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Church-wide Thanksgiving Meal

Wednesday, Nov. 16 – served 4:45-5:45pm and the Lord’s Supper at 6pm.
Fellowship Supper Purposes: Outreach, Fellowship, Ministry to the hungry, Convenience for families and individuals to participate in Wednesday night Spiritual Growth Opportunities!
We encourage you to invite lost and un-churched friends! Guests eat free the first time!
Family-\$16, Youth & Adults-\$5, Soup & Salad-\$3, Children 4-12-\$3
Children 3 years & under – Free. No reservations necessary.

BIG
SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 20

BE HERE. INVITE A FRIEND. GIVE AN EXTRA OFFERING.

Pastor's Message

BIG SUNDAY is this week. As an expression of our gratitude to God, we are asking you to **Be** in attendance, **Invite** a guest, and **Give** an extra offering. When you invite your guest, I encourage you to invite them not just to worship but to join you in your Connect Group—let’s get them connected to God, the Scripture, and others. Perhaps you’ve fallen behind in your giving this year—this is a good Sunday to catch up. Perhaps God has blessed you with more than you anticipated—this is a good Sunday to express thanks to God by giving from the overflow. You can give to the budget or to All In or any area God may prompt you to give.

Would you take a few minutes this week and pray for Youth Transform Weekend? God always uses this weekend to “transform” a number of our youth. We often see salvations and deeper commitments to Jesus come from this experience. Please ask God to bless Bill Newton, his leadership team, and all the wonderful hosts and hostesses who open their homes to our youth this weekend.

The Pullig Connect Group is hosting a **Thanksgiving Day lunch** here in the church Family Life Center from 11:00-1:00. If you will be eating alone or do not have food for a lunch, you’re invited to come. If you want to help, you can sign up in the foyer at church to lend a hand.

On this **Thanksgiving Sunday** we’ll reflect on the peace God grows in a prayerful, thankful heart. See you Sunday.

Oh, and by the way, I am thankful for you!

Your Pastor,
John

Thur Nov 17
Ezekiel 27-28;
Hebrews 12
Becky Green
Jane Self
Cathy Slaton
Kristine Blocker
Jeff Sheets
Tony Tedford
Nathan Wetzler
Clint Logan
Omega Sanders
Ryan Doonan
Kiah Heard

Sun Nov 20
Ezekiel 33-34;
James 2
Kevin White
Jan Buford
Babs Hardwick
Jeff Reap
Mandy Ballard
Ashley Buttrum
Jessica White
Hildie Roberts
Nathan Fox

Mon Nov 21
Ezekiel 35-37;
James 3
Larry Ingram
Ronnie Ross
Jessi Teale

Fri Nov 18
Ezekiel 29-30;
Hebrews 13
Chuck Lilly
Jill Moseley
Jean Thomson
Gary Bettis
Louis Tamez
Tara Ellison
Miriam Ramirez
McKinley Humble
Taylor Shaw

Tue Nov 22
Ezekiel 38-39;
James 4
Doug Ervin
Lydia Kellar
Matthew Reynolds
Taylor Wells

Thur Nov 24
Ezekiel 42-43;
1 Peter 1
Ardeth Marks
Jane Hampton
John Slater
Tiger Jordan
Bruce Upton
Klaus Schwarznau
Angela Dugger
Trisha Willis
Kaitlyn Rhodes
Ryan Latham

Sat Nov 19
Ezekiel 31-32;
James 1
Juan Wheatley
Cindy Gildner
LaGena Brown
Tristan Merriott
Paige Plumley
Trey Lenox
Daniel Terry
Ava Ellison
Kendall Webb

Wed Nov 23
Ezekiel 40-41;
James 5
JoAnn Antons
Florine Coe
James Whitefield
Sonya Walker
Amy Shipman
Wesley Harris

Door Greeters - Nov 20
9:00 a.m. Marie Colmenero, Mike & Betty James, Vicki Brooks, Jerry Franks, Clyde Shirron, Jan White, Mick Skelton
10:30 a.m. Charles & Carol Hill, Patti Heckmann, Alvenia Cheatham, Tommy Hargrove, Joe & Megan Greeson, Kaye Park Amy Jessen

Van Outreach Drivers
1st Sunday North: Carlos Lemus, 538-1624
..... South: Glen Catlett, 844-7565
2nd Sunday.....North: Roman Terlecki, 622-7735
..... South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333
3rd Sunday . North: Jerry Sunderland, 762-3749
..... South: Duke Haight, 815-4416
4th Sunday North: Bob Roling, 545-5818
..... South: Tony Payne, 617-6459
5th Sunday North: Bob Roling, 545-5818
..... South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333

Parking Greeters
1st Sundays.....Brian Witt
2nd SundaysClyde Shirron
3rd SundaysGary Bettis
4th SundaysCraig Forbes
5th SundaysJim Morgan
Sub.....Craig Forbes

Deacon Hospital Visitation
Week of Nov 21-25
Monday..... Jim Bledsoe
Tuesday..... Tommy White
Wednesday..... Jack Porter
Thursday Robert Davis
Friday James Woods

Ushers - Nov 20
9:00 a.m. Milton Raabe, Carl Hawthorn, Jim Short
Every Sunday balcony: Mike Davidson, Mike Ferguson, Don Slaton, Tommy White, Donnie Sumpter
Every Sunday main floor: Richard Hawthorn, Frankie Moore, Cole Morgan

10:30 a.m. AJ Johnson, Donny Moore, Cole Efird
Every Sunday balcony: Robert Davis, Mike Ferguson, Jim Little, Ryan Smith, Mark Twyford, Glen Catlett, Jon Vitro, David Santillan
Every Sunday main floor: Bill Richardson, Al Blount, Chris Brock

Safety Teams - Sunday Nov 20
8:30 a.m. Terry Hunter, Jon Vitro, Jimmy Schultz, Brad Buttrum, Phillip McAdams, Larry Ingram
10:15 a.m. Kelly Robbins, Allen Black, Jerry Thompson, Bert Clevenger, Tyler Avery
4:00-6:00 p.m. Jack Smith

Wednesday - Nov 23
4:00-6:00 p.m. NO ACTIVITIES
6:00-8:00 p.m. NO ACTIVITIES
Welcome Center Guides November
8:30 a.m.


PS Ctr: Kim Miller, Susan Blount, Brad Wreyford, Josh & Katy Wesson
FH Ctr: Jane Campbell, Nita Ingram
Foyer Welc Ctr: Connie Bryson, Janis Spraggins
10:00 a.m.

PS Ctr: Jake & Sarah Bird, Travis & Lauren Warren
FH Ctr: Juan Wheatley, Sandra Wilson
2nd Floor Welc Ctr: Roman & Pat Terlecki, George & Mary Harris

ATTENDANCE

AttendanceNovember 13, 2016
Homebound TV Class..... *80
9:00 Connect Group437
10:30 Connect Group415
Total Connect Groups852
Worship Attendance 9:00.....480
Worship Attendance 10:30.....601
Hispanic Worship Attend 10:45..... *39
Total Worship 1,090
Children’s Worship *52
*Average

New Members
Daniel & Louise Sindell

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| BUDGET REPORT | |
| Ministry Fund (11-13-16) | |
| Weekly Receipts | \$32,791 |
| Online Giving | |
| Total Given | \$32,791 |
| All In Fund | |
| Weekly Receipts: (11-13-16) | \$4,401 |
| Balance of loan: (11-1-16) | \$2,824,741 |

If you prefer to give your tithes and offerings on-line, go to our website, firsthotsprings.com, and follow the giving prompts. Please make sure the office has your current email address.



Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, December 3, 2016
8:00 AM in Fellowship Hall

God continues to bless our efforts in Africa. Our final prayer breakfast of 2016 will feature the medical team that recently returned. You will not want to miss hearing about this trip and our plans for the future with some potential new opportunities.



SELECT YOUR ANGEL
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20
IT ALL STARTS WITH A GIFT
AND LIVES ARE CHANGED
THROUGH JESUS CHRIST

Through the Prison Fellowship Ministry our church has the opportunity to reach many more children and their families this Christmas than in past years. This ministry allows churches across the country to provide gifts to children on behalf of their parent in prison. For some it may be the only contact the child has had from the parent. Please join the children and their families for dinner, Wednesday night, December 14, at 5:00 p.m. followed by a Christmas program provided by FBC. Let's welcome these families to our church and give them **THE GREATEST GIFT OF ALL!** Contact Charlotte Arnold at 318-6133 or Cathy Slater at 623-4729 for more information or to ask how you can help.

Anniversary


Congratulations to Georgie Carihfield on her 20th anniversary as Weekend Custodian. Your service to our Lord and Savior and First Baptist Church is greatly appreciated.



Warmest Christian sympathy is extended to Mike & Janis Spraggins and family in the death of his mother, Kathy Spraggins. May God bless and comfort you.

Fitness & Recreation Ministry

(All sign ups and resources are available at the Fitness/Recreation Ministry HQ.)





Well, we had to create 2 more teams in the Kindergarten Coed division which means we have more vacancies! We are sitting at 113 players on 18 different teams! Sign up today to claim one of the few remaining vacancies!

- **Kindergarten Coed:** 6 teams (**9 vacancies**)
 - **1st-2nd grade girls:** 6 teams (**8 vacancies**)
 - **1st-2nd grade boys:** 6 teams (**7 vacancies**)
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- It's time to get on board for this coming Upward season!** We need you to serve in some capacity. Look below for the opportunities to serve, then let Wallace know asap! Thank you for helping invest in the children and families of our community as we seek to impact eternity!

- ### REQUIRED VOLUNTEERS
- Prayer Team: 100
 - Kindergarten Coed: **2 more** head coaches/assistants
 - 1st-2nd Grade Girls: **2 more** head coaches/assistants
 - 1st-2nd Grade Boys: **1 more** head coach/assistant
 - Referees: 12
 - Scoreboard & Concessions: to be determined
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Join us for Sunday morning fellowship in the gym between Worship Services/Connect Groups. Here's the rotation schedule:

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|  | Nov 20: V, W, X, Y, Z | Dec 18: I, J, K, L |
| | Nov 27: A, B | Dec 25: M, N |
| | Dec 4: C, D, E | Jan 1: O, P, Q, R |
| | Dec 11: F, G, H | Jan 8: S, T, U |

Until we all fall down, Wallace



Together with their families
GRACE JANZEN + DREW REAP
 Invite you to join them
 In celebrating the beginning
 Of their adventure
 Together in marriage
Saturday, 3 December 2016
At two in the afternoon
Anthony Chapel
Garvan Woodland Gardens
After-Party immediately following

Parents of High School Seniors

You should have received a letter about Senior Seminar in the Spring. If you are interested in participating, remember to let Bill know by Sunday.

Education & Outreach Ministry

Parking Help

We are expecting a BIG crowd on BIG Sunday. We have heard that people have driven off because they couldn't find a parking spot! So, here is how you can help:

1. Carpool Families,
2. Don't take Guest spots!
3. Respect handicapped spots (especially if you don't need them any longer).
4. Respect Wheelchair-Van accessible handicapped spots. We have 2 of those on each side of the building.
5. If you are having a hard time finding a spot, our Safety Team Guys with the orange vests will help you find one!
6. The new lot, accessible from the northwest corner of the wedding chapel lot has lots of space available now.

Connect for Christmas

A Christmas Strategy to Propel Prospects toward Connect Groups!
Don't just count on your email news, personally Invite "More than a Face" Friends and other prospects! Invite prospects, members and in-service members to your Christmas Parties! Invitation Cards are available in the foyer.

Dec. 1 – Invite to Evening of Grace (for Women) & Connect Group
Dec. 4 – Invite to Children's Christmas Music & Connect Group
Dec. 11 & 12 – Invite to Adult Christmas Music & Connect Group
Dec. 18 – Invite to A Family Christmas & Final Connect Group of 2016
Dec. 24 – Invite to Christmas Eve Service & Jan. 8 Connect Group
Dec. 25 and Jan. 1 – No Connect Groups, 10:30 Service only.
Engage New Year's resolution-makers with a Connect Group Jan 8.

Invite a friend to the Singles 2 Connect Group

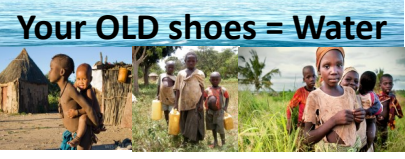
- Co-ed group for 30+ years Single Adults, Kari Bars-Teacher
- Sundays at 9:00am in Room 131-Northside
- Relevant Bible Studies for this Life Stage and interest
- Great fellowship and friendship
- Come join them or invite someone!

Special Needs Teachers Needed!

If you would be interested in the possibility of teaching with our Adult Special Needs Connect Group, please call Danny. We can use more help as this class is growing. And they will move to the East side of Fellowship Hall on Nov. 27.

Committees and Ministry Teams

Are ready to be voted on and set to start the new year! We will send the new list to chairpersons to contact your teams to get rolling Jan. 1.
Love, Danny



Your OLD shoes = Water

For Langston Aerospace Elementary School. Each year they collect old shoes for third world countries where they are repurposed and the proceeds help with clean water projects. Take time to purge your closets of any style, age, quantity, size, or condition of shoes and bring to church office by **November 27**. Our own Bernice Lowery will collect.





Operation Christmas Child

282 boxes collected so far!

Last chance to turn boxes in, is this Sunday, November 20.
This is a Christmas gift for a child so let's make them fun!

- Include toys, games, and candy, but leave out any war-type toys, liquids & lotion, and chocolate.
- If you wish, include a photo of your family and a note to the child.
- The shipping donation can be made online or place check or cash for all boxes inside one box.
- Rubber band the box but do not tape.
- Bring boxes to the OCC booth in the church lobby by or before **Nov 20**

Please pray that God will bless these gifts and the children receiving them.



ESL International 2016-2017

Connect Groups who are committed to provide meals for ESL Int'l. Students, Children, Teachers, and Staff

Nov 17 - Med. Ad 6, 9 am Dir. Mitchell Mote and Med. Ad Ladies, 9 am Dir. Mary Bandy
 Nov 24 - No Class for Thanksgiving Day
 God bless you for all your help. Thank You!

Let's Gather Together

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE SECOND ANNUAL
Thanksgiving Lunch

THANKSGIVING DAY 11AM - 1PM
 FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FAMILY LIFE CENTER
 HOSTED BY THE SENIOR ADULT 2 SYNERGISTIC CLASS



Serve or simply eat.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE A PIE FOR THE LUNCH, PLEASE DROP IT OFF AT FBC BY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23.

Wednesday Night Supper Menu November

(soup, salad, and fries always served)

16th: Church-wide Thanksgiving Meal-Turkey, Ham and all the trimmings, Pie
23rd: No meal or activities
30th: Pork Loin, Dressing, Yams, Green Peas, Hamburger, Cake