

## HOW CAN THE PARISH NURSE HELP YOU?

- Check your blood pressure and general health status
- Refer you to appropriate medical provider
- Visit you in the hospital or nursing home
- Visit you in your home to assess your needs, to listen, to support, to pray
- Assist you to understand and organize your medications
- Help you with your concerns of children, other family members, aging parents
- Help you better understand your own health care needs
- Refer you to the ministers for specific spiritual needs

## WHAT THE PARISH NURSE WILL NOT DO

- Replace the ministers.
- Replace your regular healthcare professional or home health provider.
- Perform hands-on care such as bathing, dressing changes, injections.

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### *“A Parish Nurse’s Prayer”*

*As I am with others today  
Be there with me, O Lord, I pray.  
Make my words kind,  
Help me to be present.  
And in my heart understand  
your will as a present.  
Let your love shine through  
all that I do,  
So those in need may  
hear and feel You.*

*Author Unknown*

## THE PARISH NURSE PROGRAM



  
**First Baptist Church**  
OF PEORIA

*Gathered in God's Word, Scattered to God's World*

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Our mission is to promote within the church a caring ministry and healthy lifestyle.

## WHAT IS PARISH NURSING?

Parish nursing is a unique specialized practice of professional nursing focusing on the promotion of health related to the values, beliefs, and practices of a faith community, its mission and ministry to its members and to the community it serves.

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*“Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, just as it is well with your soul.”*

III John 1:2

## WHO IS YOUR PARISH NURSE?

Our Parish Nurse is a registered professional nurse and a member of First Baptist Church. She has completed a post-graduate program at St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria. Our Parish Nurse volunteers her time focusing on a parishioner's healthcare issue's including spiritual needs.



Lurene Ladd

## THE PROGRAM

Is free to everyone who wishes to use the services, knowledge and talent of our Parish Nurses

### How to contact the Parish Nurse:

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A Parish Nurse is available in the Health & Wellness office (Room 226) by special appointment.

Blood Pressure Screenings are held one Sunday each month following the church service in Room 226.