

TIME TO REVIVE is hosting a conference January 9-12 in Elkhart to call our nation to repentance and prayer. "America is at a Crossroads" will be held at the RV Hall of Fame and will include corporate worship and breakout sessions. Registration is only \$50. Information can be found in the fliers posted around the church or at reviveunited-states.com.

Deacon Fund Offering... As the year draws to a close we are looking to replenish our Deacon Fund. This account is used to help those in our church with various needs. If you have anything you'd like to contribute, a check made out to the church with "Deacon Fund" in the memo line will suffice.

Giving Envelopes... If you do not currently receive Giving Envelopes to be used for your offering each week, and you would like to receive a box of envelopes for 2025, please talk to Edna VanDiepenbos.

In Doug & Peggy's absence, should anyone have any Prayer Requests for the Prayer Chain, please call or text Pastor Jeff at 574-370-8171, and we will make sure those requests go out.

The Church Budget for 2025 is \$104,987. To hit this budget, we will need weekly offerings of \$2,019, or about \$8,749 per month. Please give as you are able to fund the ministry God has called us to, and thank you ahead of time for your faithfulness to God's Work at this church!

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Needed to make Budget each month in 2024: \$8,612
Given in December (as of 12/29): \$8,372
2024 Budget giving needed (Jan-Dec): \$103,344
2024 Actual Budget giving (Jan-Dec): \$100,950
(\$2,394 under budget for the year)



January 5th, 2025

Today's Message:

The Voice

Luke 3:1-20

9am– Sunday School

10:15am– Morning Worship

Pastor Jeff Estep

831-2766 (church), 574-370-8171 (cell),

email– pastorjefstep@bnin.net

Find us online at www.newparisfirst.com!

Calendar:

Tues., Jan 7th– Butterfly Mornings, 9:30am

Wed., Jan. 8th– Senior Gathering, 8-10am, Prayer Mtg 6pm

Sun., Jan. 12th– Youth Community Event, we leave the church at 12:15pm

Upcoming Birthdays!!

Tues., Jan. 7th– Carla Wood Thurs., Jan. 9th– Bob Coleman

Mon., Jan. 13th– Sarah Morris Tues., Jan 14th– Hailey Mullins

Prayer Concerns:

- Eva E.– cheer clinic at Purdue today, pray for safe travel
- Esteps praise God all five of their kids were together Friday
- Sandy S. is a great-aunt once again!
- Praise that Pam H., is here after illness
- Pray for unspoken requests in our church

Prayer Focus *Pray that the faith of our congregation grows and that we look to God for guidance in all that we do.*

Leading Worship Today– Megan Long

Serving Today– Nursery– Jamie Estep

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude, Welcome and Announcements

Entering with Worship– The Worship Team

Morning Prayer

Scripture Reading– Malachi 4:5-6

“See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the Lord comes. He will turn the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents; or else I will come and strike the land with total destruction.”

Hymn #326 – Softly and Tenderly

Message— *The Voice*
Pastor Jeff Estep

Closing Hymn #342 – Just As I Am

Dismissal

If you have an offering to give this morning, please place it in the box at the back of the sanctuary.

Sermon Notes:

John the Baptist’s message contained four primary elements:

It’s time to truly _____ -

God has no _____ -

The door is open to _____ -

Get ready for _____ -

Are you starting 2025 with a “clean slate” spiritually? If not, it’s time to respond to the Gospel ourselves even as we take it to others.

Daily Scripture Readings:

Sunday– Luke 3:1-20 **Monday–** Deuteronomy 30:1-20

Tuesday– 1 Corinthians 6:1-11 **Wednesday–** Romans 9:1-7

Thursday– Philippians 2:1-11 **Friday–** Psalm 40

Saturday– Ephesians 4:20-28

Upcoming Sermons:

1/12– A Prophet’s Homecoming– Luke 4:14-30– Jesus’ hometown of Nazareth was proud of its new celebrity. But why did Jesus go and spoil it by offering harsh criticism of the town He grew up in?

1/19– Freedom for the Captive– Luke 4:31-44– A demon asks Jesus whether Jesus came to destroy demons. Jesus’ answer reveals His real purpose.

