



# Sesquicentennial Story

First Baptist Church  
McMinnville, Oregon

1867-2017

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**1840**

**First non-missionary settlers come to the Willamette Valley.**

**1846**

**South Yamhill Baptist Church is formed.**

**1840**

**1854**

**Land in the Willamette Valley cost \$1.25/acre with a  
320 acre maximum.**

**1859**

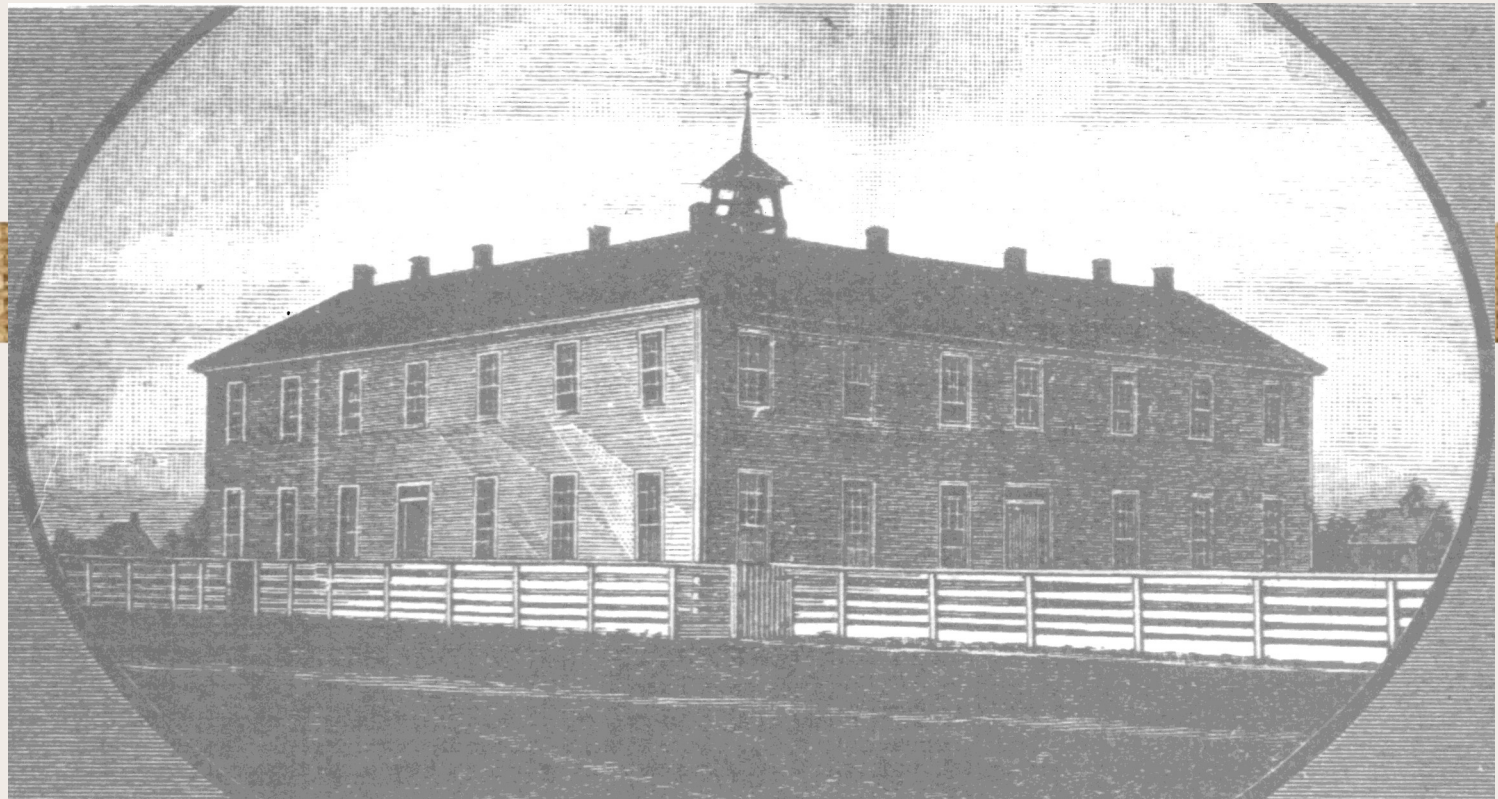
**Oregon becomes a state.**



# 1867-1883

Old College building used by First Baptist Church for first 16 years.

1860



# May 11, 1867

Twenty two men, women and children are sent from the South Yamhill Baptist Church to charter The McMinnville Baptist Church.

## 22 Charter Members

John Collard, Martha Collard, E.T Warren, Susan Warren, J. Wischer, W. Norton, A.B. Mays, Mrs. D. Mays, Samual Cozine, Mahalla Cozine, L.L. Whitcomb, Mrs. Whitcomb, Child Whitcomb, Child Whitcomb, E. Norton, Wm. Arthur, J.B. Kirby, Mrs. Kirby, Mrs. S.J. Adams, H. Norton, Jane Curtis, and Helen Norton

1867

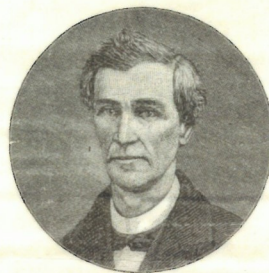
# 1867

McMinnville's population is about 300 people. There were 5 stores, 3 blacksmith shops, 2 wagon shops, 1 photographic artist, 1 silversmith, 1 shoe store, 2 doctors, 2 churches and 1 flour mill.



# 1867

Rev. Cleveland C. Riley serves as our first pastor. This picture shows the old College Building used by the church until 1883. (from 40th Anniversary Bulletin)



*Our First Pastor.*

Rev. Cleveland C. Riley, pastor in 1868, now 89 years old and living in Buckhorn, California.



*Building in which our church was organized.*

Begun in 1855 by the Campbellite Christians as a high school; tendered to the Baptists for a college in 1856; completed in 1857 at a cost of \$3600; used until 1883; stood where our church building now stands; was L shaped, each wing being 80x30 feet.

## *Program and Calendar*

### *Saturday*

- 12:00 Old-fashioned basket dinner followed by social season.
- 2:00 Group photograph of all who are present.
- 2:30 History of the church by Prof. E. Northup, old-time music conducted by Deacon A. C. Chandler, messages from former pastors.
- 8:00 Stereopticon lecture on "The Passion Play at Oberammergau" by the pastor.

### *Sunday*

- 9:45 Bible school. Lesson for to-day, "Joseph forgives his brothers." Genesis 45:1-15; 50:15-21.
- 11:00 Morning worship. Sermon by Rev. A. J. Hunsaker, pastor of this church from January 1877 to November 1879.
- 7:00 Baptist Young People's Union. Lessons from Joseph. Psalm 105:16-24.
- 8:00 Evening worship. Sermon by Rev. W. T. Jordan, pastor of this church from July 1887 to January 1889, now pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon.

### *Wednesday*

- 2:30 The Women's Union will be entertained by Mrs. T. H. Cook, at her home. All women are invited. A Bible-study meeting.

### *Thursday*

- 8:00 Prayer meeting. Read Paul's epistle to the Galatians and bring a message from it. Bring your Bible.

### *Friday*

- 7:30 Boy's Club, a good time for the boys. Parents always welcome.

### *Coming Events—Save these Dates.*

- May 26, Pacific Baptist day to be observed by all Baptist churches on the Pacific coast.
- June 3-5, West Willamette Association at Newberg.
- June 7, Lecture on "William Carey" by Rev. J. W. A. Stewart, D. D., of Rochester, N. Y.
- June 11, Examination of Brother Charles Rutherford for ordination.
- June 16-19, College commencement.
- July 4-7, B. Y. P. U. international convention at Spokane, Wash. Low rates. Plan to go.

*Our year text—"Whatsoever He saith unto you do it," John 2:5. Our year motto, "Work for everybody and everybody at work."*

# 1872

Cost of

Roasting beef: \$0.19/lb

Butter: \$0.39/lb

Sugar: \$0.12/lb

# 1876

The telephone is invented.

# Dec 2, 1883

Church moved from College Chapel to its own building.

It cost \$2,100. Church has 88 Members.

# 1880

# 1883-1993

Description of the first FBC  
church building.

(no photo)

Finally, on December 2, 1883, the First Baptist Church met for worship in a building of its own. The new structure was 34 by 54 feet in size, with a tower reaching 65 feet from the ground. The main room, with the pulpit at the south end, seated about 250 people. Under the pulpit was a brick masonry baptismal font, entered through a door in the floor. A year later the church voted to install a gutter on the west side of the building to lead rain water into the baptistry, but nothing was done about heating it. Four windows on each side lighted the building by day, and two large chandeliers illuminated it at night. The outside of the church was finished in rustic, painted a modest yellow with trimmings a neat brown. The building cost \$2100, of which only \$600 remained unpaid at the time of the dedication. Less than half of the 88 members lived near the church. The others included those living in or near Dayton and many whose whereabouts were unknown.



# 1890

McMinnville's Population is 1,368.

# 1893

From Rules of Order

Anything seeming disgraceful is cause for dismissal from the church...

Card Playing, Drinking, Dancing.

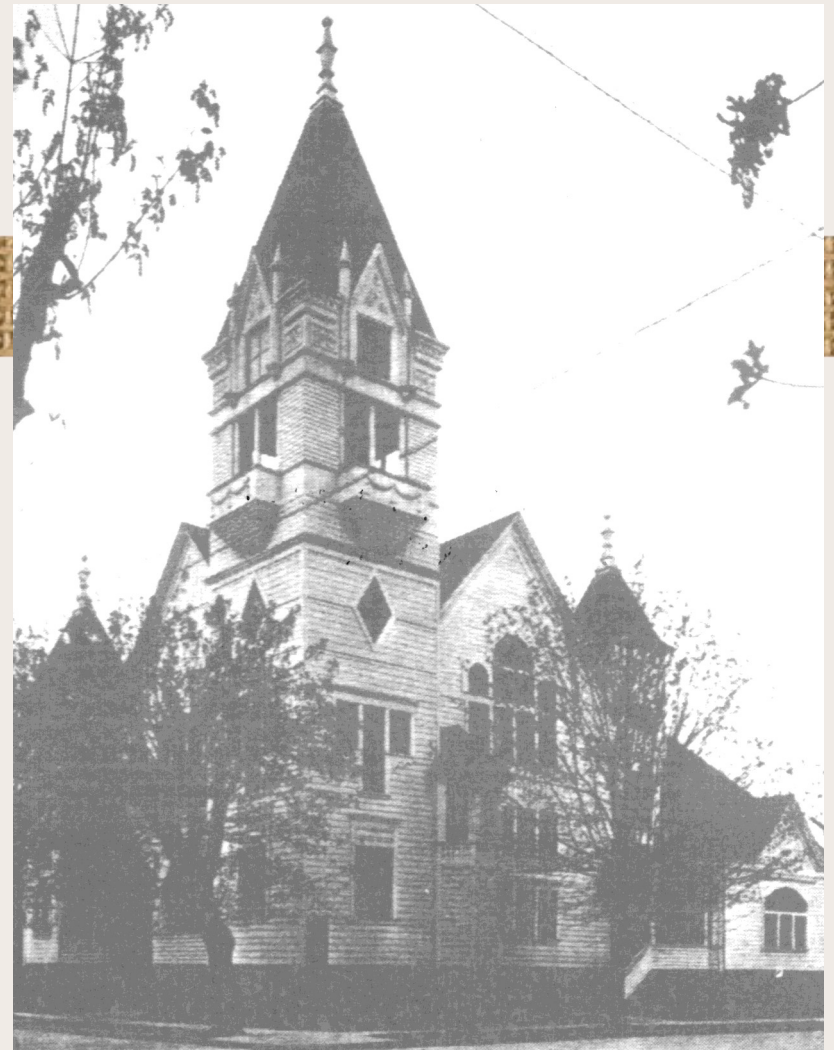
# 1897

Jello is invented.

# 1899

2<sup>nd</sup> Church building is dedicated.

It cost \$5,800.



# 1902

FBC had 221 members of which 140 were women.

# 1903

FBC has 323 members.

# 1900

# 1904

Beginning of "Conquest Class" for College Students.  
This Church class lasted more than 50 years.

# 1904

Naomi Wright serves as the Church Treasurer. She serves until  
1944—40 years.

<i>Our year motto: "Pass it on."</i>	
<i>First Baptist Church, McMinnville, Oregon.</i>	
<i>Floyd H. Adams, Pastor.</i>	
SERVICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY JAN. 29, 1905.	
SUNDAY.	
9:50	Bible School. F. D. Culver superintendent. "Jesus and Nicodemus."
11:00	Morning Worship. Rev. A. W. Rider, D. D. of Oakland, Cal. will speak.
3:00	Junior Union. A pleasant and profitable meeting for boys and girls. Mrs. A. M. Brumback superintendent.
6:30	B. Y. P. U. "Heroes of foreign missions." II Cor. 11: 21-28. Allen McRea.
7:30	Evening Worship. Subject, "Elijah, or The Life of Power," being the fourth in a series on "Old-time Heroes in the Light of today."
TUESDAY.	
2:30	Special business meeting of the Guild.
3:30	Pastor's Bible class at the church; everyone welcome.
WEDNESDAY	
4:00	Pastor's Bible class at college, auspices Y. W. C. A.
THURSDAY.	
7:30	Covenant Meeting. Learn to repeat the first paragraph of the covenant and read carefully the 12th and 13th chapters of I Corinthians.
FRIDAY.	
7:30	Social gathering conducted by members of the church whose names begin with A, B, or C. A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the church and congregation and to strangers to come and get acquainted. The A. B. C. group will meet their leader, Mrs. Signe Cook, after service this morning.
NEXT SUNDAY.	
Communion service and hand of fellowship to new members.	
Dismissed by letter—Carrie Sappingfield, Twin Falls, Idaho.	
<i>Pastor's Aid Society.</i>	
Object. To aid the pastor in looking after strangers, the sick, and any persons in trouble.	
Membership. Men, women, boys and girls; any member of the church or congregation may join.	
Dues. "To love one another"	
Motto. "Not to be ministered unto, but to minister."	
If you wish to enlist please sign one of the slips which may be found at the door and drop it into the pastor's letter box.	
<i>Sparks from the Anvil.</i>	
Short speeches go a long ways.	
A missionary is "one sent," but a missionary offering should be more than "one cent."	
The Saviour sweat; the apostles slept.	
The gospel is progressing, the man who reads no missionary news is behind the times.	
"Beginning a Jerusalem" this is a "foreign land."	
A sure road to international peace—"Make disciples of all nations,"	
Dr. Duff to the women of Edinburgh, Scotland, "The portion of your dresses which trail on the street would support all our mission schools in India."	
<i>Our year text—"While we have opportunity, let us work that which is good toward all men." Salutations 6:10.</i>	

# 1905

Church Schedule

# 1906

## San Francisco Earthquake

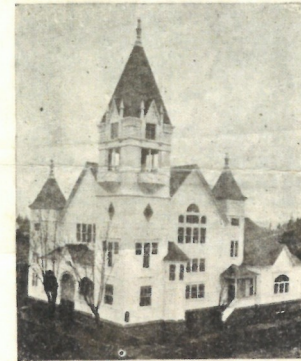
# 1907

Church Budget: \$2,100

Pastor's Salary: \$1,000

## The Stranger's Church Home

"You can find your niche in the world when your heart is warm, and your face light with good cheer."



*First Baptist Church  
McMinnville, - Oregon*

*Charles Rutherford,  
Foreign Pastor  
Ramapatam, India  
Floyd H. Adams, Home  
Pastor*

*Residence 530 B Street.  
Bell Phones*

*House 181, Church 188  
At the study forenoons, at  
home 12-1:30; 5:30-7*

### *Calendar of Work and Worship for the week beginning Sunday December 1, 1907.*

#### *Sunday*

- 9:45 Bible school. "Death of Samson." Judges 16:21-31.  
11:00 Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor on "The Holy Spirit," continuing the series. Communion service.  
3:00 Junior Union, a pleasant and profitable Sunday afternoon for the boys and girls.  
6:30 Baptist Young People's Union. "The Beauty and Utility of Gratitude." Psalms 111:1-10. Leader, Choice Howd.  
7:30 Evening service. Sacred concert by Baraca Male Quartet.

#### *Monday*

- 7:00 "What Baptists Believe," a Bible class conducted by Prof. F. W. Carstens. Open to all.

#### *Wednesday*

- 2:30 The Women's Union will meet with Mrs. Sully. Mrs. Northup will conduct a missionary program on "Indians." All women welcome.

#### *Thursday*

- 7:30 Prayer meeting, the most important service of the church. Practice the practice of prayer.

#### *Friday*

- 6:00 Our annual church family gathering, beginning with a basket supper at 6 o'clock followed by social fellowship, annual business meeting and roll-call. Every member is expected to respond. Husbands or wives of members are invited.

#### *Changes in Membership*

Received by letter, Yozo Nakamoto. Dismissed by letter, Mr. and Mrs. John McKinney.

*Our year text—"A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in baskets of silver." Proverbs 25:11. Our year motto--Patient, prayerful personal evangelism.*



# 1912

The Oregon Convention of Baptists voted to become part  
of the Northern Baptist Convention.

# 1912

Women get the right to vote in Oregon.

1910

## April 15, 1912

The Titanic sinks.

# 1914

Cost of

Car: \$500

Milk: \$0.32/gal

Bread: \$0.06/loaf

Gas: \$0.12/gal



# April 6, 1917

US enters World War I.

# May 1917

## 50th Anniversary

Membership was 712 (included many inactive.)

Sunday School Attendance was 399.

### OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH

Clerk—Dr. J. H. Wilkens      Assistant Clerk—G. W. Payne  
Treasurer—Mrs. Naomi Wright      Financial Sec'y—Miss Ruby Smith  
Organist—Hugh Whirry      Pianist—Miss Lawrence  
Chorister—Mrs. C. C. Potter      Head Usher—Leroy A. Miller

#### Deacons

A. C. Chandler      C. Tilbury      J. C. Hinshaw      H. G. Davids  
G. W. Payne      Steen Hanson      F. L. Ranney      C. P. Coe  
Honorary Deacon, Peter Fellows

#### Trustees

A. F. Arthur      Idessa M. Hanscom      Grace M. Wallace  
Chas. H. Thompson      T. A. Hansard      Wm. Eborall

#### Finance Committee

E. L. Ballard      F. L. Ranney      W. R. Frerichs      F. D. Culver  
L. A. Miller      R. C. Henry      Dale Taylor

#### Floral Committee

Mrs. James A. Clarke      Miss Ella Hendrick      Bert Manley

#### Missionary Committee

Rev. J. L. Whirry      Dr. L. W. Riley      Mrs. Geo. Campbell  
Mrs. Geo. E. Whitman

### Officers of the Sunday School

Superintendent—T. A. Hansard      Assistant Sup't—C. P. Coe  
Sec.-Treas.—Miss Evelyn Ballard      Enrollment Sec.—Luther Taylor  
Librarian—Edmund Coe      Chorister—Miss Ruby Smith  
Pianist—Miss Laura Wilkens      Assistant Pianist—Miss Marjorie Foskett  
Board of Managers—W. R. Frerichs, Miss Ella Hendrick, Mrs. W. B. Stewart.

### Officers of the Young People's Societies

Senior	Intermediate	Junior
President—Ralph Doud	Edmund Coe	Donald Boughton
Vice Pres.—Laura Wilkens	Claude Holbrook	Bertha Wakeman
Secretary—Hazel Duncan	Myrtle Ballard	Elsie Brown
Treasurer—Ruth Hunter	Opal Boord	Norman Riley

### Officers of the Woman's Union

President, Mrs. L. A. Miller; V. Pres., Mrs. J. H. Wilkens; Secretary, Mrs. F. L. Ranney; Treas., Mrs. E. L. Ballard; Supt. of Missionary Dept., Mrs. J. S. Wallace; Supt. of Guild Work, Mrs. H. B. Foskett.

#### Visiting Committee

Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Wilkens, Mrs. Scott Wright, Mrs. Elder, Mrs. Coe, Mrs. V. Davis, Mrs. Lamoreux, Mrs. Arthur, Mrs. Frerichs, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Patey, Mrs. Mylee, Mrs. McCart, Miss Baker, Miss Hendrick, Mrs. Davids, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Dale Taylor, Mrs. Ranney, Mrs. Kenyon, Mrs. Lawrence.

#### Social Committee

Mrs. W. Houck      Mrs. Northup      Mrs. Foskett      Mrs. Ballard  
Mrs. Whitman      Mrs. Lulu Rogers      Mrs. Simpkins

Janitors—Walter Christensen and Martin Storgaard

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

McMINNVILLE, OREGON

REV. JOHN B. CHAMPION, PASTOR

REV. AND MRS. CHAS. RUTHERFORD, MISSIONARIES



### OUR FIVE-FOLD, FIVE YEAR AIM

1. EVANGELISM: The conversion and baptism of one million.
2. WORKERS: A missionary force of five thousand.
3. RELIEF: Two million dollars endowment for Ministers' and Missionaries' Benefit Fund.
4. EDUCATION: Student pastors in 25 universities; 1,000 divinity students; 15,000 students in colleges and universities; six million dollars for endowment and equipment.
5. STEWARDSHIP: Six million dollars annually for missions



# 1920

Church budget allocated same amount for Missions  
as local expenses—\$3443 for each.

# 1920

Professor Hewitt's Bible Class.



1920

# 1920

## 19th Amendment gives woman the right to vote in all states.

### Presenting His Royal Highness The Devil

II Cor. 2:11—"That no advantage be gained over us by Satan; for we are not ignorant of his devices."

The cleverest device of Satan is the present-day caricature of himself which he has foisted upon an unsuspecting world. It will be our endeavor to present the real Satan of the Scriptures, the great Adversary of God Almighty and the most formidable enemy of the human race.

#### I—The First Recorded Appearance of Satan on Earth.

Gen. 3:1.

Literally, "Now the **Shining One** was more crafty than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made."

II Cor. 11:14. Satan still retains the same appearance.

#### II—The Origin, Ambition and Career of Satan.

1—Ezekiel 28:11-19. The king of Tyre, a type of Satan. Satan's origin (13, 15), appearance (13, 17), position (16), sin (17), punishment (17-19).

2—Isaiah 14:12-20. Babylon typical of the heading up of Satan's kingdom. Satan's name, influence on earth and final doom.

3—Satan not yet cast out of the heavenlies. Eph. 6:11, 12. Rev. 12:7-9. Lk. 10:8. Eph. 2.2.

#### III—The Present Standing and Influence of Satan and His Hosts.

1—Satan has a Kingdom. Matt. 12:22-30.

2—Satan has legions of evil spirits under his control. Matt. 25:41; Mk. 5:9; Eph. 6:12.

3—Satan's evil spirits recognize the authority of Christ and are aware of their coming judgment. Matt. 8:29; Mk. 1:23-25.

4—Satan and his seducing spirits exert great power upon the earth until the end of the age.

a—The great seduction, I Tim. 4:1, 2.

b—The great apostasy, II Thess. 2:3, 4.

c—The great deliverance, Eph. 6:13-19.

### Our Motto Text

"Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

Sunday, March 6, 1921

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**His Royal Highness, The Devil.** First of a series of three sermons, this evening at 7:30.

**Board of Trustees.** Regular meeting Monday evening at 7:00. Members of the Finance Committee requested to meet with them.

**Our Receipts.** Receipts for Sunday Feb. 27, 1921. Current expenses, \$96.72; loose offering, \$14.12; missions, \$92.87. Total \$203.71. Church Building Fund \$41.85.

**Missionary Offerings.** Amount received this year to date, \$4,942.00. Amount needed by May 1, to reach our goal, \$1058.00. Many are up with their pledges. Many are giving heroically. Let us close the year with a 100 per cent record. We can do it if every one helps. Remember the special Easter Thank-Offering.

**Church Building Fund.** The time is approaching when the decline in the cost of construction will make possible the erection of our much needed building. Everything depends upon the payment of the building fund pledges. Let us make special effort to pay up by Easter all amounts due.

**World-Wide Guild.** Miss Helen R. Crissman, Field Secretary of The World-Wide Guild will be with us all day Thursday speaking, at college chapel at 11:15; High school at 3:30 and at the church in the evening following a luncheon at 6:15, to which all senior girls are invited.

**Missionary Library Now Open.** The library is located in the Conquest room and the hours are immediately before and after all regular services of the church including the Bible school. The librarian will gladly explain the conditions of the contest, but if you desire you may read the books without contesting for a prize. More good books are needed. Will you not bring one or more out of your own library. Let us read the ones we have. Real missionary stories reveal a heroism and spiritual zeal found in no other literature.

**Bible Conferences.** Opening messages by Dr. W. P. White of Seattle, today as follows: Baptist Church, 11:00 a. m.; Presbyterian Church, 3:30 p. m., and Christian Church at 7:30 p. m. During the week Dr. White will speak in the Methodist church each day at 3:00 and 7:30 p. m. On account of these conferences our mid-week services will not be held. The business meeting will be postponed one week. Dr. White comes to us with very high recommendations as a Bible student and forceful preacher of the Word. We are anticipating a great blessing through these Bible studies. Bring your neighbors and friends.

# 1921

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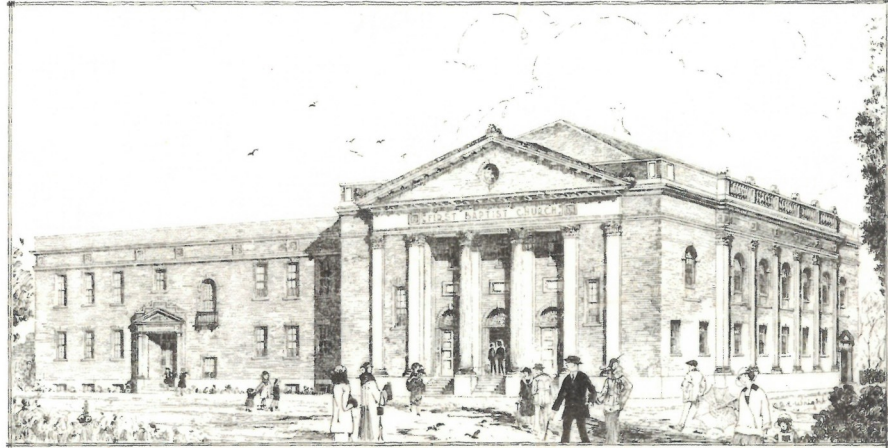
## "Presenting His Royal Highness The Devil"



# 1924


## Church Promotion Poster

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
McMINNVILLE, OREGON  
CHARLES LEWIS TRAWIN, Minister



**OUR 1924 MOTTO TEXT**  
"If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."  
—John 15: 7

*You are Cordially Invited to attend our Services*




**OUR GOOD SHEPHERD**  
Abides Within

**Bible School**  
9:45 A. M.

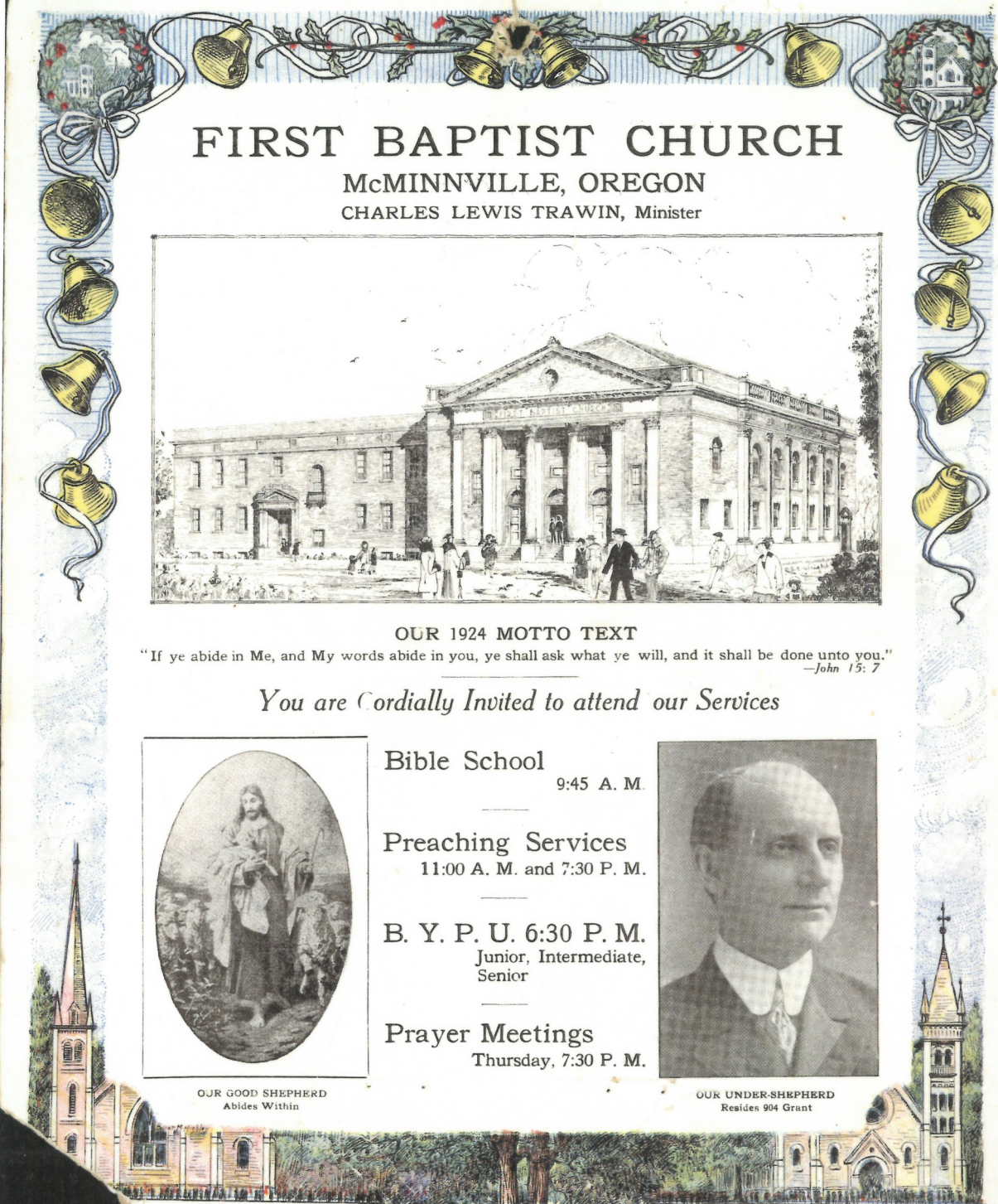
**Preaching Services**  
11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

**B. Y. P. U. 6:30 P. M.**  
Junior, Intermediate,  
Senior

**Prayer Meetings**  
Thursday, 7:30 P. M.



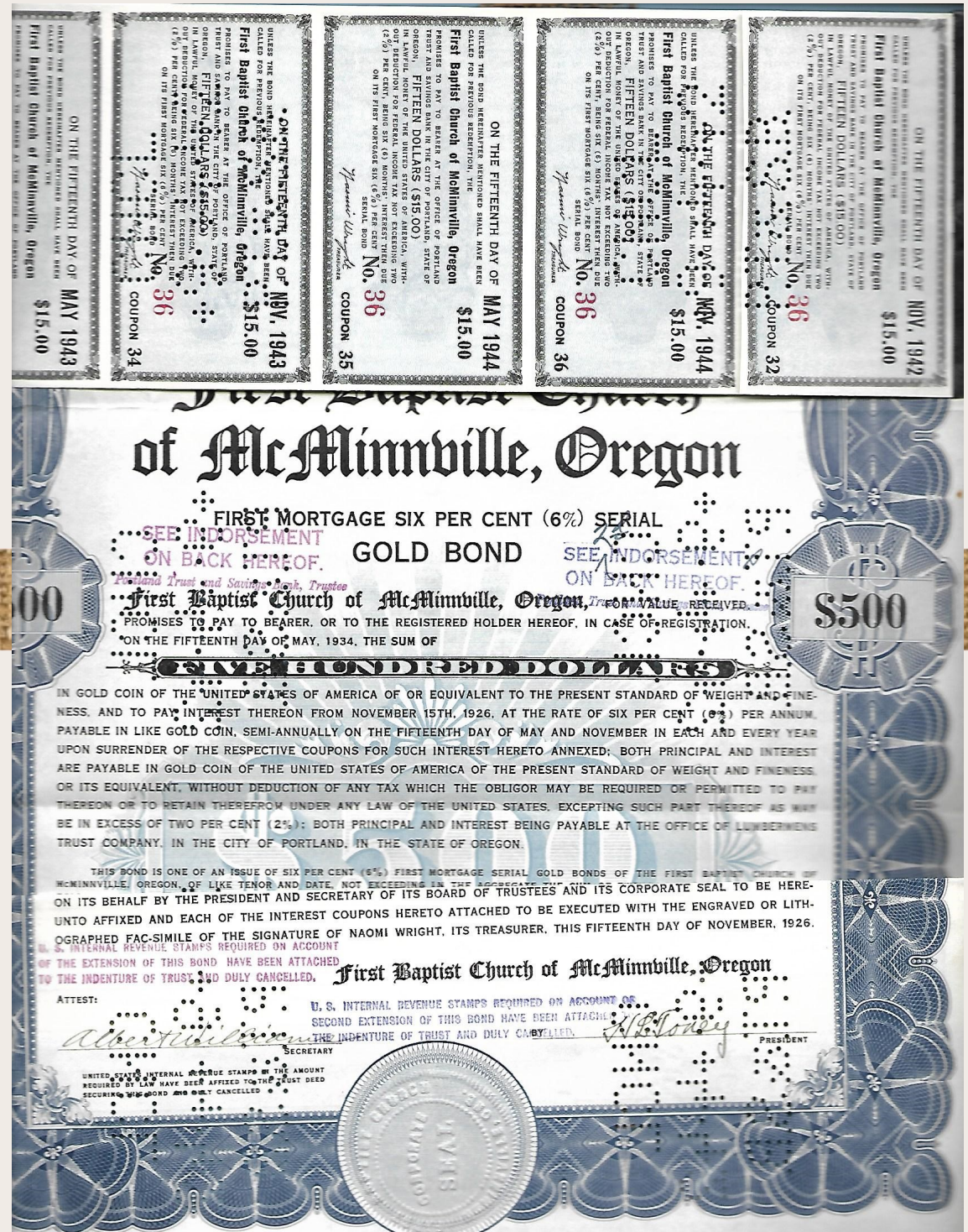
**OUR UNDER-SHEPHERD**  
Resides 904 Grant





# 1926

In 1926 the church issued bonds that could be purchased by the congregation and community members to help build a new church building. This is an alternative way of financing versus a mortgage. Instead of borrowing from a bank, the church borrowed from the community. Each bond had a value of \$500 and paid 6% interest to the bond holder. The bond was paid back 20 years later, on May 15, 1946.





# Early Church Photos

(undated, but before 3<sup>rd</sup> Church Building is built)





# 1927

## 3rd Church Building is dedicated. It cost \$80,000. Note Church Address!

How wondrous great thou art!  
How sweet to every heart,  
That peace of thine!  
Thy praise with joy we sing,  
Our prayers united bring—  
Thou art eternal King,  
O Christ divine!

DEDICATORY PRAYER ..... PROF. E. S. GARDINER  
BENEDICTION  
POSTLUDE—"Folk Song" ..... Mendelssohn

MONDAY—7:30 P. M.

STATE CONVENTION NIGHT with the consecration of the auditorium as  
"The Hunsaker Memorial Auditorium."

Rev. J. L. Whirry, presiding

Rev. O. C. Wright, D. D., Judge B. F. Rhodes, speakers

MUSIC—Vocal Solo, Selected

Mrs. Sheldon F. Sackett

Trio—Selected

Violin ..... Miss Mildred Wilkens

Cello ..... Miss Florence Fouts

Piano ..... Miss Louise Henry

Vocal Solo—"Shadows" .....

Gabriel

Dr. A. R. Miller

Vocal Solo—"The Lord Is My Light" .....

Allisten

Mrs. E. H. Barendrick

TUESDAY—7:30 P. M.

CITY NIGHT

Dr. H. L. Toney, presiding

Mayor Baker and Rev. Lon Chamlee, speakers

MUSIC—"O Taste and See" ..... Marstens-Lynes

"The Twenty-third Psalm" ..... Schubert

"At the Close of Day" ..... Nevin

The Bell Canto Chorus

Selection—Water and Light Quartette, (By Request).

WEDNESDAY—7:30 P. M.

LINFIELD COLLEGE NIGHT

Dean Emanuel Northup, presiding

Rev. Charles Lewis Trawin, D. D., speaker.

MUSIC—College Orchestra.

Vocal Solo—Selected

Miss Marie Nelson

Vocal Solo—Selected

Miss Edith Gowen

THURSDAY—7:30 P. M.

ALL CHURCH NIGHT

Rev. M. E. Bollen, D. D., presiding

Dr. C. L. Trawin, speaker.

MUSIC—Vocal Solo—"The Earth Is the Lord's" ..... Lynes

Mrs. T. J. Warren

Trio—Selected

Violin ..... Dr. A. D. McClain

Cello ..... Miss Florence Fouts

Piano ..... Miss Louise Henry

Anthem—Selected,

Young People's Chorus.

Vocal Solo—"Out of the Deep" ..... J. Christopher Marks

Mr. H. T. Judson

Violin Obligato, Dr. A. D. McClain

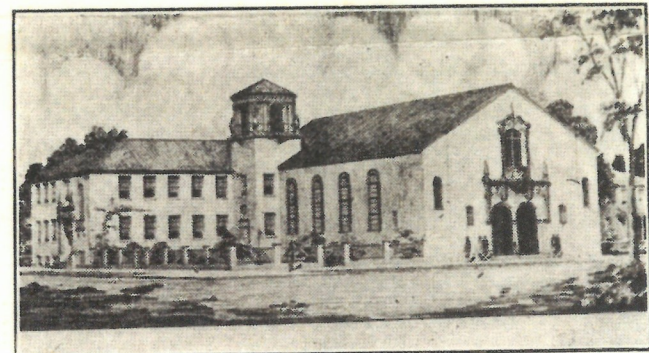
## DEDICATION PROGRAMME

January 16-20, 1927

## The First Baptist Church

FIFTH AND C STREETS

McMinnville, Oregon



(Third Building)

W. EVERETT HENRY, Minister.

Residence: 752 South B Street. Phone Green 2621

Foreign Minister: Rev. Charles Rutherford,  
Jangaon, Deccan, India



# 1928

**City of McMinnville approves an ordinance to change street names. The church address changes from 5<sup>th</sup> and C Streets to 1<sup>st</sup> and Cowls Streets.**



## October 29, 1929

**Stock Market crashes precipitating the Great Depression.  
The Church struggles financially.**



# 1932

In response to The Depression, the National Women's Mission Society starts a campaign to save pennies for special funds.

These "Love Gifts" help finance Mission Projects.

# 1939

Cost of

Car: \$750

Milk: \$0.23/gal

Bread: \$0.09/loaf

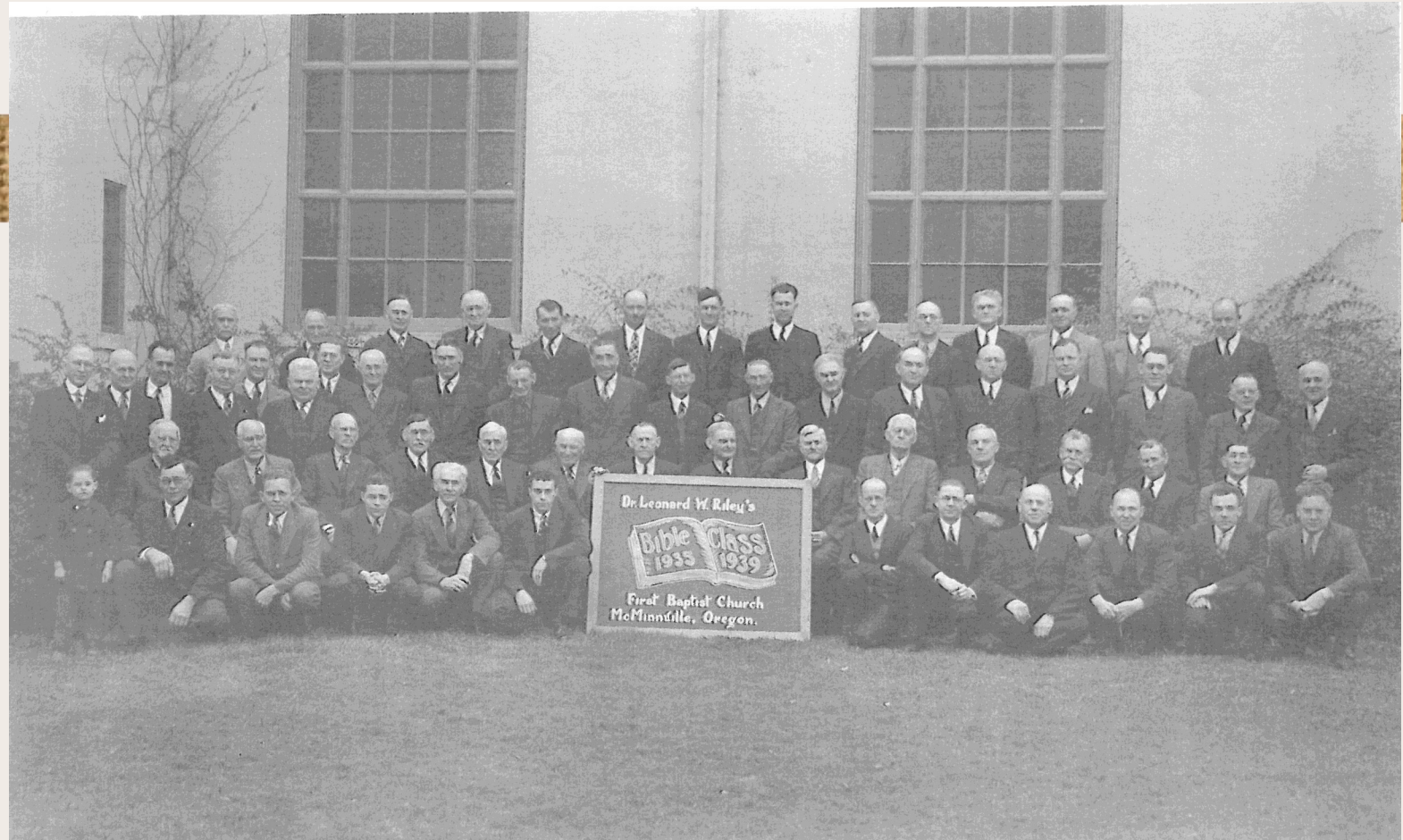
Gas: \$0.10/gal

# 1930

# 1935-

# 1939

Dr. Leonard W.  
Riley's Bible  
Class.



# 1940-41 Friendship Class



Friendship Class 1940-41

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# 1941

American Baptist Churches of Oregon (ABCO) bought land and the defunct Arrah Wanna Hotel to start our region's Camp Arrah Wanna.  
Arrah Wanna means The Beautiful Place.

## December 7, 1941

Pearl Harbor is bombed. US enters  
WWII.

1940

1942

## May 1942

### 75th Anniversary

Church Budget: \$9,488

Pastor's Salary: \$2,400

## August 1945

US drops atomic bombs on Hiroshima  
and Nagasaki.

# 1948

FBC starts Bridgebuilder's class. The class continued for 60+ years.



# 1950

Northern Baptist Convention became the  
American Baptist Convention.



1950

1950  
“Golden Weds”

**1950**  
Sanctuary

**1953**  
Boy Scout Troop 260  
is Chartered by FBC.



**1951**  
Women's Missionary Society  
changed its name nationally  
to American Baptist Women  
(ABW.)

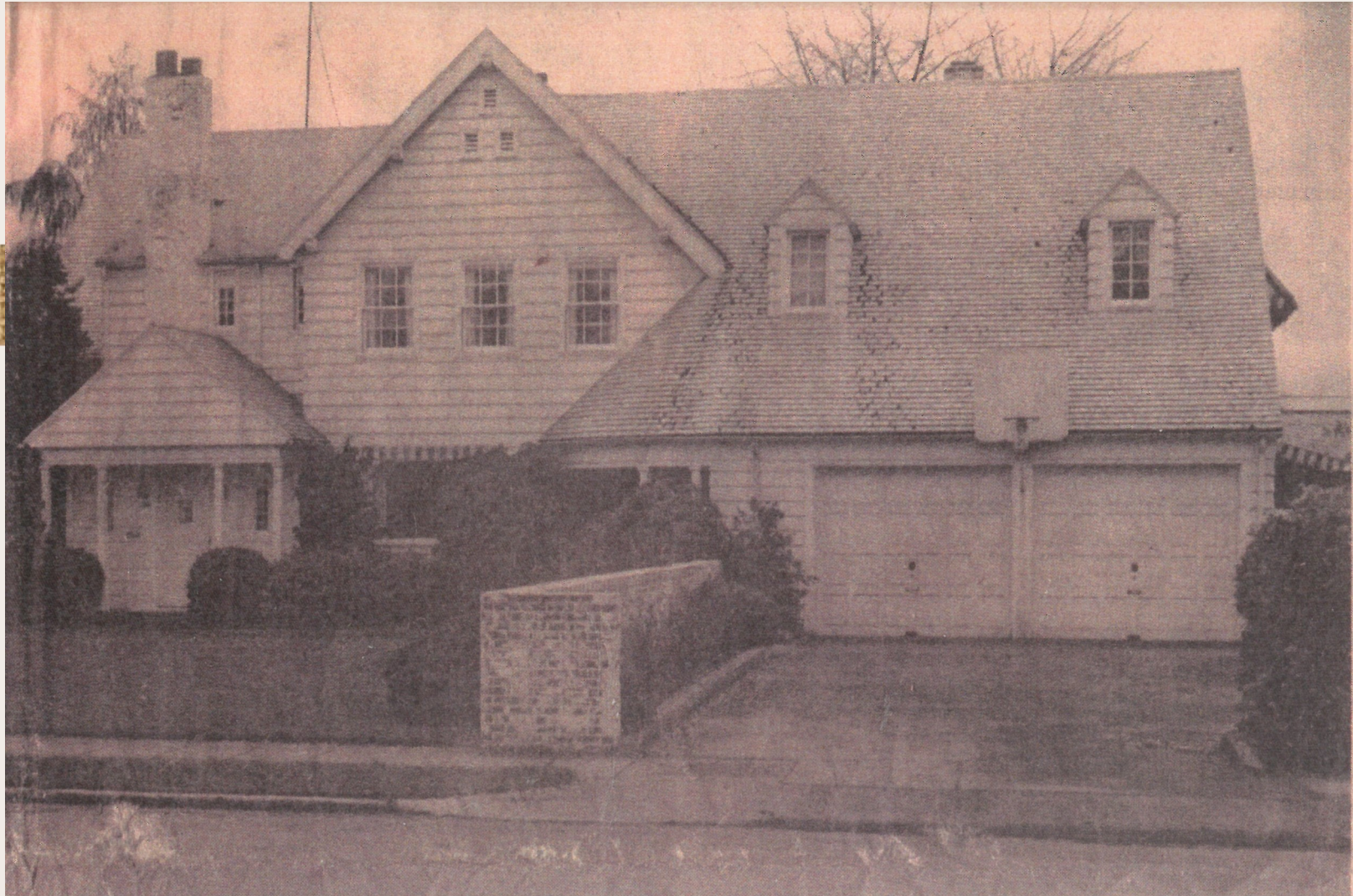
**1956**  
Church attendance is 350-400 per Sunday.  
Sunday School has 350 enrolled in 14 classes.  
Cradle Roll listed 87 babies.

**1958**  
Church Budget is \$36,324.  
\$10,110 was designated to Missions, over 20% of the budget.



# 1958

**FBC bought what is now City Hall as a parsonage. The owner subsidized the purchase, so the church paid \$25,000. The church sold the property to the city 7 years later because upkeep was so expensive.**





# 1960

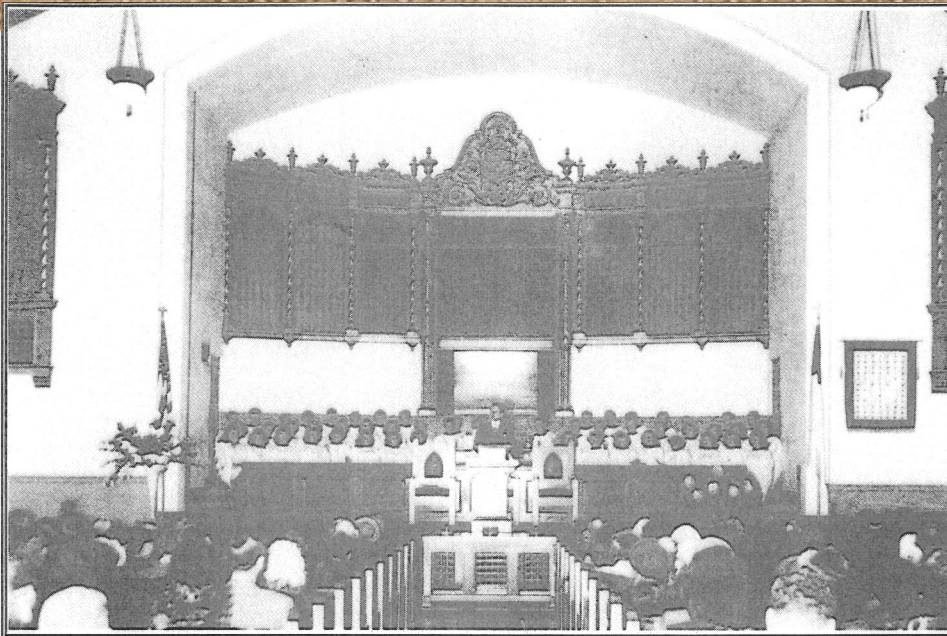
Average Sunday morning attendance is 465.  
Sunday evening service attendance is 159.

# 1963

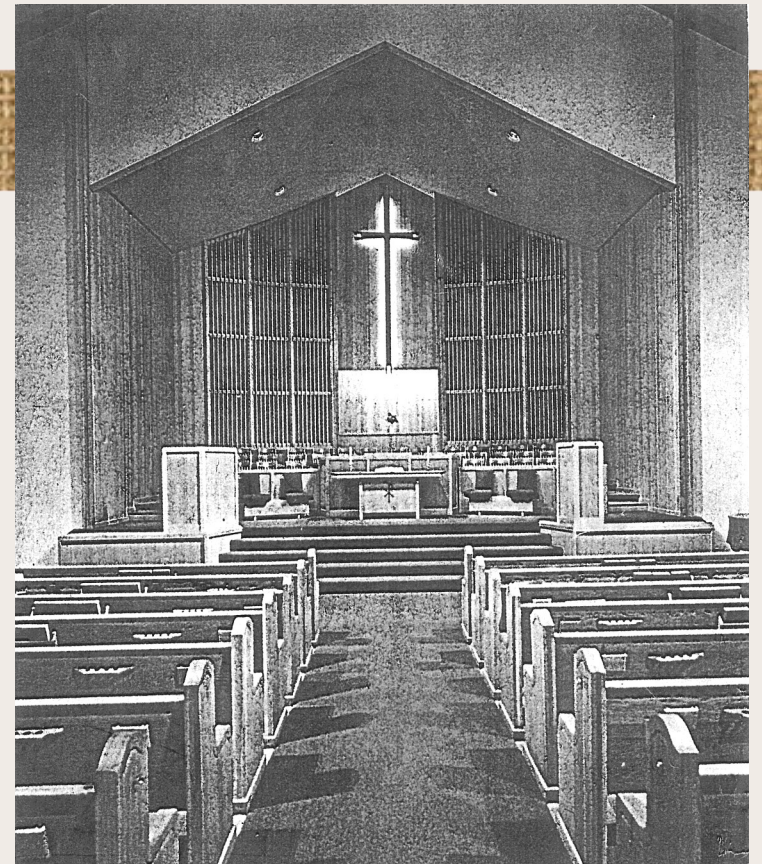
John F. Kennedy is assassinated.

# 1963

FBC Sanctuary (called  
Hunsaker Auditorium) is  
remodeled.



Chancel of Sanctuary before Remodeling.





# 1963

Marion Van Dyk is called as Minister of Music. He serves for over 30 years.

# 1964

Cost of

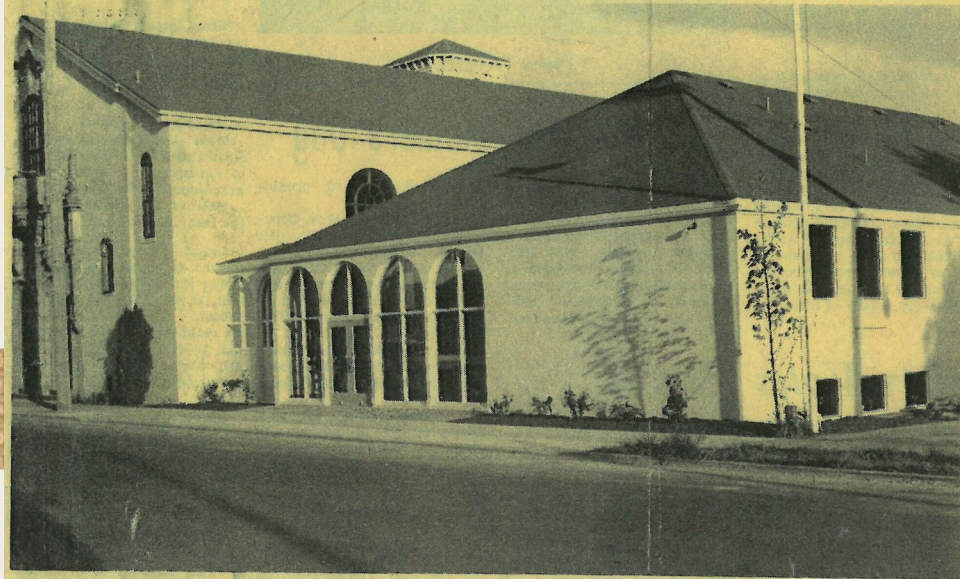
Car: \$3,500

Milk: \$0.49/gal

Bread: \$0.22/loaf

Gas: \$0.30/gal

## First Baptists Will Dedicate \$100,000 Education Annex



DEDICATION ceremonies for the newly completed \$100,000 education building at First Baptist Church in McMinnville will be held Sunday, May 24, at 7:30 p.m. The ceremony will

be held in the chapel of the new wing. Interested persons are invited to attend. (Green Photo).

### New Annex To Be Open For Visitors

Dedication ceremonies for the newly completed Christian Education Building at the McMinnville First Baptist Church were scheduled for Sunday, May 24 at 7:30 p.m. Ceremonies will be held in the new chapel.

Dedication speaker will be The Reverend Doctor Ray Schaefer, state director of Christian Education for the Oregon Baptist Convention.

The \$100,000 building is designed to teach children the meaning of Christ, a church spokesman said. Its entire bottom floor is a pre-school unit which will serve children from the crib through five years of age.

Features of the unit include a complete nursery with toddler space as well as a crib room. One-way windows make it possible for parents to observe their children without disturbing them. Ozone lamps purify the air and eliminate odors and individual room heating units mix the proper amount of fresh air in each room. A sanitary diaper changing table and sink unit highlights the crib room.

All pre-school rooms have access to adjacent toilet facilities built in height to the size of the children. Bright colors make for better learning conditions.

Second floor of the new building will house first and second grade class rooms, a chapel capable of seating 100 persons, a multi-purpose room for classes, a reception or extended foyer. Adult rest rooms and a small kitchen complete the floor plan.

The Rev. Jack Klekel, minister of education, said "The building stands as a symbol of the love and concern of the members of the First Baptist Church to present Christ to a wonderful, growing community. We ask all residents to come and look through the new building."

## May 1964

New Education Wing of current FBC building is dedicated.



# 1965

## FBC starts Toy Box Day Care Center.

Sept. 18, 1990

### Toy Box Day Care to note 25th year

By DIANNE SMITH GLEI  
News-Register Community Editor

It was 25 years ago this month that Evangeline Smith started the Toy Box Day Care ministry at First Baptist Church.

It began with 18 children and a director who also did the teaching, cooking and dishwashing.

As Smith recalled, "I would open the center in the early mornings, have class and then at noon we all marched upstairs with our crayons and coloring books while the meal was prepared.

"It didn't take long for that to change as the numbers of children increased. More teachers and a cook were hired," she said.

Smith, who has been involved with Toy Box since its inception, taught school in South Dakota before moving to a ranch and rearing her three children. She then moved to McMinnville and soon after started Toy Box.

Today Toy Box has an enrollment of 60 children in its day care-preschool combination program, which includes before and after school care.

### Toy Box anniversary

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It is licensed to care for children from age 30 months to 14 years. It averages about 50 children a day.

In its 25 years, Toy Box has had 10 directors. The present director, Yvonne Ewoldt, has been on board for one year. She came to McMinnville six years ago from Iowa with her husband and three children. She has been working in early childhood education for four years.

Its preschool program is designed to prepare children from age 2½ to kindergarten with the social and academic skills they will need in future school years, according to Ewoldt, who oversees a staff of four teachers, a nutritionist/cook and an alternate cook, plus teacher assistants.

Working with Ewoldt on staff are Judy Christianson, program supervisor and head teacher of the 3- and 4-year-olds; Lillian Woods, head teacher of the 2- and 3-year-olds; Toni Lockwood, teacher of the 4- and 5-year-olds; Michele Wetten, teacher; Anne Engen, cook, and Kay Morgan, alternate cook.

Teacher's assistants are Charlette Dragoo, Tami Knapp, Lara Sheridan, Jenny Blevins, Kathy Ewoldt and Piper Wenderlich.

To celebrate its silver anniversary, a dinner is planned Saturday at 7 p.m. in Jake's Deli banquet room. Tickets are \$6.95 per person, available at Toy Box and the First Baptist Church office. Six of the 10 directors will be honored.

Besides Smith and Ewoldt, the others are Virginia Lauseng, Diane Hodges, Gayle Blank Rodriguez, Sara Miller, Sue Durand, Barbara Muller-Kowing, Carolyn Franklin and Judy Stuck.

Toy Box staff also will be recognized at the Sunday morning worship service at First Baptist Church, 125 S. Cowsls St.

An open house at Toy Box, which is located in the Educational Building of First Baptist on First Street, is scheduled Sunday from 1 to 3 p.m.

"We invite all families of Toy Box, past and present, former staff members and the public," said Ewoldt.

Toy Box is managed by a committee headed by Donna Sayre, chairperson. Other members are Nona Ballard, Rhoda Robbins and Smith.

Eve Barnett heads a parent committee which has established a special fund to celebrate Toy Box's 25th anniversary with a gift. Further information is available by calling her at 472-2727.

# Dec 1966

## FBC records membership of 979

(about 300 were non-residents – students? inactive?)

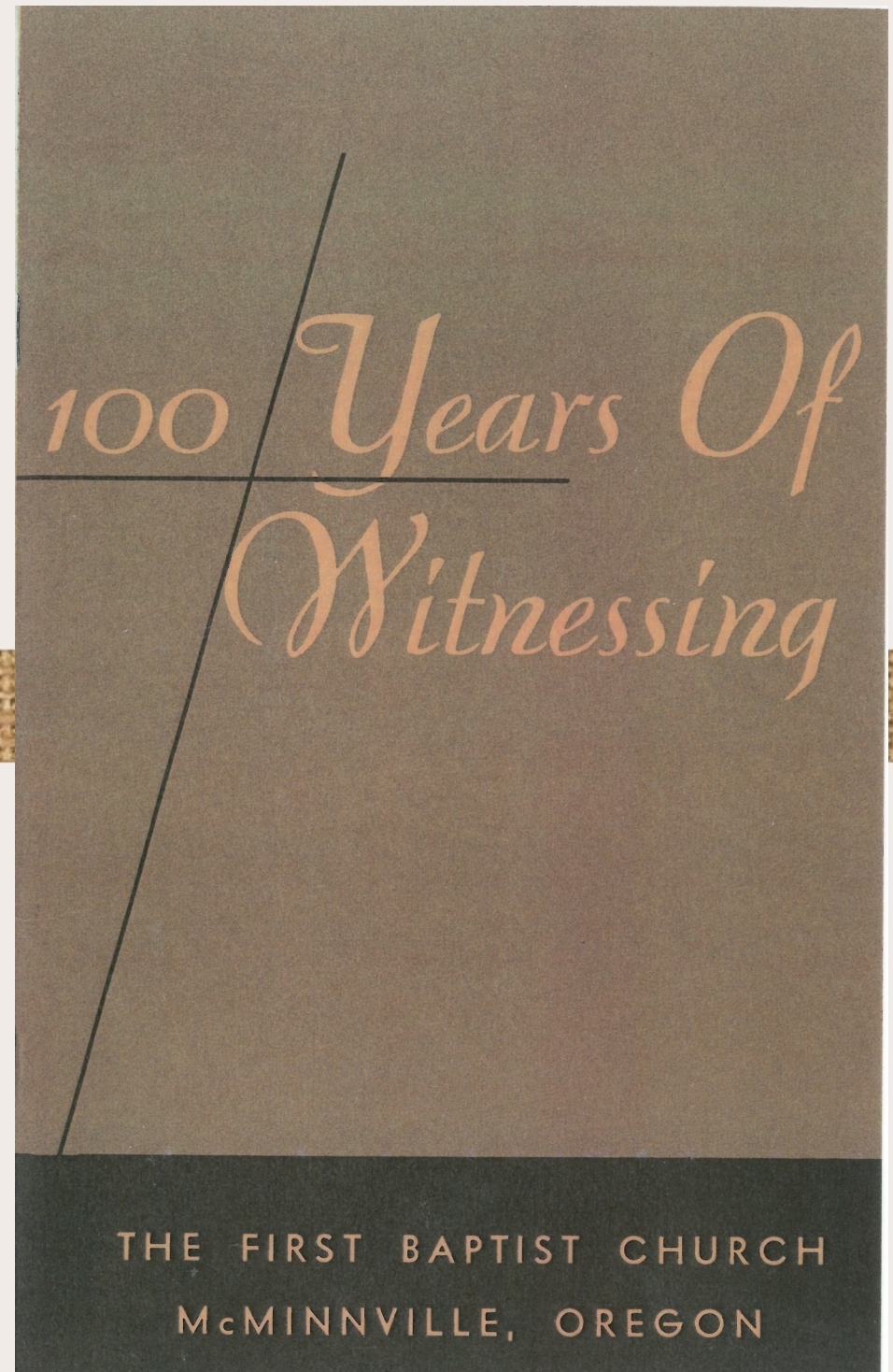


1967

# 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Budget that year was \$51,000.

1967





C E N T E N N I A L BANQUET AND PROGRAM

7:00 p.m., Thursday, May 11

Master of Ceremonies, Mr. Michael L. Hamilton

Greetings - The Rev. Jack L. Kiekel

Responses - The Rev. Harold B. Bjornson  
The Rev. James A. Howard  
The Rev. Roland A. Davenport  
The Rev. Gordon L. Welch

"WHAT THE CHURCH HAS MEANT TO THE TOWN"  
Mr. Fern Ramsey

"WHAT THE CHURCH HAS MEANT TO THE COLLEGE"  
Dr. Harry L. Dillin

Address: "THE PRICE IS RIGHT"  
Dr. L. Earle Shipley

Hymns of different periods

Special Music

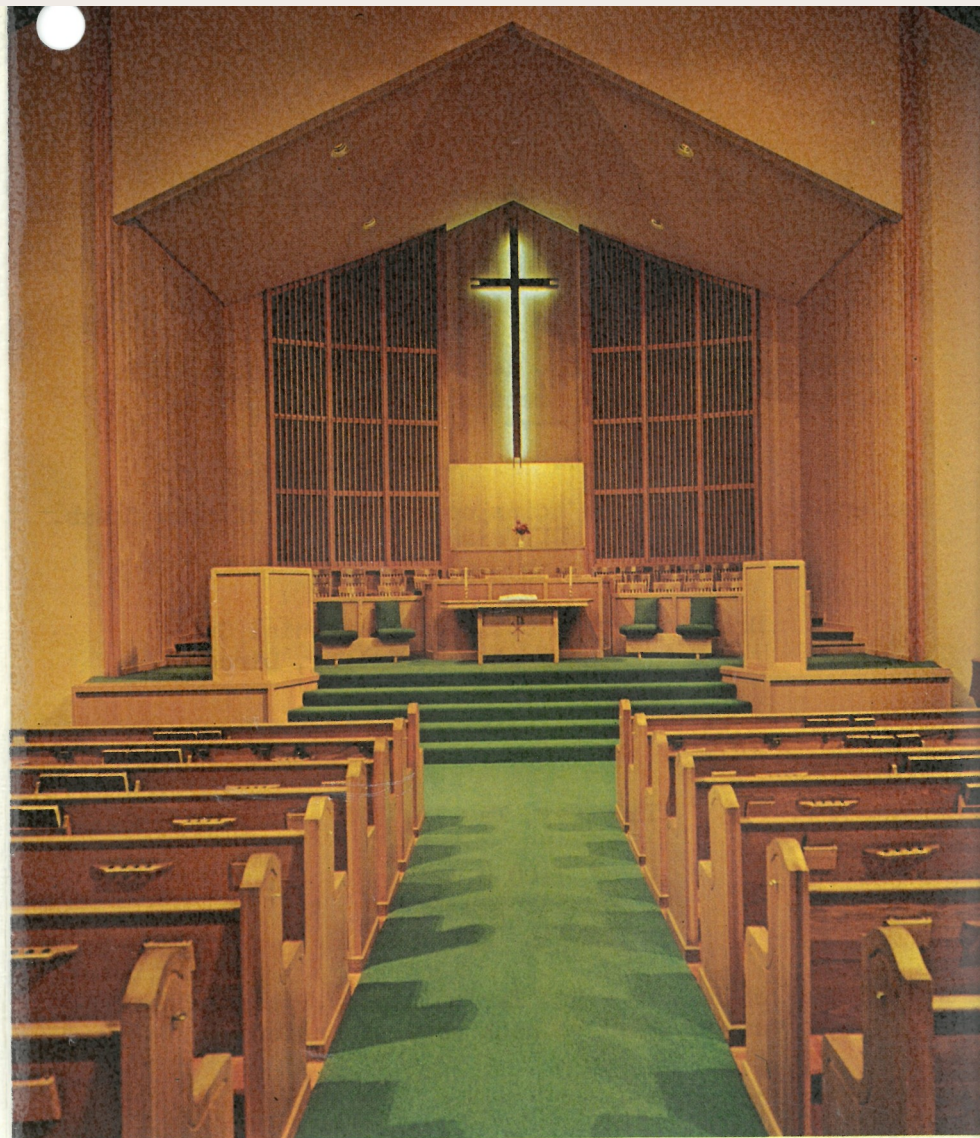
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Mrs. Elam Anderson (Dr. Colena),  
Banquet Program Coordinator

Mr. Leon Beal and Mrs. Craig Singletary, Co-Chairmen,  
Centennial Committee



## First Baptist Church

FIRST AND COWLS

McMINNVILLE, OREGON

(Affiliated with The American Baptist Convention)

~~WAKELAND BAPTIST CHURCH~~

JACK L. KIEKEL, Minister of Education

*I was glad when they said unto me,  
'Let us go into the House of The Lord.'*

Psalm 122:1



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
McMinnville, Oregon

C E N T E N N I A L   C E L E B R A T I O N

Sunday, May 7, 1967  
11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

"WHAT HATH GOD WROUGHT!" Rev. Dwight S. Dodson, D.D.  
Regular coffee time will immediately follow Worship.

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Tea and Guided Tour for townspeople and out of town friends.

7:30 p.m.

Dramatic Presentation: "Centennial Cuts"  
Dr. Lester Schilling, Director

.....  
Thursday, May 11, 1967

7:00 p.m.

CENTENNIAL DAY DINNER

"THE PRICE IS RIGHT" - Dr. Earle Shipley, Special Speaker  
(Program outlined on back page of bulletin)

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"100 YEARS OF SERVICE"  
(A History of McMinnville First Baptist Church)  
by Dr. J. A. Jonasson  
Price: \$1  
Available now - Northwest Narthex

The following people are selling Centennial Banquet  
(May 11) tickets:

Jim Crawford, Berean	Ted Lehman, new members
Clarence Kohl, Friendship	Mrs. Barnett, Dr. Henry
Steve Baker, High School	Mrs. Ezra Koch, Pathfinders
Kathleen Koch, Jr. High	Maxine White & Elmer Fricke,
Pat Welton, College age	Bridgebuilders

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

TODAY: (May 7)

You are invited to coffee time and fellowship in the  
narthex immediately following the Worship Service.

12:30 p.m. Tune in to KMCM - the Layman's Hour. Do you  
have a sense of despair over the present world crisis?  
If so, Ellis Holt has a word of hope for you.

See opposite page for today's Centennial activities.

5:00 p.m. Roger Williams Fellowship.

MONDAY:

No Boy Scout meeting.

TUESDAY:

Rev. & Mrs. Frederick Gilson leave for American Bapt-  
ist Convention sessions in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible study at Hoy's Cafe.

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible study groups at homes.

Noon: Ministerial meeting at Linfield College.

WEDNESDAY:

7:30 p.m. Pulpit Committee

THURSDAY: CENTENNIAL DAY

See opposite page plus back page for program details.

7:00 p.m. CENTENNIAL DAY DINNER AND PROGRAM - Rev. Earle  
Shipley of Berkeley, Special Speaker.

FRIDAY:

4:00 p.m. Discipleship Class in Conference Room.

Early morning Men's Bible study - join Tuesday group.

NEXT SUNDAY:

MOTHERS' DAY.

9:45 a.m. Sunday Church School

11:00 a.m. Linfield Baccalaureate and Worship Service  
in Riley Gym at Linfield College.

6:30 p.m. Fellowship groups. Ken Holmes to speak to Adults.  
FLOWERS placed by Mrs. Frances Cross in loving memory of parents.

**1968**

**Martin Luther King is assassinated.**

**1969**

**Eight Covenant or Yoke Groups form at FBC.  
One of these has met for over 50 years.**

**1970**

**1969**

**First man walks on the moon.**

**1970**

**FBC has 752 members, 575 who lived in  
the area.**

**1970**

**Kent State tragedy occurs.**



**1970**

**Bernie Turner is called as Senior Pastor.  
He retires in 1993.**



**1975**

**FBC becomes one of the charter churches of the  
Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America.**

**1975**

**Charles Walker becomes Linfield's President.  
William Apel is the College Chaplain.**



FRIENDSHIP CLASS\*\*FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH\*\*LATE SUMMER 1978

FIRST ROW

Ida Walton  
 Celia Dromgoole  
 Walter Hinrichs  
 Sylvia Hinrichs  
 Harold McKay  
 Maude McKay  
 Grace Miller  
 Caroyl Hartzell  
 Joy House  
 Hugh House

SECOND ROW

Wm. Helgerson  
 Clara Helgerson  
 Mabel Gillaspie  
 Dr. W.W. Dolan  
 Thelma Dolan  
 Frieda Michaelsohn  
 Ann McCune  
 Beulah Willis  
 Pearl Miller

THIRD ROW

Emmett Dromgoole  
 Rev. Gerald Gillaspie  
 Louise Kresner  
 Clara Gebauer  
 Laura Christensen  
 Marion Mahaffey  
 Dr. Colena Anderson  
 Linnea Greenlund  
 Virginia Beal  
 Clarence Greenlund  
 Leon Beal



# 1980

Pioneer Pantry moved to FBC. Lunch is served each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at low cost to elderly citizens.

# 1980

## Community

News-Register  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1984  
McMinnville, Oregon

SECTION B

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 ■ Senior news — B5

**Home cookin'**

Neva Caldwell, right, takes a break from serving in order to chat with seniors at Carlton mealsite.

**Seniors share food and socialize**

Places are set for 24 people and takeout meals are prepared for another five to 10 each month. Each person is asked for a donation.

At the mealsite, food is served family style. "This is a family," Wasson said.

She makes sure seniors are

**Pioneer Pantry cooks put together meals from scratch**

Methodist, First Presbyterian, the Church of Jesus

# 1980

Mt. St. Helens erupts.

# 1984

The first cell phone is commercially available to purchase.



# 1984

The first woman, Dee White, becomes Moderator of the FBC Church Board.

# 1989

New Adult Sunday School Series is promoted in the News Register.

# May 1989

The Berlin Wall is torn down, signaling the end of the Cold War.

## Religion news roundup

### Adult class series to begin Sunday

A new adult elective class series begins Sunday in First Baptist Church. Classes meet weekly through Feb. 26 from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

"Understanding Salvation in World Religions" is the subject for the class taught by Bill Apel, chaplain at Linfield College and a church member.

Apel said the class will seek "to achieve a better understanding of other religions so that our own faith might be deepened." The sessions will explore the meaning of salvation through a study of Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism and Christianity.

Cheryl Sneller will lead the discussion on "Relationship Gifts," using the Bible and the Myers-Briggs Preference Test to explore ways to understand and improve relationships.

"Isaiah: A Prophet Within the System" is the subject of the third class, taught by Bill Millar.

Millar said Isaiah's ministry "gives us an example of how we may go about building God's kingdom on earth while remaining an active participant in the system."

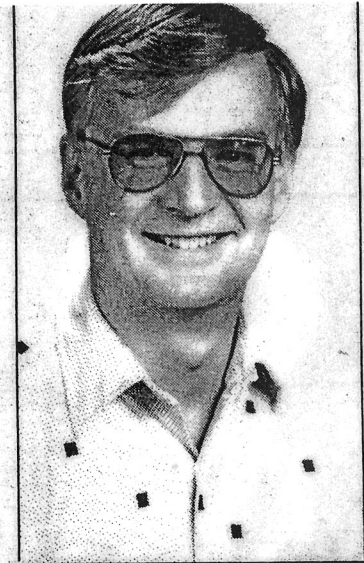
The class will study his ministry in the context of when it was written and then will seek ways to use his insights to shed light on how to approach contemporary issues of inclusiveness and the church, explained Millar.

### Shrove Tuesday fetes

The annual Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church will be served Tuesday from 5 to 7 p.m. in the parish hall, as the last celebration before Lent fasting begins.

A program entitled, "Burying the Alleluia" will be presented by the church school children.

A pancake feed also is planned Tuesday at 6:15 p.m. in United Methodist Church's Youngson Hall.

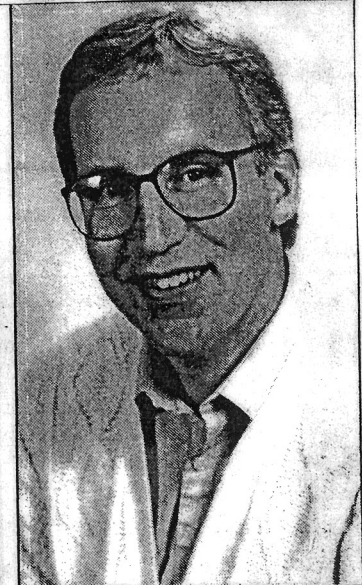


**BILL MILLAR**

Instructors for new adult elective class series



**CHERYL SNELLER**



**BILL APEL**



## 1990

World Wide Web introduced to the public.  
The Church purchases the 1st computer  
for the office staff.

## 1991

Bernie Turner helps to found  
McMinnville Area Habitat for Humanity.  
FBC provides office space to Habitat  
for over 15 years.

## 1992

### 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



1990

1992





The Oregonian/ROBERT BACH

**The Rev. Bernie Turner is growing a beard as part of the 125th anniversary celebration of First Baptist Church in McMinnville. Marilyn Crouser is in charge of the anniversary events.**



# Baptists in time-travel mode

By **FRAN GARDNER**

*of The Oregonian staff*

**McMINNVILLE** — The entire congregation of First Baptist Church will be taking a trip Sunday through both time and distance.

The occasion is the 125th anniversary of the church, which began its meetings in the Linfield College chapel in 1867.

A re-enactment of the events of the church's founding will be featured at the 11 a.m. service. But first, the congregation will travel by car convoy to the South Yamhill Cemetery, the site of the church's first building.

Cars will leave the church parking lot at 9:30 a.m. for the four-mile trip.

After a brief service at a historical marker in the cemetery, some shrubbery will be planted there and some dirt taken up to plant another bush at the First Baptist Church site, 125 S. Cowls St.

Back at the Cowls Street site, in

the 1926 California mission-style building, members of the congregation will portray the organizing meeting of the church.

To get into the 125-year mood, the current pastor, the Rev. Bernie Turner, is growing a Lincolnesque beard and encouraging other men in the congregation to join in. Both men and women are invited to wear period dress, and women will be sporting hats.

Turner's list of parishioners who will be honored for 40 or more years of membership in the church has 60 names on it. Two of those people, Marguerite Christensen and C. Bernard Hansard, have been in the congregation for 77 years, since 1915.

At a reception following the service, some large pieces of church history memorabilia — such as pulpit chairs from a past generation — will be on display in the social hall.

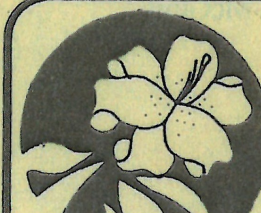
Several former pastors are expected at another special service the following Sunday, May 17. They include Jack Kiekkel, Evertt Ward and James Hughes.

The sermon that day will be delivered by the Rev. Harold Bjornson, who served the church from 1958 through 1967, the church's centennial year.

The church settled at its present location in 1883, building a meeting house with a 65-foot tower. It and a subsequent church were torn down as they became too small for the growing congregation.

First Baptist Church is celebrating its anniversary this year with a variety of activities. A show of art created by church members was well-received in April. A display of historic photos continues.

Still to come is an all-church picnic in August. In September, two events are scheduled: an all-church retreat, and a song and poetry festival.



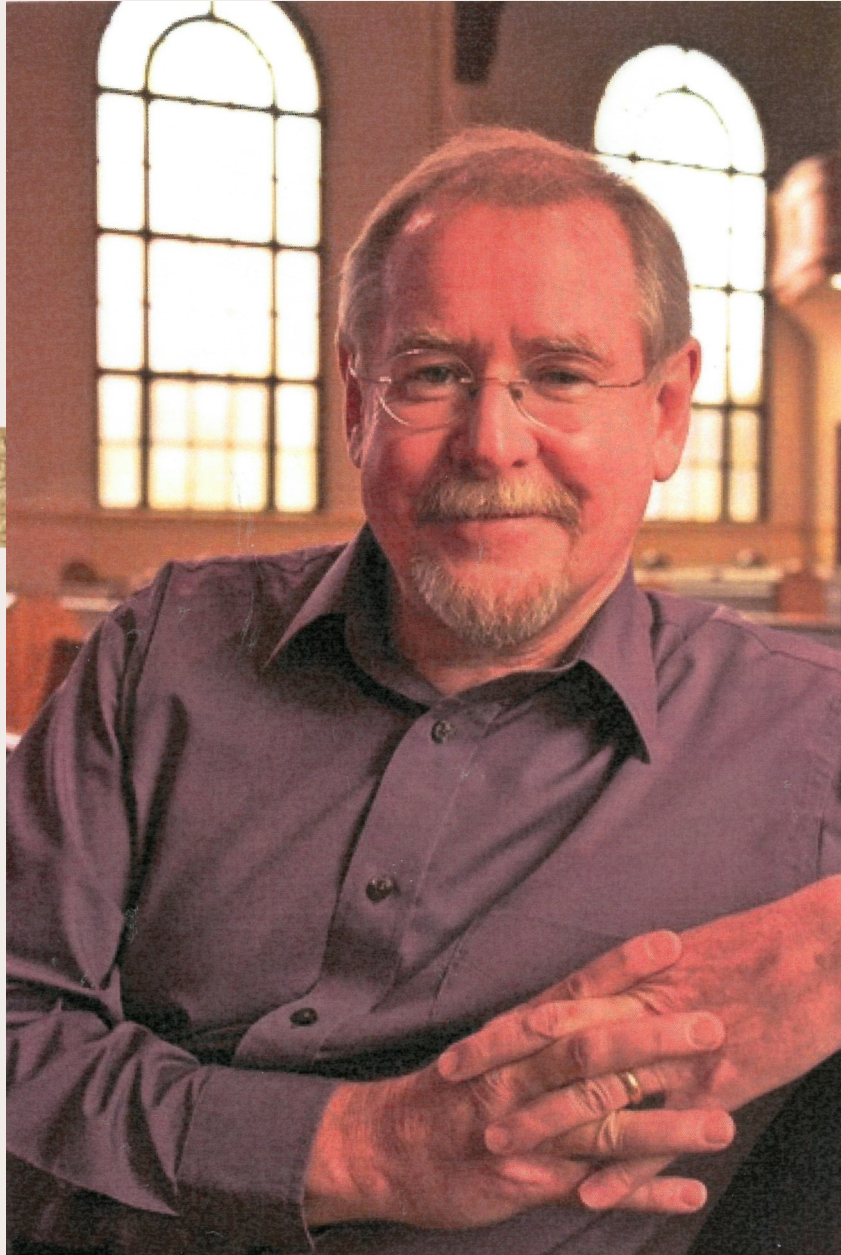
*Country  
Gardens*

Unique Annuals &  
Wide Selection of



# 1994

**Kent Harrop is called as Senior  
Pastor. He serves until 2014.**







**1996**  
**Chancel Choir**





**1996**  
**Jubilee Bell Ringers**



# 1999

## First Y.A.H.O.O. Trip

(Yamhill Alliance for Helping Others Out) Y.A.H.O.O. is an ecumenical partnership of youth and adults from area churches who raise over \$20,000 per year to spend their Spring Break building 3-4 houses with AMOR Ministries near Tecate, Mexico.



# 1999

## Noah's Ark Vacation Bible School



# March 4, 2001

Gathering Room expansion and remodel is dedicated.

2000



HOFFMAN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

1st BAPTIST EXPANSION / REMODEL  
McMINVILLE, OR  
DATE: 9-30-99









**Sept 11, 2001**  
**Terrorist attack on the World Trade**  
**Center in New York City.**

**2004**  
**FBC's first Mission Trip to Nicaragua.**

**Mission In Nicaragua Team** June 2004



**Medical Clinic Work Crew**

**Back Row:** Shalom (interpreter), Carlos (dentist), Diane Estrada, Carson Benner, Laura & Don Christensen. **Middle Row :** Frank (driver), Sue Brandt, Nancy Vasquez, Anna Terramin, Margy Porter, Keenan Mitchell. **Middle Row Kneeling:** Chano (health trainer), Pastor Kent Harrop, Victoria Estrada, Joan Kushner. **Front Row:** Mel Kelchner, Paul Kushner

**Nicaragua Mission Team to Lead Worship on June 6th**

On June 6th your 14 member mission team will lead worship during the 11 a.m. worship. The team looks forward to telling their story through story and song. Hear how God has transformed the lives of your mission team. Children will be in worship for the first part of the worship service and will enjoy a story about the children of La Pita, Nicaragua. A gift will be presented to the church from the children of La Pita and from Provaldenec, the community that hosted our mission team. This worship will also include the celebration of communion and recognition of our Sunday School teachers. Put this special Sunday on your calendar.

**Upcoming All Church Nicaragua Event**

Your Nicaragua Mission Team, will host (tentatively July 15) an all church Nicaraguan Dinner with slide and video presentation on our ten day mission trip. We will tell the story of the people we met and the medical clinic that was built. Through picture and word we will share the good news of how God is at work in the lives of the people of an isolated mountain village called La Pita. We will tell of how health care is being brought to rural communities through the extraordinary ministry of American Baptist related ministry called Provaldenec. Come hear stories of hope and faith in the midst of challenging conditions. Stay tuned for details as to time and date. Thank you FBC, family, for your support in so many ways!



# **February 2005**

**Donna Weed is hired as FBC's  
Office Manager.**

# **August 2006**

**JP Bierly is called to lead Music  
Ministry.**

# **2009**

**FBC begins partnership with AMOS Health and Hope Ministry in  
La Pimienta, Nicaragua.**

**In 2017, FBC started the 3<sup>rd</sup> four-year commitment to fund a re-  
gional health clinic and provide water filters for all households.**



**2013**

FBC completes a discernment process and the congregation votes to have a vision of becoming a Matthew 25 Ministry.

**2013**

FBC begins a partnership with Lutheran Community Services to provide space for A Family Place Relief Nursery of Yamhill County.

**2010**

**2013**

FBC members served on a team that developed the McMinnville Free Medical Clinic. The clinic provides free medical care on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of every month.

**May 2015**

Ron Richter is hired as the FBC Building Supervisor



# September 2015

Reverend Erika Marksbury is called to FBC as Senior Pastor. At that time she was the first woman, Senior Pastor of an ABC multi-staff church in Oregon.

First Baptist Church McMinnville  
Installation Service  
Reverend ERIKA MARKSBURY  
Senior Pastor



Saturday, November 14, 2015



# August 2016

Sean Williams is called to lead Ministry for Children, Youth and Families



# May 11, 2017

## 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**We are not just tellers of God's story.**

**We are part of the story God is telling.**

**Our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is an invitation to a faithful future.**



The shape of the Anniversary logo is a pinwheel made with triangles. It speaks of a pioneer spirit in some ways – a reminder of wagon-wheels that brought our forefathers to this valley. We might think of it as a willingness to follow the leading of God's Spirit.. The shapes matter, of course, but the colors do, too.

2017

Purple and green triangles represent time. In the liturgical year, purple is the color of Advent and Lent – of sacred times. Green is the color of what we call Ordinary time – the long non-holiday season. Those two triangles together stand for the continuity, the all-the-time-ness of our faith community.

The red and yellow at the top – the triangles reaching high- to be evocative of the Holy Spirit. They're the colors of fire, of Pentecost, that day when we celebrate that the spirit is for all people. And red is the color of theology at an academic institution. So, these triangles hint at spirit and at learning and our commitments to open-mindedness and scholarship.

The blue and green triangles reaching out, are designed to evoke water and land. The colors of our planet. They call us to remember the wide reach of this church: our support of missions and development projects around the globe, our desire that our worship and our work would empower us to nurture peace and justice and abundance throughout the world.

The browns at the bottom, dig deep. They're the dirt of this place, the ways our mission and our work is also centered locally, even in our own neighborhood. The brown is the base, the foundation of being in community together and the freedom to grow that being grounded provides us.



# CONNECTIONS

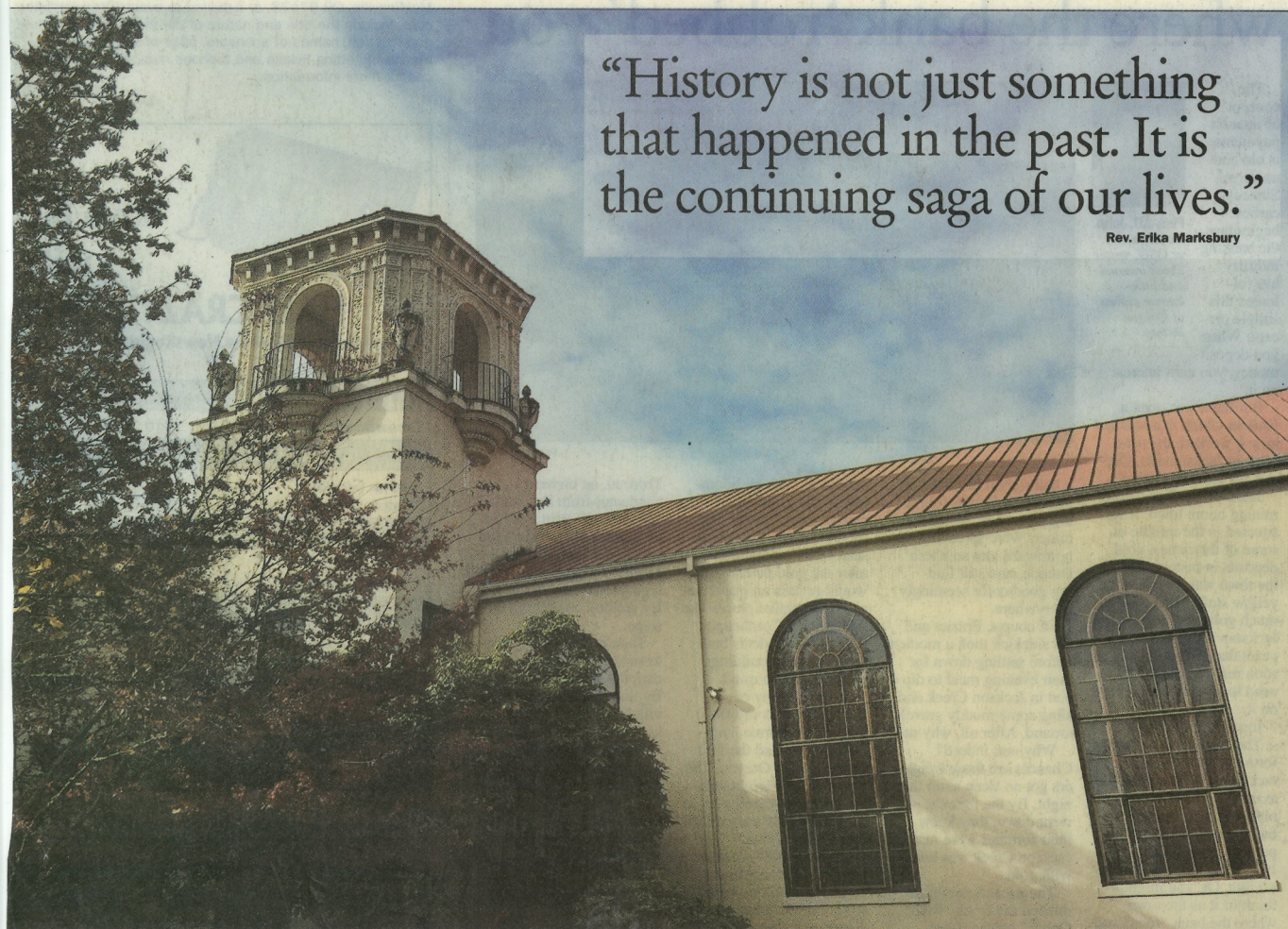


Carolyn Hax

Advice from  
someone who's  
been there **B3**

"History is not just something  
that happened in the past. It is  
the continuing saga of our lives."

Rev. Erika Marksbury



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## FIRST BAPTIST MARKS SESQUICENTENNIAL



# McMinnville congregation — among the area's oldest — has grown along with city

By TOM HENDERSON  
Of the News-Register

**T**he universe, poet Muriel Rukeyser observed, is not made of atoms. It is made of stories.

As the congregation at McMinnville's First Baptist Church celebrates their church's 150th anniversary, the Rev. Erika Marksbury thinks a lot about stories these days. "The church is one way to share God's story, but so are all of our lives," she said.

Marksbury, who serves as the church's pastor, has placed a recorder in the church so congregants can drop by and share their stories. Each month, a different question is posed.

Responses can be personal stories, or they can be stories of people's experiences with the church. They all add to the ongoing 150-year-old story that is the First Baptist Church.

"History is not just something that happened in the past," Marksbury said. "It is the continuing saga of our lives."

The saga of the First Baptist Church is intimately connected with the history of McMinnville and Linfield College, as all three developed together.

The city was founded in 1856 by William T. Newby, who named it after his hometown in Tennessee. And it quickly drew 300 residents.

It seemed to be the place to be, said Charles Walker, a former Linfield president and longtime member of the church. "There was definitely a sense

that McMinnville was growing," he said.

In the late 1850s, Sebastian Adams began pushing for the siting of a college in McMinnville, and Newby donated six acres for the venture.

Adams tried for a year and a half to run the school himself, but couldn't make a go of it. He suggested turning it over to the Baptist Church's educational arm, which had the means to provide sufficient support.

The school was chartered by the Oregon Territorial Legislature in 1858 as the Baptist College at McMinnville. It later became McMinnville College, and, eventually, Linfield College.

The college's first president, the Rev. George C. Chandler, began holding Sunday school services in college quarters, as they were not being used on Sundays. That led to the founding of First Baptist on May 11, 1867, and it continued conducting services in the original college building — located on the present site of the church, at the corner of First and Cowls — until 1883.

The church's first facility of its own was located next to a cemetery off McCabe Road. But little or no evidence of that structure remains.

"There was a building there, but it was taken apart piece by piece to make a church for another congregation at the coast," Walker said.

The college eventually outgrew the Cowls site and moved onto more expansive acreage to the southeast.

The church inherited the college's



original wooden building. It later burned, but Walker said, "The foundation was visible when we added to the building."

Linfield and First Baptist Church have a certain chicken-and-the-egg

**In 1926, a new church was built at First and Cowls streets, replacing an 1898 structure. An education wing was added in 1964, and another renovation and expansion was undertaken in the late 1990s. The 1926 building was constructed in the Spanish Colonial Revival style and features a bell tower with iron railings. Below: The congregation of McMinnville's First Baptist Church gathers for a photo around the turn of the 20th century. Submitted image**

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# Church

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relationship, Walker said. "There are some people who say the college created the church," he said. "There are others who say the church created the college. "In the end, of course, it really doesn't matter. Religion and education have a long history of being intertwined in the community."

In fact, the name Linfield comes from a Baptist minister — the Rev. George Fisher Linfield. The college was named in his honor in 1922, after his widow, Frances Eleanor Ross Linfield, made a handsome donation in his memory to promote Christian education.

While Linfield is no longer formally associated with First Baptist, many members, like Walker, boast college connections.

Marksbury said the congregation is extremely proud of its shared heritage with the school. "The church kept that early commitment to education and the deepening of faith through learning and inquiry," she said.

First Baptist has been heavily involved in many aspects of the community over the past 150 years. The church served as the first headquarters of Habitat for Humanity and helped launch the local effort to provide affordable housing for struggling families.

The church continues to provide space for A Family Place, a relief nursery for children organized by Lutheran Community Services, and the McMinnville Free Clinic. Along with six other churches in the community, it offers shelter for the homeless through the Community Winter In-clement Shelter Help program.

Member Tim Duerfeldt, a retired Chemeketa Community College instructor, said almost 20 addiction recovery and support groups meet at the church on a weekly basis. He said the church also hosts Scout meetings and Saturday breakfasts.

Giving is part of the church's DNA, Duerfeldt said. "That goes back to the very beginning in this original village of 300 people."

Music minister J.P. Bierly said he's not sure where First Baptist ranks in terms of the community's oldest congregations. But of the

"We wanted to give a gift to the community. We chose music because it's universal."

— Tim Duerfeldt

city's 52 churches, representing 37 denominations, it is certainly "one of the oldest," he said.

In 1883, the church put up a new building. That building was replaced 1898, and again in 1927 with a structure featuring a 6,000-pipe organ.

The 1927 structure still stands. A new education wing was added in 1964, and another renovation and expansion was undertaken in the late 1990s.

Church members are planning a series of events to celebrate their 150th anniversary. In keeping with the theme of stories, author Brian Doyle will visit at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3.

The church is also hosting a series of concerts showcasing assorted musical styles.

The Darrell Grant Trio will perform a jazz concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20. The church's choir will be joined by outside musicians in performing a Christmas concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 4. A contemporary concert featuring We Three, siblings Joshua, Bethany and Manny Humlie, follows at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20.

The Gould Piano Trio has a classical concert set for 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 29. A concert formally celebrating the church's 150th anniversary is slated for 7 p.m. Saturday, May 13. The series will conclude on Oct. 14, 2017, with a 7 p.m. organ concert featuring Paul Klemme, organist at St. Paul's Episcopal in Salem.

Duerfeldt said none of the concerts will be expressly religious in nature, and no collections will be taken.

"We wanted to give a gift to the community," he said. "We chose music because it's universal. This is our way of thanking McMinnville for the last 150 years."

Our year motto: "Pass it on."

First Baptist Church, McMinnville, Oregon.  
Rayd K. Adams, Pastor.

SERVICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY JAN. 29, 1905.  
SUNDAY.

9:50 Bible School, F. D. Culver superintendent. "Jesus and Nicodemus."

11:00 Morning Worship. Rev. A. W. Rider, D. D. of Oakland, Cal. will speak.

4:00 Junior Union. A pleasant and profitable meeting for boys and girls. Mrs. A. M. Brumback superintendent.

6:30 B. V. P. U. "Heroes of foreign missions." II Cor. 11: 21-28. Allen McKee.

7:30 Evening Worship. Subject, "Elijah, or The Life of Power," being the fourth in a series on "Old-time Heroes in the Light of today."

TUESDAY.

2:30 Special business meeting of the Guild.

3:30 Pastor's Bible class at the church; everyone welcome.

WEDNESDAY.

4:00 Pastor's Bible class at college, auspices Y. W. C. A.

THURSDAY.

7:30 Covenant Meeting. Learn to repeat the first paragraph of the covenant and read carefully the 12th and 13th chapters of I Corinthians.

FRIDAY.

7:30 Social gathering conducted by members of the church whose names begin with A, B, or C. A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the church and congregation and to strangers to come and get acquainted. The A, B, C. group will meet their leader, Mrs. Suggs Cook, after service this morning.

NEXT SUNDAY.

Communion service and hand of fellowship to new members.

Dismissed by letter—Carrie Sappingfield, Twin Falls, Idaho.

Pastor's Aid Society.

Object. To aid the pastor in looking after strangers, the sick, and any persons in trouble.

Membership. Men, women, boys and girls; any member of the church or congregation may join.

Dues. "To love one another"

Motto. "Not to be ministered unto, but to minister."

If you wish to enter please sign one of the slips which may be found at the door and drop it into the pastor's letter box.

Sparks from the Anvil.

Short speeches go a long ways.

A missionary is "one sent," but a missionary offering should be more than "one sent."

The Saviour sweat; the apostles slept.

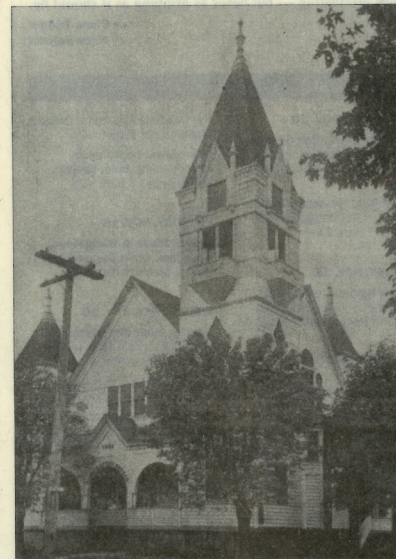
The gospel is progressing; the man who reads no missionary news is behind the times.

"Beginning a Jerusalem" this is a "foreign land."

A sure road to international peace—"Make disciples of all nations."

Dr. Duff to the women of Edinburgh, Scotland, "The portion of your dresses which trail on the street would support all our mission schools in India."

Our year text—"While we have opportunity, let us work that which is good toward all men." *Satanians 6:10.*



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Fifth and C Streets, McMinnville, Oregon

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 1914

Above right: A schedule shows the church's activities in January 1905. Right: First Baptist Church's steepled Queen Anne building was constructed at First and Cowles streets in McMinnville for \$5,800 in 1898. It replaced a simple wood frame structure built in 1883 for \$2,100. Submitted images



# September 11, 2016

## Launch of 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year

### Service of Remembrance





# Celebration of 150 years of Potlucks!



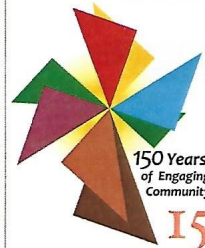


# May 4-7, 2017

## 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### Celebration

May 2017



## The Tidings

FBC's monthly newsletter

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## 150th Anniversary, 1867 - 2017

The forward to *100 Years of Witnessing*, a historical document of the first century of FBC McMinnville's life, close with these words from former pastor Jack Kiekel:

*"Look back at Old First, but linger not long; for the future is your inheritance."*

We closed our pilgrimage service to the original church site in the fall with these words, and it feels only fitting to revisit them now, in anticipation of our sesquicentennial anniversary weekend. "We will do some lingering, to be sure - sharing stories, reliving memories, singing old favorites, reuniting with friends - but remembering that it was the forward-thinking vision of those days, the impulse toward the future, that brought us to this day. We look back so that the faithfulness we were born of continues to shape our witness, as we listen for where God's leading us now."

### JOIN us as we CELEBRATE all weekend!

#### Thursday, May 4

**7 pm - Hymn Sing - Quilt Dedication - Book Release, "The Last 25, 1992-2017"**

Copies of "The 125 Year History of FBC" are still available.

#### Friday, May 5

**8 am-6 pm - Church Open House & Guided Tours** (highlighting the history of our building) at 10 am and 6 pm

**1:30-3 pm - Wine Tasting** at the J. L. Kiff Vineyard (13546 NW Willis Rd)

**7-9 pm - Reception** at the home of Les & Kathleen Toth (2700 NW Pinehurst)

#### Saturday, May 6

**9-11:30 am - Writing Workshop: Crafting Your Spiritual Legacy** (FBC Social Hall)

**3-5 pm - Reception** at the home of Scott & Susan Chambers (600 NW 9th St)

**5:30 pm - Anniversary Celebration Dinner** (FBC Social Hall) - **RSVP requested.**

**7 pm - 'Sing for Joy' Concert** (FBC Sanctuary)

#### Sunday, May 7

**10 am - Continental Brunch Reception** (FBC Gathering Room)

**11 am - Combined ANNIVERSARY WORSHIP Celebration!**

Some of the 150th Anniversary Celebration Events are made possible in part through the Vital Worship Grants Program of the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, generously supported by the Indianapolis-based Lilly Endowment, Inc.









## 150th Anniversary Quilt First Baptist Church of McMinnville



Yellow Border Fabric from Nicaragua as a tribute to our long relationship with Missionaries David and Laura Parajón and AMOS.





**Felix Bierly, age 1, greeting Joy House who is 108 at the Anniversary Worship Service.**





# First Baptist Church of McMinnville

## McMinnville, Oregon

2016-2017

### Project Summary

Stories cross boundaries and time and connect people. We celebrated our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a year of storytelling. Through our grant, we provided opportunities for our congregation to tell stories of the past and present. Stories were heard and told, communicated in word, text, song, and fabric. Our grant year served to connect our stories to those in the Bible. Documenting these stories has been an invitation to a faithful future of storytelling.



150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Quilt  
Each Pinwheel Represents a Ministry

### What We Have Learned

- The importance of balancing the many stories that call for our attention: our history, stories from individuals, stories from scripture
- The importance of honoring past and present stories in tangible ways - though workshops, a physical timeline, a book, a quilt and a story recording area
- The importance of using the stories Jesus told, not only to answer questions, but to invite more questions



Story Project Recording



Felix Bierly, age 1, greeting  
Joy House who is 108  
at Anniversary Worship



Anniversary Photo



Anniversary Book

### Highlights of Our Year

Portland Story Theater Workshop  
Brian Doyle Book Groups  
Songwriting and Music Workshop  
FBC Story Project Recording Booth  
Joe Wilkins Book Groups and Memoir Writing Workshop  
Intergenerational Storytelling Evening  
Anniversary Book  
Anniversary Quilt  
Anniversary Celebratory Worship on May 7th



Music and Songwriting  
Workshop



Writing Workshop with Joe  
Wilkins



Portland Story Theater  
Oral Storytelling Workshop



Intergenerational  
Story Sharing



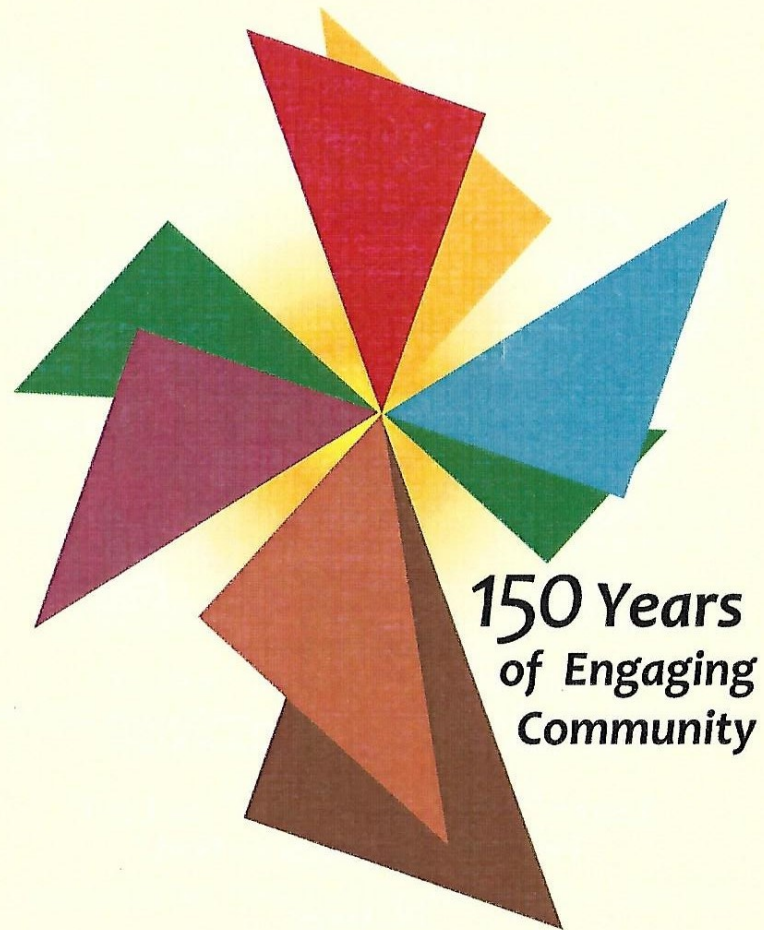
Timeline of Church History

CALVIN INSTITUTE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

This program is made possible through a Vital Worship Grant from the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, Grand Rapids, Michigan, with funds provided by Lilly Endowment Inc



**First Baptist Church  
150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Celebration**



**Sunday, May 7, 2017**



## 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

**Prelude** - Prayer from Notre Dame by Boellmann  
Muriel Dresser, organ

### Gathering As God's People

**Welcome**

**Centering Song**  
Malawi Alleluia

**Greeting One Another**

**Gathering Songs**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You, New Century Hymnal #4  
Deep Cries Out

**Gathering Prayer & Lord's Prayer**  
Rev. Shelley Varner, FBC Associate Pastor, 2008-2009

**Children's Story**  
Sean P. Williams, Children & Youth Minister

### Opening to the Word of God

**Scripture**

Psalm 34:1-10 Matthew 14:22-33  
Worship Readers: Rev. Steve Bills, Executive Minister, ABC-CPC  
Rev. Katie Choy-Wong, President, ABC-CPC

Leader: "This is the Word of the Lord."  
People: "Thanks be to God."

**Message**

"We of Little Faith"  
Rev. Erika Marksbury, FBC Senior Pastor 2015-present

### Responding to God

Stepping In

## **Prayers of Joy & Concern**

Rev. Bernie Turner, FBC Senior Pastor, 1970-1998

Prayer Song - Shepherd Me, O God

**Offertory**

Voice of Truth  
FBC Worship Team

## **Communion - Meditation**

Rev. Kent Harrop, FBC Senior Pastor, 1994-2014

### **The Bread and the Cup**

All bread provided today is Gluten Free.



### **Laying on of Hands & Anointing**

**Laying on of Hands:** From ancient times the laying on of hands has been a symbol for the conveying of God's power. Among the gifts received from God by this means is that of healing.

Prayers for healing may be for oneself, for another or for the world. Healing may be physical, emotional, or spiritual in nature. In Scripture we see this practice commonly used and the healings which followed. (Luke 4:40)

**Anointing:** Anointing since ancient times, provides a vivid, ritualized expression of God's love. It serves as a symbol of God's grace, healing and blessing. (Psalm 89:20).

Music during communion ~ **Fruit of Generations**  
written by Densley Palmer

### Going Forth to Love and Serve

Draw the Circle Wide

**Benediction**

Rev. Jack Kiekol, Minister of Christian Education, 1959-1968

Leader: "May the Peace of Christ be with you."  
People: "And also with you."

**Postlude**

Rob Rife, FBC Music Ministry Coordinator, 2002-2004



## Fruit of Generations

Music: Natalie Sleeth  
Words: Densley Harley Palmer



1. Set - ting out a - cross a nat - ion to lands bec - kon - ing their dreams,
2. O - ver moun - tain a - cross des - ert, new be - ginn - ings fired each heart.
3. With thanks - giv - ing they as - sem - bled to praise God who led them here,
4. Now, 'tis ours to shape the fu - ture hon - or - ing the sac - red's call.



toward a val - ley called the Yam - hill, rife with for - ests, fields and streams.  
Sketch - y i - mage formed the vi - sion of the life each one would start.  
and plant seed for those who fol - low in some dis - tant, far - off year.  
Ours it is to leave fa - mil - iar and set out a - cross earth's ball.

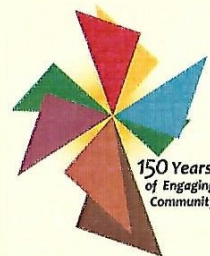


On they moved with pil - grim vi - sion leav - ing what they'd known be - hind.  
On - ward toward a land of pro - mise, toward a fut - ure yet un known,  
We are fruit of gen - er - a - tions, called as pil - grims on our way.  
Com fort is not our sole call - ing; we are called to risk to dare.



Trust ing in the sac - red's lead - ing; in one spi - rit in - ter - twined.  
to be scat - tered for new har - vest: to be tend - ed as God's own.  
Chil dren of his - tor - ic vis - ion, may we hon - or them to - day.  
We are called to be a peo - ple who serve sac - red ev - 'ry - where.

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Words: ©2016 Densley Harley Palmer



### 150th Logo - Its meaning

"In quilting, the pinwheel is a symbol of migration, of movement and adaption across space and time. Because of FBC's long history with quilting — and because of our long history, and adaptation, growth, and change over the last 150 years —

we chose the pinwheel as a symbol of our anniversary year. The shape of the symbol tells a story, but so do the colors.

The **purple** and **green** triangles represent FBC's enduring faithfulness. Purple is the liturgical color for holy seasons, Lent and Advent, those times when we say God comes near. Green is the color for 'ordinary time' - most of the church year, when we focus on living out the lives God calls us to. These triangles speak to our commitment in all times, however 'holy' or 'ordinary' they are.

The **red** and **yellow** triangles that point upward remind us of the Spirit - they're the colors of Pentecost, when the Spirit came to all the people, old and young, male and female, dreamers, and visionaries. These triangles remind us that the Spirit is with us, inspiring and enlivening our work together. Red is also the academic color for theology, and so it hints at our commitment to being a learning congregation.

Next, the **blue** and **green** triangles evoke a global feel, and remind us of our connections to projects and people in Mexico, Nicaragua, Latin America, the Congo, and beyond. They remind us that God's love, peace, and justice are not limited by boundaries and that our call is - and has long been - to share all of that far and wide.

Lastly, two triangles in shades of **brown** point downward. This section of the pinwheel reminds us of dirt, and that we are first and foremost a local church, deeply rooted in the community of McMinnville. So much about our location makes us who we are and determines our mission and outreach commitments."

By Pastor Erika Marksbury



Dear Beloved Friends,

Thank you for your legacy of embracing the whole world with God's love.

You shared that legacy with Cheryl and me when serving with you. Through your wonderful diversity, you modeled grace-filled love that aided in molding me into the person I am today. As I pastored for 30 years your spirit of welcoming all to God's table of grace carried me. Now as I work on behalf of our Global Servant partners around the world, that same spirit you imprinted upon me is carried forth.

As I look ahead, I urge you to move forward with the knowledge that God who brought you to this place will lead you to new places on the journey of sharing the love of Christ with the world entrusted to us.

Pastor Gregg A. Sneller, FBC McMinnville Associate Pastor  
of Christian Education, 1985-1990  
Donor Advisor, American Baptist International Ministries

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Happy Anniversary FBC!

Ten years ago this fall, Naomi, Nattie, and I made McMinnville home as we relocated here from Camp Arrah Wanna when I accepted the call from your Children's Ministry Coordinator Search Committee. This weekend, Naomi (now 22), Nattie (20), and I are celebrating Naomi's graduation from Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Florida. I am not sure where those years have gone – I just know how happy I am that they have been spent in Yamhill County.

My girls and I have formed great friendships here – ones that feel more like family, and, for that, I will always be thankful to my dear friend Kent for that summer of 2007 phone call gauging my interest in returning to local church ministry.

Thank you for the times you welcomed, lifted, supported, and undergirded us. Thank you for the many things I learned while on the FBC staff. My biggest, most heartfelt, and deepest thanks go to the children and teens: I am so honored and humbled to have served as your children's and youth minister. They all hold a special place in my heart and in my life, and I am so happy that my path crossed theirs.

FBC friends, I hope your anniversary celebrations have been all you hoped they would be. 150 years is quite an accomplishment, and I am glad that eight of those years were years we shared.

Barbara Curtis, FBC Children & Youth Ministry Coordinator, 2007-2015

 **BPFNA** Bautistas por la Paz  
*Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America, Inc.*

*Witnessing to God's peace rooted in justice ~ working together until it comes.*

*Testificando sobre la paz de Dios enraizada en justicia ~ Trabajando hasta que llegue.*

May 2017

To The Congregation of First Baptist Church, McMinnville:

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America ~ Bautistas por la Paz and your sister peace-loving, justice-seeking congregations throughout the continent, I send you anniversary greetings.

We share in your joy, and we offer our gratitude for 150 years of faithful ministry in which you have endeavored to live out the call of the Gospel in your communal life. Jesus calls us all to make peace and seek justice, and we are grateful for the many ways in which you individually and corporately bring that call to life.

I have personally been deeply blessed in the times when I have been able to be with you. Even as a write, I am moved by the picture of your lovely and welcoming space that I have in my mind and in my heart. I am grateful to know how very many people have been touched by the community you have created.

May your celebration of this century and a half milestone be rich and full, brimming with a strong sense of God's continued presence, strength, and grace. May your journey forward be blessed with a lasting sense of God's calling through joy and challenge, hope and pain. May God be real for you all in days of triumph, days of struggle, and all the ordinary days in between. Through it all, may you serve as bearers of peace – to one another and to our aching world.

Know that we share your celebration and joy – as we will share your path forward as together we seek to follow the Prince of Peace.

Peace and Grace,



LeDayne McLeese Polaski  
For the staff and board of BPFNA ~ Bautistas por la Paz

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Hello, FBC Folks,

I'm sorry to miss seeing you all but have had to fly to Phoenix unexpectedly.

What an excellent job you have done in honoring FBC with these celebrations. My thoughts are with you all as you remember together through stories and rekindled friendships!

Blessings and Peace.

Ramona Pekkola, FBC Minister of Christian Education  
and Youth, 1999-2002





April 21, 2017

The Reverend Erika Marksbury  
First Baptist Church, McMinnville  
125 SE Cows Street  
McMinnville, OR 97128

Dear Erika and members of First Baptist,

Congratulations on your sesquicentennial celebration! Your commitment to meeting people where they are, showering them with love, and inviting them into your community is a testament to your success.

At AWAB, we feel blessed and honored to have you as a member and ally in welcoming and affirming the LGBTQ community. Your leadership in Oregon and within the region demonstrates your commitment to loving everyone as Christ loved us!

As we move forward in our partnership, we rejoice in your successes and stand with you as an ally at all times. May First Baptist Church, McMinnville continue to serve as a leader and witness for 150 more years!

In Christ's Love,

Rev. Dr. David W. Key, Sr.  
Chair-Elect,  
AWAB Board of Directors

Catherine Chapman  
Executive Director,  
AWAB

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May 7, 2017

Rev. Erika Marksbury  
First Baptist Church McMinnville  
125 Cows St.  
McMinnville, OR 97128

Dear Rev. Marksbury,

The American Baptist Historical Society wishes to extend sincere congratulations to the congregation of the First Baptist Church McMinnville, OR, on the celebration of their one hundred fiftieth anniversary.

This is indeed a special time for your church, and we would like to join in the celebration by presenting this certificate of recognition for your many years of dedicated work in the American Baptist tradition. May you be blessed as you continue to serve God faithfully.

Sincerely,

Rev. Dr. Priscilla E. Eppinger  
Executive Director

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Enclosure: Church Anniversary Certificate



# Tidings in Review

## Welcome to First Baptist Church

Regular Sunday Schedule: 9 & 11 am Worship Services

The 10 O'Clock Christian Education Hour —  
"One of the best hours of your Sunday!"

Adult Classes: Visit anytime - be stimulated by the lively conversations and discussion.

Rainbow Class -  
Fellowship for our Developmentally Disabled adults.

Faith & Java Class -  
How to incorporate meaning and spirituality into everyday life.

Berean Class study - 'The Isaiah Seminar'

Chapel Class study - "The Sunflower: On the Possibilities and Limits of Forgiveness." A NEW study—Join us!

Parent Class - "The Gifts of Imperfect Parenting"



### Children & Youth

10-10:50 am - Sunday School - Every Sunday  
Second Floor Children's Classroom & Youth Rooms  
Plus Children's Chapel, following the Children's Story during the 11am Worship Service

5-6:30 pm - Youth Group  
Tonight at FBC - It's a game night, come ready to get messy!  
Plus dinner provided by the Huff family, join us!

Youth Slumber Party  
Friday, May 19 @ 6pm to Saturday, May 20 @ 11am  
All 6th-12th grade youth & friends  
Girls @ the Banu-Claytons / Boys @ the Williams  
Free, register online, deadline is May 14

Thursday Lunch on Campus  
May 4: McMinnville High School  
May 11: Duniway Middle School / May 18: Patton Middle School

Save the Dates - SUMMER 2017  
Camp Arrah Wanna Summer Camps: / High School: July 10-14  
Middle School: July 17-21 / Elementary: July 24-28

TODAY - Sunday, May 7  
10:00 am - Reception  
11:00 am - Worship  
5-6:30 pm - Youth Group

Monday, May 8  
9-11:00 am - STAR Room  
7:00 pm - Boy Scouts 260  
7:00 pm - Together Works

Tuesday, May 9  
6:30 pm - Cub Scouts 454

Wednesday, May 10  
11:30 am - Meditation,  
2<sup>nd</sup> floor Meditation room  
6:30 pm - Church Board  
7:00 pm - Sister Circle

Thursday, May 11  
9:30 am - KNIT WITS  
6:30 pm - Choir practice  
7:30 pm - Worship Team

Friday, May 12  
9-11:00 am - STAR Room

### Save the Dates for SUMMER 2017

Picnic at Proposal Rock  
at the Beach, Neskowin, OR  
June 24, 3 pm until dark

All Church Campout  
July 28-30  
At the Oregon Coast

Vacation Bible School  
August 7-10  
*Abundance Orchard; Where  
Faith Grows and Hungry  
People are Fed!*

This summer we will focus on having trust and faith in God, who always provides for our needs. We'll use different Old Testament stories to think about hospitality, obedience, miracles, and hunger. And while we're learning and having fun, we'll also be supporting the Society of St. Andrew and their work to glean America's fields and feed America's hungry. With music, crafts, games, snacks, and more, we know it will be a great week and we hope you will join us at First Baptist Church. Registration will open in June!

### Membership Class May 14, 21, & 28

If First Baptist Church is your faith home - if this is the community that you want to learn and serve and journey with - you're invited to become a member. Membership at the church is a commitment from you to offer your ideas, time, passion, and gifts for the community, and a commitment from the community to embrace, nurture, support, and accompany you. FBC asks those wanting to become members to participate in a membership class where they learn about this church, the larger denomination it belongs to, and the specific ministries that we can be part of. Our next membership class will meet at 10 o'clock in the staff conference room May 14, 21, and 28. Adults and youth thinking about membership and/or about baptism are welcome!

Contact Erika ([erika.fbcmac@gmail.com](mailto:erika.fbcmac@gmail.com)) with questions.



**FBC is a community inspired by the words of Matthew 25:37-40:**

They will ask, "When did we see you hungry and feed you, thirsty and give you a drink? When were you a stranger that we welcomed you, or naked that we gave you clothing?"

And when did we see you sick or in prison and come to you?" And he will say, *"This is the truth:*

*Whenever you did one of these things to someone overlooked or ignored - any brother or sister - you did it to me."*

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**9:00 am - Traditional Worship**

Traditional & modern hymns with organ & piano  
Childcare available - birth to grade 2

**11:00 am - Contemporary Worship**

Contemporary Christian songs, piano, and rhythm

**STAFF:**

Rev. Erika Marksbury, Senior Pastor  
John Paul Bierly, Music & Small Groups Minister  
Sean P. Williams, Children & Youth Minister  
Liz Wilkins, Volunteer Coordinator  
Donna Weed, Office Manager  
Ron Richter, Building Superintendent

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**The First Baptist Church of McMinnville**

**150th Anniversary Concert Series**

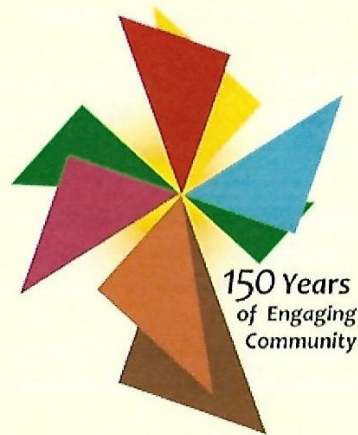
October 2016 to May 2017

***“Sing for Joy”***

**Sesquicentennial Celebratory**

**Concert**

**May 6, 2017**



This Gift of Music is intended to express appreciation and thanks for the important relationships that exist among us and that make McMinnville a special place.

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"We are Marching" by Anders Nyberg and Andrew Maries  
"Every Move I Make" by David Ruis  
FBC Children

Air in C by Bach  
Muriel Dresser, organ

"Pride (In the Name of Love)" arr. Mark Brymer  
"Welcome Place" by J. Paul Williams and Joel Raney  
FBC Choir

"O Sing Out, Be Joyful! (Gaudete Fideles!)"  
by Marc-Antoine Charpentier  
150th Anniversary Choir

"Dona Nobis Pacem" Latin hymn  
Sherill Roberts, Amelia Bierly, and Eowyn Clayton, cello

Presto from Sonata in G Major by Jean Barrière  
Sherill Roberts and Amelia Bierly, cello

"Follow You" by Ben Rector  
Brynn Hurdus, vocals and piano;  
Danny Thornton, vocals and guitar

"We Will Follow" by Robert Alan Rife  
"Anam Cara" by Robert Alan Rife  
Rob Rife, guitar and vocals;  
Sherill Roberts and Amelia Bierly, cello; Brynn Hurdus, piano

"Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho" Traditional  
Max Dixon, clarinet; Brynn Hurdus, piano

"Proof of Your Love" by Jonathan Lee, Joel Smallbone, Luke Smallbone, Fred Williams, Mia Fieldes and Ben Glover  
FBC Worship Team

"River" by Bill Staines  
"Mountain" by Dave Carter and Tracy Grammar  
Heidi and Matt Reinker, guitar and vocals

"There Will Be a Day" by Jeremy Camp  
Heidi Leach, vocals; John Paul Bierly, guitar

"People Got To Be Free"  
written by Felix Cavaliere and Edward Brigati, Jr.  
Nancy McCann, guitar and vocals;  
Bob McCann, percussion;  
Brynn Hurdus, piano; Danny Thornton, bass

"How Can I Keep From Singing"  
written by Ira Sankey and Robert Lowry  
Marilyn Dresser, vocals;  
Nancy McCann, guitar and vocals;  
Bob McCann, percussion;  
Brynn Hurdus, piano; Danny Thornton, bass

"Seven Daffodils"  
written by Lee Hays and Fran Moseley  
Nancy McCann, guitar and vocals;  
Sherill Roberts, cello; Amelia Bierly, cello

"A Place in the Choir"  
written by Bill Staines  
All God's creatures got a place in the choir  
Some sing low and some sing higher  
Some sing out loud on a telephone wire  
Some just clap their hands, or paws,  
or anything they got now



## Participants:

### Ukulele Ukestra:

Susan Chambers  
Linda Gilbert  
Joel Kiff  
Judee Kunze  
Frosty Lay  
Bob McCann  
Nancy McCann  
Rob Porter  
Roshana Shockley  
Danny Thornton, drums

### Worship Team:

John Paul Bierly, guitar and vocals  
Raina Clayton, vocals  
Emily Kerrigan, vocals  
Dave King, vocals  
Brynn Hurdus, piano

## Participants:

### FBC Children:

Sean P. Williams - guitar & vocals  
Rick Page - mandolin  
Jenn Williams - vocals

### **Children**

Eowyn Clayton  
Rowan Clayton  
Kiera Dressel  
Beckett Marksbury Page  
Oscar Marksbury Page  
Kayleen McMillan-Dressel  
Parker Williams  
Sybil Williams

### Choir:

John Paul Bierly, director  
Brynn Hurdus, accompanist

### **Soprano**

Amelia Bierly  
Julie Braet  
Heidi Leach

### **Alto**

Gina Foster  
Judee Kunze  
Kathleen Toth  
Emily Kerrigan

### **Tenor**

Kerry Ballati  
Max Dixon  
Joel Kiff

### **Bass**

Miles Dresser  
Logan Mays  
Don Watson



### 150th Anniversary CONCERT Schedule:

For 150 years, people have been making music at First Baptist Church. We are thankful you're here celebrating our great anniversary with us. This is the last concert in the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert Series of 6 great musical events. Tonight we feature the FBC Choir Jubilee Bells, FBC Worship Team, a joint Community Choir and current & former FBC musicians performing favorites from our past.



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