

The Friendly Communicator

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From the Pastor's Desk...

We had a great annual meeting. I am very pleased that what you would like to see happen in our church centers around community outreach. Your ideas will be taken seriously by our Church Council who will come up with specific plans of action that will be delegated to the appropriate boards and committees. For example, the Diaconate will help guide us in areas pertaining to spiritual growth, the Board of Christian Education will help us meet educational needs, and our Trustees will guide us in making the best use of our building and equipment.

Our neighborhood is changing. Houses are being bought and sold. Let's make sure we get the word out that First Baptist is a warm, loving place centered on Christ's love and service.

Pastor Mark

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FROM THE DIREKTR



Recently, I searched for Scripture about singing. My first search resulted in 64 matches, many of them from the Psalms. I must admit it was a bit intimidating but I did look through most of them. When I went back to the search list, I found “7 Reasons Why Singing Matters.” I couldn’t resist checking it out and here are the reasons:

When you sing, you obey

When you sing, you did deep roots in the word

When you sing, you build others up.

When you sing, you put up a barrier against evil.

When you sing, you are strengthened

When you sing, you walk a path of joy.

When you sing, you glorify God.

I must admit I especially like #1, 2, 3,OK, I love them all!!!

If you want to read the explanations and scriptural references for each one, click on the link below.

Most importantly, remember that those who sing, pray twice!!!

<http://unlockingthebible.org/why-singing-matters/>

Mary Schecher



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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2	Sue Simons
5	Maggie Ley
6	Velma Barth
7	Tami Keinert
7	Tom Borger
10	Deb Russell
13	Sheila Beutin
14	Anne Wyszowski
20	Linda Boardman
25	Christine Holcomb
27	Frances Ullrich

SUNDAY SCHOOL BIRTHDAYS

4	Owen Koss
4	Ethan Koss
5	Sarah Holl
17	Megan Zunkler

If we have inadvertently missed your special day, please accept our apologies, and let the office know so we can change our records.

Work update

Tuesday, Jan.10, 2017 Mike W and Klaus Zunker worked on the refrigerator in the kitchen. They cleaned out the coil and fan assembly. Now it works great! Mike W and Pastor Mark worked on phone lines in the basement and put in a new phone. Saved over \$1,000 doing it ourselves. Great job and thanks! Lorna Stoecker, Anne W., Sue Brown, Jane Zunker, and John Jones took down our Christmas decorations and put them away. It was a busy day and we thank everyone for helping.

Camp Tamarack Winter Youth Retreat! Feb.10th-12th, 2017

Youth will be spending the weekend delving deeper into some of the stories of the Bible and sharing some of their own stories using specific prompts.

All youth in 7th-12th grade are invited!

\$90 if postmarked on or before January 15th, 2017, \$100 after.

You are encouraged to register on-line at: <http://www.camptamarack.org/reservations.shtml>

Registration forms are in the church office.

SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR FELLOWSHIP TIME

Your help is needed in keeping the kitchen stocked and ready to host our Fellowship times as well as wedding and/or funeral dinners. The list below will help you keep these items in mind the next time you see a great sale!! Thanks for all your help.

COFFEE – REGULAR AND DECAF

SMALL PAPER PLATES

LARGE PAPER PLATES

NAPKINS

FORKS

SPOONS

KNIVES

COFFEE CREAMER

SOME FAVORITES ARE **IRISH CREAM, FRENCH VANILLA**

COOKIES CAKES



February 2017 Prayer Calendar

This calendar is offered as a guide for your daily prayer time.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Matt. 5:3 Pray for the poor in spirit	2 Matt. 5:4 Pray for those who mourn	3 Matt. 5:5 Pray for those who are meek	4 Matt. 5:6 Pray for those who seek to do right
5 Matt. 5:7 Pray for those who show mercy	6 Matt. 5:8 Pray for those who hearts are pure	7 Matt. 5:9 Pray for those who work for peace	8 Matt. 5:10 Pray for those who are perse- cuted	9 Matt. 5:11 Pray for stead- fast faith	10 Gal. 5:22 Pray for a spirit of love	11 Gal. 5:23 Pray for a spirit of joy
12 Gal. 5:24 Pray for a spirit of peace	13 Gal. 5:25 Pray for a spirit of pa- tience	14 Gal. 5:26 Pray for a spirit of kind- ness	15 Gal. 5:27 Pray for a spirit of good- ness	16 Gal. 5:28 Pray for a spirit of faith- fulness	17 Gal. 5:29 Pray for a spirit of gen- tleness	18 Gal. 5:30 Pray for a spirit of self- control
19 Tim. 2:1-2 Pray for our elected offi- cials	20 Acts 5:29 Pray for a spirit of obe- dience	21 Prov. 3:5 Pray for a spirit of trust	22 I Cor. 1:10 Pray for a spirit of unity	23 1 Peter 4:9 Pray for a spirit of hospi- tality	24 Matt. 6:14 Pray for a spirit of for- giveness	25 Ps. 37:27-29 Pray for a just spirit
26 Ps. 37:5 Pray for a spirit of com- mitment	27 Ep. 5:20 Pray for an attitude of thankfulness	28 Ps. 145:3 Pray for an attitude of praise				

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<p>1</p> <p>6pm Neshamah-ringers <u>6:30pm</u> Jubiliation ringers <u>7pm</u> Midweek bible study <u>7:30pm</u> Chancel choir</p>	2	3	4
<p>5</p> <p><u>9am</u> Sunday School/ Adult Bible study <u>10:15am</u> Worship <u>11:30am</u> "Souper Bowl Sunday"</p>	6	7	<p>8</p> <p><u>6pm</u> Neshamah-ringers <u>6:30pm</u> Jubiliation ringers <u>7pm</u> Midweek bible study <u>7:30pm</u> Chancel choir</p>	9	10	11
<p>12</p> <p><u>9am</u> Sunday School/ Adult Bible study <u>10:15am</u> Worship</p>	<p>13</p> <p><u>7PM</u> Boards <u>8PM</u> Council</p>	14	<p>15</p> <p><u>6pm</u> Neshamah-ringers <u>6:30pm</u> Jubiliation ringers <u>7pm</u> Midweek bible study <u>7:30pm</u> Chancel choir</p>	16	17	18
<p>19</p> <p><u>9am</u> Sunday School/ Adult Bible study <u>10:15 am</u> Worship</p>	20	21	<p>22</p> <p><u>6pm</u> Neshamah-ringers <u>6:30pm</u> Jubiliation ringers <u>7pm</u> Midweek bible study <u>7:30pm</u> Chancel</p>	23	24	25
<p>26</p> <p><u>9am</u> Sunday School/ Adult Bible study <u>10:15 am</u> Worship</p>	27	28				