

First of All

Thank you for choosing to worship with us at First Church.  
Let's worship the Lord together with...

Worship	"Build Your Kingdom Here"
First Family Fellowship	
Worship	"Who Can Satisfy My Soul Like You"
	"Unfailing Love"
	"Just as I Am"
Choir	"Clean" - soloist: A. J. Been
Prayer	"Just as I Am"
Offering	"O How He Loves You and Me" by Jim Forrester
Message	"The Pardon of a Father"
Closing	"Thank You, Lord"

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 "Go For the Gold"

On Wednesday evenings, Jan. 31 - Feb. 28, our children are learning how to  
be an Olympian for Jesus - completely committed, focused, coachable, and  
consistently great! Individual and team medals can be earned by coming  
to church, bringing their Bible, bringing friends who haven't been to church  
before, and memorizing scriptures. Let's help our children "Go For the Gold."

2 Ash Wednesday Service - February 14

Join us at 6:30 for our Ash Wednesday service and get a gift. Pray about what  
God wants you to do for Lent. Our Alms Offering focus will also be announced.

3 First Impression Team Luncheon Meeting

We greatly appreciate those who greet each Sunday. If you would like to help  
greet, contact Lynn or Dana Weeks. All team members and those interested  
in being a greeter are invited to a luncheon and training meeting in Hermon  
Hall following the morning service on Sunday, February 18.

4 District Ladies' Retreat

The annual District Ladies' Retreat is Sat., March 3, at Friendly Chapel in NLR.  
A continental breakfast will be served from 9 - 9:45 AM, the program begins  
at 10, lunch is at noon, and the afternoon session ends at 2. Forms are on the  
Welcome Center. The cost is \$20 (includes breakfast & lunch) if registered &  
paid by Feb. 20; \$25 after Feb. 20. All meal reservations are due by Feb. 27.  
Mail form & payment yourself or turn in to the office to send in as a group.

5 Financial Peace Classes

Is it possible to be debt free, have a 3-6 month emergency fund, and save for  
the future? Yes, through Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University classes,  
you CAN take control of your funds. Nine classes will be held from 6-7:30 PM  
on Wednesdays, Feb. 21 - April 18. Sign up in the foyer, see Cindy Terrazas for  
more information, or go to <https://fpu.com/1056246> to register. Order online  
or have Cindy order for you. The cost is \$109 (scholarships available).

First Fruits

Weekly need: \$10,730

Annual Budget: \$557,954

Faith Promise (Missions)

Weekly need: \$1,163.33

Received since 5-1-2017: \$32,180.19

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 4, 2018



### **“The Pardon of a Father”**

Luke 15:20-24

Recognition by the father.

## First Glance

**Sunday, Feb. 4:** 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service / Children’s Church

**Wed., February 7:** 6:30 p.m. - Adult Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. - Nursery Care & Teen Activities  
6:30 p.m. - Children’s “Go For the Gold”  
6:30 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
7:35 p.m. - Praise Team Rehearsal

**Thurs., February 8:** 12:00 p.m. - Ladies’ Prayer  
6:30 p.m. - Church Board Meeting

**Sunday, Feb. 11:** 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service / Family Worship  
5:30 p.m. - Senior Living Center Service

## First Serve

### Nursery Help Today:

Babies: Sharon Vann

Toddlers: Maci Howard, Jennifer Raath

### Next Sunday, February 11

Oza Mae Jones

Tiffany Vano, Kelly Williams

Repentance by the son.

## First Staff

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**Loving God,  
Loving Others,  
Loving Little Rock**



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