## First of All

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

Let's worship the Lord together with...

Worship "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

First Family Fellowship

Worship "We Will Glorify"

"The Heart of Worship"

"He Knows My Name"

**Prayer** "Surely the Presence of the Lord"

Offering "In the Eye of the Storm" by Allison Monroe

**Message** "Choose Words Wisely" - Rev. Rita Powell

Closing "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

# 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 Five

#### 1 World Mission Broadcast

So far, \$90 has been given. You can give to this offering at any time. Mark WMB on your check or offering envelope. For an average of just \$4/minute, Nazarene programs are produced and broadcast on television, radio, and internet reaching people worldwide, especially in closed & remote areas.

# **2** Ladies' Fall Bible Study

The Wednesday evening ladies' Bible Study group will start a new study on Sept. 4 entitled "God of Covenant" by Jen Wilkin covering Genesis 12-50. Sign up in the foyer or contact Monica J. or Amanda N. Books are \$13.

#### **3** PT Cruisers

Everyone age 55 and over is invited to David's Burgers in Maumelle on Friday, Sept. 6, at 11:30 AM. Invite someone to come with you. Let Clarissa Smith or Susan Ross know how many are coming and if you will need a ride.

# 4 Missionary Speakers, Sept. 8

Kevin & Janet Wilkins serve as Work & Witness Coordinators on the Philippine/ Micronesia Field. They are so excited to share with us some of the many ways God is working, especially with children, who are the heart of the church.

# 5 New Sunday School Studies

This Fall, the Komjoynus, Lamplighters' and Thinking Like Jesus Classes will study "Experiencing Power: Stories from the Early Church" (Sept.-Nov.) On Sept. 22, the Well Class will begin a study by Louie Giglio entitled "Goliath Must Fall." You are encouraged to attend one of these classes.

# First Serve

<u>Helpers Today:</u>

Greeters: Randy Foshee, Stuart Scheiderer

Josh & Stephanie Allen, Sue Daniel

Babies: Marsha Trammell Mary Alice Spann

Toddlers: Kelly O'Dell, Caitlyn Watson Debby Hunsaker, Mary Poole

# First Fruits

<u>August Giving</u>	<u>Needed</u>	<b>Received</b>	<u>Balance</u>
Tithes/Offerings	\$38,183	\$17,292	\$20,891
Faith Promise - Missions	\$ 5,173	\$ 1,371	\$ 3,802

# Mission: POSSIBLE (Debt Elimination)

 Total Pledged
 Received
 Balance

 \$61,519
 \$37,471
 \$24,048

# 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 hetween.

#### 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

August 18, 2019

# "Choose Words Wisely"

James 3

(Rev. Rita Powell)

# **Eight keys to taming tongues:**

1. Rely on God's strength.

Philippians 4:13

2. Spend time each day in the Bible.

Psalm 119:11 II Timothy 3:16-17

3. Assume responsibility for our own words & actions.

Matthew 12:36

- 4. Ask those around you what you do or don't do. Proverbs 27:6, 17
- 5. Refuse to gossip or slander.

Psalm 15:1-3

6. Ask for forgiveness.

**Ephesians 4:31-32** 

7. Speak encouragement.

Colossians 4:6

8. Dedicate your heart & tongue to the Lord each day! Psalm 19:14 "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer."

# First Glance

Sunday, Aug. 18: 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School

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

**Mon., August 19:** 7:00 p.m. - Bereaved Parents' Meeting

Wed., August 21: 5:30 p.m. - Wednesday Meal

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

6:30 p.m. - Ladies' Bible Study

6:30 p.m. - Nursery Care, Children's & Teen Activities

7:35 p.m. - Praise Team Rehearsal

Sunday, Aug. 25: 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School

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

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