

FROM THE PASTOR

REVIVAL SERVICES COMING TO FBC FITZGERALD - August 4-6

I encourage you to mark your calendars now for Revival Services August 4-6 at First Baptist Fitzgerald. The idea to do so came to me from the Sunday Evening Women's Bible Study group. They have a burden not just for those who do not know Jesus, but for Christians who have fallen away from the church, including those we know and love who haven't attended FBC in a while.

This will not be a revival aimed exclusively at "the lost," with fire and brimstone preaching. Studies have shown that those who make decisions for Christ out of fear do not usually maintain commitment to Christ or to the church for very long after their initial decision. Often in such cases, decisions were made to avoid hell; commitments were not made to live their lives in the way of Jesus with others in community, as Jesus himself invited others to do.

While this revival will certainly encourage others to make decisions for Christ, the primary purpose will be to challenge each other to renew our commitment to Christ serving our community through the church.

Our preacher will be Dr. Rob Nash. Born in Georgia, he grew up in the Philippines as the son of missionary parents. He has served Baptists as a global missions coordinator and a professor of religion at both the college and seminary level. Many former students will tell you he was the most influential teacher they ever had. He presently serves as a Baptist pastor and professor at McAfee School of Theology. He is a phenomenal storyteller, and is effective at speaking wise, hard truth to the church as he calls us to biblical faithfulness.

So mark your calendars now:

Sunday morning August 4

Monday and Tuesday evenings, August 5-6

with dinner served before worship.

Let us prayerfully prepare for a season of renewal!

Prayers for Our People

We are praying for you and all that God will do for you.

Let us pray for: Rachel Bishop, Sandy Bostelman, Denise Bowen, Carolyn Brown, Prentiss Brown, Lynn Bryant, Kathleen Cook, Shirley Coxen, Polly Davis, Wendy Dix, Caroline Kate Eckles, Joni Wiggins Fox, Kay Hannon, Ed Hill, Trish Herlovich, Claudette Mahan, David Malcolm, Shirley Malcolm, Billy McEachern, Don Morris, June Morris, Mildred Pigg, Buddy Prescott, Troy Roberts, Donna Sheffield, Debbie Sherret, Kelly Sumner, Sarah Stevens, Farise Taylor, Lee Taylor, Katrina Vaughn, Van Waters, Brenda Wiggins, Donald Wiggins, Debra Weil

Members in Care Facilities

Pruitt Health (Ocilla): Drew Fountain

Homebound Members – Fitzgerald and Out of Town/State

June and Don Morris – Fitzgerald and Lois Eppes – Middleburg, FL

Sanctuary Flowers

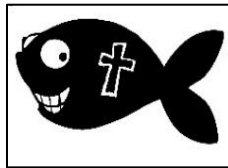
The flowers in the Sanctuary on Sunday, February 25, 2024, are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in loving memory of Felix and Emma Lee Liles by Lee & Francine Liles, Freeman & Laura Tharp and family, and Tyler & Leslie Clemons and family.



YOUTH NEWS

NO WNL DURING WINTER SCHOOL BREAK!

We will not meet this Wednesday for WNL because of the Winter School Break. We will start back on Wednesday, February 28th. Keep inviting your friends as our attendance continues to grow each week. If you miss a week, join us the following week. YOU ARE MISSED! We will have Sunday School this Sunday at 10am so please attend if you can!



LOOKING AHEAD: Our Summer Youth Mission Camp Dates ARE SET – JUNE 9th-12th. THERE WILL BE A MANDATORY NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT THIS YEAR OF \$50 BY MARCH 31ST IN ORDER TO SAVE YOUR SPOT FOR YOUTH CAMP! Make sure you tell your parents THE DATES NOW so you can plan to attend with us!



This Sunday morning the choir will sing "How Deep the Father's Love For Us" which is one of my all time favorite anthems for the choir!

We will also have **CHOIR PRACTICE THIS SUNDAY MORNING at 9:15am in the Sanctuary!** Throughout the Lent season we will be singing some of our favorite songs PLUS a couple of our more difficult anthems on Palm and Easter Sunday so attend choir practice if you possibly can! I hope to see you all this Sunday morning! *Please NOTE that the choir, orchestra and handbells will not be in the loft on March 3rd.*

LOOKING AHEAD INTO MARCH



March Deacons of the Month: Hank Cook and Gene Mason
March Ushers: *Gene Mason, *Bryan Griffin, Mike Sherret, Brent Brown, Paul Dawson, David Herlovich, Ken Thames, Michael Baxter, and Edward Hill, Jr.

- Sun Mar 3-10** The Annual Week of Prayer & Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- Wed Mar 4** 55+ Club Luncheon (12pm Burch Hall)
- Sun Mar 10** Daylight Saving Starts
Deacons Meeting (1:30pm Mann Hall)
- Thu Mar 14** Wiregrass Quilters Guild Meeting (6pm Burch Hall)
- Tue Mar 19** Women On Mission Bible Study (10am Library)
- Sun Mar 24** Palm Sunday
Children will wave the palms at the beginning of worship (meet in the Narthex at 10:50am)
- Fri Mar 29** Good Friday Service (6pm Sanctuary)
- Sat Mar 30** Pancake Breakfast & Easter Egg Hunt (9:00am Burch Hall)
- Sun Mar 31** Easter Vigil Sunrise Service (7am FBC Breezeway)

Lost & Found Items

We have found many things around our church campus. If you have lost your reading glasses, sunglasses, an umbrella, travel cup, a piece of jewelry, or even your Bible, please stop by the church office and see if it has been turned in.



Ms. Carly's Corner For Kids



Don't forget there will be **NO** activities THIS Wednesday, February 21st because of Winter Break. All Wednesday night activities will resume February 28th.

Mark Your Calendars for our annual Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast Saturday, March 30th at 9AM.



There is now a waiting list for PASSPORTkids summer camp. If your child would like to attend let me know ASAP. (3rd-5th grade/July 14-17th at Rock Eagle)

February/March Children's Church Volunteers

February 25th..Justin & Elizabeth Phillips
March 3rd...Jane Szoke, Kate Phillips, and Caroline Spivey
March 10thKevin and Nan Phillips
If you would like to be added or removed from the rotation, please let me know!

March 24th - Palm Sunday
March 30th - Easter Egg Hunt
March 31st - Children's Choir Sing
May 12th - Children's Sunday



The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering changes lives forever by empowering North American missionaries to bring the gospel to the lost. North America and its major cities are some of the most spiritually dark places in the world. Join us on the mission to equip every missionary and reach every lost person in the United States and Canada. 100% of your gifts are used efficiently to support and equip missionaries in North America. **THE ANNUAL WEEK OF PRAYER & ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING IS MARCH 3-10, 2024.**

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CHURCH CALENDAR

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Daily Scripture: 1 Peter 3:18-22. Psalm 25.1-10

10:00 AM.....Women On Mission Bible Study (Library)
10:00 AM.....Exercise Class (Mann Hall)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Daily Scripture: Mark 1:9-15. Psalm 25.1-10

WINTER BREAK – No Wednesday Events

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Daily Scripture: Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16. Psalm 22.23-31

10:00 AM.....Exercise Class (Mann Hall)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Daily Scripture: Romans 4.14-25. Psalm 22.23-31

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Daily Scripture: Mark 8.31-38. Psalm 22.23-31

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

9:15 AM.....Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal*

10:00 AM.....Sunday School*

11:00 AM.....Worship*

5:00 PM.....Note: time change.....Women's Bible Study (Mann Hall)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Daily Scripture: Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16. Psalm 22.23-31

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Daily Scripture: Romans 4.14-25. Psalm 22.23-31

10:00 AM.....Exercise Class (Mann Hall)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Daily Scripture: Mark 8.31-38. Psalm 22.23-31

11:00 AM.....Adult Vespers (Burch Hall)

5:30 PM.....Children's Choir

6:00 PM.....Mission Friends, GAs and RAs*

6:00 PM.....Youth WNL (Youth Room)*

6:00 PM.....Adult Vespers (Burch Hall)*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

Daily Scripture: Exodus 20.1-17. Psalm 19

10:00 AM.....Exercise Class (Mann Hall)

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

Daily Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1.18-25. Psalm 19

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

Daily Scripture: John 2.13-22. Psalm 19

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

10:00 AM.....Sunday School*

11:00 AM.....Worship*

5:00 PM.....Note: time change.....Women's Bible Study (Mann Hall)

MONDAY, MARCH 4

Daily Scripture: Exodus 20.1-17. Psalm 19

12:00 PM.....55+ Club Luncheon (Burch Hall)

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

Daily Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1.18-25. Psalm 19

10:00 AM.....Exercise Class (Mann Hall)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

Daily Scripture: John 2.13-22. Psalm 19

11:00 AM.....Adult Vespers (Burch Hall)

5:30 PM.....Children's Choir

6:00 PM.....Mission Friends, GAs and RAs*

6:00 PM.....Youth WNL (Youth Room)*

6:00 PM.....Adult Vespers (Burch Hall)*

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

Daily Scripture: Numbers 21.4-9. Psalm 107.13, 17-22

10:00 AM.....Exercise Class (Mann Hall)

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

Daily Scripture: Ephesians 2.1-10. Psalm 107.13, 17-22

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

Daily Scripture: John 3.14-21. Psalm 107.13, 17-22

*Nursery Staff available for these events.

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, closed all day Friday

8:30am-12:15pm (12:15-1:30 closed for lunch & office errands) 1:30pm-5pm

February Deacons of the Month: Mike Raynor and Mike Sherret

February Ushers: *Byron Smith, *Lew Brinson, Bob Jones, Todd Cook, Kevin Phillips,

Johnny Giddens, Jared Garner, Tony Eckler, and Justin Phillips

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First Baptist Church is a loving and caring Christian community seeking to extend the open hand of God's grace to meet physical and spiritual needs through worship, education, ministry, fellowship, and spiritual nurturing.

Wednesday Vespers
11:00am and 6:00pm Burch Hall

February 21 WINTER BREAK – No Events this week

February 28 Psalm 51 (I)

March 6 Psalm 51 (II)

March 13 Psalm 51 (III)

March 20 Psalm 51 (IV)

Sunday School 10:00am
Worship 11:00am

February 25 **The Second Sunday in Lent**
My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?
Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16. Psalm 22:23-31.
Romans 4:14-25. Mark 9:2-9

March 3 **The Third Sunday in Lent**
Behold Your New Family
Exodus 20:1-17. Psalm 19.
1 Corinthians 1:18-25. John 2:13-22

March 10 **The Fourth Sunday in Lent**
Today You Will Be With Me in Paradise
Numbers 21:4-9. Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22.
Ephesians 2:1-10. John 3:14-21

March 17 **The Fifth Sunday in Lent**
Father Forgive Them For They Know Not What They Do
Jeremiah 31:31-34. Psalm 51:1-12.
Hebrews 5:5-10. John 7.53-8.11

Our Stewardship Review
Budget Report through 2/11/24 – 2/17/24

Weekly Budget Required.....	\$12,992.33
Weekly Budget Received for 2/11/24 – 2/17/24.....	\$11,860.47
Monthly Budget Required.....	\$56,300.08
MTD Budget Received.....	\$22,593.05
YTD Budget Requirement.....	\$82,284.73
YTD Budget Giving Received.....	\$58,534.32
YTD Budget Expenses.....	\$81,501.89
Prayer Garden Giving Received.....	\$37,943.57
Special Gifts (Non-Budget) for the week of 2/11/24 – 2/17/24.....	\$1,098.10

Church Staff

Pastor.....Greg Pope
Minister of Music & Youth.....Blane Jacobs
Administrative Assistant.....Dana Luckie
Director of Children's Activities.....Carly Harper
Church Administrator.....Byron Smith
Custodian.....Jeffrey Morgan
Housekeeping.....Antoinette Hill
Church Organist.....Barbara Jacobs
Church Pianist.....Susan Spivey
Nursery Staff.....Dana Luckie, Candy Herod, and Megan McLeod

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