

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

We exist to glorify God through seeking the lost, building up believers,  
and equipping workers to serve God.

"Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen."  
(Ephesians 3:20-21)

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2025**

## **WELCOME**

Announcements (screen)

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Advent Candle: Joy  
Dane & Maci Arends

## **WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISE**

Invocation

#292 "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" (v. 1, 3, 5)  
#277 "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

## **WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING**

Special Music- Obadiah Sternke  
Dismissal for Children's Church (Age 3-1<sup>st</sup> Grade)  
Pastoral Prayer  
Offering- (Doxology)

## **WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD**

Scripture: Genesis 28:10-15  
Message: The Giver of Gifts (Pastor Jesse Sternke)

## **WORSHIP THROUGH COMMITMENT**

#196 "O Come, Let Us Adore Him" (v. 3)

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## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY - 9:00 am- Sunday School  
Program Practice Dress Rehearsal (Adult SS in Fellowship Hall)  
10:00 am- Morning Worship  
4:00 pm- Caroling

WEDNESDAY- 6:30 pm- Awana  
6:30 pm- Youth Party  
7:00 pm- Visitation

THURSDAY- 6:30 pm- Ellsworth Small Group

NEXT SUNDAY- MISSION SUNDAY  
9:00 am- Sunday School  
Program Practice Dress Rehearsal (Adult SS in Fellowship Hall)  
10:00 am- Morning Worship (Christmas Program)  
11:00 am- Mission Board Meeting  
4:00-7:00 pm- Parsonage Open House

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12-7-25	Sunday School	Morning Worship	Evening Worship
WE CAME	63	98	130
WE GAVE	\$167.00	\$2,561.00	

Morning Organist/Pianist: Ronda Arends  
Greeters: Bryan & Rachel Kramer  
Greeters Next Sunday: Darren & Julie Kramer  
Nursery: Gerri Spangler  
Children's Church: Sarah Gruis

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The GLR Bread of Life and Food Pantry in George served 60 families at the giveaway on November 19. Among those families, there were 116 adults and 66 children that needs are being met locally! This is the largest month thus far! We are asking for donations of poparts, diapers, and wipes for the month of December. Please have it in the office by December 14.

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Please continue praying for the Ellsworth Small Group outreach. The need is great in this area for people to hear the Gospel. We are trying to reach those who don't go to church and share the truth with them. Be in prayer for the group that is meeting on Thursdays @ 6:30p in the community room in Ellsworth.

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Annual Reports are due to Crystal deBoer via email by Sunday, January 4.

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The Sunday School Christmas Program will be Sunday, December 21, at 10:00 am.

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We will be going Caroling today at 4pm with pizza and snacks to follow. Bring a plate of snacks! Meet at the church and we will disperse from there.

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Pastor Jesse & family would like to invite the church to the parsonage to celebrate Christmas together on Sunday, December 21, from 4:00-7:00pm. There'll be music, soup, and Christmas cookies! Feel free to stop by at any time and leave when you'd like. We hope to see you there!

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This Christmas Eve, we will celebrate the birth of our Savior with a candlelight service. Join us as we sing carols, light the Christ candle, and remind ourselves that God demonstrated His love for us by coming into the world so long ago. Service is at 6p. We hope to see you here!

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Join us on New Year's Eve for a service to ring in the New Year. We will meet at 7p for a time of prayer and worship as we seek God's direction from the coming year. Then we will have a time of food, fellowship, and fun (from 8-10p) and we will watch a movie to bring us to midnight! Don't worry, if you get too tired, you can head out whenever you'd like 😊 Bring goodies and a game and we look forward to spending time together!

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Bethel Reformed Church of Little Rock will host a Christmas Cantata tonight at 7:00 pm with refreshments to follow! All are welcome to come to hear and celebrate with us how Good News from Heaven is Good News from Home this Christmas Season!

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Newsletter items for January are due December 21.