a hard day, or to a patient who is in need of hope.

There is no limit on how many cards you make, but I would ask that you include a verse or verses that you find hope in or are inspired by. The goal is not only to make someone's day better but to do so while sharing Scripture and letting them know our church is taking the time to show them the faith, hope, and love that we share with each other as believers, and would like to share with them as well. The rest would be entirely up to your creativity.

If you wish to participate, please have cards at the church by **December 13<sup>th</sup>**. If you are unable to get them to the church but wish to contribute, please let me know ([kyleatodack@yahoo.com](mailto:kyleatodack@yahoo.com)) and I will arrange to have them picked up by the 13<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

Kyle Todack  
Outreach Team Leader



### Thanksgiving Baskets

The Diaconate Team will be partnering with our brothers and sisters from First Presbyterian Church of Endicott for our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive in the collecting and distribution of food baskets for families in the community.

We will be collecting the following food donations at Endicott First Baptist Church until **Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**. They will then be taken to First Presbyterian and distributed to our community.

If you know of a family that is in need, please reach out to Valerie O'Neill or any of the Deacons.

Items we will be collecting:

|                           |                   |                           |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Canned fruit              | Canned Vegetables | Cranberry Sauce           | Fruit Juices      |
| Canned Gravy or Gravy Mix |                   | Stuffing/Instant Potatoes |                   |
| Pumpkin-Fruit Pie Filling |                   | Pudding Mixes             | Quick Bread Mixes |

Other Food Items:

|                             |         |                        |
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| Soups                       | Cereals | Condiments             |
| Peanut Butter-Jelly-Nutella |         | Canned Tuna or Chicken |

Thank you for supporting this wonderful cause to help our Community!