

THE OAK LEAF

First Baptist Church of Aurora

May 2024

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

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What's Happening



Come join us for a coffee social in The Gathering Place, at 10 am every Sunday. We have specialty coffee, brewed coffee, iced coffee, and tea.

Let's go on a road trip! The shrine of Christ in St. John, Indiana is a journey through the life of Jesus in statues set on 30 acres of handicap accessible trails. There is no charge for the Shrine of Christ, there is however a gift shop if you would like to browse. We are planning to leave the church at 9 am sharp on May 18th (rain date of June 4th). We will be taking the church van and carpooling in personal vehicles. It is about an hour and 15 minute drive. We will spend 1 1/2-2 hours at the Shrine of Christ then have lunch (pay our own) at a local diner before heading back to Aurora with the plan to be back to the church by 4 pm. All ages are invited and you can certainly invite a friend! Any questions, call Connie Sutphin 630-294-0997

What's Happening

A close-up photograph of a blue jay perched on a tree branch. The bird is facing left, showing its blue crest, white face, and blue wings. The background is a soft-focus green, suggesting foliage.

We will be celebrating all graduates on Sunday, June 2nd during worship. If you know anyone graduating from high school or college, please see Kathy Gaddis.

Mark your calendars, and get ready for VBS! Join us for games, crafts, and fun as we learn more about Jesus! June 10-14 from 9 am-12 pm. More details to come soon! If you would like to help during the week of VBS, please see Kathy Gaddis. If you would like to help decorate before the week of VBS, please see Emily Stevens.

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 youth group has a work mission planned for the week of June 23rd. We will be working at Blackhawk Baptist Camp for 4 days, and at our very own FBC of Aurora for 2 days. There will also be a couple fun events planned throughout the week to help us recharge. See any of the youth leaders if you would like to join us. More information coming soon!



It's time for the annual Youth Italian beef fundraiser!

Join us Sunday May 5th, after worship for delicious food. All proceeds will go to the Youth Mission and Ministries Fund.

If you can't stay, that's okay. We'll wrap your food up to go.

If you would like to donate money for supplies please put "Youth fundraiser" on your offering envelope and place your donation in the offering box at the back of the sanctuary.

We are taking orders in advance to help us plan and purchase enough food. Please fill out this order form and place it in the offering box, or send an email to charity.l.andersen@gmail.com, or

worship@firstbaptistaurora.org

Each meal includes a bag of chips, one drink and a cookie.

Please enter quantity on each line.

Italian Beef Meal \$12.00 Qty. _____

Peppers Yes _____ No _____ Cheese Yes _____ No _____

4 Piece Chicken Strips Meal \$9.00 Qty. _____

BBQ sauce _____ Ranch _____ Ketchup _____

2 Piece Chicken Strips Meal \$6.00 Qty. _____

BBQ sauce _____ Ranch _____ Ketchup _____

Drink choices (Please enter the quantity of each drink, each **additional** drink is \$1.00): Pepsi _____

Coke _____ Diet Coke _____ Sprite _____ Water _____ Juice box _____

\$1.00 (each **additional** drink) Total: _____

Total: \$ _____

Tip: \$ _____

Paid: \$ _____

Change: \$ _____



BLACKHAWK CAMP 2024

4491 W Henry Rd., Oregon, IL 61061

815-496-0732

PLEASE NOTE NEW DATES AND NEW TIMES AND A NEW CAMP!!!!

Camp Work Days: June 1 and 8 Snacks available, no noon meal provided. Types of activities: Cleaning cabins, raking leaves, clearing trails, painting, cleaning pool, trimming trees, cutting firewood, cleaning kitchen equipment and dishes.

CAMP	Start Date & Time	End Date & Time	Cost
Slumber Party (K-5) Director Karen Weeks	June 28 th @ 7 pm Friday	June 29 th @ 10 am Saturday	\$25
Day Camp (K-5) Director Karen Weeks	June 29 th @ 9:30 am Saturday	June 29 th @ 4 pm Saturday	\$35
Sr. High Camp 9th-12th Director Rev. Bunyan Cocar	July 7 th @ 5 pm Sunday	July 11 th @ 10 am Thursday	\$275
Junior High Camp 6th-8th Director Jessica Henson	July 12 th @ 5 pm Friday	July 16 th @ 10 am Tuesday	\$275
Senior Adult Day Director Cheryl Henson	July 17 th @ 10 am Wednesday	July 17 th @ 3pm Wednesday	\$15
*Littles Camp (Infants to 5 years with parents/guardians) Director Melissa Bachelder	July 20 th @10am Saturday	July 20 th @ 3pm Saturday	\$40
Elementary Camp 2nd-5th Director Bruce and Bobbie Rose	July 21 st @ 5 pm Sunday	July 24 @4 pm Wednesday	\$190
Twilight Camp 6th -12th Directors Steve and Becca Hall	July 26 th @ 7 pm Friday	July 28 th @ 12 pm Sunday	\$120

Campers may attend the camp according to the grade they will be in school in fall of 2024 OR may attend for the grade they just finished.

*New Camp this year for parents or guardians to introduce their little ones to the camping experience.

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. 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.

Sympathy

Please keep the family of Maribelle Neal in your prayers. Maribelle passed away on April 21st. Her visitation will be held at Healy Chapel in Aurora on Sunday April 28th from 2-6. Her funeral will be held on Monday, April 29th at 11 am at First Baptist Church, with an hour visitation prior from 10-11.

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 Quinn Leonard
6th Joanne Jiardina
7th Sydney Razo
12th Dale Oros
16th Ben Sester
16th Pat Schwartz
19th Clint Riggs
24th Jennie Doyens
27th Jeremy Andersen
27th Shelley Baltz
30th Marie Amsbury

Happy Anniversary

7th Fritz & Shawn Harms
15th Daniel & Melissa Lundberg
17th Steven & Adriena Cherry
19th Rudy & Blanca Rodriguez
20th Joe & Tess Sison
26th Bob & Laura McAnelly
29th Bryan & Karen Sims

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.