

Share with your friends.

Back in the house.

Sunday Worship 10:30AM (in-person & online)

Kids Connect (K thru 5th) 10:30 AM

Preschool

Currently accepting enrollments for summer and fall programs.

Contact Jennifer at:
jenniferguilliams.fbc@gmail.com



IN PERSON CHURCH UPDATE

FBC is now having in person service. All Covid safety precautions will be in place.

- Mask wearing inside the building.
- Hand sanitizer at the entrance.
- Social distancing.
- No congregating in the lobby.
- One way entrance and exit.

ONLINE CHURCH

We encourage everyone to join in on Sunday around 10:00AM for online worship by chatting with our church family.

Go to our website fbcoolathe.org and click on Worship button.

CHURCH INFORMATION

Office is currently open Tuesday and Wednesday, 9AM to Noon.

Phone: 913-764-7088 Email: fbcoffice@fbcolathe.org www.fbcolathe.org

PRAYER NEEDS

Pray for wisdom and patience for the search committee.

Pray for wisdom for our future pastor, the one God has specifically called to join with us.

Pray for hope and excitement for our church family as we are companions in this adventure of trust.

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The Light

Diaconate & Business Meetings

- March Diaconate met 3/18/21
- Quarterly Business Meeting held March 21st
 @ 4PM

To obtiain a copy of meeting minutes, please contact the office.

Pastoral Search Committee

The search committee continues through the process to find a new pastor.

- Data has been entered in American Baptist database to pull potiential candiates.
- · Candiates being screened by ABCR.
- Candidates resumes being sent to search committee for review.
- · Interviews to begin in April.

Church Finances

February 2021

Cash available for General Operations \$93,413.38 Revenue \$18,340

Expenses \$17,571

= + \$ 769

Capital fund (after payment of \$15,000) = \$14,153.02 Loan balance, end of January was \$54,701.56

Thanks to everyone who continues to tithe!! It is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding church finances, please let me know.

Deb Ruse - Treasurer - 913 206 6342

Featured Members



Don

Newbanks

home. He and his wife, Barbara, of 72 years moved to a farm after selling and retiring from Don's Auto Body Shop which he owned and operated. Their time in the country was short lived as they drove back to Olathe for church activities often through the week. They shortened the drive to FBC when they moved home.

From age one Don has claimed Olathe to be his

The Newbanks' were avid KC Royals fans. Church members were treated to an annual Nite at the Royals, by these season ticket holders. At least twenty trips to Royals Training camps were enjoyed by the couple in Florida and Arizona.

Don, when not managing four farms near Ottawa, enjoys hunting. He started the sport young and continues planning for the next hunt. Apparently, turkey season is around the corner.

Meet Matt. He has been married to Heather for eleven years and together have three adorable children. Formerly Matt lived in Lawrence before coming to Olathe, where he now teaches fourth grade.

While living the dream in Olathe, Matt has fond thoughts of vacationing in the mountains of Colorado or feet in the sand on one of our shores.

Matt's hobbies are reading, art, or exploring nature at Ernie Miller Park. He is a diehard Star Wars fan but since children arrived to their family converted to Disney and movies like Moana. The family's dog named Chewbacca is a Cavachon, cuteness overload for sure.



Matt Ricketts



Lauren Edwards Lauren was a toddler when the family moved from Nebraska to Kansas. She grew up in Olathe attending South before heading off to Manhattan and KSU. Her degree this Spring will be Hospitality in the area of Events Management. When not preparing for classes, Lauren works at a health club. For entertainment she works out "when off the clock." She has taken up boxing, a new favorite activity.

Lauren has always been mission minded while a Youth at FBC, so volunteering for Homestead while in college was a good fit. This is a place where women go for rehab who have been involved in human trafficking.

When Lauren relaxes, she enjoys movies of the romantic tragedy genre, like the Great Gatsby.



Changing lives one life at a time. It's what our church has in common with a ministry located in Muskogee, Oklahoma called Murrow Indian Children's Home. Changed lives are why Jesus came to Earth and walked among us.

Each month FBC Olathe highlights an opportunity to give to specific mission ministries. It's a privilege and gives us a glimpse into the needs of the Body of Christ and humanity in near and far locations.

The mission statement for Murrow Indian Children's Home is to provide a safe, nurturing environment, spiritual foundation and cultural experience to Native American Children in crisis. The Home's vision is to nurture socially, spiritually and culturally successful children. Murrow serves American Indian children who have been impacted by economic obstacles and abusive environments. In 1857, Rev. J. S. Murrow moved to Oklahoma as a missionary. He and his wife started a school in the Indian Territory. Through this effort they saw the need for a home for orphaned and neglected children. American Baptist Home Mission Society has a long connection with this ministry still caring for children in our time

To give to Murrow Indian Children's Home, send your designated gift to the church office or use our online giving option

Silver Saint Expands Ministry

"Grandpads" are coming to some of our Silver Saints. A Grandpad is a customizable electronic device specifically designed for persons 75 years and over, who may not have access or ability to use internet technology. Initially the Grandpad will connect to our worship service, a Sunday School class, the pastor, Christian music, email the church office and/or coordinator of this ministry and a gallery of photos.

The past year of separation has been difficult on this group of our congregation. The hope of this extension of ministry is to restore our connection with our members of the Silver Saints. For more information please contact Mona Huggins, Janice Tow or Pastor Bill.