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Church means a lot of different things to people. We see *church* as *family*. We often refer to ourselves as a church family. We want you to know that regardless of your background, your history, what you've been through or what you've done, you're welcome here and we're glad you're here. We believe what we focus on here is for everyone. God has shared His love and His story through His Word, what we refer to as the Bible. So, in worship, that's the centerpiece about which we speak. We believe the Bible offers answers to the questions and challenges we face each day. Most importantly, we believe the Bible shares how we can experience forgiveness and know God for all eternity.

I hope you'll fill out a Connection Card so we can stay in touch. Thanks again for being here!

Pastor Ken

THIS WEEK: MAY 17 – MAY 23

SUNDAY

Senior Graduate Breakfast... 8:00am
Graduate Recognition... 9:15am
Worship... 8:00am, 9:15am, 10:30am
Sunday School... 9:15am, 10:30am
Pickleball... 4:00-5:30pm

MONDAY

Staff Meeting... 8:30am
GriefShare... 6:00-8:00pm

TUESDAY

No Scheduled Activities

WEDNESDAY

Pastor's Bible Study... 6:00pm
Kearney Kids Summer Midweek... 6:00-7:30pm
Youth Summer Midweek... 6:00-7:30pm
Band/Praise Team Rehearsals... 6:30pm

THURSDAY

No Scheduled Activities

FRIDAY

No Scheduled Activities

SATURDAY

Graduation Party for Ahna Oettel
at the falls... 1:00-5:00pm



OFFICE HOURS:
Monday-Thursday 8:00am-4:00pm,
Friday 8:00am-Noon
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MORNING WORSHIP

May 17, 2026

Believer's Baptism (8:00am)

Graduate Procession (9:15am)

Christ Our Hope In Life And Death (8:00am, 10:30am)

Baptist Faith and Message / Welcome

Mission Dignity Presentation – Denny Gorena (8:00am, 10:30am)

Lift High The Name Of Jesus

***The Blood Of Jesus Speaks For Me**

Prayer

Sermon
Dr. Ken Parker, Senior Pastor

Amazing Grace

Scripture Reading

Graduate Recognition (9:15am)

Closing Prayer – Kent Hill

***(10:30am service) K-3rd grade dismisses to Children's Church. Children need to be checked in to attend. Pick up is after service in room 216 upstairs.**

If you would like to speak with someone about how to become a Christian, believer's baptism, joining the church or something else related to your faith, you're invited to the front at the conclusion of worship to talk with one of our staff members or deacons or their wives. They'll be there to meet you . . .

May Scripture - *For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him.*

1 Thessalonians 5:9-10 (ESV)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women's Ministry. Women's Summer Bible Studies are back! We are meeting in homes and/or here at the church. Meet us in the Fireside Lobby to see the different Bible Study options, times, and locations throughout the summer. Sign-Up in the Fireside Lobby between services.

Graduation Party. Ahna Oettel's graduation party is being held on Saturday, May 23, from 1:00-5:00pm at The Falls. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy desserts, games, and fun while we celebrate her high school graduation.

Summer Pickleball. Join us Sundays starting today from 4:00-5:30pm in the Activity Center for some fun games of pickleball. All are invited. Bring your own pickleball paddle. Contact Richard Cawthon if you have questions. (816.805.4782)

Kearney Kids Paid Nursery Worker. Our children's ministry is looking for a few more paid workers, especially those willing to work with infants through five years of age. We're looking for consistency and dependability from those who love Jesus and desire to serve His church in this way. Contact Abraham Leonard, Minister of Children, with questions.

Crawfish Boil. Join us on May 30 at 5:00pm for a crawfish boil in the Activity Center. We will have hotdogs for the non-crawfish fans. Bring a dessert to share. Call or text Derek Dickson (318.840.4831) to RSVP. Donations will be accepted to offset the cost.

Men's Ministry. Mark your calendar for the **Family Campout, June 12-13, Camp Branch Campground, Smithville Lake.** The weekend features trapshooting on Saturday, June 13 at 10:30am at nearby KCTA Trap Range (camping not required if you just want to shoot trap). Arrive a few minutes early to get registered, look for Brian Fields or William Price. There is a KCTA trap fee charge of \$9 per round and they have ammunition available \$12/box. Day campsite visitors are welcome (a fee might be assessed at the gate). Reserved spaces are limited (contact Brian or William for specific location details). Then contact Camp Branch to reserve your own site. In addition to camping with your family and friends and trapshooting, we'll also enjoy fishing, hiking, biking, boating (bring your own boat!), great food, and campfire fellowships.

Operation Christmas Child. For May, we are asking for donations of the following items: dolls, jump ropes, marbles, yo-yo's, games, playing cards, plastic animal sets, and coloring books. Thank you for the items you've already donated for this year's shoeboxes, as well as for the Amazon list items and the financial contributions! Donated items may be dropped off in the OCC tub in the storage room behind the elevator. You may also purchase needed shoebox items from our Amazon gift list, and they will be sent directly to church. To give financially, indicate that your gift is for "OCC". Scan the QR code below to find the list under the ministries tab. To learn more, visit samaritanspurse.org/occ.

Please Note: Our Church Office will be closed Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day.



Church Center
App

Church Center. Download our new Church Center app! Church Center is a website and mobile app to connect with our church family via the directory, view and sign up for upcoming events, give online and so more. Download the app or scan the QR code or visit the link below to find our Church Center page. If you have questions or need help, stop by the Office. (<https://kearneyfbc.churchcenter.com/setup>)



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VBS REGISTRATION IS LIVE! ANSWERS IN GENESIS: EMERALD CROSSING. Providing Hope to a Fearful Generation. In a world filled with worry and confusion, kids need to know there is a God who cares for them. At *Emerald Crossing* VBS, they'll journey through Ireland's lush landscapes, exploring the powerful words of Psalm 23. They'll discover the life of the shepherd-king David and will learn how to cross from worry to peace, from fear to faith, and from uncertainty to a firm foundation in God's Word through a relationship with the Good Shepherd. Get your passport ready for Ireland and join the adventure! **VBS DETAILS:** Ages 4 years old to just completed 5th grade are welcome! July 19-23 from 6:00-8:00pm. Scan QR code to register now.



STARS 511. Ladies, plan to join us for our next Women's Ministry event--Flower Pots with our Flower Pot Lady! On Sunday, June 7 at 1:00 pm in the Activity Center, we'll enjoy fun, conversation, spiritual refreshment and a light lunch and dessert. See you there! Sign up at the Welcome Center, website or on the Church Center App.

Staff Cookout. You're invited June 3 at 6:00pm in the Activity Center. Our ministry staff will provide hot dogs and hamburgers. Bring a dessert to share.

Upcoming Student Ministry Opportunities:

Super Summer Meeting. We will have a meeting on Sunday, May 31, in the Cafe immediately following the third worship service. We will answer questions and go over critical information that is mandatory for all participants and at least one parent/guardian to attend. If for whatever reason a participant and/or parent/guardian is unable to attend, a meeting with Mike must be arranged. This is mandatory for Super Summer participation.

Youth Trip to a Royals Game. Kearney Students are heading to the K! All upcoming 6th graders through graduated Seniors are welcome to join us for the Royals vs. Texans game on Thursday, June 11! Cost is \$45 plus any money for concessions and merchandise, with an early bird cost of \$35 for all who sign up by May 24. Registration closes on May 31. Sign up and find details on Church Center.

Super Summer Youth Camp. June 22-26, all 6-12 graders are invited to Super Summer Camp at SBU in Bolivar. Registrations are due by June 1.

Mission Trip. August 1-7, Students aged 13 and older have the opportunity to serve on a Mission Trip to Camp Barnabas in Purdy, Mo. Registrations are due by July 1.

Contact Associate Pastor Mike with any questions. More details and registration can be found under the Ministries tab on our website. (www.kearneyfbc.com)

Right Now Media. Our church family is fortunate to have Right Now Media available to us. It contains many helpful Christian resources for our church family, and many have found its resources to be very helpful. If you need help accessing RightNow Media or have any questions about it, please feel free to contact Jon Oettel in the church office. As with any author, book company, etc., there's always a possibility that something won't align with our doctrinal statement. If you ever find that to be the case, please notify the church office. <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/KearneyFBC>.



Scan the QR code to visit our website (www.kearneyfbc.com) where you can find information about our church ministry opportunities and as upcoming events and ministry opportunities, view past sermons and give an offering to the church. We are grateful to have you join us here at First Baptist Church Kearney.