

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Church Family,

The story is told of a small fishing village where, for many years, a flock of sea gulls fed on the scraps the fishermen left. All was fine and good for the sea gulls until the fishing became poor and the villagers moved down the coast to a location where fish were plentiful. The sea gulls did not follow the fishermen and – because they had lived off the scraps of the fishermen and had never learned to feed themselves – the entire flock of birds died.

Believers who feed only on what others teach them are like these foolish sea gulls. While First Baptist Church is here to provide you with many opportunities to hear God's word each week (at least five teaching sessions), you, too, must learn to read, reflect, and meditate on God's word.

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Dr. Howard Batson, Pastor



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FAMILY NIGHT @ FIRST

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 (<u>www.firstamarillo.org</u>) or

calling the church office (806-373-2891). Join us this week for enchiladas catered by The Plaza!

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



DANCING ON DADDY'S FEET

Wednesdays, beginning September 4 10:00 a.m. – room 110 Leader: Ginger Tucker

This 9-week study is a journey through the devotional stories in the book, *Dancing on Daddy's Feet and Other Stories of God's Love, Revised,* by Ginger LaGrone Tucker. Each lesson includes one or more of the devotional stories, a short Bible lesson from one of the Psalms, with application discussions and activities. Call the church office to reserve your place!



DATE CHANGE FOR TAKING BACK TECH

Christian Parenting in a Digital World Beginning Sunday, September 15 (for three weeks) 4:30 p.m. – room 311 Led by Dr. Whitney Davis (Childcare provided for preschoolers, Bible Drill for children grades 1-6.) Call the church office to sign up.

visit us online at www.firstamarillo.org

NEWS AT FIRST BAPTIST

NEW MEMBERS



Steve and Barbara Livingston By Letter



Do you want to see your marriage relationship grow? Marriages are transformed when God's Truth is applied. Re|engage is a 12-week experience that includes teaching, small groups, and testimonies from couples who have experienced victory in the midst of the challenges of marriage. Join in with one of our groups as we begin our fall program on Sunday, September 8th, at 4:30 pm.

Sign up online at <u>www.firstamarillo.</u> org or email Suzanne Holmes (suzanne@firstamarillo.org).

DEACON OF THE DAY

Sept 1	Shannon Gillespie
Sept 2	Eddie Stovall
Sept 3	Matt Moles
Sept 4	John Smithee, Sr.
Sept 5	Gerald Davis
Sept 6	Mike Standefer
Sept 7	Dennis Smith

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

This Sunday, Dr. Batson will bring a message entitled "Lost and Found" from 2 Kings 22. Spend time preparing your heart for our Sunday morning service.



FIRST SINGERS

Resumes Tuesday, September 3 1:00 p.m. – Music Suite

If you enjoy praising God through song – whether you are a talented musician or an only-in-the-shower singer – this group meets to worship, minister, and fellowship through song every Tuesday following Noon Bible Study.

FELLOWSHIP THROUGH Reading

Monday, September 9 10:30 a.m. – room 107 Chandra Perkins, Executive Director of Storybridge in Amarillo, will share opportunities to be a part of the endeavor to help children learn to read through Storybridge.

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?

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



Forget to Pray for Texas Missions Please join us for

Texas Missions Donut Brunch

Saturday, September 7 10:30 a.m. – Fellowship Hall Featuring a Round Table Experience Making Jesus Known in Texas

Challenge by Sabrina Dubberly Mary Hill Davis Offering for Texas Missions Church Goal: \$40,020.24 Given to Date: \$6,777.00

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES TUESDAY NOON BIBLE STUDY

Resumes September 3 Fellowship Hall 12:15-12:45 p.m. (A light lunch is available at 11:45 a.m.) Robby Barrett will be leading a study called *Stories on Betrayal*.

LADIES' BIBLE STUDIES

WHEN YOU PRAY Mondays, beginning September 9

9:30-11:30 a.m. – room 104 Leader: Marilyn Standefer

DANIEL

Tuesdays, beginning September 3 2:15 p.m. – room 101 Leader: Laura Schelin For more information or to register, please call the church office (806-373-2891).

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY (COED)

LET MY PEOPLE GO: A STUDY IN EXODUS Thursdays September 5-November 21 10:00-11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Leader: Susan Burt



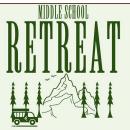
Sunday, September 1 No Youth Choir

Wednesday, September 4

Acteens (all girls 7th-12th grade) 6:00-6:45 p.m. – room 410 *Servants* (all guys 7th-12th grade) 6:00-6:45 p.m. – room 413



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



For all 6th, 7th, and 8th graders! October 18-20 Glorieta Conference Center Cost: \$200 Scan the QR code to sign up. Paper forms available on the 4th floor. The deadline to sign up is October 2.





(for those who are college age) Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:45 a.m. – room 413 **Tuesday, September 3** Vision Night 7:00 p.m.

11th and Polk Street Building For more info, contact Corey.



Bible Drill

Bible Drill begins September 8 for all 1st-6th grade kids. Join us each Sunday from 4:30-5:45 p.m. for fun activities and games

as we learn God's word. Invite vour friends and sign up today through the QR code!



Preteen Parent Sunday September 8

Join your preteen in The Link at the beginning of the Sunday School hour to meet their teachers and hear about what goes on every Sunday!

Kids Midweek

It's not too late to join us at Midweek from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Sign up at www.firstamarillo. org/midweek.

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).



Preschool Choir and Mission Friends Wednesday nights 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Preschool First Steps

First Steps welcomes 159 preschoolers and 42 teachers to the 2024/25 school year beginning next week!

BABY OF THE WEEK



Shepherd Andersen Sugg son of Tristan and Jessica Sugg grandson of Bud and Michelle Andersen

MIDPOINT!

Our Midpoint class meets each Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. in room 312. It is for single adults late 40s to late 60s. Atlee Runvan in the teacher, and the class would love for you to join them! If you have not yet found your place in Bible Study, be sure to check them out!

SERVICE TIMES AT FIRST

Sunday Morning Worship8:30 & 11:00 a.m.Bible Study for all ages9:45 a.m.Sunday Evening Worship6:00 p.m.Wednesday Evening Prayer & Praise6:00 p.m.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 31 FLC open 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sunday, September 1 Morning Worship Services 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Bible Study 9:45 a.m. No afternoon activities or evening worship Monday, September 2 Church Offices and FLC closed

FINANCIAL REPORT ALL HIS

August 25, 2024 Weekly budget requirement \$ 165,228.17 Weekly budget receipts \$ 125,010.19 Year-to-date budget requirement \$ 5,617,757.78 Year-to-date budget receipts \$ 8,215,702.72

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

The family of Dan Bailey.
Todd Parker in the death of his mother, Barbara Parker, Florida.
Karen Proffer in the death of her father, Pete Green; grandfather of Jackson and Blair Hubbard.
Courtney Love in the death of her father, Leslie Lovvorn.
Ben Snell in the death of his mother, Mary Kay Snell.

WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE DAILY READINGS

Sunday, September 1 Hosea 1-3 Monday, September 2 Hosea 4-6 Tuesday, September 3 Hosea 7-8 Wednesday, September 4 Hosea 9-11 Thursday, September 5 Hosea 12-14 Friday, September 6 Joel 1-3 Saturday, September 7 Amos 1-2

NEW MEMBERS

By Letter or Statement to Date	173
For Baptism to Date	60
Baptized to Date	62
Watchcare	1

WEDNESDAY MEAL

Wednesday, September 4 Enchiladas • Rice • Beans • Chips (catered by The Plaza) OR Delicious Dozen Salad Bar Make reservations online or call the church office by Monday noon.



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