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THE MESSENGER

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Basic Weekly Schedule

Sunday Worship

Classic Service 9:00 a.m.

Celebration Service 10:30 a.m.

Connect Groups

9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Nights

Dinner 4:45-5:45 pm

Worship Time 6:00 pm

TV Schedule Cable Channel 10

Thursday: 9:00 pm, Friday: Noon

Sunday: 8:00 am, Monday: Noon

Sunrise Sunday School

Sun: 7:30 am & 10:00 am

Spanish Sunday School

Sun: 5:30 pm & 10:30 pm

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ATTENDANCE

November 12, 2017

Homebound TV Class*80

9:00 Connect Group408

10:30 Connect Group456

Total Connect Groups864

Worship Attendance 9:00.....471

Worship Attendance 10:30.....535

Total Worship1,006

*Average

New Members:

Pam Mansir

SERVICE TEAMS

Safety Teams - Sunday Nov 19

8:30 a.m. Terry Hunter, Jon Vitro, Jimmy Schultz,

Brad Buttrum, Phillip McAdams, Larry Ingram,

Steven Morgan

10:15 a.m. Brad Wreyford, Kelly Robbins, Mike

Gregory, Jerry Thompson, Bert Clevenger, Tyler

Avery, Dent Burks

4:00-6:00 p.m. Jack Smith

Wednesday - Nov 22

4:00-6:00 p.m. No Activities

6:00-8:00 p.m. No Activities

Welcome Center Guides

8:30 a.m. PS Ctr: Even Weeks: OPEN

Odd Weeks: Kim Miller, Al & Susan Blount

FH Ctr: Even Months: David & Gigi Bird

Odd Months: Sherry Hunnicutt, Nita Ingram

Foyer Welc Ctr: 1st Sunday: Brad & Katy Wreyford

2nd Sunday: Robert & Cindy Davis

3rd Sunday: Connie Bryson, Janis Spraggins

4th/5th Sunday: Kelly & Vickie Robbins

10 a.m. PS Ctr 1st Sun: Ed & Whitney Argueta

2nd Sun: Travis & Lauren Warren

3rd Sun: Jake & Sarah Bird

4th & 5th Sun: Jay & Jennifer Winters

FH Ctr: Even Months: Betty James, Joy Scallion

Odd Months: Leo & Vonni Ensz

2nd Floor Welc Ctr: Even Months: Vaughn &

Stephanie Treadway

Odd Months: Roman & Pat Terlecki, George &

Mary Harris

Deacon Hospital Visitation Nov 20-24

Monday Greg Greeson

TuesdayN/A

Wednesday James Allen

Thursday Bob Hill

Friday Stacy Farnell

SERVICE TEAMS

Door Greeters - Nov 19

9:00 a.m. Mike Betty James, Shirley Posey,

Jerry Franks, Clyde Shirron, Charles & Carol

Hill, Mick Skelton

10:30 a.m. Charles & Carol Hill, Patti

Heckmann, Tommy Hargrove, Kaye Park,

Amy Jessen

Ushers - Nov 19

9:00 a.m. Milton Raabe, Carl Hawthorn, Jim

Short

Every Sunday balcony: Mike Davidson,

Mike Ferguson, Donnie Sumpter, Duke

Haight, Sam Capps

Every Sunday main floor: Frankie Moore,

Cole Morgan

10:30 a.m. A.J. 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 Richard-

son, Al Blount, Chris Brock

Golf Cart Drivers

Cart 1: Richard Beckwith, every Sunday

Cart 2: Don Norman, 1st Sunday;

Jamie Humble, 2nd Sunday; Dwayne

Gordon, 3rd Sunday; Mickey Akins, 4th

Sunday; Jimmy Schultz, 5th Sunday/Sub

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: Missy Herron, 762-3749

.....South: Duke Haight, 815-4416

4th SundayNorth: Bob Roling, 545-5818

.....South: Jon Vitro, 282-2975

5th SundayNorth: Bob Roling, 545-5818

.....South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Thur Nov 16

Ezekiel 25-26:

Hebrews 11

Bernice Lowrey

Joyce Burkhead

Wayne Mahnker

Eden Ashburn

Misty Brock

Dennis Cummings

Calvin Nimmer

Michaela Estright

Fri Nov 17

Ezekiel 27-28:

Hebrews 12

Nathan Wetzler

Cathy Slaton

Clint Logan

Kristine Blocker

Nathan Fox

Jeff Sheets

Becky Green

Jane Self

Omega Sanders

Ryan Doonan

Kiah Heard

Tony Tedford

Sat Nov 18

Ezekiel 29-30:

Hebrews 13

Louis Tamez

Miriam Ramirez

Jill Moseley

Jean Thomson

McKinley Humble

Tara Pettus

Gary Bettis

Taylor Shaw

Chuck Lilly

Sun Nov 19

Ezekiel 31-32:

James 1

Juan Wheatley

LaGena Brown

Cindy Gildner

Paige Plumley

Tristan Merriott

Daniel Terry

Ava Ellison

Trey Lenox

Mon Nov 20

Ezekiel 33-34:

James 2

Jeff Reap

Jan Buford

Ashley Buttrum

Jessica White

Nathan Fox

Hildie Roberts

Mandy Ballard

Babs Hardwick

Tue Nov 21

Ezekiel 35-37:

James 3

Ronnie Ross

Larry Ingram

Jessi Teale

Becky Ewing

Wed Nov 22

Ezekiel 38-39:

James 4

Doug Ervin

Lydia Kellar

Taylor Wells

Matthew Reynolds

Thur Nov 23

Ezekiel 40-41:

James 5

Emelinda Eason

Wesley Harris

James Whitefield

Amy Shipman

Sonya Walker

Robert Rowland

Fri Nov 24

Ezekiel 42-43:

1 Peter 1

Jane Hampton

John Slater

Tiger Jordan

Klaus Schwarznau

Ardeth Marks

Ryan Latham

Trisha Willis

Kaitlyn Rhodes

Angela Dugger

Bruce Upton

Sat Nov 25

Ezekiel 44-46:

1 Peter 2

Joy Wolf

Duke Haight

George Boatright

Michael Davidson

Joseph Cook

Dennis Dunn

Jeremy Mackey

Our church photographers will be stationed in the FLC on Nov. 26 to photograph you and your loved ones. The pictures will be emailed to you later that week. Feel free to use your photo for Christmas cards, social media, or any way you wish. Times: 8:15-9:00, 10:00-10:30, 11:45-12:45

Pastor's Message

BIG Sunday is upon us! What a great day this will be! Be in attendance. Invite a guest. Give an extra offering. If we all do our part, God will do some amazing things among us. Be pray-

ing and be present. I know it's deer season. Hunt Saturday and come in for church on Sunday. I know company shows up sometimes. Bring them with you or come without them. Tell them, "Our family goes to church on Sunday." You know someone who needs Christ and the church—invite that person. And in a season of gratitude, express your gratitude to God by giving an extra offering. Make a sacrifice to the Lord for his kingdom's work through the church. I'm excited to see what God may do.

A part of this weekend is our annual **Transform Weekend for our youth**. Please be praying for God to do significant things in their lives—salvation, restoration, calls to vocational missions or ministry, the unburdening of junk, true repentance. Ask God to help you know how to pray for our young people. And lift up Bill Newton and Elizabeth Standage who will be overseeing this weekend.

Thank you for the opportunity to go to New Braunfels, Texas, last Sunday to **witness baptism for my granddaughter, Hallie**. It was meaningful. The first part of Proverbs 17:6 reads, "Children's children are the glory of the aged." Yes they are! Hallie is the first of her siblings to trust Jesus and follow him in baptism. That means that the Christian faith has been planted in the next generation. That means there's the strong possibility the Christian faith will now make it to the generation that follows Hallie's. Exciting stuff for a grandparent!

We conclude our James series on Sunday: ***This Is the Life***. I appreciate Bill preaching the first part of chapter 5 last Sunday. I'll wrap it up this Sunday as we think about praying like Elijah. See you then!

Your Pastor,
John

Education / Outreach Ministry

Read Your Bible Through in 2018!

We have One Year Bibles that would be a good tool to help you be in God’s Word throughout the year. And if you already have one this could be a good Christmas gift idea. One of the things I like about using it is the variety of daily readings. It shows an Old testament reading, a New Testament reading and then part of a Psalm and Proverb every day. We will sell them at our bulk cost of \$12 in the foyer starting this Sunday. Please let me know if you would like to help sell them at the table behind the welcome center on Sundays.

Ushers Training

For all of our Ushers and anyone else interested in being an usher! Sunday, Dec. 3 at noon in the Fellowship Hall Appreciation lunch and training Ushers are an important part of our new assimilation process. We want to reach people, keep them coming and keep helping them grow to be a mature Christian.

SPECIAL CRASE TRAINING

CRASE is an acrostic for: Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events

Sunday, January 14, from 4:00 to 6:00pm in the Worship Center. For: Staff, Preschool Staff, Safety Team, Door Greeters, Welcome Center Guides, Ushers and anyone else interested.

CONNECT GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTIES

As you plan your parties, be sure to give special effort invite all your regular members and absentees, as well as all your prospects. The most effective way is personal invitations. These are a great way to reach in and reach out and build fellowship!

Coming Up Soon!

Dec. 24 – No Connect Groups, 2 Christmas Eve services: 10:30am & 5pm Dec. 31 – No Connect Groups, 10:30 service only Love, Danny

Wednesday Night Supper November

15th: Thanksgiving Meal
22nd: No activities/meal
29th: Roast Beef, Potatoes, Purple Hull Peas, Chicken Strips,

Fitness & Recreation Ministry

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

Coach, Coach, COACH! Coach, Coach

We have 5 head coach vacancies and 3 assistant coach vacancies to fill

before we can draft the teams. Please contact Wallace today if you can serve as a coach this season.

Coach Training options Sunday, November 19: 5:00 pm Monday, November 27: 5:30 pm Saturday, December 2: 9:30 am

We will continue to register players as long as we have vacancies.

Current player numbers and vacancies Kindergarten Coed: 19 registrations / 9 vacancies 1st-2nd grade girls: 21 registrations / 7 vacancies 1st-2nd grade boys: 47 registrations / 9 vacancies

We’re continuing to recruit our game day volunteers including prayer partners, concessions, clock monitor, greeters, coaches, and referees. Job descriptions and registration is available at www.fbcrecreation.com.

Sunday morning Meet & Greet Fellowships Sundays, 10:00 am in the gym

We invite you to join us for relaxed fellowship and light snacks every Sunday in the gym between Worship Services/Connect Groups. This is one of the easiest places to get to know others. Look around, introduce yourself to someone you don’t know! Also, just a reminder that we have a rotating schedule of snack providers for the Sunday Fellowships. Please provide snacks according to the first initial of your last name as scheduled below:

Nov 19: A, B Dec 17: M, N Nov 26: C, D, E Dec 24: O, P, Q, R Dec 3: F, G, H Dec 31: S, T, U Dec 10: I, J, K, L Jan 7, 2018: V, W, X, Y, Z Until we all fall down, Wallace

Keenager’s Christmas Luncheon Thursday, November 30th at 11:30 am in the FLC Special Guest: First Baptist Church Ladies’ Ensemble Menu: Ham, Green Beans, Potato Salad, Hot Roll, Dessert Please sign up at the Foyer Welcome Center on Sundays or Wednesdays. Church members who are widows/widowers eat free, everyone else is \$5.00 per person



November 16, 6:30 in Room 223 The holidays can be an especially hard time for those dealing with grief. Join us for the final session of Pastor John’s Grief Workshop. We want to help you find the healing that will last long after the tinsel is off the tree.

Collecting for December 2017 Ukraine Mission Trip We are focusing on these items for the cold weather. Men’s & Women’s Coats, Jeans, gloves, Fleece fabric (any color) or fleece blankets (on sale at Wal Mart for \$2.50) & LARGE suitcases with rollers. Please drop off your donations in the Church office by December 15TH



IT ALL STARTS WITH A GIFT! AND LIVES ARE CHANGED THROUGH JESUS CHRIST! We have been given an opportunity again this Christmas to give the greatest gift of all to children of incarcerated parents. Angel Tree is a ministry of the Prison Fellowship where gifts are provided to children on behalf of their parents in prison. For some it may be the only contact the child has had from the parent in a very long time. You can select your Angel on Sunday, November 26 or December 3 at Information Central. There will be a dinner for the children and their families on Wednesday, December 20, at 5:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center with a Christmas program to follow in the Worship Center. Everyone is invited to come. Please contact Charlotte Arnold at 318-6133 for more information or to ask how you can help.



We are collecting diapers and wipes for children who are under DHS supervision. Any donations may be dropped off in the baskets in the women’s ministry area in the lobby.

December 7 6:00pm with special guests ALLEY BELL & HOPE DARST

We’re getting excited for the biggest women’s event of the year! If you’d like to participate in this event by hosting a table of 7 guests, sign up today in the women’s ministry area. You provide the table decorations and we’ll take care of the rest! Your guests can be friends and family that you personally invite, or let us fill your table with friends you haven’t yet met!

BUDGET REPORT

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.

Ministry Fund (11-12-17)	
Weekly Receipts	\$46,572
Online Giving	\$20,439
Total Given	\$67,011

All In Fund Weekly Receipts: (11-12-17) \$7,021 Balance of loan: (10-31-17) \$2,064,092

GROUPS & CLASSES

Loving Threads If you like to knit, crochet, quilt or sew, the Loving Threads Ministry may be the place for you. The purpose of our group is to use our needlework talents to share the love and comfort of Jesus Christ with others by making prayer comfort shawls and baby blankets. We meet in RM 131 on the 1st floor, at 1:00 p.m. on the FOURTH Thursday of each month. If you cannot attend the meetings, but would like to participate, call Wanda Thorp, 623-5608.



Women on Mission Come join Women on Missions Thursday, November 30, 2017. We will be meeting in room 129 at 10:00 to make plans for 2018. See you then and for more information call: 501-282-3269.

Sisterhood Fellowship Will not meet in November or December. We will resume on January 16th, 2018. For more info, you may call Dee Stelzried, 623-7725 or Billie Wilson, 463-9274.

SYMPATHY

Our thoughts and prayers are with Chad Huett and family in the death of his sister, Lisa Martin. May God bless and comfort you.



Want to get the most out of Sunday morning? Join our “Day by Day” group on Facebook for daily access to material designed to help you grow in your faith. From our church page, click “Groups”, then “FBCHS Day by Day”. Finally, click “join”, and you’re all set! You’ll receive a notification to let you know when we’ve posted in the group.



Join us for a 3-part celebration of Christmas on December 3, 10 & 17. Invite cards are available now at the welcome center and in the front office. Please be on the lookout for our social media posts to share with your online community. And don’t forget that personal invitation is always best!