

FIRST BAPTIST NEWS

MAY 7, 2019



First Baptist Church

HE IS RISEN, HE IS RISEN INDEED

There is a lot of pressure leading up to Easter Sunday. I'm not sure if Jesus meant for that to be part of the Christian experience, but it is very much the reality. Everything kicks off with Ash Wednesday and keeps going full blast all the way to the cross on Good Friday and the empty tomb on Easter morning. And as usual, we had a lot of visitors and family members in town for Resurrection Sunday. That is why I am so proud of the church and our staff.

The choir, musicians, handbells, and tech volunteers were wonderful. The church grounds looked incredible, the fountain was roaring, and the Easter egg hunt was PACKED! Even the Easter Bunny did a great job. It's important to put our best selves out there on a day like Easter, and you made sure that we did just that. So thank you for your hard work and Christian service!

The season after Easter is full of great moments. We have Graduate Sunday on May 19th. If you have a high school or college graduate in your family you want recognized, be sure to let the church office know ASAP. May 19th is also the day of our Community Spring Celebration. From 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. the community will be coming to FBC to be together, listen to some funky music, and let their kids play. It is going to be a blast, so be sure to plan on being there. We need our whole church there to greet, meet, and fellowship with the community. On June 2nd there will be a child dedication service. If you have a young child to newborn that you would like to dedicate, let the church office know, and we'll add them to the list. You can join us as we dedicate our little boy, Miles!

Let us all prepare for the season that follows Easter. Because Pentecost is coming, and with it the fire of the Holy Spirit soars in to change the world.

Serving Together,

Rob Collins
Senior Pastor

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WORSHIP

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

Sunday, May 12, 2019

"ALLOW YOURSELF TO BE LED"

Psalm 23

Finding restoration and healing for our souls is of vast importance. You can't allow fear or anger to rule your life. The only way out is to allow the shepherd to lead you to a place of peace.

Music: "A Mother's Prayer"
—Danielle Blancaflor & Chancel Choir

Welcome Center: Mike Huddle

Sunday, May 19, 2019

"JOIN THE CREATION CHORUS"

Psalm 128

We are all invited to join with all of Creation in the chorus of God's immaculate love. The presence of a loving community is essential to a healthy life. Thus we must heed Jesus' command to love each other.

Music: "I Will Do the Same" — Higher Ground

Welcome Center: Jonathan Ellison

PRAYER CONCERNS

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

ABW MAY BRUNCH

You are invited to the ABW May Brunch on Saturday, May 18th, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Our speaker will be Bernie Drake on the History of Distilling in Peoria. This should be a very interesting program.

The cost will be \$4 at the door. Please contact Carolyn Ihnken by phone at 685-1388 or e-mail to csimk@comcast.net for your reservations. Please invite guests, including husbands.

We will have devotions and an offering for Love Gift.

See you there!

Carolyn

FYI

On May 7th, the Tuesday MUGS meeting will move to Panera's. Our meetings resume on Tuesday, July 2nd.

ABW May Circles

Circle of Friends will meet on Tuesday, May 21st, at 12:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Evening Literature Circle will meet on Tuesday, May 21st, at 7:00 p.m. in the home of Louise Heimann, 1240 N. Hickory Lane, East Peoria. There is a choice of two books to be reviewed. The first is Lands of Lost Borders: A Journey on the Silk Road by Kate Harris. The other choice is Walking Across Egypt by Clyde Edgerton.



HEALTH TIPS:

PILL-SPLITTING SAFETY

(Mayo Clinic Health Letter, February 2019)

There may be times that your doctor recommends dividing pills into more than one dose — a practice known as pill splitting or tablet splitting. If your doctor has recommended pill splitting, follow these recommendations:

- Split as recommended. Only split pills that your doctor or pharmacist says are okay to split. Most sustained or extended-release medications—often those with "SR," "ER" or "XL" in the name—aren't meant to be split. Don't split drugs that have an enteric coating. Certain drugs also may be more prone to breakage or have active ingredients that are unevenly distributed, making splitting impractical or unsafe.
- Look for score marks. If a tablet is approved for splitting, the tablet will be marked to indicate where to cut.
- Use a splitter. A small inexpensive pill splitter can help you divide a pill evenly. If the shape or size of a particular pill doesn't allow for a splitter to work, ask your doctor or pharmacist the best way to divide the pill.
- Be realistic. If you're unable to consistently split your pills evenly, ask to have your prescription revised.

Lurene Ladd
Parish Nurse

OVER THE EDGE

FBC has a team of three people—Leigh & Mark Grizzard and Jo Sternberg—who will be going over the edge for Peoria Friendship House. You can sponsor them on-line at <https://www.firstgiving.com/team/391079>. To sponsor by check, make the check payable to Friendship House, write Over-the-edge and the name of the person(s) you are sponsoring on the memo line. Checks can be left in the church office.

DIRECTORY PHOTOS

Photos for a new church directory will be taken at the church May 14—18 by appointment. Appointments can still be made on-line at the church's website, www.fbcpeoria.org, or by contacting the church office. We encourage all members and frequent visitors to participate.

American Baptist Men Gathering 2019 “Called to be Servants”

**First Baptist Church
534 St. Louis St., Edwardsville IL**

June 28-29

Join us for a weekend of worship, spiritual growth, fellowship, food, and activities

June 28: Registration @ 5:00 - Dinner @ 6:00 - Evening Session @ 7:00;
Speaker - Robert Montgomery from Friendship House in Peoria

June 29: Breakfast @ 8:00 - Morning Session @ 9:00 - Noon; Speaker –
Rev. Paul Gibson, GRR Regional Executive Minister

Worship Leaders: Jack & Joel Jochums

Registration: (includes dinner, breakfast & snacks)

Adults: \$40 (\$30.00 before May 25th) One day only (Friday or Saturday) \$25.

Youth: (18 & under) \$25; additional youth from the same family Free!

Register 3 men from your church and bring your pastor for Free!

Register on-line at: <https://forms.gle/nN1nM2y3qEb8Pw6E8>, pick up a form from the table outside the church office, or print one from the church website, www.fbcpeoria.org.

Lodging: Country Hearth Inn and Suites \$82.96 plus tax double occupancy until May 28th; then the rate increases to \$105.

For Reservations, call: 618-656-7829 (ask for American Baptist Men's gathering rate.)
Address: 1013 Plummer Dr, Edwardsville, IL 62025

Map to the Hotel: <https://goo.gl/maps/Rxbd36Si4yYZuYFb7>

Map to the Church: <https://goo.gl/maps/u3PvWJ27pfBtXEsJ7>



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SAVE THE DATE

**2nd Annual
Hot Rods for Reptiles Cruise In
& 28th Reptile Show**
June 8th 9am-4pm 

\$2 admission

A fundraiser for the continuing education on Reptiles & Amphibians.

Held at First Baptist Church in the parking lot and Fellowship Hall.

DINING OUT

The Dining Out Group invites you to join them at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, May 31st, for dinner at Logan's Roadhouse, 240 Conference Center Drive, Peoria. Please contact Jennifer Dusek at (309) 231-6389 or e-mail her at the-jaysters@gmail.com.

THANK YOU

We sincerely thank everyone for your support with words of comfort, cards and prayers for the loss of my brother.

I know prayer is helping us through this time of grieving.

Lurene (& Phil) Ladd

FBC SOFTBALL BEGINS!

By Mark Grizzard



Hi sports fans,

The First Baptist softball season begins on May 13 and will continue on Monday nights throughout the summer.

Please contact Mark Grizzard, by phone at (309) 682-5491 or e-mail to markg@mtco.com, if you are interested in participating in this co-ed slow-pitch league. Or, just come out to watch and support the team! Game times vary, and the season schedule will be available in May.