

## This Week's Services

**October 18, 2020**

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

**"Helping Everyone Hear"**

*Selections from Romans*

Pastor Kent Hinkel

## Attendance

Attendance	Last Week	2019 Avg
Sunday School	129	204
AM Services	212	469
Prayer Mtgs.	23	

## Who's On Deck

### Ushers

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

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

### Greeters

8:30 David Kopp

9:50 Jenae Orluck

11:05 Darryl & Sharon Strube

### Information Desk

Marlene Brooks

### 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



# First Word

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## Stepping Off the Escalator of Desire

It's true – life has many days where it feels we are simply “grinding out our existence.” Yet, our Creator weaves meaning and satisfaction into our everyday lives as we remain faithful to life's basic tasks. Scripture reminds us of this...

“Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.” – Ecclesiastes 5:18-20

Dr. James Dobson adds this wisdom:

*“The good life—the one that truly satisfies—exists only when we stop wanting a better one. It is the condition of savoring what is rather than longing for what might be. The itch for things, the lust for more—so brilliantly injected by those who peddle them—is a virus draining our souls of contentment. Have you noticed? A man never earns enough. A woman is never beautiful enough. Clothes are never fashionable enough. Cars are never nice enough. Gadgets are never modern enough. Houses are never furnished enough. Food is never fancy enough. Relationships are never romantic enough. Life is never full enough.*

*Satisfaction comes when we step off the escalator of desire and say, “This is enough. What I have will do. What I make of it is up to me and my vital union with the living Lord.”*

Let us affirm these words of the psalmist: *“Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.”* – Psalm 73:25-26

His and yours, Pastor Kent

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## Coming This Week

October 18 - 24, 2020

<b>Sunday</b>	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
	4:30 pm	Adult Prayer Gathering, Zoom
5:00 pm	Ladies' Zumba	
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study, Upstairs Lounge Men's Bible Study, Downstairs Lounge
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:30 am	Ladies' Bible Study
	12:00 pm	Men's Noon Prayer, FBC
	1:30 pm	Staff Meeting
	6:30 pm	Deaconess Committee
	7:00 pm	Elder Board Trustee Committee Youth Ministry Committee
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 pm	Awana Jr. High Trek, #201- City Auditorium
	7:00 pm	Weekly Prayer Gathering, Zoom
	7:15 pm	Sr. High Youth
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30 pm	Revelation Bible Study
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 pm	Celebrate Recovery
<b>Saturday</b>	8:30 am	Men's Basketball

## Faith Looks Forward

**"So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ."** – Romans 10:17 True faith always has content. Here, "the word of Christ" refers to the message about Christ. When this message is proclaimed and understood, people will respond to the good news! It is essential that we learn to proclaim the good news of Jesus clearly and frequently.

## News

- **COVID Update:** The Elder Board has made the decision to move the church into color code **"Yellow."**
  - ❖ Three services "in-person" continues.
  - ❖ Every other row utilized.
  - ❖ No offering plates passed. No communion plates passed.
  - ❖ Alternative viewing area available in the lower level.
  - ❖ Livestream services and Recorded services available.
  - ❖ Church facility available for small groups throughout the week with social distancing/meeting size limited.

Updated information on AWANA is available on the church website and the Children's Ministry Facebook page by Tuesdays at 5:00pm.

❖ **Use of face masks is welcomed and encouraged.**

- **Jr. High Youth:** Friday, Oct. 16, 5:00 – 6:30pm, Berry Acres. \$7.
- **Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, Oct. 17 at 8:00am at First Baptist.
- **FBC Men's Event:** Monday, October 26, 6:00pm at FBC.
  - Theme: "The End Result Of Relationships."
  - Speaker: Adam North, Every Man A Warrior.
  - Meal: Ribs, Baked Beans, and Brownies.
  - Please sign up for this event in the foyer.

• **Operation Christmas Child:** Please pick up an Operation Christmas Child brochure and Shoebox in the foyer. It includes the instructions needed to package the shoebox. We hope you will be a part of this exciting opportunity to share God's love with a hurting child. For more information, please visit their website:

[samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child](http://samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child)

Deadline to bring shoeboxes to the church is November 15.

• **Child Dedication Service:** The next scheduled Sunday is November 8. If you would like to have your child dedicated on that Sunday, please contact the church office, 852-4533.

• **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.

**Download FBC's Church App:** Search for it in the App Store as: **"First Baptist Church of Minot."**

❖ **Please allow notifications in order to get the alerts.**

## Ministry Matters

• **Prayer Points:** We have a monthly prayer guide that provides you with daily prayer needs specifically for the church and the church family. If you would like to join this prayer ministry, sign up at the Information Desk bulletin board or contact the church office: 701-852-4533; [office@fbcminot.org](mailto:office@fbcminot.org). Everyone with a desire to pray is welcome to join.

## 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](mailto:firstminot@yahoo.com).

**Giving Thanks:** Thank God that it is His desire to fill you up – with wonder, with peace, with hope! **"For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things"** (Psalm 107:9).

"Like the woman at the well I was seeking for things  
that could not satisfy  
And then I heard my Savior speaking 'Draw from My well  
that never shall run dry'  
Fill my cup, Lord, I lift it up, Lord,  
Come and quench this thirsting of my soul  
Bread of Heaven, feed me 'til I want no more Fill my cup,  
fill it up and make me whole"  
(Jessy Dixon)

**Sympathy:** We extend our heartfelt condolences and prayers to Bob & Andrea Crackel and family in the passing of his brother, Philip Crackel, age 63, of Rapid City, SD. He passed away October 8.

**Prayer:** Pray for those in our midst who are hearing the gospel for the first time. Ask God to help them "bow the knee" and receive Christ.

**NCA Ministry of the Week:** NCA Meetings, Oct. 23-24

**FBC Missionary of the Week:** Troy and Nancy Shirley, CRU. Pray for them as they continue to reach college students in the Midwest, and prepare for some schools possibly not going back to on-campus post Thanksgiving.