

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
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*The Lord's Day – March 11, 2018*

8:45 a.m. – Coffee and fellowship time in small gym  
9:30 a.m. – Sunday School & Small Group Studies; classes for all ages

*Theme: Jesus, Our Friend*

*John 15:15 – “Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.”*

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**10:45 a.m.**

*Prelude*  
*Choir Opener:* “A Debtor to Mercy”  
*Hymn:* “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” #2  
*Special Music:* “The Good Shepherd” – Nicole Thorson  
*Welcome & Prayer:* Pastor Grotzke  
*Special Music:* Ladies Trio  
*Hymn:* “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” #161  
*Offertory:* Kathy Wiedell & Judy Witta  
*Choir:* “Sing Out with Splendor”  
*Hymn:* “Thank You, Jesus” #641/Screen  
*Special Music:* Margie Erickson  
*Message:* Pastor Grotzke  
*Closing Prayer:* Dave Simmons

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4:30 p.m. – Choir practice  
5:30 p.m. – Orchestra practice

**EVENING SERVICE – 6:00 p.m.**

*Offertory: Christina McMahan*  
*Special Music: Whitlee Moore, Hannah & Gracie Jacobus*  
*-Jackson Family*

**THIS WEEK:**

There is NO Ladies Bible Study this week.

Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. – Ruth Circle in fireside room

Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. – Birthday breakfast at Northwinds Grille for  
Judy Witta and Jean Collins

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. – Midweek service: Adult Bible Studies;  
Youth Group, NO AWANA this week due to  
Spring break.

Thursday, 12:30 p.m. – Senior Lunch

**LRCS NEWS:**

March 12-16: Spring Break

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

March 21, 7:30 p.m. – Deacons meeting

March 23 – LRCS Fun Fair

March 27, 9:00 a.m. – Ladies Cabin Fever in fireside room

March 28, 6:30 p.m. – Special pre-Easter service – Everyone will  
meet in auditorium; no AWANA

April 1, Easter Sunday schedule: 8:30 a.m., Son-rise service;  
9:15 a.m., light breakfast; 10:00 a.m., morning service with  
choir cantata, “Once Upon a Tree”. There will be no Sunday  
School classes and no evening service on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

April 2, 7:00 p.m. – You are invited to join Lake Region Christian  
School’s Education Foundation for a FREE night of comedy  
with Daren Streblow here at First Baptist. Donations will be  
accepted to support LRCS’s Education Foundation. For  
more information go to <https://www.lakeregionfoundation.org>.

April 6 & 7 – Minnesota Baptist Association Ladies State Spring  
Retreat here at First Baptist – Registration forms are at the  
Welcome Center; also a sign-up sheet if you are planning to  
attend. Please sign up even if you have pre-registered.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

We need volunteers to help in many areas (items to lend, meals, set-up, clean-up, etc.) for the Pastors & Wives’ retreat on April 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> and for the Ladies’ Retreat on April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. If you can help, please sign up at the Welcome Center on one of the sheets there. We also need gas cards to help with the Pastors & Wives’ travel expenses. You may give them to Pastor Grotzke or Cindy. Thanks so much to those who have already responded!

**CHURCH DIRECTORY CHANGES:**

Please make the following changes in your 2018 church directory:

Linda Anderson's email: [lapainbrainerd.72@gmail.com](mailto:lapainbrainerd.72@gmail.com)

Jon Thorson's cell phone number: 851-0986

**BUSINESS LISTING:**

We are compiling an updated list of businesses owned and operated by First Baptist Church families and Lake Region Christian School families. List will include real estate, insurance, baby-sitting, home businesses, bookkeeping & accounting, photography, medical & health care, construction & property development and anything else that qualifies as a business. If you want to be listed, please turn in your information (even if you were on the previous list) today to the church office, or place it in Betty Wolhart's mailbox.

**MARCH GREETERS:**

East: Ken & Yvonne Ellstrom

Middle: Gordon & Lori Struble

West: Roger & Pat Bednar

Far West: Sonie Reed

**CHURCH FAMILY BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:**

Happy birthday to Greg Ranweiler, Tim Gunderson, Kristy Farber and Elijah Moore on the 13<sup>th</sup>; Jean Collins and Judy Witta on the 14<sup>th</sup>; Emily Jones on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

**NURSERY SCHEDULE – for children up to age 3:**

Sunday, March 11 – a.m. Tim and Amanda Miller and Whitlee Moore  
p.m. Pete and Amy Erickson

Wednesday, March 14 – Bobbi Blake & Cindy Grotzke

Sunday, March 18 – Nate and Darla Grotzke, Haylee and Hannah  
Jacobus p.m. John and Heather Hagen

Wednesday, March 21 – Julie and Jennifer Kovacik

**Last Week's Offerings & Statistics:**

**Offerings:**

<b>General:</b>	<b>\$12,926.23</b>	<b>Budget amount needed weekly:</b>	<b>\$8,486.77</b>
<b>Seth Grotzke</b>	<b>20.00</b>	<b>Budget giving YTD:</b>	<b>\$257,513.22</b>
<b>Marnie Krause</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>Budget needs YTD:</b>	<b>\$229,124.79</b>
<b>Lewie Smith Memorial to Teen Challenge</b>	<b>25.00</b>		
<b>Miscellaneous Projects</b>	<b>741.00</b>		

<b>Attendance: Morning Service – 227</b>	<b>Children's Church – 24</b>	<b>Nursery – 12</b>
<b>Evening Service – 121</b>	<b>Nursery – 7</b>	

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