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Growing the Family of God

Telling the Story

Serving the Community

Nurturing Believers



The One Great Hour of Sharing offering began in response to the devastation of World War II. In March 1949, a national broadcast on a Saturday evening asked Americans to give generously the next morning in their churches. A remarkable assembly of national leaders and celebrities gave their efforts to the broadcast and more than 75,000 churches responded the next day.

Today, One Great Hour serves people in over 80 countries around the world. Sponsored by either Christian U.S. denominations and Church World Service, One Great Hour makes sure that we can respond to needs as soon as they happen and that tens of thousands of people receive support for ongoing relief, rehabilitation, and development.

Everywhere we turn it seems there are communities in conflict and chaos around our world. We hear of families being separated from their homes or each other because of disasters. Maybe it is because of a volcanic eruption in Indonesia, or because of wars and political turmoil in Syria and East Africa, or because of violence on Central America.

In the midst of suffering and uncertainty, God pulls us, calls us, uses us to be compassion. We, the Church, are called to be God's compassion at work in the world, helping to rebuild and create a better world for all.

The world we are being called to create may seem beyond what we can imagine but it is a world God can imagine.

Through One Great Hour of Sharing we are creating, together, a world where families, have access to clean water, education and medical care—where they can find new homes without persecution; it is a world where there is shalom. And you, like so many who came before, are making that possible with your generous donations to our One Great Hour of Sharing Offering.

We will receive this offering at the close of worship on Sunday, June 30th. Please give prayerful consideration to what God is calling you to contribute.

Jim

You Are the Branches



Name: Vicki McBeath

Name something your mom taught you: By example mom taught me to be hospitable and welcoming.

If you had an entire day to do whatever you wanted, what would you do? Spend the day in Bloomington shopping, lunch and a movie.

What is your best age? Each year is a gift

What did you not like that everyone loved? The television show "The Walking Dead"

Have you ever used an outhouse? At my aunt and uncles years ago when they lived on the farm. Glad those days are gone for most!

What are your two favorite movies? Pretty Woman and The King and I

Favorite type of food? Meat and potatoes

Favorite place I have been: San Diego

Ever rode in an ambulance? Thank God no!

Favorite Pie? Lemon Meringue

Men's Night Out

Ready for another night of fun, food, and fellowship? All men are invited to meet at the church on Thursday, June 6th at 6:00 pm to head out for dinner at the Long Branch in Clifton, IL (they only take cash payment, no cards).

Accompanist Needed

If you or someone you know has a talent for playing the piano or organ, we've got a ministry opportunity for you! We are looking for someone to fill the position of accompanist for our Sunday Services and other church activities as needed.

For more information or to see how you might be able to help in ministry, please see Pastor Wolfe for details.

Ladies Day Out - LIFE'S A BEACH!

Ladies, life's a beach and sailing weather is coming! Join us for a whale of a time Monday, June 3, 2019 in the church gymnasium. We hope you can join us for the next Ladies Afternoon Out at 1:30 pm for fellowship, dessert, and finding buried treasure!

If you have questions or need more information, please contact Jan Jolynn by text or phone call at: 815.210.3721.

Going on Vacation? Don't Forget Your Church!

Summer is just around the corner and with that comes summer vacations, weekend camping trips, and visiting friends at the lake. While you're out having fun and enjoying the freedom and sun of summer, don't forget that the church continues to require your support to meet its financial obligations. To make it easier to give while you're away from home, we've implemented an on-line giving option powered by Paypal.

To make an on-line donation, simply visit our website www.fbcpontiac.org and follow the donation link near the top of the page. You'll have the opportunity to leave specific notes about your donation and you'll receive a donation receipt in your e-mail!

American Baptist Men - Gathering 2019

**First Baptist Church
Edwardsville, IL
June 28 - 29th**

Join area men for a weekend of worship, spiritual growth, fellowship, food, and activities. Registration is \$40 for the weekend. For more information or to register for this event, please visit: <http://www.abm-grr.org/> .

Newsletter Deadline

All articles for inclusion the July edition of our church newsletter must be submitted to the church office no later than Wednesday, June 19th. You may submit your articles by phone (842.4321), fax (844.6943), by e-mail (Rhonda@fbcpontiac.org) or by leaving them in the black box outside the church office door.



**Prayer Chain
Number
815.419.4454**

If you wish to receive prayer chain calls, please contact the church office at 815.842.4321 and request that your name and number be added to the list.

Thank You

To My Church Family,
Thank you so much for your thoughts and prayers at the loss of my sister.
Carol Stanton

I asked Mr. Frobish to take down a tree limb that the wind had broken partly off. He came the next week! He noticed that my umbrella clothesline pole had also been blown down. I told him that I no longer used it except to hang bird feeders and corn for the squirrels so it only needed to be taken away. Also my outdoor swing had broken boards. That swing was host to many problems pleasures and prayers. He repaired both!

Things that did not have to be done but gave me pleasure. I hope these acts of kindness will be returned to him many times and others who do this. Until you can't do these things and many others yourself anymore, you don't realize what it means to have help to do them.

May God Bless!!

With a grateful heart,
Evelyn Vietti

Outreach Ministry



The men of First Baptist Church would like to remind you of their outreach ministry. They offer to help with small jobs or projects around the house that you are unable to do yourself. Or if you just need some help with the projects, they're willing to that as well.

If you have any questions or would like their assistance, please contact Gordie Frobish for more information!

Pictures Needed!



We want to keep our website and Facebook pages current and we need your help! With smart phones and digital cameras every one of us is photojournalist ready to document our family life here at FBC! If you attend a church event snap some pictures and send them to us via e-mail at: rhonda@fbcpontiac.org and we'll choose some to share on our website and via our social networking pages. Let's work together to share the awesome things that are happening here at FBC Pontiac!

Board of Ministries

The Board of Ministries met on May 9, 2019 at 7:00 pm.

Church Clerk: We welcomed 3 new members, bringing our total membership to 292.

Adult Ministries: The Ruth Circle sent 94 rolled bandages overseas and plan to serve a meal at the Home Sweet Home Mission.

The Mother-Daughter tea was a success with 48 in at-

tendance.

Planning a hot dog roast and sing along for the church family as the next event.

Children's Ministries: ABK has ended for the year. Bibles were presented to those children who will be advancing to ABY.

Fellowship: 88 people attended the Maundy Thursday soup and sandwich dinner.

In April the food pantry

served 63 families representing 189 people. 90 gift certificates for hams were distributed between March 20th and April 26th.

Senior Pastor: A gift was received to fund an LED sign.

Charles Cisney has requested to transfer his membership to our church. A letter has been sent.

VBS - To Mars and Beyond!



At To Mars and Beyond VBS, your students will enjoy an interactive, energizing, Bible-based good time as they explore where God's power can take them. They will become Voyagers and discover how to serve God and God's mission for their lives.

After a high-energy opening assembly time, Voyagers make their way to the Bible Story Station. Interactive Bible lessons reveal power Launcher (key learnings) to equip them for an active life with God. Your Voyagers will also discover our Vector Verse (Bible memory verse), Ephesians 3:20—*Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us!*

Students will expand on their discoveries by making their own art projects at the Craft Station, singing new songs at the Music Station, exploring the wonders of creation at the Science Station, playing games at the Recreation Station, and enjoying tasty treats at the Snack Station. Along the way, the Voyagers will hear about our mission project and respond to a call for action! Register your kids on-line via our website or pick up a registration form in the Narthex and blast off on this Epic Adventure with Us!!!

**Our To Mars and Beyond Adventure will take place from
6:00 - 8:00 pm on July 28th - July 31st.**



- 4 Rose Gerald ♥
- 6 Gary and Jaime Wykes ♥
- 7 Jim and Janet Wolfe ♥
- 8 Cindy Knight ♥
- 10 Steve and Debbie Carroll ♥
- 10 Brinda Henson
- 11 Megan Amdor ♥
- 12 Mike and Jill Cole ♥
- 12 Chuck Peck
- 13 Katie Borders
- 14 Kaity Carroll
- 14 Marian Dixon
- 14 Brandi Miller
- 16 Barry Highland
- 16 Landon Borders ♥
- 17 Gerald and Judy Shepherd ♥
- 18 Martha McCutcheon
- 19 Linda Gruen
- 19 Diana Rich
- 20 Don Schiff
- 20 Patti Butcher
- 22 Scott Knight
- 23 Robert Wing ♥
- 25 Les and Julie Amdor ♥
- 26 Harlin Dean
- 26 Missy Hoover
- 28 Bob Dowdy ♥
- 29 Nickey and Linda Gruen ♥
- 29 Kay Sidfrids
- 30 Trudy King-Beller



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 7:30 am PK Fellowship at FBC 8:00 am PK Study at FBC
2 9:00 am SMC 10:00 am Worship	3 1:30 pm Ladies Day Out	4	5 9:00 am ROMEO Club	6 6:00 pm Men's Night Out	7	8 7:30 am PK Fellowship at FBC 8:00 am PK Study at FBC
9 9:00 am SMC 10:00 am Worship	10 1:00 pm Single Women of Faith	11	12 9:00 am ROMEO Club	13 7:00 pm Board of Ministries	14	15 7:30 am PK Fellowship at FBC 8:00 am PK Study at FBC
16 Father's Day 9:00 am SMC 10:00 am Worship	17	18	19 Newsletter Deadline 9:00 am ROMEO Club	20	21	22 7:30 am PK Fellowship at FBC 8:00 am PK Study at FBC
23 9:00 am SMC 10:00 am Worship	24 1:00 pm Single Women of Faith	25	26 9:00 am ROMEO Club	27	28	29 7:30 am PK Fellowship at FBC 8:00 am PK Study at FBC
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