

First Baptist Church

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We look to Mary as Jesus' mother who courageously said "Yes" to God's surprising plan. Mary is also a pattern for believers. The church is to bear Christ in the world and we are to strive to allow God to live within us.

Advent summons us, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." We wake up and ready ourselves by paying attention to our lives. The things we do either contribute to Christ's life in us or to the corruption of our life.

May we be strengthened in our inner beings through God's Spirit and may Christ may dwell in our hearts. Amen.

With love, Pastor Joel

Learning for Life—Winter 2020

Our current classes on "Ezekiel" and "Stories Jesus Told" end Sunday, December 8.

"Suffering and Faith Formation: A Study of the Book of Job" -
January 12 - March 29 2020

The theme of this class will be the role of suffering in forming our faith. Suffering can be seen as a problem for those who believe in a loving and merciful God. Yet suffering is a theme we find throughout Scripture, but perhaps nowhere as personal as in the Book of Job. What do we do with pain, grief, and anger caused by life circumstances? How do we maintain a living faith in midst of our suffering and the silence of God? Suffering has a limiting effect on our lives, but it is in being limited that growth can come. This 12-week study will track with the suffering of Job as we look for principles of application for suffering and faith formation.

Pastor Richard Hovey will be leading this class.

Achievers

Achievers' Luncheons

The Achievers' Luncheons offers a wonderful opportunity for those 55+ years of age and "younger at heart". You are invited to come and experience Fabulous Food*Fantastic Fellowship* Sensational Speakers*Delightful Devotions. Why not invite a friend or two?

Contact Pastor John Nelson for more information or visit:

www.achieversregina.ca

Achievers' Luncheons Cost: \$10.00

Feb. 27 Marilyn Phillips, singing and sharing!

March 26 Awaiting confirmation from speaker, TBA.

April 23 Awaiting confirmation from speaker, TBA.



Achievers' Bible Study

The last Achievers' Bible Study of 2019 will take place on Wednesday December 4 in the boardroom at the church. We will be studying I and II Peter. We meet every second Wednesday from 10-11 a.m. Please use the Lorne St. entrance.

Music@First

Music of Note

Christmas is less than a month away, but leading up to this day of celebration is our meaningful Advent journey. Decorations adorn our sanctuary and the music of Advent/Christmas resonates all around us.

Christmas rehearsals and concerts fill the air with the exciting sounds and message of the season.

Have you found your "Place to Belong" on this notable journey? Why not consider becoming a Seasonal Singer and join the Sanctuary Choir & Exaltation singers as they prepare for the much anticipated Christmas Glory concert- Sunday, December 15, 7:00 p.m? "Music is such a wonderful and important part of our adoration and worship of the One who came so humbly to this earth on that" very extraordinary silent night. Thursday rehearsals are well underway (Thursdays of Dec. 5, 12, 7:00 p.m.), but it is not too late to become an important part of the music ministry family this Christmas!

Contact Pastor John for more information.

Mark your calendars with notable music dates:

Dec. 2-5	Regina Rotary Christmas Carol Festival- Knox Met United Church
Dec. 8	Luther College High School Candlelight Services
Dec. 13	Cantate Youth Choirs Christmas Concert- 7:30 p.m. First Baptist Church
Dec. 14	Vivace Choral Ensemble Christmas Concert- 7:00 p.m. First Baptist Church *tickets required
Dec. 15	Christmas Glory Concert- 7:00 p.m. First Baptist Church Bells* Carols*Choirs*Instrumental/Vocal solos*Special readings Guest musicians: Karen Martin, Rob Nelson, plus others to be confirmed
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion Service- 6:00 p.m. First Baptist Church

JuBELLation Ringers

An exciting and invigorating music group that is open to anyone who reads music. Rehearsals are held on Tuesday nights from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. New members are warmly welcomed and we would like to add 2-3 additional ringers. Contact Pastor John for more information.

Two New Christmas Carol of Note

“Joy Has Dawned”

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend originally wrote “Joy Has Dawned” for a collection of hymns on the Apostle’s Creed. Like many carols, Stuart’s lyrics explain the Gospel story as the song develops. When

we use this song in church services we combine it with one of our favorite carols, “Angels We Have Heard on High.”

“How Suddenly a Baby Cries” (with Narnian Reel)

This is a carol composed by Keith and Kristyn Getty and Fionan de Barra. Kristyn Getty wrote the lyrics, explaining how the coming of Christ affected the lives of individuals in the Gospel narrative, as well as how it continues to have an impact on lives throughout history. The melody comes from a traditional Irish folk tune called “The Star of the County Down” (County Down is a breathtaking area of Northern Ireland). The Irish writer C.S. Lewis once described his idea of heaven as “Oxford placed in County Down.” The grand imagery of Ireland later influenced his creation of Narnia - a place which was “always winter and never Christmas” until the Lion roared. The reel Keith and Fionan wrote to accompany “How Suddenly” is aptly named Narnian Reel.”

Organ Scholarships

The Board has approved offering organ scholarships to qualified applicants from inside and outside of the church. This has been made possible thanks to the generosity of Ruth Nelson and Walter Ellis.

The goals are:

- To encourage and develop musicians in general and organists specifically;
- To increase among musicians familiarity with, and knowledge of, church music and church worship services;
- To seek and draw out both musicians within the church as well as musicians with no previous experience of Christianity;

- To provide financial support while learning, as well as rewarding experiences playing during worship services and other music events.

There are a number of criteria for applicants including having grade 7 or 8 piano and good sight reading ability. An audition will be required. Please share this opportunity with anyone you know who may be interested.

For more information, speak with Pastor John or Brenda Ziolkowski.

Tai Chi for Baptists

Tai Chi - you are welcome to join in with the group doing Tai Chi for Baptists. We meet in the lower hall on Saturday at 9 a.m. for an hour of exercise then half an hour of devotions and prayer.

Tai Chi dates are 7, 14, 21 December and NO Tai Chi for the month of January. Our oldest member is 90+, so don't think you're too old to come and try it out! We have several new members this year, so are going over the moves slowly together. Now's a good time to join for some exercise and fun (we don't take ourselves very seriously)!

Prayer Breakfast

Prayer Breakfast takes place Wednesday mornings from 8 a.m. to about 9:15 a.m. There will be NO Prayer Breakfast on December 25 or January 1. We meet in the library for a simple breakfast, a short devotion, and discussion; then we collect items for prayer. People are welcome to come by entering the Lorne St. door and coming down to the library. You may pray silently or out loud, as you are comfortable. There's space for you!

TNT

Tuesday Nights Together—or TNT—takes in the lower hall at 5 p.m. for potluck supper and 7 p.m. for bible study.

Prayer Times

Morning prayer times, Monday to Thursday, 7:15-7:45, east balcony, “Sunrise” prayer room. Use the Victoria St door.

Wednesday noon hour prayer time, 12:15-12:45, conference room. Use the Lorne St door.

VOICE

Voice will be holding one more Wednesday evening session this year to complete our book: SURPRISED BY PARADOX, by Jen Michel. Meetings are held on alternate Wednesdays. On Wednesday December 11th, Part 4, we will be studying The Paradox of Lament. Please read this section and come prepared to discuss them. We start at 7 and are usually finished by 9.

In January there will be a Novel Study, preceded by a breakfast brunch at the home of Julie. Come on Saturday, January 18th, at 10:00. Bring your favorite breakfast/brunch dish to share. The voting to get a consensus on a Novel will be held during the first/second week of December. You are urged to submit your choice of a Novel to Julie so she can prepare an online voting scheme.

Wednesday evening meetings will resume in January, date TBA.

Voice is a reading group for all women who like to read. Only requirement is to read the material ahead of time! Enjoy the Holiday season. Call Martha for more information.

Katepwa Lake Camp -- November Update:

Friends, supporters, campers, and donors of KLC: Thank you for a wonderful Gala! We raised more than twice anything we have raised at the gala in recent years, with \$24K and counting. This

result is significant progress towards the funds we need to run next year's camp!!! Stay tuned as we hope to be able to soon share more detailed plans for 2020.

Financial Report

The 2019 year-to-date financials indicate that offerings to the end of October were 12% **above** giving for the same period in 2018. However, due to the increase in personnel expenses beginning in May, the forecast is that overall expenses will be close to the budgeted number at year-end, so it appears that our requirement for giving is currently not keeping up with expenses. Please keep this in mind when you consider your giving for our final month of the year.

Approved Operating Budget for 2019:	\$ 408.7K
Approved Operating Budget to end of October 2019: (prorated monthly)	\$340.6K
Operating Revenue to end of October 2019:	\$ 318.6K
Operating Expenses to end of October 2019:	\$ 330.3K
Restricted Reserve Balance:	\$ 303.5K
(Benevolent, Building, Organ, and Legacy Funds)	
CBWC Loan Balance:	\$ 254.3K
Approved Operating Budget for 2020:	\$ 427.6K

The congregation approved the budget for 2020 at our Fall Business Meeting on Nov. 17, 2019. This budget will be a stretch and a challenge. But it will be required if we wish to keep offering the ministries and activities as we have been, as well as those planned for the future, and keep the general operations of our church running.

Reminders...

We have several ways to provide your regular tithes and donations to the church:

1. Place your gifts in an offering basket during any worship service or mail to the Church Office.
2. Establish a **Pre-authorized Remittance (PAR) Plan**. This will automatically transfer funds from your account into the FBC Regina account on a regular basis. Please email the church or contact the Treasurer if you would like to set up PAR, or change your commitment.
3. Make an online donation:
 - Use **Interac e-Transfer** to donate from your phone or computer to FBCRegina@gmail.com (*no fee or cost to the church*)
 - Use a credit card or PayPal via the **PayPal Giving Fund** (*no fee or cost to the church*)
 - Use a credit card or PayPal via **CanadaHelps** (*a fee of 3.5% is deducted from the donation*)

PLEASE refer to more specific information on these contribution methods that is available on the church website. You may email the church or contact the Treasurer for further details.

ChurchTrac

Our church management system (ChurchTrac) has a Congregation Access feature which allows members of our church to access their own profiles and view their contribution statements. If you have provided an email address to us for the system, you will be able to use this feature. In order to view your personal profile, please use the following link:

<http://firstbaptistregina.ca/get-connected/churchtrac/>

If you have not provided an email yet or are having problems accessing the system, please send a note to the Church Office (main_fbcregina@sasktel.net).

ChurchTrac also houses the church directory. If you didn't have a photo taken earlier this year, you may submit a family photo to the Church Office for inclusion in the directory.

Mino-maawanji'itiwag: Coming Together in a Good Way

On November 8 to 9, First Baptist Regina helped to sponsor a conference with iEmergence and Living Hope Alliance. Around 200 people came from across the prairies and the country. It was an ecumenical gathering with Christians from many traditions in attendance.



Rev Ray Aldred offered meaningful teaching from scripture often with humour that Jesus is our mediator, that in his one body he is able to make peace between peoples and bring healing. Numerous workshops were also held. The weekend ended with a round dance. Though there were tears, and stories of suffering, there was a positive spirit. It was an encouraging time with new friendships being forged.



Diaconate Report

On Sunday December 16th, FBC had our annual budget meeting. If you were there you will know that the congregation approved a budget with a significant increase. If we going to make this budget, all of us will need to find a way to give a bit more next year. Maybe declare a personal fast; skip one meal a week, maybe talk to your financial advisor how to earn more investment income and avoid paying unnecessary taxes; and then donate some of the savings to the church from these actions.

A lot of folks think that the way to be really spiritual is to become a nun or a monk, sit in cell somewhere and pray and chant the days away. The author of a book I once read suggested that the folks that are on the front lines serving and praying, like working mothers with sick children or fathers holding down two jobs to make ends meet, and who are still making lots of time for their family and community are really the ones expanding their Christian walk; they have to—to survive.

Christians often refuse offers to join a charity/church board, or to take leadership/volunteer role in the church and often they have valid reasons, but sometimes I wonder if they just avoiding God's call like Jonah. Yes, there could be long meetings; yes, there are legal responsibilities; yes, there will tough decisions. You might not always agree with the direction the rest of the board takes. And yes, you could find yourself overwhelmed with too much to do and realize that you are way beyond your comfort zone. You will also remember every day that you are doing this because you love people and the ministry and that Jesus loves you. And when you are finished your term, you will remember the camaraderie, new deeper friendships, and you will know you made a difference in

people's lives for the better, and you will realize the great privilege it is to see God's kingdom of love thrive and grow with your help.

A critical step in the Christian walk is baptism. It is a public declaration of your following Jesus; it is a covenant to follow Jesus; it is a step commanded by Jesus. If you are sincerely doing it, my experience is that something does happen, and you do connect into the body of Christ in ways you have never seen before. As a Jesus-follower you are called to be a servant. This sometimes means washing someone's feet; it could mean serving on a board as a director or taking on a volunteer/leadership position. God might even call you to go and preach at Nineveh. What is Nineveh, but a place you would rather not go to, dealing at times in a capacity you would rather not serve. I believe that every opportunity for God has a bit of Nineveh in it. It goes with the territory.

Collin Carbno, Chair of Diaconate FBC

Church Library Corner

If you have particular need, or just like up your time in God's word and disciple yourself, I can probably suggest a few books to help you along. I would love to sit down with you or talk to you on the phone or via email and help you find a book to improve your walk with Jesus. I haven't read every book in the church library yet, but I'm making progress. When new donation books come in, I often read them before I put them in the library. I also have a spreadsheet with every book currently part of our library collection, which I can search for a book to help you. If reading isn't your thing, we also have audio and DVD disks on a variety of topics. There are also some children books in the library, it could be a place to begin some faith in the home work.

Do you have a passion for books and libraries? I'm also wanting to arrange a "friends of the library" work hour twice a year. The idea would be to go through the shelves, making sure the books are all filed correctly in their proper places, and removing damaged ones, or dated books that no one would want to read anymore, to make room for new books. We also need to change the books at the various book tables around the church. We can also discuss whatever ideas you might have to make better use of the library. If you like to help let me know ... if we can get 2 or more people it is a go.

Collin Carbno (Church Librarian)

From Brother Nganga Guruka

Good Morning, to the Church of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

It has been a wonderful life changing experience to meet such caring and loving congregation in my life. I have seen Biblical Love, Love of God (John 13:34, Ephesians 4:2) manifested in you the first time I entered to Canada/Regina. During my request [for prayer] you never ceased praying for me and it's was very emotional to everyone when I left Canada. You are really a blessing to me.

Glory be to God for my safe landing in Johannesburg South Africa. I was surprised to see two people from the First Baptist Church coming to welcome me to the Airport to give me ride up to my place; it was well arranged by brother Bryan Orthner.

Although it was emotional to leave Canada I was very happy, full of joy to meet my family after two years of separation.

I wanted to attend Church service this Sunday at First Baptist Church. Unfortunately there is a transportation issue but in the

middle of next week will be able to meet pastor Andre (pastor of care).

I don't know what word to use to express my gratitude for everything that the Church has done for me, what I can say is Thank you very much, may your love continue to flourish until the return of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Thank you and may God bless you

Wedding

Christmas Together with Rob and Tiffany, Sunday, December 1st, following morning worship.

Rob and Tiffany will be getting married during the Sunday morning worship service. Everyone is invited to the celebration meal that will follow.



What's Up With Missions?

2019 Was a Very Good Year for Missions!

- Our Lebanon “SENT” Team had great support, a fantastic trip and amazing reports of God’s work among our partners: Lebanese Society for Education & Social Development
- Our Spring “Lebanon Lunch” raised enough to more than match our \$7500 CBM budget!
- You also supported Local Mission through Youth for Christ, Katepwa Lake Camp, Gideons, the Indigenous Conference and InterVarsity Christian Fellowship**

**We have received several “thank-you’s” from Rachelle Lowe from IVCF lately...

“Thank you so much for your generous gift of \$3,000 towards the work of InterVarsity not just in SK but in MB and Thunder Bay. Your generosity and steadfast support of my work and the work of Intervarsity have been good gifts. I have been so blessed and so humbled by how you have gathered around me as I lead the ministry in SK, MB and TB. Each one of you and First Baptist truly are a gift from God. Thank you for believing in the work that I do. I have been really enjoying travelling across the Prairies, working alongside staff and student leaders. Just this week I heard that 2 students came to faith at the Uof S; about 50 students showed up at the Regina Thanksgiving potluck (to which 2 of our members donated turkeys); and international students asked for Bibles at the U of Winnipeg. I’m so EXCITED to see God continue to move in SK, MB and TB!”

Rachelle also sent notes to thank us for hosting their “Come Together” potluck Nov. 13 with National Director Nigel Pollock (who said to her afterwards, “These folks really love you and InterVarsity”), and to thank “Voice” for their lunch donations for their SK/MB staff training week.

Grace Park, IVCF Ministry Partnerships Coordinator, also sent a warm letter of thanks for First Baptist's generous support over the past four decades, saying our most recent gift of \$3000 to support Rachelle Lowe's work as Staff Director in our area was "an incredible encouragement to her... This season, she is focusing specifically on equipping staff and students in prayer... Momentum is building, and they are experiencing a powerful movement of the Holy Spirit."

Grace also noted how "incredibly encouraging" it was that a couple from FBC paid for Rachelle's plane ticket from Saskatoon to Winnipeg to Thunder Bay so she wouldn't have to drive! Wow!

FBC Website

December is a busy month. Our website (firstbaptistregina.ca) has an event calendar where you can find upcoming (and past) events.

There are a few ways to find information about events:

- Scroll to the bottom of any page and click on the calendar icon...



This will open up a calendar view of the current month. Click on any of the events on the calendar to open an information page about that event.

- On the right side of the Home Page, there is a list of upcoming events for the next week or so. Click on any of those links to open an information page about that event.
- By clicking the "Get Connected" tab at the top of any page, you will find a link to the Calendar of Events on the right side of the page.

Note that we don't post each and every community event, just those that involve First Baptist Church!

Kids@First

Nursery (ages 0-3)

Volunteers are in the nursery most Sundays to welcome your children 0-3 yrs and help them know this a place where they are cared for by our church family. Our time together includes a song, a story and play with others. While we know it is an adjustment for each wee one to leave their parents, please try leaving your cell number or location in the sanctuary with the nursery workers and see how your child settles.

On weeks where the older children are upstairs, the nursery will be unsupervised so parents are then welcome to stay in the nursery with their little ones and watch the service on the TV.

Godly Play (ages 3-6)

Godly Play is a method of Christian education and spiritual direction that aims to teach children the art of using religious language, parable, sacred story, silence and liturgical action to help them become more fully aware of the mystery of God's presence around them and in their lives. A volunteer leader and shepherd guide the children through the lesson each week. We are excited to have more youth involved in the leadership of Godly play this year so please encourage them as they learn their new roles.

Oasis (ages 7-11)

It takes time to soak in a story - to learn and understand it - especially when the stories are from a different culture and time. For this reason, we focus on the same story for 3-4 weeks with different activities each week to help learn the story from a unique angle. After reading from their bibles, the Oasis children explore the passage through painting, drama, quizzing, games, cooking, science experiments and any other way we dream up.

Volunteers

Thanks to the many volunteers who have stepped up to make this upcoming year possible! If you would like to volunteer, or just find out more about what volunteering involves, please speak to Pastor Kayely in person, or by or email (kayely.fbcregina@sasktel.net).

Youth

December 6th: Swimming at the Sandra Schmirler and then head to the DQ nearby for some “hot eats of cool treats”. Please meet at **6:45**. We will swim till around 8:00 and then head over to DQ. Pick up can be between 8:45 -9:00 pm. Please let me know if you are willing to drive youth over from the pool to DQ. The cost is \$2 for swimming and then whatever you would like for DQ.

- **December 13th:** Bible Study - meet at FBC at 7:00 - 9:00.
- **December 20th:** progressive Christmas supper and gift exchange. Please bring a gift to exchange with others that is under \$5. We will start a little earlier and go from 6:30 to 9:00. We will meet at FBC to begin our night and then the youth can be picked up at the Senger house, 3539 Pederson Crescent.
- **December 31st:** New Year’s Eve party. Details will be confirmed and announced later, but make sure you save the date!

Men’s Christmas Dinner

Monday, December 9, 6:30 p.m.
Derrick’s home, 3138 Hill Ave.

Let Derrick or Joel know if you can make it. Friends and sons are encourage to attend.



Prayer Chain

My name is Bryden Yeo and I prepare the prayer email for our church. It's something that has really blessed my family and my prayer life. A lot of the time I feel a bit disconnected by life and things going on. I'm not sure how I can pray for my church family. Well, this is something that can help with that, and it could help you connect with your church family as well.

Here's how it works: If you have a prayer request for yourself or someone else, simply send the request (either specific or general, telling us you'd like us to pray for you or your loved ones) to main_fbcregina@sasktel.net>. I'll send requests out to people from our church who would like to pray. I'll only send the requests to people who have asked to be on the prayer line. In this way your prayer requests will be prayed for throughout the day as people read them and make time to pray on their own. All prayer requests will be held in confidence.

If you are interested in being on our prayer list, please speak with me or with a pastor, and I can add your name. I won't share your email addresses with anyone else, and should you choose to leave the prayer group, just send me an email.

Interview: John and Jean Hillmer

John, can you tell us something of your early life?

I was born in the village of Kaleden, B.C. (Kaleden literally means "Garden of Eden.") I was born the fourth son of Rev. Irvine and Nellie Hillmer. My father died when I was about 17 days old, leaving my mother with four sons and very little social support. When my father died, my mother started praying, "Lord, if I must lose Irvine, please raise up my four sons to take his place in the ministry." She prayed this prayer daily for almost 33 years until she finally saw me

ordained in 1972. Significantly, all four sons spent most of their adult lives as ministers of the gospel. I knew nothing of this prayer until the day I was ordained in Renfrew, Ontario.

All of my brothers are still active in ministry, although one now has Parkinson's disease, and is not as active as before. In early November I reached the esteemed age of 80, and at that point all four of us found ourselves in the 80's. That won't last for long, because my oldest brother will be 90 in December, and we will have to wait another ten years before we all find ourselves in the same decade for a few weeks.

I spent most of my ministry in southern Ontario, in Renfrew, Sarnia, Brockville, and Hamilton.

Do you remember how you came to Christ?

I was raised in a Christian home, and don't really know at what point I decided for Christ, but I do know that I was baptized at the age of seven in Penticton Baptist Church, the church I was raised in. And if anyone thinks that was too young an age I will be glad to discuss it with them. I do know that in my late teens, when I was very tempted to leave the church, the recollection of my baptismal vows led me back to the church. *That's interesting. I wonder if anyone will ask you?*

How did you meet Jean?

Jean and I met at BLTS, our denominational school for lay workers, (often known as the Baptist Matrimonial School) and started our relationship while we were there. We were married here in FBC in 1967 as our Centennial Project.

We have two wonderful children, Jennifer and Janice. Jennifer lives in Ottawa with her husband Col Walter Norquay, and their two teenagers Kaitlyn and Logan. Janice lives in Calgary and is employed by ATCO.

How then did you come to Regina?

When it came time to retire in 2004 Jean's mother, Marg Dixon, a long time member of this church, asked us to come back to Regina. She was a widow, and needed help looking after the house. We came to Regina to help out with her retirement. When we came to Regina we were looking for a church home, and joined mom at First Baptist. I very soon discovered that the style and theology of FBC were what I wanted and needed, and fit in very closely with the way I had conducted worship for over 30 years, so I soon found myself very much at home here. I discovered that this church was a very warm, welcoming place to belong, and felt well accepted and loved by the congregation.

One year when Jean and I were in Ottawa for Christmas we seriously considered moving to Victoria for the remaining years of our retirement. But when we returned to Regina we walked into FBC. Jean came through the front door and immediately said, "I am home." I entered the choir loft and my first thought was, "This is where I belong." We have never seriously considered any other place. We have come to love Regina, and to love even more this church.

I believe that you then served as a pastor here.

Yes. Although I came here to retire, within a year I found myself serving part time on the staff of FBC, responsible for seniors' ministry. It was at that time I came to fully appreciate the support of this church.

In 2012 I came down with septic shock while I was in Ottawa. Jean twice heard the hospital staff say, "We're losing him." They didn't lose me, but I felt the outpouring of love and concern from this people, and I constantly thank God for the support Jean and I felt at that time. Now, with Jean having dementia and forgetting many things, we still know that the people and staff of First Baptist are supporting us all the way. And again, I thank God.

As I look back over my life, so much appreciation must be extended to my mother, who up to her death was constantly in prayer of support for her four sons and their ministry, and the man who became my step-father, a man of God who challenged and guided me throughout a rather rebellious youth. God puts the right people in the right place at the right time.

Jean and I are both thankful that God provided this church to fill our needs in retirement

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Life Together

Sunday	9:30 am 11:00 am	Learning for Life Worship Service
Monday	7:15 am	Morning Prayers
Tuesday	7:15 am 5:00 pm 6:00 pm	Morning Prayers TNT JuBELLation
Wednesday	7:15 am 8:00 am 12:15 pm	Morning Prayers Prayer Breakfast Noon Prayers
Thursday	7:15 am 7:00 pm	Morning Prayers Choir
Friday	7:00 pm	Youth Event
Saturday	9:00 am	Tai Chi

Month at a Glance

- Sunday, Dec. 1 Christmas together & Tiffany and Rob's wedding
- Wednesday, Dec. 4 Achievers' Bible Study 10-11 a.m.
- Monday, Dec. 9 Men's Christmas Dinner 6:30 p.m. Derrick's home, 3138 Hill Ave.
- Wednesday, Dec. 11 VOICE 7-9 p.m.
- Sunday, Dec. 15 Christmas Glory Concert- 7:00 p.m.
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- Tuesday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion Service at 6 p.m.

[One of the most beautiful and meaningful services of the year. Scripture lessons and carols celebrating the Incarnation].