

This Week's Services

January 17, 2021

Worship Services: 8:30, 9:50, 11:05am

“The Measure of True Greatness”

Mark 9:30-50

Pastor Barry Seifert

Attendance

Attendance	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>2020 Avg</u>
Sunday School	184	172
AM Services	298	329
Prayer Mtgs.	34	

Who's On Deck

Ushers

8:30 Darrell B., Thomas G., Russ R.

9:50 Darrell B., Thomas G., Steve E., Mike L., Russ R.

11:05 Darrell B., Steve E., Mike L.

Greeters

8:30 David Kopp

9:50 Jenae Orluck, Kelli Sem

11:05 Darryl & Sharon Strube

Information Desk

Linda Pankratz

Children's Church, Ages 3 & 4 (9:50am)

Rena Carter, Katie Lee

Nursery Workers

9:45 I – Bridgette DeBold, Twyla Dishon

T – Laura Graham, Dylan DeBold

11:00 I – Randi Long, Jeri Long

T – Cody & Gabrielle McManigal

Sunday Bus Ministry: Contact our bus driver, Ray, 838-4359



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Walking by Faith During the Storms of Life

We live in a fallen world. We need no more evidence of this than to reflect on the events currently transpiring in our country. In 2021, our government is in the midst of substantial change, and change can often trigger fear and anxiety. The good news is that God has given us the tools to manage our fears and anxieties if we choose to use them. Two of those tools are faith and patience.

God gives us the strength to manage and overcome our fears and anxieties through faith. Hebrews 11:1 states, “Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, and the conviction of things not seen.” Walking by faith requires us to believe in a God we can't see, feel, taste, smell, or touch. If we place our full trust in Him, He will show us that He is who The Word says He is. God's truth will bring us hope and build perseverance, which will allow us to be courageous and stand firm in our faith during uncertain times. We also need to develop patience to wait on God because His time is not our time. (See Psalm 130:1-6).

Patience should be the first thing on our mind during difficult times. When we're struggling with challenging circumstances and emotions, it's hard to clearly see what good God is trying to accomplish. Philippians 4: 6-7 gives us some perspective that we can lean into when we begin to doubt our beliefs or believe our doubts: “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.” God provides us with what we need precisely when we need it.

God knows each of us intimately and will give us the guidance we need to navigate our inner turbulence if we are willing to wait on Him to respond with His perfect plan.

Faithfully,
Jeff Redekopp

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Coming This Week

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January 17 - 23, 2021

Sunday	8:00 am	Pre-Service Prayer with Pastors
	8:30 am	Classic Service
	9:45 am	Adult Sunday School
	9:50 am	Contemporary Service Children's Church
	11:00 am	Sunday School for All Ages
	11:05 am	Contemporary Service
	4:00 pm	Missions Committee
Monday	4:30 pm	Adult Prayer Gathering, Zoom
	5:00 pm	Ladies' Zumba
Monday	6:30 pm	Men's Bible Study, Upstairs Lounge Men's Bible Study, Downstairs Lounge
	Tuesday	9:30 am
12:00 pm		Men's Noon Prayer, FBC
1:30 pm		Staff Meeting
6:30 pm		Deaconess Committee
7:00 pm		Elder Board
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Awana (Hybrid) Jr. High Trek, #201- City Auditorium
	7:00 pm	Weekly Prayer Gathering, Zoom
	7:15 pm	Sr. High Youth
Thursday	6:30 pm	SheTime Ceramics
Friday	7:00 pm	Celebrate Recovery

Standing on the Promises

"The future is as bright as the promises of God" (William Carey, father of modern missions). As you encounter Scripture, you will encounter many *types* of promises. Some are promises of warning. Other promises affirm the divine pardon from sin. Other promises offer us great comfort and guidance. So many other promises remind us of the solid hope we have inherited in Christ! Get to know the promises of God!

News

• **All AWANA Clubs:** Have resumed meeting in person on Wednesday's from 6:30 to 8:00pm following the normal (HYBRID) procedure. Any changes will be posted on our Website and Facebook by 5:00pm on Tuesdays.

• **Ladies' Sunday School Class:** A new study – "Finding God Faithful" by Kelly Minter will start on Sunday, January 17 at 9:45am in the SE Foyer.

• **SheTime Ceramics!!** Ladies, join us at Margie's Art Glass on Main Street on Thursday, January 21 at 6:30pm for a special SheTime. Paint your own ceramics! The first 20 ladies to sign up will be guaranteed a spot. The price depends upon what you choose to paint, but expect \$10 or less. **To RSVP:** Email sheministries@fbcminot.org, call the church office at 701-852-4533, or text Tara at 701-720-6780.

• **FBC Men's Ministry Event:** Monday, Feb. 1 at 6:00pm at First Baptist. Topic: Biblical Leadership in Turbulent Times. Speaker: Andy Carter, Athletic Director at MSU. Sloppy Joes, chips, and dessert. More information to follow.

• **Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, January 16 at 8:00am at First Baptist. Come and join other men from FBC for faith, food, and fellowship. We meet the 1st & 3rd Saturday of every month.

• **Men's Basketball:** Will resume on Saturday, January 23 at 8:30am at First Baptist Church.

• **Celebrate Recovery:** Meets on Friday nights starting at 7:00pm. This is a biblical, balanced program to overcome hurts, hang-ups, and habits. Brochures are available at the Information Desk.

• **Nominating Committee Report:** The following names have been submitted by the Nominating Committee. Cindy Klingbeil, Nominating Committee Chair. BOARD OF ELDERS – 2 Positions: Darrell Baklenko*, Andy Carter. BOARD OF DEACONS – 4 Positions: Reginald Athouriste, Josh Boling*, Matt Cummings*, Aaron Klingbeil*. (*Incumbent) If you would like to nominate an Elder or Deacon candidate, please submit that name to the Nominating Committee by January 31, 2021. Each person nominated must give his permission to have his name placed on the ballot. The Annual Business Meeting will be Sunday, Feb. 28 at 6:00pm.

Ministry Matters

Use of face masks is welcomed and strongly encouraged.

• **Hearing Assistance:** The Church Sanctuary is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an usher for assistance.

• **Sunday Bus Ministry:** Contact our bus driver, Ray, 838-4359.

• **Keys for Kids:** Children's devotionals are available at the Information Desk.

• **In consideration of people with allergy sensitivities:** We ask that you refrain from using perfumes, colognes, or scented lotions prior to attending worship, Thank You.

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Prayer & Praise

Prayer Chain: Days 838-0405; Evenings 833-8534

Online Prayer: Join the weekly online prayer gatherings on Wednesday nights @ 7pm and Sunday afternoons @ 4:30pm. Request log-in information at firstminot@yahoo.com.

Giving Thanks: For the little things that show caring. Praise God for giving healing and strength.

We are truly grateful for every person serving in the media ministries of FBC. We also thank God for leading Forrest Weigel to serve part-time on the church staff as a leader in the media work of the church! Welcome Forrest!

Prayer: Let us pray for peace in our own hearts, in our communities, in our capitals, and the nation at large as the country transitions to a new presidency in the next few days. May we who follow Christ be known as real peace-makers in a time of tumult and turmoil.

NCA Ministry of the Week: First Baptist, Goodrich, ND

FBC Missionary of the Week: Be praying for Arlyn & Marcy Nies with Awana as they continue to work to encourage Awana volunteers in the Midwest.