



*How beautiful are the feet of those
who bring good news.”
Romans 10:15*



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De Soto Baptist Church

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN ~

What a busy, yet very meaningful month we just completed . . . with Mother's Day, Graduations at every level, and for Mary Etta and myself, as well as Mayor Rick Walker and Monica, Debbie Maniez, and Mary Gale Kramer of our church the trip to Birmingham, Alabama to attend the Reception and Installation Service for Lana McPherson as she accepted the Presidency of International Clerks of Municipalities. What a high honor this is for our own "small town girl"! The month then culminated with our Dedication Sunday on Memorial Weekend! What a blessing to look back at these events with appreciation for God's presence in each of these events!

And as we move into June it appears that as the lyrics from the musical "Oklahoma" say, it'll be "bustin out all over"! First, Women will be blessed as they attend the annual Conference at Cross Wind with women from across our 3 State Region – this being their 99th such event! And as a Pastor I haven't words to adequately describe appreciation for all the work American Baptist Women accomplish from local all the way to National... not just themselves alone but in all the motivation they spread. And in recognizing this I look back to my own Mother, as well as Mary Etta's, and the examples they set throughout their lifetimes with their involvement in all the Missions and Outreach work of this vital arm of American Baptist work.

And then two days after this comes our exciting Vacation Bible School, headed by Karen Wall and Assisted by Richelle Hodges, with countless outstanding workers at all levels. And again, as a Pastor I couldn't be more grateful for the quality leadership in all areas and at all levels, as well as for the many Parents who recognize the importance of this experience in their children's lives. Their program of sharing will then take place on Sunday the 16th, which will be a great celebration for Father's Day!

Then 3 days after this will find the Copelands boarding a plane for Virginia Beach and the Biennial meeting of American Baptists from across the country! The last time we attended it was in Kansas City, where we WORKED the entire time, like many of you who also volunteered your time. So we eagerly look forward to this time of inspiration and participation without so many demands!

Mary Etta and I are very grateful that you, God's people, have enabled the De Soto Baptist Church to become a vibrant "Church Alive!" When we came to De Soto Baptist Church in 1967 we had no idea of the exciting, continuing bright future God had in store for both De Soto Baptist Church and for us! Jeremiah 29:11 best describes this journey... *"For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord,"* with Ephesians 1:3 a fitting response... *"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us!"*

Your Blessed and Grateful Pastor,

Pastor Richard



YOUTH SERVING OTHERS

Sharing the Love of Christ with Residents at Hillside Village Nursing Home

*"Dear children, let us not love with words or speech
but with actions and in truth."*

1 John 3:18



The De Soto Baptist Youth will be going to Hillside Village Nursing Home in De Soto to play games and visit with the Residents this summer. Anyone is welcome to join in this ministry.

1-3 pm on the following Fridays:

June 7th

June 22th

July 26th

August 9th

*For more information contact Alicia Champlain at 816.260.1548
or champlain.alicia@gmail.com*



AB BOYS

Next Meeting of AB Boys will be Friday, June 7th from 6-8 pm.

AB Boys had a Fishing Derby at their May meeting.
There were 10 boys who participated.

Fishing Derby Awards:

Aiden Hadley—Biggest Fish

Nathan Martin—Most Fish

Collin Champlain—Smallest Fish

*For more information call/text Aaron Brownell
at (785) 456-3080 or by email at
brownell_aaron@yahoo.com*



Nathan Martin

The mission of AB Boys is to disciple the younger men of the church to be disciples of Jesus. We aim to do this by eating together, praying together, studying scripture together, and playing together.



BE PREPARED FOR A WONDERFUL WEEK AT VBS!

DATE: June 10-14 — TIME: 1 – 4 pm — AGES: 4-12

PLACE: De Soto Baptist Church, 8655 Copeland Way

We hope that all children and their families are excited about the upcoming week of Vacation Bible School.



This year's theme is **ROAR! Life is Wild; God is Good!** Each day we will learn how God is Good – All the Time. When Life is unfair, when Life is scary, when Life changes, when Life is sad, and when Life is Good . . . **GOD IS GOOD!**

Children will have these lessons taught in a variety of ways and reinforced at every activity center they visit. The Bible Stories, Bible Points, and Bible Verses will be shared at every stop: Bible Discovery, Savanna Games, Safari Treats, KidVid Cinema, Imagination Station, the Veld Music Station, and at the SING & PLAY OPENING and FINALE.

Children ages 5-12 are divided into small “mini crews” of 4-5 children. Three “Mini crews” will make up the “Main Crews” that are led by adults. Either adults or teen/junior leaders will be in charge of the “mini crews” so that the children have one special person who knows them by name and works just with them. They will rotate from one station to the next throughout the afternoon. Children ages 4-5 (who have not yet attended Kindergarten) will be in the Pre-K class, led by a Certified Pre-K teacher and many youth helpers. They will rotate through the stations as well.

Each year we choose a **service project** of some kind for our children to learn about and be the recipient of their daily offerings. This year we will be supporting two of our American Baptist African Missions: **Burundi**, where we will be raising money to purchase goats to provide food and income for families there, and **South Africa** where we will be using our donations to purchase chickens for the same goal. We hope to have visits from some De Soto goats and chickens so that the children can learn of their great value, particularly in poverty-stricken areas.

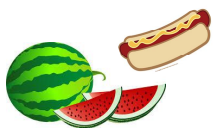
Please be sure to share this information with friends, neighbors, and extended family members.

We would love to have an increased enrollment this year. . . touching more children than ever before.

Register online by going to (preferred):

www.desotobaptistchurch.org

Or parents can enroll the children in person on June 10, starting at 12:40.



VBS CELEBRATION SUNDAY!!

June 16th — 11 am



All members of our church family are encouraged to attend our VBS Celebration at our Sunday Service, June 16. Be sure to take part in the all-family picnic in our new shelter house and enjoy the new playground.

We are encouraging all children who attend our VBS to bring their families for the VBS Program and then stay for the **“Picnic in the Pavilion”**. Our menu will be standard picnic fare: hot dogs, chips, watermelon, cookies.



Calendar of Events

- June 2nd - Communion Sunday
- June 3rd - 6:30 pm Doers & Men's Bible Study
- June 5th - 6:30 pm Deacon & Trustee Meeting
7:00 pm Church Business Meeting
- June 7th - 1-3 pm Youth going to Hillside Village
- 6-8 pm AB Boys
- June 7th-8th - ABW Central Region Conference, Heston, KS
- June 10-14th - Vacation Bible School 1-4 pm
- June 13th - Pray for Central Region Churches
- June 16th - *Father's Day*
- 10 am Worship at Hillside Village
- 11 am VBS Celebration Sunday with picnic immediately following service
- June 17th - 6:30 pm Doer's of the Word
- 6:30 pm Men's Bible Study
- June 21st - 1-3 pm Youth going to Hillside Village
- June 23rd - Josh Champlain bringing forth the message

Church Business Meeting

Wednesday, June 5th
7:00 pm

All Members Invited to Attend!



Monday Evening Bible Studies



Monday evenings @ 6:30 P.M.
in the new conference room

Contact Karen Wall or Mary Etta Copeland



Monday Evenings @ 6:30 P.M.
In the Galen Weese Room
Contact Pastor Copeland



Support your De Soto FOOD PANTRY

Tues. 10 am-12 pm, Thur. 4-6 pm
& Sat. 9-11 am

Current items needed: cereal, laundry soap, liquid dish soap, toilet tissue, paper towels, peanut butter, jelly, any and all canned goods.

- There is a blue container in the vestibule of the church for food pantry collections.
- The food pantry is located in the same building as City Hall and the Community Center. Anyone with a DeSoto address or a student enrolled in the DeSoto School District, and that can show proof of residency, is eligible to shop.

Finance Report — April, 2019

Bal. Forward	\$ 23,945.24
Deposits	\$ 75,328.57
Disbursements	\$ 72,116.50
Ending Balance	\$ 27,157.31
Imp/Exp Fund	\$ 165,626.09



Improvement expenses paid in April
(Shelter House/Play Ground/Kitchen Remodel)
\$116,756.04

THE SCRIP PROGRAM -

These are gift cards that are available to numerous merchants such as... **Applebee's – Chili's – On the Border – Long Horn Steak House – Borders – Kohl's – Pizza Hut – Panera Bread – Red Lobster/Olive Garden – Wal-Mart.**

These merchants donate a portion of each purchase back to our church.



Contact Rick and Monica Walker for more details. Some cards are available immediately. Other merchants may be available upon request. Order today!



Find a current copy of the church calendar, and newsletter on-line AND you can view the church directory on a password protected page at www.desotobaptistchurch.org



Wi-Fi is available for all your church needs—log in information is listed on the front bulletin board.



FIND US ON FACEBOOK

De Soto Kansas
Baptist Church

June 2019

De Soto Baptist Church Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Communion	3 6:30 pm Doers & Men's Bible Study	4	5 6:30 pm Deacon & Trustee Meeting 7 pm Church Business Meeting	6	7 1-3 pm Youth going to Hillside 6-8 pm AB Boys	8
9	10	11	12	13 Pray for Central Region Churches	14	15
16 Father's Day 10 am Worship at Hillside 11 am VBS Sunday w/ Picnic following	17 6:30 pm Doers & Men's Bible Study	18	19	20	21 1-3 pm Youth going to Hillside	22
23 Josh Champlain bringing forth the message	24	25	26	27	28	29
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V a c a t i o n B I B l e S c h o o l 1 p m — 4 p m

June 2019

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <i>Paul & Wanda Hughes</i>
2 Ron Mann Lora Peterson	3 Paul Pingleton	4	5 Leroy Davis Reta Jenks	6 Mary Etta Copeland <i>Leroy & Luella Davis</i>	7 <i>Alan & Kathryn Hines</i>	8 Caleb McQuality
9 Isabella Sipe	10 Ross Stone Debbie Chandler <i>Ben & Junelle Woolery</i>	11 Rylee Miller Devin Hagginbotham <i>Cory & Tamara Sipe</i>	12 Sharon Coatney <i>John & Julie Riffel</i>	13	14 Chad Martin <i>Jeff & Richelle Hodges</i> <i>Fred & Paula Jones</i>	15
16 Will Smalley	17 <i>Don & Grace Gipson</i> <i>Karl & Barb Beesley</i> <i>Paul & Debbie Chandler</i>	18	19 James Ingalls	20 Matt McQuality <i>Dale & Sandy Cannell</i>	21 Linda Lane <i>Gary & Bonnie Logan</i>	22 Joyce Lightwine Linda Lastofka
23 Marie Gillihan	24 Danny Stone <i>Mike & Bonnie Montgall</i> <i>John & Jenna Toner</i>	25 Charlene Prudden	26 Whitney Hastings Brian Brown	27	28	29
30 Josh Champlain						

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