

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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February 5, 2023

Prelude

Song Since Jesus Came into My Heart

Song I've Got Peace Like a River

Song He Has Made me Glad

Welcome and Opportunities

Worship in Giving **

Scripture: Romans 16:1, 2

Sermon Offended: By the Church

Communion ***

Closing Song: Something Beautiful

Postlude

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PRAYER REMINDERS

Genevieve Ferrari, Mike Lundberg, Laverne Weilbrenner, Carroll Paulson, Madelyn Mead, Priscilla Davis, Lynn Conklin, Greg Carlson, Davis triplets, Scott Landreth, Sharon Peterson, Janet StorJohann, Craig Sorley, Abby Payne, Elaine Ubben, Matthew Bergman, Stratford Care Center.

Holding the Rope for: Jami Strandberg
Converge
Mexico

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Broadcast of our worship service on Cable Channel 14
FEBRUARY 8	3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Care Center Church Service CIA and 631
FEBRUARY 9	12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	"Living out your faith" webinar Bible Study
FEBRUARY 13	2:00 p.m.	Hymn sing at Athens Woods

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

*** Communion cups are available on the Welcome Center

631 T-Shirts are available from Design to Print Solutions. The concept for the shirt was presented by Brogan Bauer. Shirts are available in all sizes; they will be used as a fundraiser for future youth events. The link to the store is available on our website, as well as on our church Facebook page.

Sharon Peterson and family would like to extend the church an invitation to her 80th birthday party, February 18, 2 – 4 p.m. at the church

In his book, "**Surprising Insights from the Formerly Unreached...**" Thom Rainer gives these surprising statistics: When asked what factors led you to choose your current church, only 11% stated that the worship or music style was a deciding factor and only 25% responded that the choice was because they had a family member that attended the church; but, 90% indicated that they were led to the church because of the preaching. 88% responded that the doctrines were very important and 49% answered that the friendliness of the church members was the deciding factor. One of his conclusions is: "it would seem unwise to devise a church strategy to reach the unchurched based on one factor alone..."

Offended: By the Church

Scripture: Romans 16

Proposition: Remove any offense in the church.

I. Friendship was Unhindered

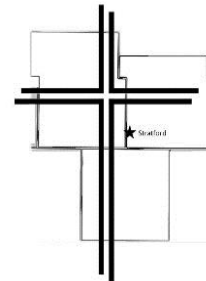
II. Fellowship was Uncompromised

III. Faithfulness was Unshakable



“...Greet one another with a holy kiss; the churches of Christ greet you...”
Romans 16:16

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