

THE OAK LEAF

First Baptist Church of Aurora

March 2024

We are a community of Christ followers sharing the hope of Jesus.

15 Oak Ave. Aurora, IL 60506 630-897-9310

worship@firstbaptistaurora.org

What's Happening

Join us for our Lenten Bible Study!

We will meet every Thursday ending

with our Maundy Thursday Communion service on

March 28th. We will be gathering at the church from

6:30-7:30. The theme of our

Study will be- "What Does It Mean to Walk With Jesus?"

Each week there will be: a short testimony, small group conversation, short teaching presentation, and praying together.

Led by Pastor Kevin, all are welcome to attend!

Stephanie Lodor and Pat Schwartz are inviting all ladies to a Ladies Brunch on Saturday, April 6 at 10:30 am. Join us for tea, refreshments and fellowship. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Youth Group News

All youth in 6th-12th grade are invited to join us at the church every Sunday evening from 6-8. We will play games, have a lesson, and a snack. Bring a friend along for the fun!

The Area One Spring Retreat is coming up! It will be at First Baptist Church in Belvidere on April 12-14. See attached form for more details.

AREA 1 YOUTH

SPRING RETREAT

First Baptist Church of Belvidere, IL

APRIL 12-14 2024

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Worship
- Food
- Games
- Fun!

WHAT TO BRING

- Clothes for the weekend/Toiletries
- Sleeping gear (sleeping bags, pillows, blankets, etc.)
- Closed-toed shoes
- Bible
- Notebook & Pen
- Valuables should stay home (phones are okay, but we will have a talk about appropriate time of use)

AT A GLANCE

COST

\$40 (Leaders fee waived)

TIMES

Registration will begin at 7pm on Friday night. The retreat will end with Belvidere's church service on Sunday morning.





Lovepackages.org is in need of donations of:

- Bibles
- Reference materials
- Books
- Magazines, daily devotionals, and tracts
- Sunday School materials
- CD's, DVD's and Blu-Ray
- Puppets, nativity sets, etc.

We will be contacting churches in our community and asking them to partner with us in reaching our goal of a TRUCK LOAD of Bibles by the end of April. There is a box in the Gathering Place for all donations.

Thank you for your generosity!

Get to know our Global Servants for the month of March!



Melanie Baggao

MELANIE is the Director of INSAAF, a ministry serving Migrant Domestic Workers (MDWs) from Africa and Asia working as maids in Lebanon. Melanie works with local partners in the running of an integrated center: providing help for medical care and food security, facilitating computer, language, and entrepreneurial skill classes, and leading Bible Studies. She is also an English teacher at the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary in Beirut, Lebanon.

Lanutemjen & Onenlemla Ao

ALEMLA and LANU work with the Banjara community in the Telangana and Andhra Pradesh states in south India. The Banjara were nomads, but today most have settled down as farmers, though they still live in isolated groups. In 1983, International Ministries began reaching out to the Banjara with the gospel through social, educational, and medical programs. Thousands have heard the Good News and a number of churches have been planted. The Aos train local leaders to reach their own communities. They empower women to bring change, and they work with youth and children. Lanutemjen and Onenlemla are international associate global servants.



Classes & fellowship

Everyone is invited to join us for Sunday School, at 9:15, before the service Sunday morning. We offer two adult classes, and classes for children and youth.

Please join us for worship at 10:30 Sunday mornings. We have a special Palm Sunday service on March 24th, and Easter service on March 31st. Childcare is provided for infants and toddlers. Children's Church is offered for ages 4 years through 3rd grade.

Prayer

Anyone who would like to pray for our new pastor is welcome to join us at the front of the sanctuary every Sunday after the service.

If you have a prayer concern, please contact the Prayer Chain at dbrun10589@aol.com or 630-892-5673.

Giving

If you have a financial need or concern, please contact Melissa at lundbergil@yahoo.com or at 630-370-3424.

There are 4 ways you can give to the ministry of First Baptist Church.

If you would like to give an extra offering to the Fellowship Offering, please indicate that on your envelope or check.

- 1) You can give during offering on Sunday morning or place in the box at the back of the sanctuary.
- 2) You can place your offering in the locked box outside the office, or the locked mailbox on the outside of the church.
- 3) You can mail your offering to First Baptist Church, 15 Oak Ave. Aurora, IL 60506.
- 4) You can give online through PayPal. For this option, please visit our website at www.firstbaptistaurora.org.

Celebrating with our church family!

Happy Birthday!

1st Brenda Ross

14th Chris Griffin

16th Steve Hall

19th Joe Sison

20th Charlotte Lodor

Happy Anniversary!

12th Doug & Joy Varney

17th Terry & Patty Lowry

We apologize if we have missed anyone's birthday or anniversary. Please contact our office if you would like to be added to the list. You may also contact our office if you wish to unsubscribe from our newsletter.