



THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Church Family,

Scott Russell Sanders is a prize-winning essayist and retired English professor at Indiana University. In his book, *Writing From the Center*, he tells about a prominent builder in a small Ohio town who was asked to join the volunteer fire department. He politely declined. After all, what could he get out of it? His home was brick, wired to code, and fire-resistant.

But one day his house caught fire. The volunteer firemen showed up with the pumper truck. But before turning on the water, they playfully asked the contractor if he still saw no reason to join. Without hesitation, he said he would be glad to join right then and there, and the fire was extinguished.

Sanders likes to tell this story because his dad was one of the volunteer firemen that day. He also likes to tell it because of what it says about being a part of a community.

"We should not have to wait until our houses are burning before we see the wisdom of facing our local needs by joining in common work... We had better learn how to live well together, or we will live miserably apart."



OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Sunday morning, August 11
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY LEADERS

Sunday, August 11
4:00-6:00 p.m.

Workers in all age groups will gather in Fellowship Hall and then move into age group classes for more specific training. This training event allows us time together to share important information and prepare for our new Sunday School year beginning August 18. Childcare will be provided.



PROMOTION SUNDAY IS AUGUST 18!

Join us for Sunday morning Bible Study on August 18, when our preschoolers, children, and students (and a handful of adults!) find their new place in Bible Study. If you are not presently attending a class, this is a great day to find your place in Bible Study.



FAMILY NIGHT @ FIRST BEGINNING AUGUST 21!

5:00 p.m. – Family Meal in the FLC Gym
Cost is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children, with a family maximum of \$25.

Please make reservations by Monday noon by going online (www.firstamarillo.org) or calling the church office (806-373-2891).

6:00 p.m. – Music and Missions activities for preschoolers and children

6:00 p.m. – Prayer Meeting in the sanctuary, Midway for Young Adults, Acteens and Servants for Youth

6:45 p.m. – PrimeTime for Youth

7:00 p.m. – Sanctuary Choir rehearsal

NEWS AT FIRST BAPTIST

NEW MEMBERS



Leigh and Rudy Bratcher
By Statement



Cory and Whitney Orr
Piper and Ryder
By Statement and for Baptism



Patsy Forbus
By Letter



Stan and Pam Cobb
By Letter

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

This Sunday, Dr. Batson will bring a message entitled "Covered Dish – Not" from 1 Corinthians 11:17-34. Spend time preparing your heart for our Sunday morning service.



FELLOWSHIP THROUGH READING

Monday, August 12

10:30 a.m. – room 107

Danny Brown will be our speaker. His topic is "Science, which the Atheists use to justify their unbelief, actually points to God."

HERITAGE FELLOWSHIP

Thursday, August 15

5:30 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

Program: Mini-concert by Sunghwan Kim

Cost: \$8.00

Please RSVP by Tuesday, August 13.



Marcus and Kinsey Bellar
By Statement
(also pictured are Brennan, Brecken, Millie, and Beau)

Not Pictured:
Gary and Stacy Allen
By Letter

BRIDGES COMING SOON

Bridges connects adults with a handful of other adults and a group leader to explore conversations about work and vocation. Conversations include questions such as:

- Does my work matter to God?
- Where does work fit into God's plan for my life?
- What advice does the Bible give regarding work?
- How do I involve or include God in my place of work?
- Do I have to like/love everyone at my workplace?

If you would like more information about attending a small group this fall, please contact Robby Barrett in the church office (806-373-2891).

THANK YOU, LAURA!



Congratulations to Laura Dickie upon her retirement after serving First Baptist Church on our housekeeping staff for 36 years! Laura is pictured here with members of the housekeeping and maintenance staff at a luncheon in her honor.

DEACON OF THE DAY

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| August 11 | Derek Turman |
| August 12 | Fred Beck |
| August 13 | John Slaton |
| August 14 | Brent Weatherly |
| August 15 | Travis Moore |
| August 16 | Sam Wands |
| August 17 | Bob Gerald |



Student Ministry Teachers

Thank you to the amazing Sunday School Teachers who have served so faithfully this year. We are still in need of a couple of teachers for next year. If you say yes to any of these questions, please contact the Youth Staff: Do you love teenagers? Do you love reading and teaching God's word? Are donuts a good addition to your diet?

PrimeTime Kickoff

Wednesday, August 21
6:45-8:00 p.m. – FLC Picnic Area

Youth Choir Kickoff

Sunday, August 18
4:30 p.m. – Choir Suite



(for those who are college age)

Sunday Morning Bible Study

9:45 a.m. – room 413

YOUNG ADULT PODCAST

Be sure to check the FBC Facebook page for the most recent podcast episodes featuring young adults at First Baptist Church. We hope you enjoy listening! And you don't have to be a "young adult" to listen and learn – these podcasts will appeal to everyone.



Preteen Graduation

(for completed 6th graders and their families)

This Sunday, August 11, during the Sunday School hour.

Sunday School Teacher Training

Sunday, August 11
4:00-6:00 p.m. – Fellowship Hall
Join us for a great time of fellowship and training as we look forward to the upcoming Sunday School year!

Special Friends

If you are interested in helping in our Special Friends classroom, there will be a training and information session with Elizabeth Blackwell and Amanda Gay during the Sunday School Teacher Training on Sunday, August 11, at 4:30 p.m.

Mark Your Calendars

Midweek Teacher Training

Sunday, August 18
12:00-1:30 p.m.

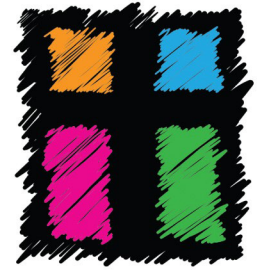
Midweek Starts

Wednesday, August 21

Sign ups are now open!
Go to www.firstamarillo.org/midweek to sign



We had a great time with our Kinder-3rd graders at Day Camp!



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
PRESCHOOL

Sunday, August 11

Sunday School Teacher Training

Monday, August 12

Mission Friends Teachers
Dinner and Training
6:00-7:30 p.m.

(Still need a few more teachers to serve on Wednesday nights.)

Sunday, August 18

Promotion Sunday
(Preschool families will receive promotion packets the week of August 12.)

Wednesday, August 21

Preschool Choir and Mission Friends start

FAMILY DEDICATION



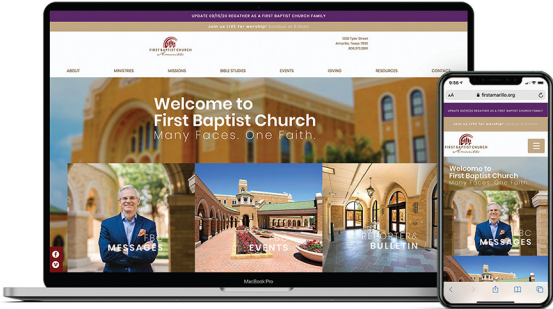
Brennan, Brecken, Millie, and Beau Bellar
Parents: Marcus and Kinsey

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.

MOMs!

Mothers on Mission (MOMs) is a group of women committed to raising young children in a community of faith, love, and support. They meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month (September-May), 9:15-11:30 a.m., in Fellowship Hall. Childcare is provided for children from birth through age 5. Dues are \$75 for the fall and \$50 for the spring (scholarships available). The fall semester begins September 4. Go online (www.firstamarillo.org) for information and to sign up!



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FINANCIAL REPORT

ALL HIS

August 4, 2024

Weekly budget requirement
 \$ 165,228.17

Weekly budget receipts
 \$ 231,866.80

Year-to-date budget requirement
 \$ 5,122,073.27

Year-to-date budget receipts
 \$ 7,689,136.92

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

- The family of Susan Stewart.
- The family of Porter Crawford.
- The family of To Houang.
- The family of Bobbie Bennett.
- Susan Evans in the death of her mother, Lorain Inman, Canyon, TX; grandmother of Kaleena Nite.

WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE DAILY READINGS

Sunday, August 11

Jeremiah 40-44

Monday, August 12

Jeremiah 45-52

Tuesday, August 13

Lamentations 1-3

Wednesday, August 14

Lamentations 4-5

Thursday, August 15

Ezekiel 1-6

Friday, August 16

Ezekiel 7-11

Saturday, August 17

Ezekiel 12-15

NEW MEMBERS

By Letter or Statement to Date	161
For Baptism to Date	57
Baptized to Date	61
Watchcare	1

WEDNESDAY MEAL

Wednesday evening family meals will resume August 21.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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