

**Second Baptist Church**  
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**Office Hours 8-3, Tuesday - Friday**

## **The Midweek**

### **January 19, 2024**



### **A Word From Pastor Steve**

Winter is upon us, and we find ourselves buried in snow and cold temperatures. This has away of upending many of our scheduled services and programs. It is important that you stay tuned to our Facebook and check your emails where our cancellation announcements are made. We will do our best to keep everyone updated on these changes.

Due to the cold weather last Sunday, it gave us the perfect opportunity to have both in-person worship and for the members and friends who remained at home, to check out our live stream. Mark Pudwill and Brad Pope have worked hard to tweak and improve the streaming quality over the past few months. The church invested over \$10,000 in improving our equipment and technology to make this happen. Most Sundays only average around 23 viewers, but last Sunday it was 49.

I want to encourage you to use our live stream as a tool to invite others to join us at Second Baptist. Many times, people aren't ready to simply show up on a Sunday morning and participate, because they don't know what to expect or what they are getting into. If you invite them to watch our live stream, they can get a taste for Second Baptist, and later may decide to attend.

Let me say, however, that live stream should never be our primary means of worship unless we are physically incapable of attending. In other words, don't make live stream your worship experience unless you absolutely have to. There is something missing when you can not be present in worship with other believers. I compare it to the act of staring at a picture of a Hershey bar as opposed to having a Hershey bar, unwrapping it, and biting off a piece. Being present in worship is tasting the sweet community of fellowship we find in the church.

In Christ,

Pastor Steve

## Upcoming January

### Birthdays

21 - Sue Koenig  
 24 - Patrick Murphy  
 Marleen Peters  
 Barbara Shappell  
 25 - Pamela Brigham  
 26 - JR Copple  
 28 - Ted Hartung  
 Don Schleining



Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held after worship on Sunday, January 28th. Lunch will be served (free will offering). Please plan to attend.

Join us as we discern God's will for our lives and the life of Second Baptist Church at our monthly prayer gathering. We will next meet on Sunday, January 28th at 5:00 p.m. in the church lounge.



### Can you help?



We are composing a complete calling list of those who can provide food for funerals and people who can help set up and serve for funeral lunches. If you are able to help with one or both, please sign up on the board in the narthex.



## **Building Bridges - Weaver Hall Project**

Weaver Hall has remained the hub of summer camp and other events since its arrival at Moses Merrill Camp and Conference Center in 1977. The countless memories made here make this building a true camp treasure. The meals, fellowship and worship shared within these walls continue to be life changing. It is time to give this beautiful building some much needed attention with a renovation.

### The Project:

Dining Room - New lighting, windows, doors, flooring and upgrade coffee station.

Bathrooms - Create new bathrooms

Kitchen - Replace 45 year old sewer lines; new ceiling, lighting, wall coverings and floor; more workspace and counters; upgrade steam table and salad bar; improve storage spaces; upgrade stove and other kitchen equipment; bring kitchen up to meet the health code.

**The ABC-NE Leadership Team has made the Capital Campaign of raising \$450,000 to renovate Weaver Hall a priority for the region.**

If you would like to donate to this much needed project, you can do so online at [campmerrill.com](http://campmerrill.com) or mail a check to:

Moses Merrill Camp and Conference Center  
 2849 Co. Road 31  
 Linwood, NE 68036

## Weekly Schedule

### Sundays

9:00am - Zoom Sunday School  
9:30am - Sunday School  
10:45am - Worship Service  
2:00 pm - Pueblo de Dios  
4:00pm - Prayer Group 2 (1st & 3rd)

### Mondays

6:30am - Men's Prayer Group  
7:00pm - Bible Study at The Bridge  
7:00pm - AA

### Tuesdays

6:00pm - Prayer Group 1  
7:00pm - AA  
7:00pm - Kiwanis

### Wednesdays

10:00am - Bible Study  
6:30pm - Bible Study  
7:15pm - Choir

### Thursdays

7:00pm - Pueblo de Dios

### Saturdays

7:00pm - Pueblo de Dios

## Upcoming Events/Meetings

January 20 - Rescheduled Men's Breakfast, 8:00 a.m.  
January 20 - Rescheduled Planning Meeting, 9:00 a.m.  
January 28 - Annual Meeting, after worship  
January 28 - Prayer Gathering, 5:00 p.m.  
February 4 - Communion  
February 7 - ABW, 1:00 p.m.  
February 10 - Region Leadership Meeting in Omaha

If church services are cancelled due to bad weather, let you know by email you and post it on our Facebook Page. We will also try to get it on KLKN-TV Channel 8 or 10/11. On week-days, if Lincoln Public Schools is closed, all activities and meetings are cancelled for that day, and the church office will be closed.



American Baptist  
**Women's**  
MINISTRIES

ABW will resume their meetings in February. They will meet on Wednesday, February 7, at 1:00 p.m. in the church lounge. Elaine Pope will be hosting, with Bev Ludden assisting. BJ Dappen will have the devotion and Shirley Horstman will facilitate the lesson on *Esther - Seeing God When He is Silent*, covering pages 80-107.



Bill and Laura's Wedding  
September 29, 2024

Second Baptist Friends,

I have so much to thank all of you for this season. The love gift you shared was so generous and kind of you. It was a reminder that in our family's season of loss, the love, prayers and support of Christian friends are God's hands and heart here on earth. The phone calls, cards, emails, texts and personal expression of condolence and memories comforted us throughout this Christmas season. My heart is full at your outpouring of Christian love. Thank you, dear friends. I pray that I will be worthy of this gift all year. Blessings to each of you.

~Kay

## Worship Volunteers

### January 21

Worship Leader - Richard Terrell  
 Scripture Reader - Paul Brigham  
 Ushers - Elaine Pope, Kevin Mangan,  
 Deb Mangan  
 Greeters - Karen Dovel and Martina  
 Dovel

### January 28

Worship Leader - Richard Terrell  
 Scripture Reader - Mike Johnson  
 Ushers - King Little, Kevin James,  
 Nellene Childers  
 Greeters - Shirley Horstman, Carol  
 Nelson, Bev Ludden

### February 4

Worship Leader - Grace Wisthoff  
 Scripture Reader - Kevin James  
 Ushers - Curtis Blunt, Crag Romary,  
 Patrick Murphy  
 Greeters - Glen and BJ Dappen

### February 11

Worship Leader -  
 Scripture Reader - Carol Nelson  
 Ushers - Marsha Robinson, Chelsey  
 Brennfoerder, Bev Ludden  
 Greeters - Curtis and WallisAnn Blunt



You are invited to sign up to provide altar flowers for a worship service in 2024. This is a great way to honor or remember a friend or loved one or to celebrate a birthday or anniversary. Fill out the order form located under the sign up sheet and drop it in the collection plate or give to

Laura Lyons. The cost is \$25.00 or you can bring your own flowers.

## **CHURCH STAFF**

### **Senior Pastor:**

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Kimberly Brick

Our worship services are now streamed live on Sunday mornings. Below is the link that will take you there. This same link will work every Sunday.

<https://www.youtube.com/@secondbaptistchurchlincoln630/streams>

## Prayer Concerns

**General** – Our church (SBC); Persecuted Church around the world; Burma/Myanmar; the people of Ukraine; Victims of natural disasters, the nation of Israel

**Sympathy** - to Weldon Nelson and family on the death of Martha Nelson

**Health/Other Concerns** – Ashton Bean, Samantha Bliss and Jamie Hopp (granddaughters of Mahlon and Judy Dickey), Shaun Blunt (son of Curtis Blunt), Charles and Shannon Burchess (friends of Terry Weber), John Horstman, Mary Kamrath, Sue Koenig, Weldon Nelson, JoAnne Shaw, Marilyn Waldron, Terry Weber

**Homebound** – Gretchen Bridges, Dewey Foster, De Quenzer

**Serving in the Military** – Bronson Dowding and Kirkland Hettich (grandsons of Winnie Dowding), Troy Froistad and Tristan VanZandt (grandsons of Sally VanZandt), Amanda Galusha (granddaughter of Mahlon and Judy Dickey), Grace Kraus (granddaughter of Karen Dovel), Joseph Ritter (son of Crystal Ritter and grandson of Jerry Buss), Madison Schwarzenbach (granddaughter of Ron and Nancy Schwarzenbach), Matthew Morey (grandson of Kathi Friesen)