

CAN I GET A WITNESS?

Revelation 11:1-14

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Pastor Bob Johnson



Welcome to First Church!

Thank you for worshiping with us.

A Christ-centered community for a changing world

FEBRUARY 23, 2025

INTRODUCTION TO THE TEXT

The Word of God has continued to be preached throughout the ages.

THE MEASURING OF THE TEMPLE [1-2]

- THE FIVE TEMPLES
- THE OPPRESSION OF JERUSALEM

THE TWO WITNESSES [3-14]

THEIR DUTY [3A]

- THEY WILL PROPHECY FOR 1,260 DAYS.

THEIR ATTITUDE [3B]

- THEY WILL BE CLOTHED IN SACKCLOTH.

THEIR IDENTITY [4]

- OLIVE TREES & LAMPSTANDS

THEIR POWER [5-6]

- FIRE, RAIN, WATER, PLAGUES

THEIR DEATH [7-10]

- THE BEAST
- SODOM & EGYPT
- 3½ DAYS
- GLOATING, CELEBRATING AND THE SENDING OF GIFTS

THEIR RESURRECTION [11-12]

- "COME UP HERE"

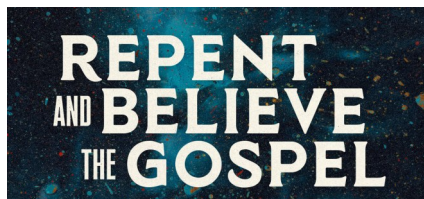
THEIR IMPACT [13]

- A GREAT EARTHQUAKE
- GAVE GLORY TO THE GOD OF HEAVEN.
- THE END OF THE INTERLUDE.

FROM TRAGEDY TO TRIUMPH

GOD USES OUTCASTS AND UNDERDOGS!

- David...Elijah...Gideon...Esther...**YOU!**



FIRST KIDS

Sundays

0-3yrs: Nursery is available on the 2nd floor. **3yrs-5th Grade:** The kids begin their experience in 'big church' and then go to Kids Quest on the lower & upper level.

Wednesday Nights 6:15-7:45 PM

Children may be dropped off anytime after 6:10 PM.

Squires: 3yrs-Kindergarten - Children's Chapel

GEMS: 1st-6th Grade Girls - Sanctuary

Cadets: 1st-6th Grade Boys - The Lodge

MOSAIC YOUTH

Wednesday Nights - Coffee House

Middle School Ministry (6th-8th): 6-7:30 PM

High School Ministry (9th-12th): 7:30-9 PM

Sundays

D-Groups (6th-12th) meet at 11 AM.

OUTREACH

Kadens Kloset is always accepting gently loved children's clothing in all sizes for foster/adopted children. **Volunteers are welcome to help in the closet.**

Food Shelf - We collect donations on the 1st Sunday of the month.

FIRST ADULTS



Iron Man Groups are small groups of men that meet weekly. If you are interested please contact *Ward Van Dyke*.

Women of the Word are small groups of women that meet

weekly. If you are interested please contact *Bekah Seuferer*.

Life Groups are small loving communities committed to loving each other, growing deeper in Christ, praying and caring for each other all in the warmth of a home and are open to anyone. If you are interested please contact *Bryant Seuferer*.

Morning Connect is on **Tuesdays, 6:30 AM** in the DeJong Coffee House. Helping men/women become disciples of Jesus Christ. *Led by Pastor Bob.*

Systematic Theology II is on **Sundays, 11 AM** in Fellowship Hall. Systematic Theology is an approach to finding answers every Christian needs to know: Doctrine of God, Doctrine of Man, and Doctrine of Christ. *Led by Pastor Bob.*

How to Study the Bible is on **Sundays, 11 AM** in the Dwelling Place. This class will help you to learn to read and interpret scripture carefully & faithfully. *Led by Bryant Seuferer.*

Bible Blueprint II is on **Sundays, 11 AM** in Forge Hall. Come take a journey through the New Testament! *Led by Alex Foley.*

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First Church Worship Service is broadcast weekly on channel PellaTV 42 Thursdays at 7 PM & Sundays at 9:30 AM.

PRAYER CARE

If you are wanting to be prayed for after the worship service, there is someone at the front of the Sanctuary in the Prayer Cove that would love to pray for you.

People at First Church desire to hear from you when you are ill, facing surgery, hospitalized or with the death of a loved one. Please let us know so we can cover you in prayer and uphold you during the difficult times by **filling out the welcome card in the pews or emailing Shalene at frc.pce@frcpella.org**.

Pray for:

- Scot & Becki Dykstra who are missionaries w/ TEAM and serving in Japan. Pray for missionaries in Japan to communicate well across language and cultural boundaries as they tell of God's grace.
- God's nearness to Jack & Jeanie Brockway as their house caught fire this week.
- Lyle Brillhart who is in the hospital in Des Moines with health complications.
- We express our Christian Sympathy to Lucille Groenendyk with the passing of her nephew, Marv Roozeboom. Marv was also an uncle to Heather Van Hemert-Glenn.
- We express our Christian Sympathy to Jolyn, Nick, Mariah & Jordan Hartson with the passing of Jolyn's grandfather, Charles Haden.

Rejoice:

- Al Van Zee is home from the hospital. Pray for continued healing and strength.
- Happy Birthday & God's Blessings to Gladys Ver Ploeg celebrating her 87th birthday today.
- Happy Anniversary & God's Blessings to Roland & Ruby Van Vark celebrating their 60th anniversary on February 26.
- Happy Birthday & God's Blessings to Iola Vander Wilt celebrating her 95th birthday on March 1.

HAPPENINGS

Piecemakers

Meet Tuesday, February 25, 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Join us for fun & fellowship. Snacks & beverages are provided.

Operation Christmas Child

As we practice living well in Jesus' name this Valentine's month, let's remember those less fortunate and who are also longing to know the perfect love of our Savior. By contributing to our OCC Child shoeboxes, you can do both. This month we are collecting hygiene items - toothbrushes, combs, washcloths, lip balm, children's bandaids, etc. Stop by the table in the lobby to drop a dollar in the jar, or bring your donations to the church office anytime. Thank you for your generosity and encouragement of our Kids Quest kids as they look forward to packing these gifts of love.



First Church
DERBY CAR RACE
March 26 6:15 PM
MidWeek Meal at 5:30 PM

February 24

Care Night
6:30 PM

SAVE
THE
DATE

July 14-18
(6-8 PM)



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW



Sundays @
11:00
WINTER DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

| CLASS | TIME |
|---|----------|
| SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY II | 11:00 AM |
| Fellowship Hall Class led by Pastor Bob . Please reserve your spot for class materials by emailing bjcubs@gmail.com . | |
| HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE | 11:00 AM |
| Dwelling Place Class led by Bryant Seufferer . Please reserve your spot for class materials by emailing bseufferer@frcpella.org . | |
| BIBLE BLUEPRINT II | 11:00 AM |
| Forge Hall Class led by Alex Foley . Please reserve your spot for class materials by emailing alexftw411@gmail.com . | |



FORGE
DISCIPLINE
COMMUNITY
LEADERSHIP

FIRST CHURCH
PELLA

MENS' RETREAT
March 28-30
Ogden, Iowa

Proverbs 27:17

SAVE the DATE

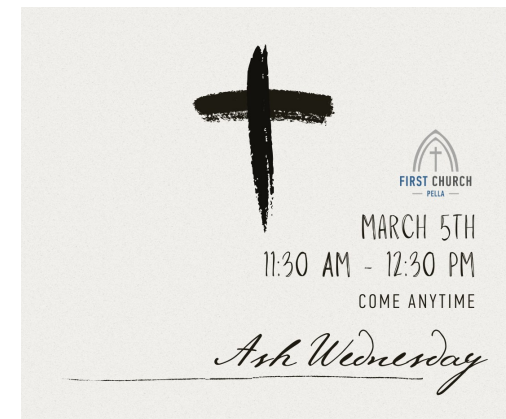
CURRENT SERMON SERIES



THIS WEEK @ FIRST

Please join us or pray for

- Today:** 9:30 AM Worship / Kids Quest
11 AM D-Groups
11 AM KQ Discipleship
11 AM Systematic Theology II
11 AM How to Study the Bible
11 AM Bible Blueprint II
- Monday:** 6:30 PM Care Night
- Tuesday:** 6:30 AM Morning Connect
9 AM Piecemakers
- Wednesday:** 8:30 AM MidWeek Meal Prep
5:30 PM MidWeek Meal
6 PM MSM Mosaic
6:15 PM GEMS/Cadets/Squires
6:30 PM Ezekiel
7:30 PM HSM Mosaic
- Thursday:** 6 PM Praise Team
- Friday:** 6 PM GEMS Pizza & Game Night
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FIRST CHURCH
PELLA

MARCH 5TH
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
COME ANYTIME

Ash Wednesday