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Grace Notes

*Welcome *Worship *Praise

America for Christ Offering

Jesus teaches us to “love your neighbor as yourself” (Matthew 22:39). Grace Baptist follows this teaching of Jesus by reaching out to the community and providing for our neighbors’ needs, physical and spiritual alike.

Our church’s efforts are supported by American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS), which provides resources for cultivating leaders, equipping disciples, evangelism and healing and transforming communities.

Grace supports this work through our generous gifts to the America for Christ (AFC) Offering. Each dollar given increases the ministry and impact of ABHMS to serve neighbors with ministries incarnating Christ’s love. Further, a portion of this offering (28%) is shared with the Great Rivers Region for strengthening local church leaders in Missouri.

In 2019, our church’s AFC gifts supported the following ministries:

- “Rebuilding, Restoring, Renewing Puerto Rico” — rebuilding the island one church and one building at a time after several hurricanes.
- Scholarships and Emerging Leaders — providing scholarships to students to help ease the debilitating effects of excessive student-loan debt.
- Immigration and Refugee Resettlement — partnering with organizations that have resettled more than 100,000 displaced persons from across the world.
- Rizpah’s Children – partnering with agencies that provide support to children living in poverty.
- Bethel Neighborhood Center, Kansas City, Kansas.
- Judson Press for devotional literature and Bible study materials.
- Additional supported ministries included Disaster Response, Volunteer Mobilization, Prison Re-Entry and Community Outreach Ministries.

AFC 2020 empowers our local and national efforts to “love our neighbor.” Please join in giving generously to this year’s Special Mission Offering and help us to reach our \$5,000 goal, as we partner with ABHMS to love our neighbors and share the gospel! Thank you.

Offering	2019 goal	Goal %	2019 amt	2019%	2020 goal	Received
America For Christ	\$1,500	26%	\$1,087	72%	\$1,500	
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1,000	17%	\$1,040	104%	\$1,000	
World Mission Offering	\$2,000	35%	\$1,590	79%	\$2,000	\$ 100.00
Retired Ministers & Missionaries	\$1,200	21%	\$ 93	8%	\$1,200	
Totals	\$5,700		\$4,680	82%	\$5,700	\$1,150.00



We are honored to welcome **Dr. Paul Gibson** to our service this next Sunday. Paul serves as Executive Minister for the Great Rivers Region of American Baptist Churches-USA. Rev. Gibson received a Master of Divinity degree from the American Baptist Seminary of the West in Berkley, California. Before that he graduated from Valley City State University in North Dakota and has done graduate work toward a Doctor of Ministry at Bethel Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Rev. Gibson came to the position of Great Rivers Region Executive Minister from the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Bismarck, North Dakota. He has served as pastor of churches in Arizona, Nevada and Missouri as well as North Dakota. He served as Regional Board President of the American Baptist Churches of the Dakotas. He and his wife, Melissa, reside in Springfield, Illinois. They have two grown children, Hunter and Emily.

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Worship
10:15 a.m.



“For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.”
Ephesians 2:8 NRSV

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	Current	Missions	Cap. Imp.	Total
Budget	2,409.10	269.23	192.31	2,870.64
09/27/20	1,283.30	156.50	125.20	1,565.00
10/04/20	1,834.34	223.70	178.96	2,237.00

Attendance	Worship	Sunday School	Video
09/27/20	57	6	42
10/04/20	36	0	9

Secretary Vacation: October 9 & 30



NARTHEX NEWS

(Items we would talk about should we be meeting in the Narthex on Sunday.)

ABW is selling two year **pocket calendars**. The cost is \$2.00 for 2021-2022. See Ina May or Roxie.

Clay County Clothes Closet is excited to host a virtual auction fundraising event this year, allowing us to continue supporting our important work and its impact to Northland Community families in need, while maintaining the health and safety of our community supporters. Our virtual auction will be open for bids **beginning October 8, 8:00 am and closing on October 10 at 4:00 pm**. Registration for the auction is free. To preview the Virtual Auction Items up for bid, or to pre-register for the event, please copy the following link <https://www.silentauctionpro.com/bidonlinegrid.php?groupId=1645>

On Sunday, October 11, 2020, we will show appreciation to Pastor Jerry during the Worship Service in honor of **Pastor Appreciation Month**. Following the Worship Service there will be a social distancing social time outside the south door. Please try to make it on October 11!!

CHANGE OF PLANS. Due to an auto accident that injured her leg, Bud and Barbara Lee, are unable to be our guest musicians on October 11, but will try to reschedule later. Let's pray for a speedy recovery for Barbara.

ADDITION TO PLANS. We are happy to welcome Mike Pagan as our Guest Musician on October 11. Mike lives in Lee's Summit and served until this summer as Chair of the Music Department at Ottawa University in Ottawa, KS. His wife is an accomplished musician and works for Oracle. Mike has previously served as Minister of Music at two congregations in the KC area.

From Charles Hedrick as we contemplate our personal pilgrimage: *"As we look back, we cannot recognize what is a victory or a defeat!"*



Dear Friends,

American Baptist Women's Ministries (ABWM) began our five-part webinar series on Addiction. We hope that you attended the first webinar, [Cheers \(Drink to that\) or Not](#); which focused on Alcohol and Drugs in the lives of Young Women. Dr. Lynda Parham led us in a thoughtful discussion and shared practical resources. If you did not attend, we hope you will join us on the upcoming webinars and that you will take the time to tell your family, friends, neighbors, pastors, circles, and anyone that may benefit from these discussions. We trust that the webinars will provide useful information and resources for every participant. The cost is your time and your willingness to share this resource with others. The next webinar is Thursday, October 8, 2020, at 7 PM EDT. Here is the link for this free webinar, www.abwomensministries.org/webinars We look forward to seeing you on Thursday!



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