

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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Pastor Jim Mead

May 17, 2026

Prelude

Song It is the Cry of my Heart

Song Here I am to Worship

Welcome and Opportunities

Song I Shall not be Moved

Worship in Giving **

Scripture: Psalm 1

Message: How Does Worship Begin?

Closing Song: Family of God

Postlude

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PRAYER REMINDERS

Genevieve Ferrari, Judy Paulson, Lynn Conklin, Virginia Carlson, Matthew Bergman, Dave Mead, Paul Clark, Jim Bricker, Gary Pruisman, Violet O’Neal, Chris Bauer, Penny Woodard, Karen Richey, Doran Erickson, Lydia Dozier, Chad Mohr, Sue Bergman, Morgan Jensen

Holding the Rope for: Cory and Brook Jackson
Converge
Thailand

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Broadcast of our worship service on Cable Channel 14
MAY 31	10:34 a.m.	Senior Recognition Sunday
JUNE 8	1:00 p.m.	Ladies’ Fellowship
JUNE 14	2:00 p.m.	Justified Quartet
JUNE 22 – 26	10:30 a.m.	CEF
JUNE 26		Iowa Cubs baseball
JULY 9 – 10		Sewing Bee

**Online giving available on our website and Facebook Page.

On June 14, we will be hosting the Justified Quartet. Last year their song, “The Good, Bad and the Ugly” reached #3 on the Southern Gospel charts, and their current single, “The Way that He found it” reached #1 in September! We look forward to hosting them!

What does it look like for our daily lives to revolve around Christ? That does not mean that we look for Mary in our toast, or images of Jesus in the water stains on the sidewalk; it means that everything we do, every day of our lives is filtered through this lens: does this reflect Jesus to others. That begins as we put His church in the center of our everyday lives.

On Sunday, May 31, we want to, as a church, congratulate Delaney Paulson and Brogan Bauer.

How Does Worship Begin

Scripture: Psalm 1

Proposition: True worship begins as we delight in His word...

I. True Worship leads to Security in life.

II. True Worship allows for Identification in life.

III. True Worship results in Guidance in life.

HE WILL BE LIKE A TREE FIRMLY PLANTED BY
STREAMS OF WATER, WHICH YIELDS ITS FRUIT IN
ITS SEASON AND ITS LEAF DOES NOT WITHER;
AND IN WHATEVER HE DOES, HE PROSPERS.

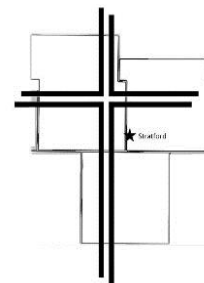
PSALM 1:3



*"...He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water,
that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also
shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper...."*

Psalm 1:3

How Does Worship Begin?



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