

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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Pastor Jim Mead

August 2, 2026

Prelude
Song Take My Life and Let it Be
Song Be Glorified
Welcome and Opportunities
Song My Chains are Gone
Worship in Giving **
Scripture: Philemon
Message: What makes a ministry effective?
Communion***
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, Gary Pruisman, Violet O’Neal, Chris Bauer, Karen Richey, Doran Erickson, Lydia Dozier, Chad Mohr, Sue Bergman, Doug Miller, Dodie Flockhart, Morgan Jensen

Holding the Rope for: Jamie Strandberg
Converge
Mexico

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Broadcast of our worship service on Cable Channel 14
AUGUST 10	1:00 p.m.	Ladies’ Fellowship
SEPTEMBER 27		Hymn Stories
OCTOBER 7	6:00 p.m.	CIA/WL4G
DECEMBER 20	10:00 a.m.	Family Christmas

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

***Communion cups are available on the Welcome Center

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.

“When the Method of Worship becomes more important than the Person of Worship, we have already Prostituted our Worship...” – Judson Cornwall

“If you’ve ever said, ‘I didn’t get anything out of worship today,’ you worshiped for the wrong reason. Worship isn’t for you, it’s for God.” – Rick Warren

What makes a ministry effective

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Proposition: Allow the Gospel to transform you...

I. Focus on God's working, not our differences

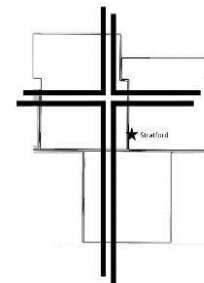
II. Reflect Christ's heart, not man's mind

III. Reflect Christ's heart, not man's mind



"...I appeal to you for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten while in my chains, who once was unprofitable to you, but now is profitable to you and to me..."
Philemon 1:10, 11

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