

First Baptist Church Weekly Newsletter

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September 12th-18th, 2021



Birthdays this Week

12th Rev Preston VanLoon
16th Donella Engstrom
18th Kevin Law

Preston's Perspective

Nothing gets me as excited as people who have a thirst for God's Word. Whether it be on Sunday morning for worship or on Wednesday nights at Bible Study; it is encouraging to see people who want to grow in their faith.

When I was in high school, one of my teachers used to say "My ears aren't garbage cans." What you think about or put into your mind can greatly affect your perspective. In a world where you hear so much sad or discouraging news, the Bible offers us hope - good news. Paul wrote to the Philippian (4:8) church "whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent, or praiseworthy – think about such things."

Your thoughts affect how you feel and how you behave. As Christians, it is important that we put into our minds those thoughts that bring honor to God. Spending time in Bible Study, reflecting on Scripture, listening to Christian music, and similar activities can help shape your faith and be a positive witness of God's love and grace.

You are in my thoughts (and prayers) throughout the week. I pray too that you will reflect on God's love in your life and share it with others. Be safe, be well. See you Sunday!

Missionaries at FBC

On Thursday, September 16th at 7 pm we will be blessed with a time of desert and conversation with Rev Katie and Taku Longkumer.

The Longkumers serve as country coordinator for India, providing mission organization for International Ministries personnel and partners in the Country.

Everyone is invited to come and share this time in the Pioneer Room, an opportunity to fellowship and learn of God's work in North East India.

Stonecroft Bible Study

Meets the first Thursday of each month at the church, at 1:00 pm. All women are invited. The group is currently studying the book of Philippians meeting from 1 p.m. to approximately 2:30 p.m. This is non-denominational, currently attended by twelve ladies from the Bismarck-Mandan area.

Stonecroft exists to help women reconcile to God through His Son, Jesus Christ. Since 1938, hundreds of thousands of women have been transformed through the Gospel because Stonecroft women shared the Gospel with them. Approximately 15,000 volunteers across the United States currently invite the women around them to hear God's story of redemption. For more information about this Bible Study, please contact Mavis Heinz.

"Our Daily Bread" and "The Secret Place"

The fall prayer books are available in the Church Foyer.
If you would like one (or both of them) mailed out to you, please contact the church office.

Church Leadership Meeting

Monday, September 13th at 6:30

Sunday's Sermon

"Being An Effective Witness"
Luke 10:1-20

ABC Dakotas

2021 Biennial Meeting

Please join us as our region family of faith celebrates God's faithfulness at the FBC of Aberdeen SD.

September 17th & 18th, 2021

For registration & schedule information please

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Worship Leader Wanted

With Beth Weiss last Sunday being September 26, our church will be looking for a new worship leader.

If you know of anyone who might be interested, please have them contact Pastor VanLoon at the church or email him at fbcbismarckinterim@gmail.com

FOUR12 YOUTH

YG schedule will begin next week

September 15th, 2021

Middle School (6:30-8:00pm)

High School (8:15-9:15pm)

For the middle school youth group this fall, we will be going through the Alpha Youth Series. It is a 13 week series that covers big questions about Jesus, the Holy Spirit, faith, prayer, evil and other stuff that youth have a lot of questions about.