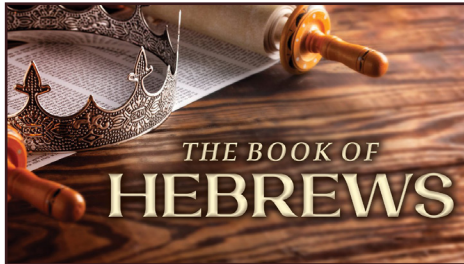


**Welcome to**  
**First Baptist Church**  
**Sunday, April 7, 2024**



**10:30 AM SERVICE**

Message: Jesus Crowned with Glory & Honor  
Hebrews 2:5-9  
Pastor Tim Knaus  
Communion

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**5:00 PM SERVICE**

Ministry Presentation  
Craig & Shelly Schafer  
Churchwide Fellowship After the Service  
in the Gym (See Article for what to bring)

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## *Today's Events*

**6:45-8pm • Sr. High Bible Study**  
(Youth Room)

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## *This Week's Events*

### MONDAY

10:00am

6:30pm

**Shuffleboard** (Gym)

**Men's Basketball** (Gym)

### TUESDAY

6:00pm

**Pickleball** (Gym)

### WEDNESDAY

6:30pm

**AWANA**

**24/7 Jr. High** (Youth Room)

**Bible Study Groups** (Lower Level-Adult Wing)

**Women's Bible Study**

(Sheri Lounds' home)

**Prayer Meeting** (Office Level-Classroom #1)

### THURSDAY

6:30pm

**Missions Committee Meeting**

(Office Level-Conference Room)

### FRIDAY

6:00pm

**Pickleball** (Gym)

### SATURDAY

7:00am

**Coffee Conversations for Men**

(Gym)

## Coming Events

- Sun., Apr. 14**
- **Sunday School--9:15am**  
(Jr. High through Adults will meet in the Auditorium for a ministry presentation from Chad & Leanna Wiebe our supported missionaries)
  - **AM Service, Missionary Speaker, Chad Wiebe--10:30am**
  - **Missions Committee Meeting--12:00pm**  
(Office Level-Conference Room)
  - **Couples Bible Study--4:00pm**  
(Office Level-Classroom #2)
  - **Sr. High Bible Study--6-8:00pm**  
(Youth Room)
- Mon., Apr. 15**
- **Men's Bible Study--7:00pm**  
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- Tues., Apr. 16**
- **Pickleball--6:00pm**  
(Gym)
- Thurs., Apr. 18**
- **Deacons Meeting--6:00pm**  
(Lower Level-Classroom #8)
- Fri., Apr. 19**
- **Pickleball--6:00pm**  
(Gym)
- Sun., Apr. 21**
- **AM Service--10:30am**
  - **Mens Bible Study--4:00pm**  
(Conquest Fitness, 13575 Airport Rd., Lansing)
  - **Sr. High Bible Study--6-8:00pm**  
(Youth Room)
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### Ministry Presentation Craig & Shelly Schafer Tonight

Our missionaries, Craig and Shelly Schafer will share their ministry presentation with our church family tonight! The evening service begins at 5 pm, and there will be a fellowship meal afterwards in our church gym.



## THANK YOU FOR VISITING TODAY

*We invite all our visitors, to fill out the visitor slip located in the pocket on our chairs. You may place it in the offering. You can also use the QR code to fill out a visitor card on our website.*

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### **April Sunday Evening Fellowship Tonight**

#### **After the PM Service**

**Our April Sunday Evening Fellowship menu: Your family's favorite pasta casserole; bring hot in a crock pot or 9x13 casserole, fruit or veggie tray and dessert.**

It's important that we all sign up for items needed for the meal. Sign up on the Church Center app, our website: [stjohnsfbc.com](http://stjohnsfbc.com), or on the signup sheet at the Information Area.

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### **Coffee Conversations for Men**

**Saturday, April 13th, at 7-8:30am**

Any men and their sons, who can sit for an hour to discuss, are welcome to join us! We'll fellowship and study God's word together.

Sign up in the church center app, at the information center or by clicking the link below:

<https://stjohnsfbc.churchcenter.com/people/forms/623116>

### **April Birthdays**

The April Birthday list is available at the Information Area.

**Missionary Presentation**  
**Chad and Leanna Wiebe**  
**Next Sunday, April 14th**

On Sunday morning, April 14th, our supported missionaries, Chad and Leanna Wiebe, will share their ministry with us during the Sunday school hour in the auditorium. All adults, including the junior and senior high youth, will meet in the auditorium for the presentation. Chad will preach in the morning service.

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**Small Group-Families Affected by Disabilities**

Just a reminder that we have a small group called FAD-Families Affected by Disabilities. FAD will offer a "place of knowing" where parents who have special needs children, of any age, can gather together to give each other support, care, direction, encouragement and to provide a safe place to speak what others may never understand or comprehend. This is not intended to take the place of your regular small group and therefore, will only meet on the second Sunday of every month in the Lower Level-Classroom #13.

The next time together will be Sunday, April 14th. If you have any questions, please contact Mike or Tammy Underwood at 517-575-8390.

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**Quarterly Business Meeting**  
**Wednesday, April 17, 6:30pm**  
**Office Level-Classroom #1**

**Agenda**

Review of the Church Budget for the First Quarter of 2024

**Missionary of the Month**  
**Josh & Beth Paulick**  
**(ABWE)**

1. Our team is going through a revision of its philosophy of ministry, pray that it would bring about healthy changes.
  2. We experienced significant burn out in our first term, pray for healing and wisdom in finding ways to move forward without repeating this burn out.
  3. That Josh and Beth would be faithful in bringing their children up in the Lord despite the business and pressures of ministry.
  4. That the remainder of our financial support would come in.
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**First Baptist Men's Golf League**

It's time to start thinking about - Golf!! Jeff Burnham needs to know if you are interested in playing or being a sub. They play on Monday evenings starting at 4:00PM at the Emerald Golf Club (starting first Monday in May- 6th). The league is a "competitively fun league" - as all players are scored according to their own handicap. First-time players are encouraged to sign up. The league will play 16 weeks of golf (ending August 26th). Cost for the league is \$440/person for green fees & cart and \$10 for scoring fees. If you do not have a team - still let Jeff know as we have singles every year and we will find them a team. Have a brother or friend that likes to golf? Invite them to join the league. This is a great way to have fun improving your golf skills with fellow believers.

To sign up or for more information - contact Jeff Burnham 517-290-1893 / msuguy0082@yahoo.com by Sunday, April 14th.

Also- The Emerald's phone # is 989-224-6287 - You can let them know you are interested in the Monday First Baptist League and can pay before league starts.

## Beacon of Hope

Beacon of Hope can use plastic grocery bags and dozen-count egg cartons.

We are also in need of playroom volunteers for Tuesday evenings.

## Friends of Beacon

**This week's wishlist: Ketchup!  
Any size, any brand! Thank you!!**



**\$1.99** each  
Kroger® Original Tomato Ketchup  
Size 24 oz

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**Mighty O.A.K.S. Potluck  
Tuesday, April 9th, 2024  
April Trip**

**9:00am meet in the church  
South entrance parking lot**



Please join us for a tour of Mission Cry/Christian Resources International. We will see firsthand the collection of Bibles, commentaries and Christian books that are gathered, how they are packaged and the process of shipping them around the world.

From their website, <https://missioncry.com/about-new/> :

Empowering native missionaries and making disciples since 1956. We have done this by asking people to share their bookshelves that are filled with Bibles and Christian books. Once we have received those materials, we send them around the world, therefore sowing God's Word into the lives of those who cannot afford it. Mission Cry is equipping orphans, evangelists, pastors, and missionaries for the works of service all the while setting up distribution centers, lending libraries, Bible College libraries, and holding crusades. Mission Cry has distribution points around the world.

Following the tour, we will head to Webberville for lunch at Noah's Nook, <https://www.noahnook.com/>, and return to the church after lunch. A driving route has been planned to avoid current construction on US127 and I-96!

## Lost & Found Closet/Dishes in the Kitchen

Are you missing a Bible, glasses, coffee carafe, coat, or clothing? Please check out our Lost & Found Closet located across from the Information Area. Any items not claimed by the end of April, will be removed from the closet.

Please check the kitchen. There are quite a few dishes in the Kitchen that have not been picked up from funeral dinners, fellowships, etc. Any dishes not claimed by the end of April will be removed.

## *The Pastors' Book of the Month* *Recommendation*

Ask Pastor John: 750 Bible Answers to Life's Most Important Questions, Organized by Tony Reinke (Crossway)

John Piper's Answers to Hundreds of Questions about Ethics, Theology, the Bible, and More. Navigating the Christian life in a secular world will inevitably stir questions in the lives of thoughtful believers. Motivated by the need for sound biblical advice, **Ask Pastor John** was created, a podcast featuring pastor-theologian and bestselling author John Piper's answers to audience-proposed questions about life's toughest topics. Podcast episodes have been played over 230 million times and have become a staple in the lives of Christians around the world.

In this unique book, **Ask Pastor John** host Tony Reinke summarizes and organizes ten years of their most insightful and popular episodes into accessible, thematic sections. Readers will be able to quickly and systematically access Piper's insights on hundreds of topics including Bible reading, dating, social media, mental health, and more. We discover afresh how asking good questions strengthens faith and grows our understanding of God's word.

**This book is now available in our church library!**



## **Reinforcing Child Check-ins Procedures**

We are revisiting some of the procedures for our check-ins process for our services. We ask that people learn and use the self-check-in process. This can be accomplished at the Check-ins desk on the iPad or on the podium-mounted iPad in the hallway. The Church Center App is a quick and easy way to accomplish this task. Our staff will then be free to help visitors and troubleshoot technical issues.

In addition, we are asking parents or trusted people parents previously selected, check their children out of the system. Only siblings in high school or above may check children out. The check out procedure will also require the use of the tag (label) given when checking in, or the QR code made available through the Church Center App.

Contact the church office if you have any questions.

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## **Busy Hands for Missions**

Ladies, if you thought all we do is tie quilts, we have many other projects and can use your help. If you are handy with a sewing machine, embellishing note cards, or string beads, please consider joining us!

We meet every 2nd Tuesday, at 9:30am in the Lower Level-Classroom #15.

We can always use inexpensive washcloths and combs to put in a cloth bag of bath supplies to give to the children at Youth Haven Ranch. You can place them in the bin that is located in the Lost & Found Closet located across from the Information Area.

## AM Sermon Notes

**Message: Jesus Crowned with Glory and Honor**

**Hebrews 2:5-9**

**Pastor Tim Knaus**

**Communion**

### I. What Is Man?

- A. If you recall, the last time we were in the Book of Hebrews, the writer strongly warned his readers not to drift away from the great salvation provided by Christ.
  
- B. God has a glorious destiny for every person who individually receives Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Matthew 19:28

Revelation 3:21

### II. Jesus Crowned with Glory and Honor

- A. The reason that every child of God has a glorious destiny is because Jesus conquered death for us.
  
- B. Everything in this passage brings us back to the warning in verse 3: “how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation?”

**Here is how you can accept Christ into your life:**

- Admit your need. (*I am a sinner*)
- Be willing to turn from your sins. (*Repent*)
- Believe that Jesus Christ died for you on the cross and rose from the grave. (*Be saved by faith*)
- Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to control your life through the Holy Spirit. (*Receive him as Lord and Savior*)

**We suggest a prayer like this one:**

“Dear God, I know I’m a sinner, and I ask for your forgiveness. I believe Jesus Christ is Your Son. I believe that He died for my sin and that you raised Him to life. I want to trust Him as my Savior and follow Him as Lord, from this day forward. Guide my life and help me to do your will. I pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.”

(From the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association)

**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

**YEAR TO DATE**

BUDGET: \$349,935.54

**ACTUAL YTD**

TOTAL INCOME: \$319,435.98

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$301,532.24

Income Minus Expenses: \$17,903.74

- **Childcare for ages 0-3yrs. old and Children’s Church for 4-8 yrs. old is available in the Children’s Wing during the 10:30am service.**
- **Drinks with lids are allowed in the Auditorium**
- **Hearing devices are available at the sound desk**

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Tuesday - Friday 8-12 & 1-4

## **Guest WIFI**

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