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THE **GOOD NEWS LETTER**

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
LOUISBURG, KANSAS

APRIL 2020

ATTENDANCE

	<u>8:15</u>	<u>11:00</u>
Mar. 1	1 Lord, 1 Family, 1 Service : 93	
Mar. 8	69	49
Mar. 15	48	23
Mar. 22	Church Building Closed	
Mar. 29	Church Building Closed	

GIVING DURING CRISIS

You can give your tithes and offering using the following methods:

Church Office

Preferred method for cash. Place your offering in an envelope. Your name and "General Fund" or "Building Fund" should be printed on the front. During Church business hours, drop it off in the offering plate on front table.

Drop Box at First Option

Place your offering in an envelope. The envelope must have "Louisburg First Baptist Church" and "General Fund" or "Building Fund" printed on the front. The preferred payment method is by check. Take your offering to First Option Bank located at 103 South Broadway. During business hours, you can leave it with the drive thru teller. After business hours, you can leave it in the drop box on the side of the building.

Postal Mail

Send your check to:

First Baptist Church
PO Box 158
Louisburg, KS 66053

Do not send cash through the postal service.

DISCLAIMER—

Working on the premise that "stay at home" orders will be in effect for near future...

Please continue to monitor—

Church Website:

louisburgfirstbaptist.org

Church Facebook Page:

First Baptist Church of Louisburg, KS
and your email for any scheduling updates.

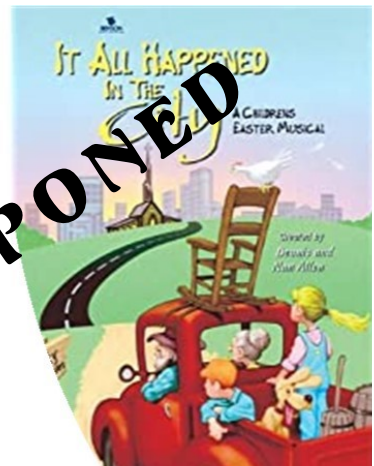
Easter Musical will be re-scheduled.

"It All Happened
In the City"
Easter Musical

• Two performances on
Easter Sunday morning

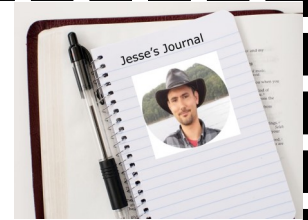
• 9:00am & 11:00am

• Limited seating - get your
tickets now from Pastor Kami



Watch website
louisburgfirstbaptist.org
and/or prayer chain emails for further
information as it unfolds.

As a church, along with all the other churches, we are going through times that are uncertain because of the isolation being caused by the coronavirus. This isolation has completely changed our normal routines/expectations of life and the church.



Not only that but we are getting ready to head into the Easter season, which is the foundational event of our faith. It just seems like everything is all wrong. This is a time that doesn't seem to bring much joy, hope, or peace.

However, that's really the good news about what we celebrate at Easter. When the world was at it's darkest, so dark that it killed the one who came to save it. [The] Light of the world by darkness slain...then bursting forth in glorious day up from the grave he rose again...and stands in victory.

The hope of Easter is still the hope of the world today. I don't know what will be happening around the world with the coronavirus by the time we reach Easter, but the hope of today and tomorrow is the same hope of Easter.

Just so ya know:

- All on site activities will remain canceled until further notice.
- We hope to resume them as soon as possible.
- You can contact us for prayer, support, needs (like grocery shopping), anything
- As time goes along more and more people are going to be in greater and greater need. You can be a part of what THE church is doing by loving your neighbor, checking in with the people in your life, and helping to meet needs.

What about giving?

We have options listed on the front of the Newsletter for giving, and we are trying to get other more remote options set in place. My hope is they will be set in place even before this reaches your mailbox.

Jesse

Just to let you know, this will NOT be an article about the COVID-19 virus. If you ask me, it is time for some anti-coronavirus talk! In other words, how about some GOOD news for a change?

Isn't there anything GOOD to talk about?

Yes, there is!

In this unprecedented time of uncertainty, there are some wonderful things that we can still be sure of. Here are just a few:

GOD IS FAITHFUL

Lamentations 3: 22-23 Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. ²³They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness!

YOU ARE LOVED, SO ARE YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN!

Psalm 103:17 But from everlasting to everlasting the Lord's love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children—

YOU ARE NOT ALONE OR FORGOTTEN

Luke 22:35 Then Jesus asked them, "When I sent you out to preach the Good News and you did not have money, a traveler's bag, or an extra pair of sandals, did you need anything?" "No," they replied.

Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

GOD HAS A PLAN - A REALLY GOOD ONE

1 Corinthians 2:9 However, as it is written: "What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived"— the things God has prepared for those who love him—

So when you feel overwhelmed by current events, and unsure of what you can really be sure of, remember that there IS one you can trust in, as Hebrews 13:8 assures us, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." No matter how much the situation around us changes, he never does. And that is some good news for a change!

Pastor Kami



Mission Moment - Melissa & David Raube - with Tyndale Translators in Philippines

RAUBE REPORT—MARCH 2020 (received on March 15, 2020)

OUTDOOR EDUCATION-

SO MUCH LEARNING AND PLAYING AND WORSHIPING!

David was involved as a Squad Leader for a group of 10 boys during Outdoor Ed. It was a 4-day week full of adventure. Some of the highlights included visiting a local organic farm, hike to a waterfall, spiritual refreshment, and the times spent around the camp during free time building relationships with one another. Many of David's squad boys shared that they enjoyed the worship times and messages they heard from the speaker, causing them to stand up and recommit their lives to Jesus Christ.

Also, each group was able to participate in a ministry day in which we opened the camp to children of displaced families as a result of the recent volcanic eruption of Taal. Our students spent their afternoon time with these local children playing with them and demonstrating God's love. We finished off the afternoon by singing songs, sharing a Bible story and gospel message. For some of Faith Academy middle school students, this was their first experience being involved in personal ministry.

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE PHILIPPINES?

Here is our update about Metro Manila area, and how is Faith Academy responding at this time.

President Rodrigo Duterte has announced a memorandum for minimizing the spread of COVID-19. Many media outlets quickly gave the name "lockdown" to the memorandum because of its stringent guidelines which, in summary, include:

All classes and school activities suspended, and except for cargoes, all travel into, out of or through Metro Manila area is restricted until April 14.

Faith Academy is located in Cainta, which is adjacent to Metro Manila. Technically, Faith Academy would be exempt from the Metro Manila restrictions except for the fact that many of our students commute from the Metro Manila area every day. Also, Cainta has imposed its own travel restrictions to the extent that no one is allowed travel in, out or through Cainta, except for employment reasons. Regardless, as a school we want to do our part in complying with governmental authorities the best that we can in order to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. The government-imposed guidelines will initially remain in effect until April 14th.

We live in Antipolo City, adjacent to Cainta and approximately 4 miles outside the Metro Manila boundary. When/if we travel to Faith Academy, we have to show our Faith Academy identification card at checkpoints.

Because of these restrictions, as well as many other reasons, the Administration at Faith Academy is closing the school campus. We will be using our regular scheduled Spring Break (March 15 – 21) to figure out how to continue giving academic instruction to our students in an online format. The school will be holding two In-service days prior to March 25th. We will use those days to focus on how to facilitate online learning. We will discuss how to prioritize work for students and how to keep parents in the loop.

As you pray, please remember the staff and students at Faith Academy as we respond to the COVID-19 pandemic in a way that is reasonable and Christlike.



April 2	Mary Schaumburg Justin Nelson
April 4	Chuck Golladay
April 5	Dennis Scott
April 6	Jane McLaughlin
April 8	Brody Bovaird Mark Gardner Teresa Ann Morgan
April 12	Glenna Keefhaver Rick Elliott
April 14	Erica Rhodes
April 17	Jeanette Clark
April 18	Lanny Smith
April 19	Lois Caswell
April 20	Welby Knop (All Winners SS)
April 21	Patrick Anderson
April 22	Cheryl Kelly
April 25	Dennis Pierce

We try to include those who are actively attending our church; please let us know if we have missed your special day.



Kay & Bob McClintock—April 6
Shannon & Rodney Caldwell—April 10
Sue & Wayne Knop—April 14
Cindy & Scott Margrave—April 25
Karrey & Bob Hill—April 27



*Connie Flaigle married Ron
on April 29, 1972.
They shared over 45 years together.*



Zoey Elizabeth Smith arrived safely at 6:49 pm on Saturday, March 14, 2020. She weighed 7 pounds 5 ounces and was 20 inches long. Parents are Jordan and Jesse Smith; Grandparents Laurie and Russ Rickerson, Dale and Carmel Smith; Great Grandmothers Rosemary Golden & Leah Smith.

God may say "WAIT", but he never says "WORRY"

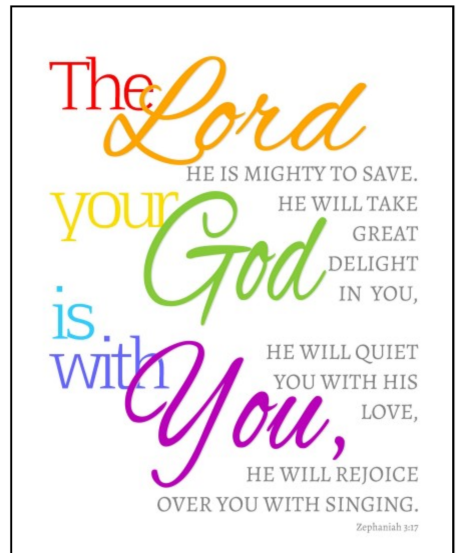
ABW Bible Book of the Month—Zephaniah

*Purpose: To announce and explain the coming
Day of the Lord to the people of God.*

When will God act? Why does He take so long to bless, to judge, to heal, and to change us? He's God - so why should He wait for a certain "Day of the Lord" to fix things? Questions like these have always puzzled God's people, but the principles in Zephaniah give us some answers.

Zephaniah prophesied during the reign of the godly King Josiah of Judah (640-609 BC). Josiah introduced a number of reforms in Judah, but the nation had been led for fifty-five years by two of its most evil kings, Manasseh and Amon, and the people had followed their wickedness. As a result, Zephaniah brought the dual message of the prophets: judgment followed by salvation and restoration.

The focus of Zephaniah's message was the coming Day of the Lord, when Judah and the wicked nations that surrounded it would be judged. After that judgment, however, Judah would be restored to favor and blessing from the Lord. Just as some aspects of the judgment could be affected by repentance (2:1-3), some aspects of the restoration could be mitigated by faithlessness (Leviticus 26; Deuteronomy 28). But in the end, God would make certain that His holy people and His holy places were saved from their enemies and their own sin (Zephaniah 3:9-20).



OUTLINE:

ZEPHANIAH 1:1-18—God Promises to Send Judgment

ZEPHANIAH 2:1-3—God Offers Hope for Restoration

ZEPHANIAH 2:4-3:8—God Promises to Send Judgment

ZEPHANIAH 3:9-20—God Offers Hope for Restoration

-Discover God Study Bible - NLT

The entire Bible in a year, chronologically, but three days of Old Testament followed by one day of New Testament, all year. The four gospels are intermingled to recount the whole story just once, in 4-fold detail. The Psalms of David are mixed in with David's history. The prophets are mixed in with the historical accounts during which they prophesied. Paul's epistles are mixed in with the accounts of his travels in Acts. It's fascinating and gives a lot of insight otherwise missed.
treasureinthebible.com/ReadingPlansWholeBible.html

April 1:	Numbers 35-36
April 2:	John 7-8
April 3:	Deuteronomy 1-2
April 4:	Deuteronomy 3-4
April 5:	Deuteronomy 5-7
April 6:	John 9:1-10:21
April 7:	Deuteronomy 8-10
April 8:	Deuteronomy 11-13
April 9:	Deuteronomy 14-16
April 10:	Luke 10; John 10:22-42
April 11:	Deuteronomy 17-20
April 12:	Deuteronomy 21-23
April 13:	Deuteronomy 24-27
April 14:	Luke 12-13
April 15:	Deuteronomy 28-29
April 16:	Deuteronomy 30-31
April 17:	Deut. 32-34; Psalm 91
April 18:	Luke 14-15
April 19:	Joshua 1-4
April 20:	Joshua 5-8
April 21:	Joshua 9-11
April 22:	Luke 16-17:10
April 23:	Joshua 12-15
April 24:	Joshua 16-18
April 25:	Joshua 19-21
April 26:	John 11
April 27:	Joshua 22-24
April 28:	Judges 1-2
April 29:	Judges 3-5
April 30:	Luke 17:11-18:14

FIRST BAPTIST BAKERY & BUFFET

More recipes are needed. If you have one you would like to share, please turn it in to Joann Hook, recipe coordinator.

SUNSHINE MEATLOAF

from the kitchen of Gene Hook (Joann's mother)

Meatloaf Ingredients:

- 2 eggs
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup milk
- 2 tsp Worcestershire
- $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp black pepper
- 2 tsp salt
- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups bread crumbs
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup chopped onion (may sauté first)
- 1 cup carrots, shredded (optional)
- 2 lb lean ground beef

Topping Ingredients:

- 2 Tbsp brown sugar
- 2 Tbsp prepared mustard
- $\frac{1}{3}$ cup ketchup

1. Preheat oven to 350°; will need 2 (5x9) loaf pans.
2. Beat eggs; stir in milk, Worcestershire, pepper, & salt.
3. Add bread crumbs, carrots, & onion to mixture & mix thoroughly.
4. Add beef, mixing with your hands into mixture.
5. Shape into two loaves; place in loaf pans.
6. In a small bowl, mix completely topping ingredients; brush over top of meat-loaves.
7. Bake 1 hour.

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9:15 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

10:45 AM BIBLE CLASSES

ALL OTHER SUNDAYS

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April 20—Deadline for May Newsletter

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