

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Christmas Card Exchange:** The exchange will last until December 23<sup>rd</sup>. There is a basket available for Diamond Care/Grandview Assisted Living residents that we will deliver. Use your Senior Adult Address sheet and Military address sheet for MAILING these cards. NOTE: Jim Janssen is living at Firesteel Healthcare, 1120 East 7th Ave, Mitchell, SD 57301 and LeRoy Ibis address is Teri Monteferrante, 111 E Pine Meadow Crt, Andover, KS 67002.

**Church Directory Update:** *Deadline for pictures and updates is TODAY.* If you currently are not listed or have any questions, please contact the church office or Deb Heitzman. Thank you for helping keep our directory current!

**Candlelight Service:** Join us for a special Candlelight Service **TONIGHT at 6pm**. Everyone is welcome—please invite friends and family to share in this beautiful evening.

**December 28<sup>th</sup> bulletin updates and changes** need to be to the church office by **Tuesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> by 8:30am**.

“The Greatest Gift Ever” will be presented on Christmas Eve at 6pm, featuring children from age 2 through 8th grade. Join us as we celebrate the true reason we have hope and joy at Christmas.

**January/February calendar dates** need to be submitted to the church office no later than Tuesday, **December 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Thank you!

There will be a **Special Business Meeting** following worship on December 28<sup>th</sup> to present the 2026 ballot.

A **Membership Class** will begin in January. Participation in the class does not require commitment to membership; however, information regarding what membership means will be provided. Those who are interested are encouraged to contact **PR John** for further details.

**Thank you** for praying for Greg, Vanessa, and Elliana Buzey. Elliana was able to come home from the hospital last Thursday. They are all doing well. We are thankful and praise the Lord. Cordell and Sheryl Hofer

If you have an extra copy of the **King's Daughters cookbook** available for purchase, please reach out to Lisa Roskens.

The CE Board is looking for volunteers to be on the **2026 VBS committee**. If you would like to serve on this committee, please let Lisa Roskens or Brenda Stahl know.

**The Church Board is looking for volunteers!** The **Military Committee** is responsible for maintaining communication, recognition, and support for our servicemen and women. This role helps ensure that each member of the military community feels remembered, appreciated, and connected to home. *To see the duties see the Military Table or to volunteer, contact Scott Werning.*

The **Youth Pastor Search Team** asks our church to pray as we search for someone to become part of our community and our lives, that we will be people willing to invest in their life as well.

**Prayer Chain:** To include a request in the bi-monthly Petitions & Praise sheet or in the bulletin, contact Deb Heitzman (text or call (605) 770-9382 or email [dmaph53@hotmail.com](mailto:dmaph53@hotmail.com) or text or call Susan Olthoff (605) 630-9521. To join or leave the prayer chain, please contact Deb.

**Prayer Requests-****Health & Recovery:**

Larry Bahmuller    Joan Johnson-Rehab  
Nancy Roskens – Ongoing recovery  
Brad Wollman    LouEtta Decker

**Special Concerns:**

Henry Olinger

Please be in prayer for Ray Schultz's family as he passed away this week.

**We would love to hear from you!**

The section along the right edge of this bulletin is a place for you to share information with the Church Office. If you are a first-time visitor or have recently started attending, please fill out the form so we can connect with you. Place this form in the offering plate or give to our Pastor as you leave. Our contact information is on the back—feel free to keep it handy by placing it on your fridge or in your Bible.

**Mission of the Month:** Rainbow Bible Ranch

**Church Ministry:** Pray for the team to have no timetable but God's. They must be determined to find God's perfect Will in God's perfect time.



**Feel free to drop it in the offering plate or hand it to the pastor.**

**Welcome to First Baptist Church**

**Glorifying God by Making Disciples**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Request for Deacons:

Prayer Request for Prayer Chain:

Please contact me:

I am a first-time visitor:

Other needs or concerns: \_\_\_\_\_



### Our Pastor

John Gilliland – Senior Pastor

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#### Availability:

Monday–Thursday | 9AM – 2PM

Available other times by appointment

### First Baptist Church

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Emery, SD 57332

Email: [fbcemery@triotel.net](mailto:fbcemery@triotel.net)

Office: (605) 449-4216

#### Website:

[www.fbcemery.org](http://www.fbcemery.org)

Some services and activities  
are live streamed.

### Sunday School Program

9:30 AM – 10:20 AM

For ages 2 years through Adult

Join us each week as we study  
God's Word together!

#### Adult Classes:

D6 – Fellowship Hall & Chapel

1 & 2 Kings, Isaiah, Jonah

Scripture Press – Faith Center

1, 2 Samuel

### This Week

#### Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup>

9:30am Sunday School for all ages  
10:30am Worship  
6:00pm Candlelight Service  
Directory Photos Due

#### Tuesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

8:30am Bulletin Updates Due

#### Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

6:00pm Christmas Eve Program

#### Thursday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

Our Savior's Birth

### Future Events

December 28 – Sunday Services  
Special Business Meeting  
(11:30am)  
December 31 – Jan. 4 - Bulletin Changes  
Due (8:30am)  
No Activities  
New Years Eve



Candlelight Service TONIGHT 6pm



Updates/changes for the church bulletin need to be submitted  
to the office by Thursday 8:30am each week.

### In Service This Week 12/21

#### Library:

Piano: Diana Buseman

Children's Church: Kristy Hofer/Ashley  
Werning

Coffee Clean Up: Janet Becker

SS Nursery: Scott/Amanda Stahl

WS Nursery: Cody/Emily Stahl

Greeters: Jason/Jennifer Hofer

### In Service Next Week 12/28

#### Library:

Piano: Elizabeth Perry

Children's Church: Dodi Bailey/Emily  
Hohn

Coffee Clean Up: Tracy Gilliland

SS Nursery: Seth/Jaci Potter

WS Nursery: Zach/Rachel Potter

Greeters: Jerry/Wanda Roskens

#### Opportunities for Service

-Youth Wednesday Meals

link:

<https://takethemameal.com/QSWK3805>

Military Committee:

Contact Scott Werning

VBS Committee Contact  
Lisa Roskens or Brenda Stahl

#### Attendance 12/14

Worship ..... 182

Sunday School ..... 102

Wednesday Night...

#### Offering 12/14

General ..... \$12,769.00

#### Designated 12/14

Local ..... \$20,000.00

Missions ..... \$550.00

Praise Team Monitor \$200.00

Baby Jesus Offering..\$1344.00

## Welcome to

# First Baptist Church

Glorifying God by Making Disciples

**December 21, 2025**

### Call to Worship

John 1:29-34

### Worship in Song

Angels, from the Realms of Glory #259  
It Came upon a the Midnight Clear #251  
Angels We Have Heard on High #278

### Worship through Giving

Special Music: Kathy Liesinger

### Advent Reading

Hunter & Jilianne Sperling Family

### Worship in Prayer

Children's Church 3yrs-5yrs

### Worship in the Word

"The Baby is The King"

### Worship in Song

Love Has Come! #256

### Benediction

