



First Baptist Information - FBI

CHURCH STAFF

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Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Mon. – Thurs.
8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Friday

Publication deadline for current week's printing:

FBI – By Monday 10:00 a.m.

Bulletin – By Thursday 1:00 p.m.

REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning

8:30 Traditional Service
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Contemporary Service

Sunday Evening

6:30 Prayer Group

Tuesday Morning

9:00 Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday Evening

5:30 Meal
6:15 Awana
6:15 Financial Peace
6:15 Praise Band Practice
6:15 Plunge
7:30 Choir Practice
7:30 Surge/ Surge 2.0

SONSHINE PRESCHOOL

Treva Prieb: Director & Teacher

Tabetha Boese: Teacher's Assistant

School Phone: 620-241-1452

Sonshine Preschool Web Page:
www.sonshine-preschool.org

e-mail:

To Know Him and To Make Him Known



Be in Prayer for....

ON-GOING PRAYER CONCERNS . . .

- ~ Kihomi Ngewmi/Nzunga Mabudiga
- ~ Roy/Joi Christians
- ~ Matt/Angie Penner
- ~ Nathan/Janette Ferguson McGurk
- ~ Bob/Lynn Koehn
- ~ More people to become followers of Jesus
- ~ Our nation & leaders-rely on God's wisdom & strength
- ~ Members and family/friends in the service - protection
- ~ Sonshine Preschool - teachers, students & families
- ~ Zach Love-healing—back problems
- ~ Tahse Collins (Tieyah's granddaughter) Continue staying cancer free
- ~ *Heal those with Cancer:* Joan Amann, Jim Amann (Joan's son), Kaiden Schroeder (Son of Chris & Jennifer Schroeder), Pam Samuels (daughter of Fern Horn), Jennifer Charleton (friend of Treva Prieb)



SPECIAL NEEDS

Donna Janzen - Recovery from shoulder surgery

SUNDAY NURSERY WORKERS

Sunday School : *Infant-Clarice Graves & Myranda Miller*
Toddler-Kay Goss & Evelyn Stenzel
Second Service : *Infant-Clarice Graves, Unruhs,*
& Shany Boese
Toddler-Sydney Boese & Linda Rosebrough

ATTENTION!!!

The nursery and toddler rooms will not be staffed on Sunday December 25th, but will be open for parents.

Children's Church

December 11 - Travis Sears
December 18 - Leslee Miller



AWANA CALENDAR Fall/Winter 2011

Dec. 07 Adopt-A-Club
Dec. 14 Regular Club Night
Dec. 21 & 28 No Awana-Merry Christmas

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

December

7th - Hot dogs, mac and cheese, baked beans, and brownies - Workers are Norm & Deb Burgess, Elaine Skinner, Duane & Judy Thiel and LaRue Nelson

14th - Taco's and fixins , tossed salad, jello with fruit, and cookies -Workers are Les & Debbie Cantrell, Rich & Sharon Heidebrecht, Dana & Susanne Sammers, Donna Beggs, and Clarice Graves, Ashley Turley (prep)

No Meal 21st and 28th - Have a Good Christmas Break!

CHILDREN'S CHOIR SINGING

The children's choir will be singing for the Christmas program on December 18th at 6:00pm. They will be singing two songs for the service. Kids that are not involved in the Children's Choir but attend Sunday School are welcome to join the choir.

They will be practicing the songs on Sunday morning during Sunday School. There is **NO CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE THIS SUNDAY.** Katie Sears



If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in memory of someone or to honor someone, please contact the Church office at 241-6400. The plants are \$8. Deadline is Friday, November 23rd.

December Prayer Emphasis

The ABC/ Central Region Board highlights a prayer emphasis each month. **In December, let's make the greatest of effort to celebrate Christ, the Son of God, coming to earth as a baby.** The heavenly angels announced the birth of Jesus, with the highest praise on the highest subject, in recognition of the highest person, who came to bring good will and peace to all men. Thank Him for coming to pay the full price for all sin. *Luke 2:14 — "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."*

T.A.B.S. CHRISTMAS COFFEE

Just a reminder that TABS Christmas coffee is Thursday, December 8th at 9:30 a.m. in the East Room.



3rd Advent Sunday – December 11 – 11:00 a.m. Combined Service – Choir Cantata "Mary Did You Know"
4th Advent Sunday– December 18th – 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services
December 24th – 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service

December 25th—No Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Combined Service

January 1st—No Sunday School—Combined Service
10:15 a.m. Social Gathering in Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m. Combined Worship Service

Attendance for December 4, 2011
Sunday School - 184
Church Service - 240





Our Vision Statement

“To Know Him and To Make Him Known”

YOUTH GROUP WEEKLY EVENTS

- Breaker**– Sunday School - 9:45-10:45 a.m.
6th-12th grade meet in the Youth Room.
- Son Night** - High School - Sunday Nights
6:15 p.m. - 8 p.m. Meet in the Fellowship Hall.
- Wednesday Night Activities**–
Plunge-Middle School Bible Study - 6:15-7:45 p.m.
Meet in the Youth Room
- Surge**-9th grade home Bible Study - 7:30-8:30 p.m.
If you need a ride the bus leaves from the church at 7:20 p.m. . We will be meeting at the Myers house, 1642 Walnut Dr.
- Surge 2.0** - 10th-12th grade home Bible study
7:30-9:30 p.m. Meet at Lowell and Sue Nelson House, 1542 Trail West.

SKI TRIPS

The High school/Family trip is on Feb 9-12. Both registration forms are in the youth room or the main office. **We have 5 spots that need to be filled. If interested contact Nathan ASAP!!** A last note on this trip, I am offering this trip to 8th graders who's parents are not going, as long as parents are comfortable with their students going skiing in the Colorado mountains.

The middle school trip deadline that the Ski place asks for is not as tight as the CO ski trip is, So even though the trip is before the Family/High school trip the due date is not until the **18th of Dec.** These forms are still being printed, but will be out soon. The dates for this trip are Jan 20-21. **Snowmobiling is also available. If interested or for pricing, contact Nathan, right away!**

NURSERY HELP NEEDED

- There are a few openings in the nursery:
- * 1st Sunday, Toddler Room during Sunday School
 - * 5th Sunday, Infant Room & Toddler Room during Second Service
 - * Wednesday night on a "when need basis" from 6:00p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (this is a paid Position)
- Call Charlene Thiessen @ 620-654-4054 / 620-755-3045 or Connie Schroeder @ 620-241-1328 / 620-242-9097



NO FBI NEWSLETTER

There will be no FBI Newsletter for December 29th and January 3rd. If you need to announce or post anything for during that time, please get your information in by Monday, December 21st.

The Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering
RMMO *connects generations*



Community Events

IN CONCERT

The Mark Trammell Quartet, Saturday, December 10th at 7 p.m. at New Hope Evangelical Church, 501 Wickersham, McPherson. Free will offering. Questions? Call 245-0303.



15th Annual Community Christmas Dinner

Sunday, December 25-th, 2011

Serving 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

McPherson Community Building

This is a FREE MEAL and EVERYONE is welcome.

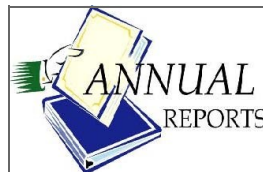
To make reservations call 241-1292 by Nov. 22nd.

To volunteer to help call 245-0313

To donate pies call 241-8501

Sponsored by: Community Thanksgiving, Inc.

PO Box 14, McPherson, KS 67460



Annual Reports are due on Friday, December 30th.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Middle School Girls Bible Study group, we will have our Christmas party on Sunday, December 11th at Pizza Hut. We will meet after worship service on Sunday, around 12:30ish. Bring \$7 for your lunch and a gift for your secret sis. We will not be revealing secret sis yet. There is no Bible Study this Thursday. If you have questions, call Kimber at 480-1609 or at the church 241-6400



WHERE WOMEN BASK IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Ladies

Wishing you could sneak away for a relaxing time at the beach? We've got the perfect plan! SeaSide Escape is a relaxing beach-themed retreat the women of our church are doing together. It includes worship, Bible study, and time for laughter as well as time for quiet reflection.

Mark your calendar for *Saturday, January 28th*, for a one day women's retreat.

Our retreat will be held at
First Baptist Church,
600 E. Marlin, McPherson,
in Fellowship Hall
from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
With lunch being provided.



Cost: Early Bird Special - \$20 each
(If purchased by December 31st.)
Regular Price - \$25 each

This covers lunch, snacks, fun and refreshing activities.

Tickets are available in the Church Office
We will also have a table in the Narthex on
Sundays to purchase your tickets or gift
certificates.

We offer gift certificates if someone would like to give as a Christmas gift for a special lady. This will be a time to relax, make new friends, worship, and bask in the warmth of God's presence.

We hope you'll join us at SeaSide Escape.

For more information or have questions, call Kimber or Patty in the church office at 620-241-6400



Sunday, Dec. 11

Cantata: Mary Did You Know?

11:00 a.m. ~ Combined Worship Celebration ~

Advent Message Series:

Why Is Love the Greatest?

"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love." 1 Corinthians 13:13

Sunday, Dec. 18

Is Faith Blind?

8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

~ Worship Celebrations ~

Saturday, Dec. 24

What Is Hope?

11:00 p.m.

~ Christmas Eve Candlelight Service ~

Sunday, Dec. 25

The Best Gift

11:00 a.m.

~ Combined Worship Celebration ~

Sunday, Jan. 1

2012: The 5r's

10:15 a.m.

~ Social Gathering - Bring Your Leftover Snacks ~

11:00 a.m.

~ Combined Worship Celebration