



From the Shepherd's Shop...By Rev. Dr. David K. Hinson

Congratulations! You have elected your new pastor, and what a wonderful vote of unity as you experienced God's blessing on your pastoral candidate Sunday. It is my prayer God will richly bless First Baptist Church of Columbus and the entire community as you now move forward confidently knowing Jesus is ahead of you in all things. Growing in God's grace has provided a pathway toward the future!

As I experienced my final Sunday as your Interim Senior Pastor, let me express to you my heartfelt appreciation for all of the past eleven months and the privilege I had to serve as your Interim. It was my joy and my pleasure to benefit from your rich heritage of discipleship, servanthood, and fellowship. Opening God's Word, we all were able to recognize how He gave us the opportunity to see His will be done!

I mentioned in my final message yesterday five things you can do to best support your new pastor. Here they are again:

1. Pray for your new Pastor. Tell him you pray for him. Practice praying daily for your pastor.
2. Allow your Pastor the opportunity to make his family a high priority in his daily life. Allow him the time necessary to be a great husband and a great father.
3. Encourage your pastor to be his authentic self.
4. Let your Pastor know you will not let him fail. If he falls down, be there to pick him up. He is human and is not perfect, just as none of us is perfect.
5. Assure the Pastor of your trust from Day One. Trust builds a successful Church to the Glory of God!

Thank you so much for the cards, the kind remarks, and conversations, etc., as I had the opportunity to personally engage with many of you. You will always be my friends, and I am looking forward to visiting you in the future as you continue to grow in the grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ!

For future contact: My home address is: David and Pat Hinson – 14019 Hickory Ridge Rd. Louisville, KY -40245. My email is: davidkhinson@gmail.com and my personal cell phone number is 502.330.1414. Thanks again for your prayers, your support, and most of all...your love! Know, without doubt, that your best days are ahead. Oh, one more thing- don't forget to pray for me when you pass by Chick-fil-A! 😊

Blessings always,
David

Other News...

Farewell Pastor David Hinson!





SEASON OF THE CHURCH:
ORDINARY TIME
MAY 29TH - NOVEMBER 26TH

“The In-Between”

Well, here we are again: in-between ministers. (And that’s okay!) I want to thank Pastor David for the work he put in over the last 11 months as the Search Committee worked to find our new minister. While that time was its own kind of “in-between,” the in-between we find ourselves in now is one where all hands have to be on deck. And that’s a good thing! Now is the time to really get ready to welcome our new senior minister.

For me, that means I’ll probably be fielding a lot of questions and schedules over the coming months. All I ask, then, is that there is patience for me, the staff, and the council as we get our chess pieces in place. There is going to be a lot of hurry up and wait right now (which is not always the most comfortable position to be in but is ultimately good for us). However, that doesn’t mean we’re rudderless!

I’ve frequently used the metaphor that “in-between” leadership is tasked with keeping the ship afloat. That remains the case. But if all hands are on deck and ready for anything, that job is significantly easier. It also helps when the “crew” (that’s you!) knows what to expect. So, what should you expect?

Over the coming weeks we have our pulpit filled by plenty of great and familiar voices. That schedule is as follows:

October 8th - Rev. Soozie Ford
October 15th - Missionary Barb Bolick
October 22nd - Yours Truly (Daniel Kane)
October 29th - Rev. Bob Langdon
November 5th - Rev. Kristi Jones
November 12th - Rev. Bill Griffith
November 19th - Evan Guse(!!!)

So there you have it! That’s the course we’ve set for the next few weeks. It might seem a little chaotic, but that’s ok! As we have all experienced over the last year, the in-between is a good time to learn to trust and have faith. I don’t mean to hyper-spiritualize this, but there truly is an opportunity here to grow together as we anxiously (and excitedly) await November 19th.

The in-between can be fun when we trust everything is going to be okay. For example, Megan and I call the space in-between our main floor and basement “the in-between.” Why? Because our cats found it and now disappear between worlds for hours on end. But! They always come back, and they’re always okay. The first time they did it made me really nervous because I didn’t know what they were going to find or where they were going to go. But, now I think it’s hilarious! Because it keeps us on our toes and helps us love our cats more! (Might this be the same for us?)

Peace,
Pastor Daniel

Around The Church ...



Operation Christmas Child

It is time for the Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes. They have been ordered and can be picked up at the church in a couple weeks. You can begin looking for gifts for your boxes. Reminders: Include a WOW gift, maybe a toy that moves, a stuffed toy or a soccer ball and pump. They reminded us that Matchbox cars do not move well on dirt. No war like toys, no liquids, no toothpaste, and no food. If your toy needs batteries, remember to include some. *Please include \$9 for each box you fill. They will be due back to the church November 12.* Questions: Call Liz Lipson, 812-350-0505.



For more gift ideas, or info about Samaritan's Purse, scan the QR Code.

With Special Thanks!



Special Thanks A special thank you to all the Search Committee Members: Keith Arbuckle, Heather Babb, Jeff Caldwell, Bill Griffith, Matt Hamon, Jennifer Kelley, Kenny King, Carolyn Pool, Alice Richmond, and Elyse Snider, who poured their hearts into finding our new pastor. We appreciate all your efforts! Well done.

Christmas Market

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for this year's Christmas Market, taking place on Saturday, November 18th (the Saturday before Thanksgiving) from 10-3 pm. To have a successful Christmas Market we need your participation!

Additionally, if you have friends who are artists/crafters who might like to participate, please have them contact Jerald Hatton for any questions. Applications are available at the Gathering Place or through email.



Around The Church



Hot Meals Mission

Did you know that our church along with other churches in our county serve a hot meal every weekday of the year for those who are struggling with food security? Our church provides the food and volunteers for meals on the 1st and 2nd Tuesdays of April and September at Memorial Baptist Church. More than 50 people came for meals in September.

Sue Putterill who heads up this mission indicates that clients are increasing in number and some families include small children. The clients are appreciative of the meals and seem to enjoy them. Because First Baptist members are so willing to help, Sue reports that it is never a struggle to have volunteers either for cooking or serving. A huge **THANK YOU!** To all who help with this vital mission in our community.

LOVE CHAPEL GARDEN



Have you noticed the garden just left of our building? Bob and Sue Hoffman continue to take care of it. It may look small, but as of September 15, Love Chapel has received more than 298 pounds of produce. A portion of the garden's produce goes to the Afghan family we sponsor.

Others who have helped with this project: Jim Reid rototilled the space and Linda Reid has harvested some vegetables for the Afghan family. Others who have helped are Jim Bokelman, Frank Eldridge and Sue and Cliff Putterill. Let them know you appreciate their hard work!

Join us on October 31st from 5:30-7:30 pm for our annual Trunk or Treat with The Rock Church. Sign up in the gathering Place to decorate your trunk and bring candy for the event!

Invite your friends and neighbors!

Trunk or Treat



Other Mission News...

World Mission Offering Theme:

"He has made everything beautiful in its time."

Ecclesiastes 3:1

By giving this month to the World Mission Offering, we can take part in what the Holy Spirit is doing globally to bring God's kingdom "on earth as it is in heaven." We join in partnership with more than 115 global servants (in the past called missionaries) and more than 250 global partners as they seek to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus Christ around the world. When you give make sure to write on your check or offering envelope: For WMO.

Look for links in the FBC Enews updates this month to learn about what some of our global servants are doing in service around the world, including in Malaysia and South Africa.



Other News....

Medical Equipment Available for Loan



Durable medical Equipment is available at the church to lend to church family and friends as needed. Items available:

- Walkers
- Canes
- Four Quad Canes
- Crutches
- Wheel Chairs
- Transport Wheel Chairs
- Bedside Commodes
- Elevated Commode Seats
- Rollator Walker
- Suction Handles for shower wall

Please contact the church office or call Judy Rhude (812-764-9175) if any of this equipment is needed.

LIGHT Ladies Bible Study

The next four session Bible study will focus on the life of Gideon which is found in the book of Judges. The first session will on Thursday October 19th at 9:00 am at the church.

Compared with some of the other judges ruling Israel, Gideon seems to get a lot of press in the Old Testament, covering more than two chapters (compared with some of them only getting part of one chapter).

Known as the Greatest Judge of Israel, readers might be surprised when they dive into the narrative to find a timid ruler. In fact, when we first meet him, he's hiding from the enemies on a threshing floor.

Men of Faith Bible Study

The next Men of Faith Bible study will be from the book of Revelation. The theme for the six-week study is "Back to the Future," and our key scripture text is Revelation 1:8; "The Alpha and Omega the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come."

The study will not be a chapter by chapter verse by verse study. Instead each of the six sessions will be a text that is included in the Lectionary preaching schedule which covers a three year period.

Eugene Peterson makes this excellent comment about the book of Revelation. "'I do not read the Revelation to get additional information about the life of faith in Christ. I Have read it all before in law and prophet, in gospel and epistle. Everything in the Revelation can be found in the previous sixty-five books of the Bible. The Revelation adds nothing of substance to what we already know. The truth of the gospel is already complete, revealed in Jesus Christ. There is nothing new to say on the subject. But there is a new way to say it."

Our new way of saying it is examining the book through the lens of "Back to the Future." The first session will be on Friday, October 27th at 7:00 am at the church. All men are invited. It's a good time to invite a friend.

Leadership

Pastoral Care Team

Oct 1 - Jim & Linda Reid
Oct 8 - Kerry & Alice Richmond
Oct 15 - Carolyn Baker & Sue Hoffman
Oct 23 - Dortha Anderson & Mandy Reed
Oct 29 - Bob & Jean Langdon

*Pastor on Call for October: Jon Carlstrom
(812-) 372-7374*

Serving in the Nursery:

First Sunday: Susan Hoffman
Second Sunday: Adams
Third Sunday: Fee
Fourth Sunday: *Open*
Fifth Sunday: *Open*

Emergency Responder Schedule

Oct 1st: Service at the park
Oct 8th: Jean Williams
Oct 15th: Lindsay McIntosh
Oct 22nd: Judy Rhude
Oct 29th: Judy Rhude

Children's Sunday School

2-4 Year Olds -

Teachers:

First Sunday: *Open*
Second Sunday: Susan Carter
Third Sunday: Carol Poe
Fourth Sunday: Heidi Jones
Fifth Sunday: Carolyn Pool

Helpers:

First Sunday: *Open*
Second Sunday: *Open*
Third Sunday: Jennifer Kelley
Fourth Sunday: *Open*
Fifth Sunday: Carolyn Pool

Kids Connection:

First Sunday: Marcia Cheek
Second Sunday: Linda Reid
Third Sunday: *Open*
Fourth Sunday: Deanna Glick

No Kids Connection on fifth Sundays.



Prayer Shawls



Prayer shawls will be available at the Gathering Place the 2nd Sunday of each month for any who would like to pick one up as an encouragement to someone.

Coffee Fellowship



There will be a Coffee Fellowship on Sunday, October 29th. Last names A-H are invited to bring treats to share.

Around The Church

October Birthdays

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| 2. ~ Larry Calfee | 11. ~ Ro Whittington | 23. ~ Susan Carter, Matt Hamon |
| 6. ~ Lois Brondyke, Linda Foster,
Joyce Orwin, Valerie Sims | 14. ~ Frances Arbuckle | 28. ~ Paige Williams |
| 7. ~ Peggy Ganus, Dave Seal | 16. ~ Jenna Flannery | 29. ~ Verna West |
| 9 ~ Dennis Reed | 21. ~ Carol Burton, Ashley Fee | 31. ~ Lois Griffith |
| 10. ~ Norma Arnold | 22. ~ Olivia Williams | |

*****Mark Your Calendar: the Quarterly Congregational Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 18th at 6:30 pm in the chapel.**

The Body of Christ Prays For...

Ashley Fee, Anita Burton, Marcia Battle, Dick & Beth Miller, Ramona Harlow, Dan Greene, Claude Wright, Jr "Bub", Anita Yancey and all those in nursing care centers.

Looking Ahead to October

- 1- Worship in the Park
- 10- Church Council (7:00 pm)
- 15- Newsletter Deadline
- 18- Quarterly Congregational Meeting (6:30 pm)
- 24- Abigail Circle (7:00 pm)
- 29- Coffee Fellowship (10:45 am)

Weekly:

- Prayer Shawl Group:* Tuesdays at 11:00 am
- Prayer Group: Tuesdays at 12:30 pm in Prayer Room
- LIGHT Ladies Bible Study at 9:00 am (beginning 9/7)
- Men of Faith Bible Study at 7:00 am (Beginning 9/8)

Service: Sunday Morning - Worship 9:30 am
(in-person worship & Live Stream)

2nd Hour Learning - following worship at 10:45 am

Live streaming available for Sunday Services

In addition to watching our streaming service on our website, the service is also streamed to Facebook, Roku and AppleTV. It is also sent internationally.



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