

# Vol. 69 No. 6 Feb. 7, 2025

### THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Church Family,

"On the other side of sadness comes joy. On the other side of loss comes blessing. On the other side of a sleepless night comes the dawn of a new hope. We are not fixed points in time, condemned to only one feeling, one emotion, one experience. We are souls of the air, moving on the wind, exploring what is never on the map until we find it. We are not subject to death, but pledged to life, linked in a holy bond, able to fly through all kinds of weather." (Bishop Steven Charleston on Facebook, November 11, 2022)

Some days, I do both a funeral and a wedding just hours apart. Perhaps that double duty represents well the range of human emotions. Always be ready to rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep.

Harri Batro

Dr. Howard Batson, Pastor

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**DISCIPLE-MAKING COHORT** 

It's Not Too Late to Join! Saturdays – 11:00 a.m. 11th & Polk Ministry Center

The training includes discovering your dentifying your missional space, activating

identity as a disciple-maker, identifying your missional space, activating prayer and prayer walking, engaging culture, and leading a Discovery Bible Study. Join Barry Bedwell and Sheri Price for this engaging study!



# UNDIE SUNDAY INGATHERING DAY

Our Acteens are gathering new underwear of all sizes to provide for those in our community with a need. Thank you for placing new underwear in our hallway laundry baskets by **February 23**!

### **COMING SOON FROM OUR MUSIC MINISTRY!**



Thursday, February 20
Duo Piano Recital
Dr. Sunghwan Kim and

Dr. Choong Ha Nam,
WTAMU piano professor
6:30 p.m. – Sanctuary
Featuring works by
Rachmaninoff, Tchaikovsky,
and Bach

Sunday, February 23
"Sounds for the Soul"
Hosted by Amarillo Opera

Hosted by Amarillo Opera Featuring sister trio, Moipei 6:00 p.m. – Sanctuary Sunday, March 2
Saviour: The Story of God's
Passion for His People

Special guests: Scot Cameron and Eric Barry 8:30 and 11:00 a.m services

visit us online at www.firstamarillo.org

### **NEWS AT FIRST BAPTIST**



### **ETC**

### (formerly known as Fellowship Through Reading)

Monday, February 10 10:30 a.m. – room 107

John Forbis, Director of the Amarillo Children's Home, will be our ETC speaker, will share his Christian story and work.

About the name change: ETC is an acronym for our programs:

- E Exploring
- T Teaching

C - Communicating (Conversation) We hope you will join us this spring for interesting programs, lots of fellowship, and learning what God is doing in our lives and in our community!

REMEMBER
TO
PRAY FOR
OUR PASTOR
ONE MINUTE
EACH DAY
AT 1:00 P.M.

### **DEACON OF THE DAY**

February 9
February 10
February 11
February 12
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### PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

This Sunday, Dr. Trevor Brown will bring a message entitled "Seeing Life with the Right Lenses" from Matthew 16:24-27. Spend time preparing your heart for our Sunday morning service.



### THANK YOU FOR PRAYING

Thank you for praying for our 7th-12 graders and their leaders as they attend DiscipleNow Weekend. Students will spend concentrated time together this weekend studying, serving, and worshipping!



### **BRIDGES**

Bridges helps connect your worship on Sunday with your work on Monday! Watch for coming details about a spring class for adults of all ages.



# SUBSTITUTE DRIVERS FOR FIRST RIDE

Each month we need several substitute drivers for our Sunday morning shuttle cart service, First Ride. If you can help on a substitute basis, or would perhaps consider helping on a regular basis (once every 2-3 months), please contact Tommy Needham or the church office (806-373-2891).

WOMEN ON MISSION SHAROL SHUTTS Bible Study Group, Wednesday, February 12, 9:30 a.m., room 107.

### PARENTS OF MISSIONARIES

First Baptist Church WMU will host the International Mission Board Parent Fellowship on February 8, 2025, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., in the Family Life Center Grande Room. Lunch will be provided. Anyone who has a child on the mission field is encouraged to attend.

# SINGLE MOMS MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP

Saturday, February 15 10:00-11:30 a.m. FLC room 202

# HAVE A FEW MINUTES ON SATURDAY?

Stop by the Family Life Center to watch a game or two of Upward Basketball! Teams play each Saturday until February 22, and games are from 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. each week!



# AUTO, BIKE, AND COMPUTER MINISTRY

If you have an interest in donating or receiving a bicycle, computer, or auto, please contact the church office (806-373-2891).



# DISCIPLE NOW

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#### February 7-9

Friday, February 9 7:00 p.m. – Students, meet at your assigned Host Home address Sunday, February 9

11:00 a.m. – Parents pick up on 4th floor.

Please be in prayer for our students, leaders, host homes, and many others involved in DNOW this weekend.

### Sunday, February 9

Youth Choir will sing in both morning services

NO Youth Choir Sunday afternoon

### Wednesday, February 12 *Mission Night Out*

6:00-6:45 p.m.

Acteens: Meet at the bird cage Servants: Meet in the rotunda



**PrimeTime** 6:45-8:00 p.m. room 407

### High School Spring Break Mission Trip

March 8-14 – Phoenix, Arizona Cost: \$300

### DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS FEBRUARY 12

Online sign
up available at
<a href="https://www.firstamarillo.org/youth">https://www.firstamarillo.org/youth</a>
OR click on the

QR code.





#### Kids Midweek

Join us on Wednesday nights! 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Go to <u>firstamarillo</u>. org/midweek or scan the QR code to sign up today!



#### Mark Your Calendar!

*VBS* – June 9-13 *Merge Camp* – July 14-17

### **Text Group**

Join our text group to receive reminders, updates, and info on events in the FBC Kids Ministry! Text "Join Kids" to 888-343-6351.



(for those who are college age)

### **Sunday Morning Bible Study** 9:45 a.m. – room 413

Tuesday, February 11

Challenge Bible Study
7:00 p.m. – at the Stewart home
For more info, contact Corey.

### 2025 College Spring Break

**Mission Trip** 

March 11-16 Cost: \$300 Sign up by using the QR code





#### **Volunteers Needed!**

Volunteers are needed each week during the 11:00 a.m. worship hour in the newborn baby room. Contact Elaine (elaine@firstamarillo.org) if you can help.

#### **Mark Your Calendars!**

Vacation Bible School 2025 June 9-13

### **NEW KID ON THE PEW**



Sloan Barrera



### WIDOW'S MIGHT

We continue to provide basic

home maintenance and repair assistance to First Baptist Church widows, widowers, and other adults in our congregation who might have specific requests on an "as needed" basis. If you would like help at your home, or would like to serve in this ministry, contact Caron Babcock or call the church office (806-373-2891).

### **SERVICE TIMES AT FIRST**

Sunday Morning Worship 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study for all ages 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer & Praise 6:00 p.m.

### SPECIFIC, SIGNIFICANT, INTENTIONAL

February 2, 2025
Weekly budget requirement
\$ 174,266.98
Weekly budget receipts
\$ 221,489.15
Year-to-date budget requirement
\$ 871,334.90
Year-to-date budget receipts
\$844.337.87

## WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE DAILY READINGS

Sunday, February 9
Leviticus 24-27
Monday, February 10
Numbers 1-4
Tuesday, February 11
Numbers 5-8
Wednesday, February 12
Numbers 9-12
Thursday, February 13
Numbers 13-16
Friday, February 14
Numbers 17-18
Saturday, February 15
Numbers 19-20

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

By Letter or Statement to Date	45
For Baptism to Date	21
Baptized to Date	26
Watchcare	3

### **WEDNESDAY MEAL**

Wednesday, February 12
Chicken Sandwich or Nuggets
(catered by Chick-Fil-A)
OR
Delicious Dozen Salad Bar
Make reservations online or call

the church office by Monday noon.

### **CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY**

- The family of India Batson.
- •The family of Colleen Hamilton.
- •Paula McGee in the death of her son, Mead McGee, Tioga, TX; brother of Sydney Rieff and Sara Burke.
- •Kathy Pridmore in the death of her brother, Mike Perry, Lubbock, TX; uncle of Stephanie Drozell.
- •Dee Ann Poynor in the death of her step-mother, Mary King Poynor.
- •Bob Hewett in the death of his sister-in-law, Norma Hewett, McKinney, TX.



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