

First Baptist Church
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Great News
First Baptist Church Mt. Pleasant

April 2011

REACHing...

What would we do without family. As Katie and I look forward to a new addition to our family this month, we are grateful that we have family who will come and be here for us during labor and the first few days with a new baby. I'm sure you've been there; where family stepped in to help you when you were in need. Maybe they watched the kids, stayed with you in the hospital, or just sent you a card on your birthday.

What would we do without family?

Katie and I learned the answer to that question when we moved to Mount Pleasant. She was 7 months pregnant with our first child, I was starting a new job, and we were trying to settle in to the first actual house we've ever lived in as a couple. But family was far away. With my family in Nebraska and Kansas, and Katie's in Missouri; who would we turn to for help?

Enter First Baptist Church. As soon as we came, we were adopted into this church family and have benefited greatly by the surrogate grandparents to our kids; men willing to build, fix, or lend tools for whatever we need; and the support we received through new babies and Cancer treatments.

What would we do without family?

Maybe you've experienced the joy of church family. Maybe you've gotten a birthday card, someone visited you in the hospital, or just called to say hi. This is what it means to

be family.

Recently, we began a new program called REACH that is an opportunity to deliberately build relationships within our church family and care for each other. Sure, it's great when it just happens, but many of you reading this may never have felt that support and care from your church. Sometimes families drop the ball.

Since beginning REACH, we've had people joining together on Monday nights to write notes, make phone calls, pray for, and even visit our church family. Have you received a card or a call? If not, you will. If so, maybe it's time you got involved doing the same for others. There are sign-ups in the foyer, or you can just come on any given Monday night and join in. There are instructions, lists of people to contact, and even sample letters and phone calls to help get you started. You can pray with a few others and then start writing, calling, or visiting someone.

We all need to feel loved and cared for in our church family. But someone has to do the loving and the caring if that's going to happen. So get involved. This might be the most important ministry we can do right now as we take the next step to becoming the church Jesus wants us to be. Out of relationship comes the joy and love to then impact our community for Him. So let's go...

SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

JUNE 26 - JULY 1	5 - 6 GRADE
JULY 6 - 8	1 - 2 GRADE
JULY 10 - 15	7 - 12 SICK & TWISTED
JULY 17 - 22	3 - 4 GRADE

COST
5 DAY CAMP = \$225
AFTER MAY 14 = \$250

GRADE 1 - 2 JULY 6 - 8 = \$100

How to Reach Us

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Office Hours
8-12 M-Th

Pastor's Hours
9-12 & 1-4 M-Th

EASTER SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 17
Palm Sunday
Thursday, April 21
6:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service
Friday, April 22
12:00 pm Stations of the Cross
(Downtown Mt. Pleasant)
Saturday, April 23
10:00 am Easter Egg Hunt
(FBC lawn)
Sunday, April 24
9:00 am Easter Breakfast
(No Sunday School)
10:30 am Easter Worship Service



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**GOOD FRIDAY
APRIL 22
12:00 pm**

The Stations of the Cross will begin at St. Michael's Episcopal Church and will stop at various places downtown with the last stop at the First Methodist Church. Refreshments will be served at the First Methodist Church.

EASTER LILIES & SPRING FLOWERS

As we celebrate this holy season we invite you to fill our sanctuary with Easter lilies and spring flowers. Please inform the office of whose memory or honor the flowers are given in.



**QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING
Sunday, May 1**

A carry-in luncheon will be held right after the worship service with the meeting following the meal.

Please plan on attending and bring a couple of dishes of food to share with everyone.

CONGRATULATIONS ~~~

Joe and Brooke Gevock became the parents of Piper Lisa on February 16. She weighed 5 lbs., 12 oz. and was 18 1/2 ins. long.



Tony and Kristin Woodsmall became the parents of Kaia Jean on February 28. She weighed 7 lbs., 11 oz. and was 19 1/2 ins. long.

YOUR MONEY AT WORK

The Chile earthquake – one year later –

American Baptists have provided \$150,000 through One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) for recovery and rebuilding efforts in response to the February 2010 Chile earthquake and tsunami.

THANK YOU ~~~

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks for your loving support, prayers, cards, the beautiful plant and the food brought to our home.

*In His love,
Doris Lawrence family*

APRIL NURSERY WORKERS

	<u>Babies</u>	<u>Toddlers</u>	<u>Preschool</u>
3rd	Sheryl	Melissa	Carolyn
10th	Diana	Judy Kayleigh	Mary Allivia
17th	Lindsey	Tena	Beth
24th	Judy Kayleigh	Sheryl Brittanie	Deb Kenzie

Area III ABW Spring Rally
Saturday, April 9, 2011
@ Forest Lake Camp

Theme: "Women Destined for God's Purpose"

Registration: 9-9:30am

Adult Registration and meal \$10.00

Bring sack lunch for children

Registration due March 31, 2011

Send reservations to: Sharon Ethell, 1918 Hwy. 14 South, Knoxville, IA 50138

Checks payable to—ABW Ministries

Paper Drive—including bath tissue (Scotts or Angel Soft), Kleenex, styrofoam plates, dish soap, Mr. Clean, stool cleaner or pump hand soap refills.

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**FOREST LAKE RUMMAGE SALE**

May 5, 6 & 7

Proceeds from the sale will go toward finishing up Pine Cabin  
and carpet for the caretaker's home.

Anyone willing to work any of these days should notify Sheila Butler at 641-777-4741.

If you have items you would be willing to donate to this sale, Sheila will be glad to  
accept them on Rally Day—April 9.

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WISDOM SEEKERS

April 26—1 day only

@ Forest Lake Camp

Theme - "JUSTICE???"

Speakers:

June & Dr. Marshall Peters—The Middle East-A Commission for Peace

Suzie Wright—Reflections of NightLight Ministry—human trafficking in Thailand

Devotions—Rev. Regan Stoops

Registration - 8:30-9:15; \$10.00/person or \$15.00/couple plus \$10.00 for lunch

Due by April 18 to:

Arlan Van Dusseldorp, Reg., 402 E. 3rd St., Pella, IA 50219



Vacation Bible School
will be...

June 27 – July 1

From 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

If you are interested in helping or learn-
ing more about VBS let Katie know!
(385-3573)

We look forward to another fun-
filled, life-changing week!!

WELCOME ~

To Quinton Lee, our new janitor.

Quinton started at the beginning of
March. If you see him around the church
be sure and stop and say hello to him.

We want to thank Jon Myers for fill-
ing in for us until we could get the jani-
torial job filled.

Come, Have Fun,
Learn and Meet New Friends
at

CHILDREN'S DAY

Forest Lake Camp

April 30, 2011

9:30am—3:30pm

For Kids (Parents Welcome)

4 yr—preschool thru 6th grade

**SKITS, GAMES, CANOEING,
MUSIC, LUNCH AND FUN!!!!**

Volunteers are needed to help with
lunch, cookies for snacks, canoeing
and games.

If children would like to help with the
skits please bring a biblical costume,
such as: old bathrobes and pillow cases
or towels for head gear.

To let us know how many are coming or
to volunteer or for any questions;
please contact

Daryl Cox 641-872-2529

Nancy Jacobsen 641-872-2083

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**WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY**

*To Ron Septer and family on the death  
of his mother, Doris Lawrence.*

*To the family of Anna Mae Piatt.*



### April Birthdays

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|-----------------|----|
| Katie Stoops    | 1  |
| Rama Dorothy    | 6  |
| Kim Pierce      | 7  |
| Linda Hunsaker  | 8  |
| Kim Scarbrough  | 9  |
| Marilyn Koch    | 10 |
| Joe Gevock      | 11 |
| Karen Doubleday | 13 |
| Sheryl Cook     | 14 |
| Kenneth Hummell | 22 |
| Tim Hunter      | 25 |
| Barb Jones      | 25 |

### April Anniversaries

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| Ed & Kim Pierce | 7 |
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*Please inform the church office of any birthday or anniversary additions or corrections.*

### April Communion

Preparer:  
Mersihda Dyer

Servers:  
Stan Ross, Sheryl Cook,  
Bob Stull & Paul Olson

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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| 3<br>9:15 am Sunday School<br>10:30 am Worship<br>6:30 pm Financial<br>Peace Univ.<br><br>Dare 2 Share | 4<br>7:00 pm Discipleship<br>Team Mtg.<br>7:00 pm Reach Team | 5<br>10:00 am Coffee Hour<br>@ Tazza Bella<br>11:30 am Ladies Lunch<br>@ Jerry's<br>7:00 pm Deacons Mtg.                 | 6<br>5:15 pm Praise Team<br>Practice<br>6:45 pm BYG  | 7<br>10:00 am Prayer Mtg.<br>7:00 pm Seekers Circle                                                              | 8<br>6:00 pm Crull/Kelly<br>Rehearsal                      | 9<br>9:00 am ABW Spring<br>Rally @ FLC<br>7:00 pm Mark Crull/<br>Jana Kelly<br>Wedding   |
| 10<br>9:15 am Sunday School<br>10:30 am Worship &<br>Communion<br>6:30 pm Financial<br>Peace Univ.     | 11<br>7:00 pm Missions Team<br>Mtg.<br>7:00 pm Reach Team    | 12<br>10:00 am Coffee Hour<br>@ Tazza Bella<br>5:00 pm Finance Comm.<br>Mtg.<br>7:00 pm Worship Team<br>Mtg.             | 13<br>5:15 pm Praise Team<br>Practice<br>6:45 pm BYG | 14<br>10:00 am Prayer Mtg.<br>5:30 pm F.U.T.U.R.E.                                                               | 15                                                         | 16<br>10:00 am Child Evan-<br>gelism Fellow-<br>ship<br>in Fell. Hall                    |
| 17 <b>PALM SUNDAY</b><br>9:15 am Sunday School<br>10:30 am Worship<br>6:30 pm Financial<br>Peace Univ. | 18<br>12:00 pm Newsletter<br>Deadline<br>7:00 pm Reach Team  | 19<br>10:00 am Coffee Hour<br>@ Tazza Bella<br>6:00 pm Trustees Mtg.<br>7:00 pm Leadership<br>Team Mtg.                  | 20<br>5:15 pm Praise Team<br>Practice                | 21 <b>MAUNDY<br/>THURSDAY</b><br>Office Closed<br>10:00 am Prayer Mtg.<br>6:00 pm Maundy<br>Thursday<br>Services | 22 <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b><br>12:00 pm Stations of the<br>Cross | 23<br>10: am Easter Egg Hunt                                                             |
| 24 <b>EASTER</b><br>9:00 am Breakfast<br>10:30 am Worship                                              | 25<br>Office Closed<br>7:00 pm Reach Team                    | 26<br>10:00 am Coffee Hour<br>@ Tazza Bella<br>7:00 pm Outreach Team<br>Mtg.<br><br>Wisdom Seekers @<br>Forest Lake Camp | 27<br>5:15 pm Praise Team<br>Practice<br>6:45 pm BYG | 28<br>10:00 am Prayer Mtg.<br>5:30 pm F.U.T.U.R.E.<br>7:00 pm Link Circle                                        | 29                                                         | 30<br>Bake Sale in<br>Fellowship Hall<br>9:30 am Children's Day<br>@ Forest Lake<br>Camp |