

FIRST BAPTIST NEWS

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First Baptist Church



Music and Pancakes: Can't be "Beat"*

By Mark Grizzard

An important date is nearly upon us! March 5, 2019, will go by many names: Mardi Gras, Fat Tuesday, Shrove Tuesday, and, of course, National Pancake Day. Just how did pancakes get wrapped up in all this? Throughout history, many Christians have refrained from eating eggs and drinking milk during Lent, which of course meant that they would need to use up these perishable items on the night before Ash Wednesday. What better way to do that than by making a big ol' stack of pancakes?

I'm sure many of us have fond memories of family breakfasts and the warm comfort of breakfast food with loved ones. During my trip to Latvia last summer, we found ourselves outside of the USA on the 4th of July, so we celebrated at a wonderful breakfast place where I patriotically ordered "Amerikāņu pankūkas": buttermilk pancakes layered with bacon and, in true American fashion, slices of cheddar cheese. (Delicious.) As our church community now prepares to share the season of Lent, let's come together and enjoy the warmth that comes from a pancake dinner and fellowship with each other! You are invited to the annual Pancake Dinner on Tuesday, March 5, from 5-7pm in the fellowship hall. Our Youth Group and young adults will serve a delicious meal of pancakes and sausage, and donations will be accepted towards this year's youth group activities.

This year's dinner will also feature a new aspect: a Mardi Gras Talent Show. Church members and friends of all ages will share their talents during the dinner, which promises to be a fun, diverse, and impressive revue. (If you are interested in sharing a talent, please contact me ASAP.) I'm looking forward to sharing this evening together!

Mark

*My sincerest apologies for this double pun



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WORSHIP

10:00 a.m. Worship & Children's Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Fellowship Time

Sunday, February 24, 2019

"THE START OF SOMETHING BIG"

Genesis 18:1-5

When Abraham encountered the three strangers, he couldn't have known how much his life would change. Most of us don't see the impact of a moment until many years later. The story of God saving the world was not new, it started a long time ago, and it was the start of something big.

Music: "You Say" — Youth Band

Welcome Center: Janet Middleton

Sunday, March 3, 2019

"THE GOD WHO RESCUES"

Exodus 3:1-6

This season of Lent we will be exploring the nature of God as a rescuer. That divine characteristic can be seen in God's earliest interactions with humanity, such as the time Moses stumbled upon a burning bush that never seemed to actually burn.

Music: "Lift Up Your Voice" — Chancel Choir

Welcome Center: Bonna Zimmerman

PRAYER CONCERNS

Tom Maulding	Vicki Stewart	Char Austin
Sharon Stanard	Rose Kimpling	Helen Nicol
Mark Stanard	Jim Ashton	June Fredell
Rosemary Walk	Mary Hinch	Jerry Edwards
Deb McGlothlen	Pam Orrill	Alyssa Russell
John Posth	Leon Vickerman	Jacquelyn Kellogg
Ted Osborn (Dr. Osborn's brother)		

THANK YOU

Thank you for the words of condolence and sympathy cards after the loss of Erle's sister, Carol Kroon.

—Erle, Jean and Sue Currie

**Meditation Class Starting
Friday, March 22, FBC Chapel
9:00 — 9:30 a.m., No Cost**



CULTIVATING
LEADERS
EQUIPPING
DISCIPLES

**HEALING
COMMUNITIES**

Galatians 6:9-10



We will be receiving the America For Christ Offering on March 17, 2019. We are mandated by the Bible to offer restoration to people and places of seeming hopelessness.

Your caring can bring healing to the broken-hearted and those suffering amid disasters and devastation. Programs and resources are provided to equip Christian leaders to bring comfort to those in hospitals and nursing homes.

These ministries and many more serve as Christ's heart and hands with the promise of help for today and hope for tomorrow.

Please pray for our mission work in 2019 and give generously to this year's America for Christ Offering.

Your Mission Board

Thelma Hopwood

Chair

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES CLASSES

February 24th: "The Science and Politics of Climate Change" will be the subject of the Contemporary Issues Class (rescheduled from January 13th). The speaker will be Dr. Jeanie Bukowski, Associate Professor in the Institute of International Studies at Bradley University, with particular expertise in environmental politics and policy and international organizations, including the European Union. She will discuss the scientific consensus on climate change and explore the economic, social and political barriers to addressing this important global issue. Class will meet at 11:15 in the sanctuary.

March 3rd: "Truth, Post-Truth and Fake News in a Digital Age" will be the subject of the Contemporary Issues Class. The speaker will be Dr. Paul Gullifor, who holds the Henry Means Pindell Endowed Chair in Communications at Bradley University. Dr. Gullifor will discuss the challenges journalists, news consumers and the larger community face with the emergence of digital media. Even the very definition of news has changed. With all this in mind, Dr. Gullifor will ask a central question: How does one distinguish between truth and fake news – and does it matter? The class will meet at 11:15 a.m. in the sanctuary.

Barb & Bernie Drake

March 2019



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
 <p>Please bring donations of non-perishable food items on Sunday, March 3rd. March food donations will benefit the Friendship House Food Pantry. Thank you for your support of this monthly mission.</p>					1 9AM Meditation Class (Chapel)	2 8AM Men's Brkfst.	
3 COMMUNION SUN.  9AM Music Rehrl. 10AM Worship & Children's SS 11AM Fellowship Time 11:15AM Cont. Issues Class (Sanctuary)	4 10AM MUGS2 @ Panera's	5 NEWSLETTER 8:30AM FBC Exercise (Chapel) 10AM MUGS (Parlor) 5-6PM Fat Tues Pancake Dinner 7:30PM FBC Dartball (Fell. Hall)	6 5:15PM Guitar Reh 5:45PM Bells Reh. 6:30PM Ash Wed. Service (Fell. Hall) 7:15PM Choir Reh.	7 8:30AM FBC Exercise (Chapel)	8 9AM Meditation Class (Chapel)	9 10AM ABW Brunch	
10 9AM Music Rehrl. 10AM Worship & Children's SS 11AM Fellowship Time	11 10AM MUGS2 @ Panera's 11AM Heart- Warming Hats 1PM Prayer Chain (Parlor)	12 8:30AM FBC Exercise (Chapel) 10AM MUGS (Parlor) 6:30PM Board Meetings	13 5:15PM Guitar Reh 5:45PM Bells Reh. 6:30PM Lenten Dinner (Fell. Hall) 7:15PM Choir Reh.	14 8:30AM FBC Exercise (Chapel) 6:30PM Diac. Mtg. (Parlor)	15 9AM Meditation Class (Chapel)	16 8AM Sr. Net Open House (Fell. Hall)	
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31 9AM Music Rehrl. 10AM Worship & Children's SS 11AM Fellowship Time	CHURCH WOMEN UNITED — WORLD DAY OF PRAYER "COME—EVERYTHING IS READY" MARCH 1, 2019, 9:00 A.M. @ SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH 1700 W. WAR MEMORIAL DR., PEORIA						



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HEALTH TIPS: MILK — WHAT'S HEALTHIER?

What's healthier — cow's milk or plant-based milks such as soy milk or almond milk?

It's tough to beat dairy milk for balanced nutrition, with nonfat skim milk the best choice for most older adults. Still, not everyone can tolerate dairy milk, and some may prefer to avoid animal products or simply want to mix in something different.

Unsweetened soy milk is the closest match nutritionally, plus you get a few grams of healthy fats that you won't get from skim milk. Almond milk—while not unhealthy—is less nutrient dense, in particular with limited protein content. With soy or almond milk, check labels for adequate calcium and minimal sugars added.

Lurene Ladd
Parish Nurse

YOUNGLIVES — TEEN PARENTS

More than 20 years ago, Young Life answered God's call to run headfirst into the chaos of teenage motherhood with the hope of Jesus ... and YoungLives was born.. YoungLives has never wavered from the original vision to reach teen moms by entering their world, modeling the unconditional love of Christ, and encouraging them to become the women and mothers God created them to be. For more information on the group, visit their website: www.younglife.org/ForEveryKid/YoungLives.

YoungLives will have their annual celebration dinner on Feb. 25th at FBC Peoria in Fellowship Hall. First Baptist members have always been very generous with serving those less fortunate in Peoria. With YoungLives meeting in the church, the building itself is being used to serve this very population. Their team would love to meet you and tell you what God is doing in the lives of teen moms in Peoria. The doors open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:00 p.m. The event is free, but there will be a silent auction and a collection taken.

Reservations are needed, as space is limited. Call or text SuAnne Hinch Krick @ 309-369-7426 if you are interested in attending.