

# The Home Visitor Newsletter



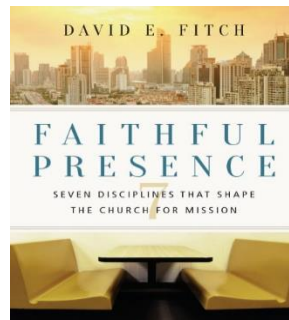
*May 2019*

North Platte First Baptist Church  
100 McDonald Road  
North Platte, NE 69101  
Worship Hours  
Sunday School 9 a.m.  
Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.



Pastor Clint Walker

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M-Th 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
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## **FAITHFUL PRESENCE**

My mother attends a mega church in the Phoenix area. In the past, we occasionally talked about what the pastor was preaching about. My mom was telling me about what she was learning, and she was excited. I should have kept my mouth shut. She would tell me that the pastor was preaching through a best-selling book, and then the author was speaking for a Sunday. Three or four months it was the same story, but a different book. (All books I had on my shelf by the way). Then a third time. Finally, I asked sarcastically, “Does your pastor preach anything but book reports?” We have not really talked about her pastor’s preaching content since.

I share all this as both a confessional and a pre-amble for what I am about to say next. We are going to be preaching through the content in **Faithful Presence**, the landmark book by

Dr. David Fitch, who oversees the doctoral program I recently enrolled in. Our deacon board worked through this text the first year I was here. I think it aligns with our goals as a congregation.

**Faithful Presence** states, rather simply, that people who are going to reach other folks for Christ are people who open their eyes to the presence of God among them, and engage in practices that help them encounter Christ while being faithfully present in the lives of others. Fitch says that faithful presence “names the reality that God is present in the world and that he uses a people faithful to his presence to make himself concrete and real among the world’s struggle and pain” (p. 10). He goes on to say that “certain disciplines given to us by Christ shape us into being this kind of presence in the world.” These seven disciplines are:

- The Lord’s Table
- Reconciliation
- Proclaiming the Gospel
- Being with the Least of these
- Being with Children
- Fivefold Gifting
- Kingdom Prayer

Each of these disciplines discuss how Scripture states that God “shows up” in unique and powerful ways when we engage in these practices. So, we will take a week to talk about God’s faithful presence, and then discuss these spiritual habits that help us to draw close to God and others in a way that will grow us and bear fruit in the world. I hope you will join us!

God Bless,

Pastor Clint



Since 1952 Americans have been encouraged to take time out of their lives to pray for our country on the first Thursday of May. On May 2<sup>nd</sup> please take time to pray.



Deacon Meeting

Monday May 13th  
7 p.m.

Executive Board

**NO MAY  
EXECUTIVE  
BOARD**

# What's Happening

## At FBC

### Evening ABW

The Evening ABW will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, in the Agape Room.

The speaker will be Randa Musil with Goodwill - Employment & Career Services. She will speak on their Supported Employment Program and Comprehensive Benefits Planning Program.

This program is open to anyone in the church who is interested in learning about the services provided locally through these programs.



FBC Vacation Bible School-K-5<sup>th</sup> grade  
May 28, 29 and 30

Meals will be provided for our cowboys and cowgirls along with plenty of fun, Bible activities and much, much more!!  
Call Alice Nekuda for more information at 308-520-0053.



Bernice Andreasen is turning 90. Please help her celebrate at her Open House on Sunday May 19, 2 p.m.-5 p.m. at FBC.

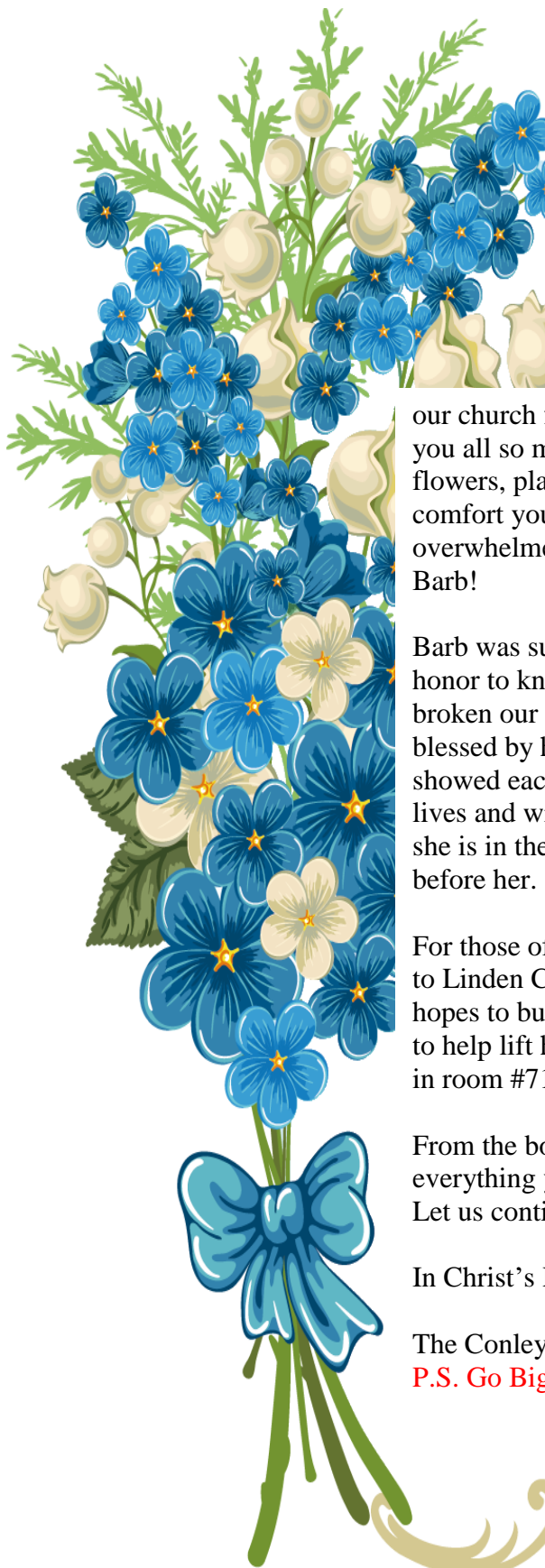
Everyone is welcome!!



FBC Office is closed and no activities due to Memorial Day holiday on Monday, May 27th.

#### **Pastor Clints' Hours:**

Vacation May 28<sup>th</sup>-June 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Continuing Education June 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>  
Camp June 10 & 11  
Off June 12th



*Dear First Baptist Church Family,*

The past couple of weeks have been so sad for us and we are so very grateful for you,

our church family! What would we do without you! Thank you all so much for your love, prayers, memorial gifts, cards, flowers, plants, food, paper goods, visits and words of comfort you've given us during this time. We are overwhelmed by your acts of kindness. What a tribute to Barb!

Barb was such a beautiful lady and a loving person. It was an honor to know her and be a part of her life. Her passing has broken our hearts and many of yours as well. We were all so blessed by her, her smile, laughter and the kindness she showed each of us in her own special way. She touched many lives and will be truly missed. However, we know that now she is in the presence of God and loved ones that have gone before her. We will see her again!

For those of you that don't know, Dad, Jim Sr. was admitted to Linden Court a few days after Barb's passing for rehab in hopes to build up his strength. He needs prayers and people to help lift his spirits. If you feel so inclined to visit him, he is in room #714.

From the bottom of our broken hearts, thanks again for everything you have done for each of us. God Bless You! Let us continue to pray for one another.

In Christ's Love

The Conley Family  
**P.S. Go Big Red**





# Congratulations!

## CONGRATULATIONS FBC!!!

You exceeded our **Mission Giving Goal** that we had set for the season of Lent. Our goal was \$7500, and we raised \$7989 as of April 28<sup>th</sup>. Of that total, \$3195 is going to flood relief in Nebraska. At the EXPO that was recently held in our church the pastor from the Fremont church thanked everyone for their contributions to this fund and told us we had bought school supplies for children, tools for construction workers so they could get back to work, boots for others so they could work in the area and lots of bags of lime to try to absorb moisture and prevent mold among other things. Around the world, many others will benefit from your gifts; may God use them abundantly and bless the givers as well.

## EXPO 2019



The Expo 2019 was a great success thanks to all of FBC's hard working volunteers! More than 130 people attended.

The Youth Group was able to raise \$600 for their Oklahoma Mission Trip this summer selling hot dogs, chips and rice crispy treats on Saturday during the Expo (rice crispy treats made by Darrell Drullinger)

Be sure and look for our next adventure in ministry!!



# May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 8:15 a.m. Prayer Walk 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study 6:15 p.m. Small Groups	27 a.m. Men's Bible Study 8 a.m. Men's B-fast 9 a.m. Ladies B-fast 1 p.m. Mission Quilt 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Night	<b>3</b> 11 a.m. Larry Henry's Funeral	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> Communion Sunday 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 Worship 5 p.m. Small Groups 6:30 p.m. Small Groups 6:30 p.m. Epicenter	<b>6</b> 8:15 a.m. Prayer Walk 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts	<b>7</b> 7 p.m. ABW 9:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Study	<b>8</b> 8:15 a.m. Prayer Walk 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study 6:15 p.m. Small Groups	<b>9</b> 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 8 a.m. Men's B-fast 1 p.m. Mission Quilt 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Night	<b>10</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 Worship 6:30 p.m. Small Groups 6:30 p.m. Epicenter	<b>13</b> 8:15 a.m. Prayer Walk 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts <b>7:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting</b>	<b>14</b> 9:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Study	<b>15</b> 8:15 a.m. Prayer Walk 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study	<b>16</b> 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 8 a.m. Men's B-fast 1 p.m. ABW 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Night	<b>17</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 8:30 a.m. Welcome Coffee 9 a.m. Sun School 10:15 Worship 3 p.m. Centennial 6:30 p.m. Small Groups 6:30 p.m. Epicenter	<b>20</b> 8:15 a.m. Prayer Walk 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts	<b>21</b> 9:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Study	<b>22</b> 8:15 Prayer Walk 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study	<b>23</b> 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 8 a.m. Men's B-fast 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Night	<b>24</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship 6:30 p.m. Small Groups 6:30 p.m. Epicenter	<b>27</b> Office Closed No Activities Memorial Day 	<b>28</b> <b>5:30 p.m. VBS</b> No Executive Board 9:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Study	<b>29</b> <b>5:30 p.m. VBS</b> 8:15 a.m. Prayer Walk 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study	<b>30</b> <b>5:30 p.m. VBS</b> 7 a.m. Men's Bible Study 8 a.m. Men's B-fast 1 p.m. White Cross 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Night	<b>31</b> OFFICE CLOSED	