### First of All

Thank you for choosing to worship with us at First Church.

Let's worship the Lord together with...

**Worship** "Raise a Hallelujah"

First Family Fellowship

**Worship** "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

"King of My Heart"

"What a Beautiful Name"

"Lord, I Need You"

**Prayer** "He's All I Need"

Offering "Chain Breaker" by Rita Powell

Message "Pulling the Plug"

**Closing** "Raise a Hallelujah"

# First Step

The most important thing that can happen to you is asking Jesus into your heart. It's as simple as ABC...

## Admit that you have sinned

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Romans 3:23

## Believe that Jesus died for you

"God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

### Confess that Jesus is Lord of your life

"If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord', and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. It is with your heart that you believe and are justified and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved."

Romans 10:9-10

If you followed these steps and asked Jesus into your heart, please let Pastor Bobby know.

# First News

### Wednesday Ladies' Bible Study

A new study by Anne Graham Lotz on Ezra, Haggai, Esther and Nehemiah will begin this Wed., Feb. 19, at 6:30 PM in room 2. Get a free copy of the lessons from Monica or in the church office.

### **Alabaster Offering**

The semi-annual offering for mission buildings will be received next Sunday, Feb. 23. Bring your Alabaster box, a check or cash. Get another box to save your change in for the next offering in September.

## SoAR District "Gathering of the Girls"

Only two weeks left to register for the 2020 retreat at NLR Friendly Chapel on Sat., March 7. The speaker is Mrs. Diane Estep from the Kansas City District. Breakfast is from 9:00 - 9:45 and the retreat from 10:00 - 2:00. The cost (includes breakfast & lunch) is \$25. All payments are due Feb. 29. Sign up in the foyer; make checks payable to SoAR SDMI. An optional bonus night dinner (your expense) will be held Friday, March 6, at 6:00 PM at Panda Garden in Shackleford Crossing.

### Teen Luncheon

Mark your calendars for next Sunday, Feb. 23, and plan to stay for lunch. The menu will be tacos, beans, rice and desserts. The cost: your donation to our teens. All who attend will have their name put in a drawing. The winner gets help from the teens for a day to do your job list.

### Teen Rummage Sale

The teens will have a sale on March 27. Bring items to the church that you have to donate for the sale or contact David Powell to have them picked up.

## First Serve

<u>Helpers Today</u>: <u>Next Sunday, February 23</u>

Greeters: Randy Foshee

Babies: Caitlyn Watson

Toddlers: Anna Ross, Hannah Brown

Debby Hunsaker

Mary Cait Poole

First Fruits					
<u>February Giving</u>	<u>Needed</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Balance</u>		
Tithes/Offerings	\$38,183	\$11,492	\$26,691		
Faith Promise - Missions	\$ 5,173	\$ 1,035	\$4,138		

# First Impression

We welcome you to First Church! Here are a few things that we would like you to know about our Church...

#### Denomination

The Church of the Nazarene is a holiness church that shares roots with the Methodist Church. With over 2.2 million members worshiping in over 29,000 congregations in 159 world areas, we are a part of something much bigger than ourselves.

### Worship

It has been said that, "Worship changes the worshiper into the image of the One worshiped." To achieve that transformation, First Church is willing to use everything from drums to organs and everything in between.

### Youth and Children

"It's a race to the heart of a child and the first one there wins." First Church is trying to outrun world influences with various programs to "train a child up in the way they should go."

### Adults

We are big enough to serve you and small enough to know you! Whether you are single or married, working or retired there is something for you at First Church.

#### Missions

We believe that the mission of the church is Missions. First Church is a going, sending, praying and paying church so that the whole world may hear the Good News of Jesus Christ!

## Community

First Church cares for our neighbors. We want "our light to shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

### First Word

February 16, 2020



"Pulling the Plug"

Matthew 11:28-30

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# First Glance

**Sunday, Feb. 16:** 8:30 a.m. - Prayer Gathering (Chapel)

9:00 a.m. - Sunday School

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service / Children's Missions

**Mon., Feb. 17:** 7:00 p.m. - Bereaved Parents Meeting (Hermon Hall)

**Wed., Feb. 19:** 6:00 p.m. - Prayer Gathering - Chapel

6:30 p.m. - Adult Bible Study (Chapel) 6:30 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery Classes

6:30 p.m. - Ladies' Bible Study (Begin study of Ezra) 6:30 p.m. - Nursery Care, Children's & Teen Activities

7:35 p.m. - Praise Team Rehearsal

**Sunday, Feb. 23:** 8:30 a.m. - Prayer Gathering (Chapel)

9:00 a.m. - Sunday School

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service / Children's Church

11:30 a.m. - Teen Luncheon

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