The Purpose of FBC . . .

Accept, love and challenge people with God's truth. We help any willing person reach his or her fullest potential to become radically Christ-like.

Bible Reading for the Week

April 21—2 Samuel 1-4
April 22—Psalm 6, 8-10, 14, 16, 19, 21
April 23—1 Chronicles 1-2
April 24—Psalm 43-45, 49, 84-85, 87
April 25—1 Chronicles 3-5
April 26—Psalm 73, 77-78
April 27—1 Chronicles 6
April 28—Psalm 81, 88, 92-93

Birthdays

Kay Lowe—4/21
Nancy Peake—4/21
Kelly Bachman—4/22
Gabe Foote—4/22
Rihanna Abboud—4/23
Jessica Thompson—4/25
Barbara McIntyre—4/26
Zamorah Simms—4/26
Quinn Mitchell—4/27
Tom Requadt—4/27
Payron Wright—4/27
Louie Padilla—4/28
Stephen Tunnicliff—4/28

For Our Guests ...

Welcome to First Baptist Church! We are so glad you have joined us this morning.

Guests . . If you would like to receive information or a brochure on FBC and any of its ministries, please stop by the Connections Center.

Also, please share any prayer or praises in the space provided on one of the orange Communication Cards located in the pew racks. Let us know how we can help you!

Visit our Website for more information on all our ministries: http://fbc-tempe.org

Pastoral Staff and contact information, please visit our website at fbc-tempe.org.
You may also contact the Church Office at 480-839-0926.

For a complete listing of our

Free Sermons

Want to listen to one of the sermons by Pastor Anthony or one of the other FBC Pastors?

Free sermons by Pastor Anthony and the other FBC Pastors are available to you on the FBC webpage at www.fbc-tempe.org.

Volunteer House Cleaners Needed at FBC

We are looking for a few good men and women who could help with some important tasks on our campus. We need help with:

- Vacuuming
- Cleaning windows,
- ✓ Landscape projects,
- Clean tables and chairs,
- Dusting for cob webs and
- Organizing several storage rooms.

If you would give a few hours to help with one or more of these projects, contact the Church Office at 480-839-0926.

Financial Update General Giving Budget Plan Giving (Donations)	2024 Last Week \$ 23,920 \$ 38,631 \$ 14,711 (Overage)	YTD (04/14) \$ 358,800 \$ 277,525 \$ -81,275 (Shortage)
GF Expenses	\$ 35,331	\$ 312,714
Faith Promise Budget Plan Giving (Donations)	Last Week \$ 888 \$ 855 \$ 33 (Shortage)	\$\ 12,432 \$\ 28,768 \$\ 16,336 (Overage)
FP Expenses	\$ O	\$ 13,206

Legacy Cumulative Debt Reduction Since Jan Last Week Legacy Designated \$ 1,755 \$ 595,476

Please continue to give to help reduce our long-term Legacy debt of approximately \$296,286.00 On February 6, 2018, our debt was \$1,829,853.40. Earmark your donations "Legacy"

How Do I Get Connected?

Do you want to meet and get to know the full-time Pastors, Children's Director, Women's Ministry Director and others? If so, you are invited to contact the Church Office by calling 480-839-0926 to schedule a time to meet.





SGOD PEOPLE

Accepting, loving and challenging people with God's truth

April 21, 2024

4525 S. McClintock Drive Tempe, AZ 85282 480-839-0926 fbc-tempe.org Dr. Roger Ball, Managing Pastor

Welcome to Worship

9:30 am-Contemporary Worship

Praise

Welcome and Announcements Abide

Good Good Father

Message:

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch Mental Health—"Social Conflict" Luke 17:3, Eph.4:29, Rom.12:17

11:00 am - Contemporary Worship

Praise

Welcome and Announcements Build My Life

Abide

Message:

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch Mental Health—"Social Conflict" Luke 17:3, Eph.4:29, Rom.12:17

CIRA 2024 Update

The Center for Islamic Research and Awareness (CIRA-a full-time ministry of FBC) is excited to provide you with this financial update.

Financial Need

\$ 139,447.00 **Annual Budget** \$ 43,354.00 Giving-to-Date **Under Budget** \$ 96,093.00

On behalf of Al Fadi, Hanane and the CIRA ministry thank you for your kindness and your continued support. Your contributions enable them to serve HIM to advance the Gospel to Muslims here and throughout the world. For more information contact Al Fadi at alfadi@CIRAInternational.com.

Make out all checks to

FBC earmarked "CIRA."

Church Plant 2024

The FBC Church Plant (10 minutes

from FBC-Tempe) in Guadalupe (a

you with this financial update.

ministry of FBC) is pleased to provide

Financial Need

\$ 150,000.00

\$ 16,269.00

\$ 133,731.00

Update

This Week at FBC

Sunday, April 21

9:30 am-Contemporary Worship 9:30 am-Kid City nursery/preschool

11:00 am-Contemporary Worship 11:00 am-Kid City nursery/preschool

Classes

12:00 pm-Lunch in MAC

5:00pm—Young Adults in the Café

Monday, April 22

6:15 am—Men's Bible Study-Truth Project 7:00 pm-Parents of Addicted Loved Ones

Wednesday, April 24

5:00 pm— Young Families Group

5:30 pm-Karate 6:30 pm-Choir Rehearsal

6:30 pm-Orchestra Rehearsal

7:45 pm-Choir and Orchestra Rehearsal 8:00 pm-Worship Team and Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, April 25

6:30 pm GriefShare 6:30 pm— Women's Bible Study

Safety and Security



For the safety and security of everyone, your backpack or bag may be inspected. Thanks for your cooperation!

FBC Window Decals

for purchase. All proceeds from these go to Faith Promise to support our FBC

FBC car window decals are still available

Missionaries and Short-

Term Mission Trips. If you have any questions regarding these, contact David

Consider These

Consistent giving facilitates consistent ministry.

The work of God is to be done by the people of God giving according to the will

There are four steps to accomplishment: plan purposefully; prepare purposefully; prepare prayerfully; proceed positively; pursue persistently.

Visit our Website for more information on all our ministries: http://fbc-tempe.org

Abundant grace brings abundant blessing and spurs abundant ministry.

Reflect

We increase our ability, stability, responsibility when we increase our sense of accountability to God.

We may not be responsible for many of the things that happen to us, but we are responsible for the way we react when they do happen.

Prayer gives strength to the weak, faith to the fainthearted, and courage to the fearful.

Library News

New DVD's in the Library:

- "Faith Under Fire"
- "The Hill"

New Books in the Library:

- "Just Once" by Karen **Kingsbury**
- "Sisters by the Sea" by Wanda **Brunstetter**

FBC Bible Classes

8:00 am

Messenger Class-Room 107/108 (Couples and Singles, 50's-70's)

> 9:30 am **Nursery-**

Birth through 23 Months Old **Children's Classes-Kid City** (2 Years through 6th Grade)

Truth Seekers-Room 106 (Couples and Singles All Ages)

Women's Bible Study-Room 118

JHM (Junior High)-Room 207 (Junior High Ages 12-14)

HSM (High School)-Room 207 (High School Ages 14-18)

11:00 am

Nursery-

Birth through 23 Months Old **Children's Classes-Kid City** (2 Years through 6th Grade)

The Hood-Room 107/108 (Couples and Singles All Ages)

5:00 pm

Young Adults 18-25 years old Meet in the Café

Online Donation

Why not consider signing up for electronic giving. FBC relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give once or on a recurring basis. To give electronically, visit www.fbc-tempe.org and locate the link to the electronic giving page.



By giving to Faith Promise you help our missionaries spread the

Scan here to enter FBC's electronic giving page.



The FBC Church Plant in Guadalupe Gospel of Jesus around the world! along with Peter and Trisha Molina,

Annual Budget

Giving-to-Date

Under Budget

would like to say thank you for your support and contributions which enable them to serve HIM and share the Gospel with the people of Guadalupe.

For more information regarding the Church Plant. you can contact Peter Molina at

pnmolina@asu.edu. Make out all checks to FBC earmarked "Church Plant."

Every Donation Helps

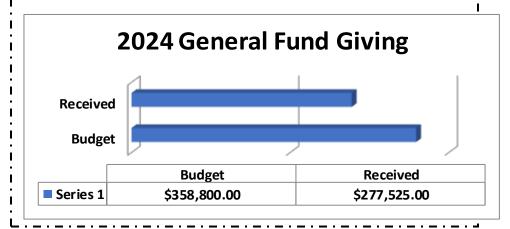
God values and blesses your faithful giving. Read Proverbs 3:5-10.

God is doing many good things at our church. Thanks for your offerings to God.

YTD Money Needed \$358,800 YTD Money Received \$277,525 UNDER Budget

\$81,275

We need \$23,920.00 each week to meet our budget.





Sunday Lunch in the MAC

Your donations at the food line in the wood boxes help greatly to cover the cost of each meal

- 4-21 Teriyaki Chicken, fried rice, spring rolls, salad bar and dessert
- 4-28 Herb Seared Chicken, rice, vegetables, rolls and butter, salad bar and dessert



(Birth through 6th grade)

Spiritual Growth Opportunities

Sunday's 9:30 am & 11:00 am

Today your son/daughter will learn about:

Preschool through Kindergarten

God is with Moses, even when he's far away! (Exodus 3:1-6)

Memory Verse: Psalm 75:1

Our God, we thank you for being so near to us! Everyone celebrates your wonderful deeds."

1st through 6th Grade

The Crucifixion (Luke 23:32-38)

1st through 6th Grade: Read It, Memorize It & Live It

Between services (10:30 am -11:00 am) students have the opportunity to memorize God's Word.



Kids age 3 thru 5th grade join us this summer for **Wacky Wednesday VBS!**Every other Wednesday night from 6-8pm
June 5 & 19
July 3 & 17

FREE but you MUST REGISTER

Or go to fbc-tempe.org and check out
Children's Ministries



Young Adult Class: Meets Sundays from 5-7pm in the café

Our Young Adults Class is up and running but needs your support! If you have been blessed with the ability to cook



delicious food (or if you enjoy buying food), we need your gifts to help grow our young adults ministry. Specifically, we are looking for sponsors to provide one meal per month (for 10 people), with the hope of having a meal each Sunday night to bless our young adults at FBC. Please contact Pastor Scott if you are interested at fbctempestudents@gmail.com.

Serving Helpers and Cooking Helpers Needed

- Serving Help is needed in Skylight Café on Sundays at 9:00 am and 11:00 am – Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at 480-839-0926
- Serving Help is needed at Lunch in the MAC on Sundays at 12:00 pm –
 Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at
 480-839-0926
- A Cooking Assistance is needed on Sundays for Lunch Preparation –
 Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at
 480-839-0926
- Individuals are needed to help Wash Dishes on Sundays following Lunch – Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at 480-839-0926

HELP Needed in Skylight Café!

Skylight Café is still in need of more volunteers! Come and be a part of this exceptional ministry!



☐ I would like more	information on working in Skylight Cafe
Name	
Cell Phone Number	
Email Address	
Diago took	off and place in Offering Plate!

Fun God Story

The Russell's (Mo and Nancy) first attended FBCT in 1963. They met at a Campus Crusade meeting at Elmer Lappins home while students at ASU. Nancy and Mo became Christians through Campus Crusade. Mo proposed to Nancy on March 22, 1964 at FBCT and Nancy said yes. They were married in 1965. Later Mo served as a deacon and Nancy taught Pioneer girls at FBCT. In about 1971 they bought a home in Central Phoenix and transferred membership to Camelback Bible. They later moved to Riverside California and eventually to Tucson where they lived for about 25 years before returning currently to the Phoenix area in Gold Canyon. Mo says, "We have visited lots of churches in the East Valley and we love how friendly FBCT is as well as good solid preaching and the choir (Nancy sings in the choir).







June 2026 Debt/Bank Loan for Worship Center, Music Center and Kid City



Originally the Loan was \$1,829,853.44 in November 2016 The Loan is now \$296,286.00 as of April 19, 2024.

FBC Endowment, a support organization of First Baptist Church of Tempe, services the National Bank of Arizona loan out of \$13,500.00 monthly payment from the church. With an additional \$24,000.00 of contributions each year, that loan would be fully paid off in May 2026. (And by the end of that year, a secondary loan of \$110,000.00 would also be paid off.)

Payments of \$13,500 per month (\$162,000.00) can then be used to support other ministries of the church!

Amazing! Help Pay down the debt.

Make your donation to FBC, earmarked "Legacy"

April 7 – May 5, 2024



Find past sermons online at fbc-tempe.org

Hear from Pastor Anthony as well as guest professionals in the mental health field each week.

April 7: Sin or Not – Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

April 14: Spiritual Abuse - with Mindelle Will Romans 6:1-14, 23

April 21: Social Conflict – with Alicia Padilla Luke 17:3, Eph 4:29, Rom12:17

April 28: Self-Regulation - with Loretta White 2Tim 1:7, Gal 5:22-23

May 5: Relational Trauma – w/Karissa Whitlatch John 8:31-32, Heb.6:18



GriefShare Support Group

Help and encouragement following the death of a loved one

GriefShare Weekly Seminars – in person/online NEW MEETING DAY! Thursdays, May 2 – August 8 6:30pm For registration information, contact Teresa Kovac at 732-319-5533 or visit www.Griefshare.org

Men's Golf Tournament

Date and Time - Saturday, May 11, 2024, 7:00 am **Place** – Springfield Golf Resort **Cost** - \$65.00 per person





Includes: Two-Man Best Ball,

1 Round of Golf, Cart and Lunch

To Register – Scan the QR code or
sign up at the Men's table



Online Giving

Have you ever considered using online

donations to make your contributions to FBC? Online Giving . . .

- Helps you plan your offerings as a percentage of your income (I Corinthians 16:2).
- Is easy, convenient and secure.
- Supports the ministry program at FBC, just like your plate offerings do.

Would you like to give online? Go to the FBC webpage at www.fbc-tempe.org and click on "Donations" and follow the directions. If you need assistance contact Pam Rosendale at 480-839-0926.



Golfland Sun Splash

Date – Sunday, May 19

Time – 1:00 to 5:00 pm

Cost - \$25.00 per person Scan here for FAQs and REGISTRATION info! Still have ???, talk to Pastor Scott Summers



Women's Ministry Events

Women to Women Connection

Thursdays in April – 4^{th} , 11^{th} , 18^{th} & 25^{th} . 4 messages, "Discerning the Voice of God" by Charmaine Newton

Make it a "girls night out" – meet new and old friends, refreshments and dynamic message from God's Word. In the Quad – no charge, 6:30-8:00 pm

Summer Bible Studies

Tuesdays: May 7 – June 25, in the Quad 9:30-11:30 am. Study Book \$12 "Making God's Faithfulness the Bedrock of Your Faith"

Thursdays: May 2 – June 20, Room 104 6:30-8:00pm. Study Book \$11 "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus", a study in the Parables



WOMEN'S RETREAT

September 13-15, 2024 \$165 – 5 meals, 2 nights Tonto Rim Christian Camp, Payson, AZ

"Life is Like a Box of Chocolates...taking the risk"

SPOTS ARE GOING FAST! Sign up SOON! All Women are Welcome – Sign up at the Women's Ministry Table in the hallway across from the Café

SAVE THE DATE!

Fall Bible Studies – Tuesdays AM August 13-November 12 "Sermon on the Mount"

Thursdays PM August 15 – November 7 "Hebrews"

Women's Christmas Brunch Potluck: Saturday, December 7, 9am – Noon

For more information and to signup for women's Bible studies and activities, visit the Women's Ministry Table in the hallway across from the café.





Donation List

Thank you for donating to Wacky Wednesday/VBS! A donation bin is located in front of Kid City by the café.

Please contact, Sharmon Steil if you have any questions: 480-839-0926 or fbc-tempe.org

- Animal Crackers (1 tub from Costco/Sam's)
- Biscoff Creamy Cookie Butter Spread (3 Jars)
- Gold Fish (1 large box from Costco/Sam's)
- > Teddy Bear Grahams (6 boxes)
- Rice Krispies cereal (10 boxes)
- Marshmallows (10 bags)
- Fruit Roll Ups (80 roll ups)
- Tostitos Scoops chips (4 bags)
- Regular Pringles (5 cans)
- Plain M&M's (2 large bags)
- Foil (10 rolls)
- Blue Solo Cups (50 cups)
- Shaving Cream (5 cans)
- Otter pops (100 Otter pops)
- Disposable Pie Pans (10 pans)
- Bottled Water (4 cases)
- ➤ Glue Dots (3 packages)
- White Paper Plates (100 count)
- Individual packaged snacks (such as gold fish, granola bars...)
- Disposable Shower Caps (15 caps)
- Skittles (2 large bags)
- Silly String (20 cans)

April 2024 God Stories

"Trust in Him at all times, O people; Pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us. Selah." Psalms 62:8

- 1. Pray, Pour Out Your Heart, and Trust God. After much prayer and consideration, the FBCT Deacon Board unanimously recommends Pastor John Heston to the FBCT family as a candidate for the Senior Pastor position. They ask that you continue to join them in prayer as on Sunday, April 14, 2024 a vote will be held in each worship service to determine if Pastor Heston will be the next Senior Pastor for FBCT. Pray for our FBC Family that we would pray and then trust God's leading.
- Trusting God to Use You to Build His Kingdom. Damaris 2. Beltran spent her spring break in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico building a roof, painting walls, apply stucco, mixing cement, spooling wire, and shoveling dirt. She did this to show God's love to the poor. Damaris says, "But it is much more than that. This is an opportunity to share Jesus. I am fluent in Spanish. I have a unique opportunity to talk to people and share my faith, and not just do the physical labor. I am only 15 years old, and although I don't have all the answers or know the Bible as well as I should, I can still plant seeds. I plant seeds by sharing what I do know, I plant seeds by loving people, showing kindness, playing with the little kids, and developing relationships with the families we are helping. My favorite part is always connecting with people, talking to them and sharing my life with them. I plan on continuing these trips as long as God allows me to!" Pray that God uses these mission trips in Damaris' life to not only change the lives in Mexico but also to change her life. Great job, Damaris!

- 3. Church Planters Pray, Pour Out Their Hearts and Trust God! Pastor Peter and Trish Molina, FBCT's church planters are seeing fruit from their ministry. Pastor Peter writes, "Months ago, I shared a story about one young adult named Antonio. He was seeking help from witchcraft books at the Guadalupe library to "cast spells" on his own family. A couple of weeks ago, by God's grace, I led him through the sinner's prayer. Now, he is hungry for God's Word and growth. Antonio's decision to accept Christ's free gift of forgiveness was made after many conversations. Each Friday I asked him how he was doing and he was an open book ready for someone to dive in and help him peel back parts of his story like an onion while moving forward as he figures out how to turn the next page." Pray and trust God with the Molina's.
- 4. Women's Retreat Will Prepare You to Trust a Sovereign God. "Life is Like a Box of Chocolates" you don't know what you will get. This weekend without responsibility is filled with lots of laughter, freedom to be silly and the assurance of being accepted. It's listening, sharing, and praying. It's building new friendships and rekindling the old. Most importantly it's growing in your personal relationship with Jesus. It's Women's Retreat! Ladies, we need each other, the church needs us. Most importantly we all need Jesus. Can't wait to see you September 13-15! Look for Kris Williamson on Sundays for more information.
- 5. Praise God! People Want to Trust God Together at FBCT!

 That is right. It is exciting to see the increased interest in belonging to a family of like-minded believers. When you belong to FBC-T, you are saying that you are committed to worshipping, serving and encouraging the family here. You, too, can join FBC-T. You, too, can serve the family and trust God together. Our pastors would be glad to help you through the steps to membership.

- 6. Committed to Truth and Trusting God. The 6:15am Men's Monday morning group taught by Greg Jones is doing an indepth study called "The Truth Project." Praise God for this faithful group of men who welcomes any new man, who studies meticulously, who shows up faithfully and who are all committed to living a life for Jesus by trusting Him and by defending the Gospel.
- 7. The More You Understand The More You Trust. One person gave this feedback after attending the "How to Read/Apply the Bible" special Sunday Bible class: "I have benefited greatly from the new class. I am learning homiletics." Austin Erwin has enjoyed teaching this material at FBC on Sunday mornings. Praise God for Austin. Pray that Austin keeps teaching this special class at FBC, so more people can grow in their ability to read/study the Bible and apply it to their lives.
- 8. When You Trust God You Serve God. For the last couple of years Rodney Imhoff has showed up every Wednesday and has spent about two hours emptying, cleaning and sanitizing every single trash can (approximately 60) at FBCT. This volunteer service saves the church a ton of money. It sounds like a small thing but Rodney serves God and you in a mighty way. Please tell Rodney thank you when you see him on Sunday.
- 9. You Pray and then You Trust God with Your Children.

 Pastor Rob did that and now he is beyond thrilled. In
 February he had an amazing opportunity. Pastor Rob writes:

 "I had the tremendous privilege of baptizing my son and soon-to-be daughter-in-law." Not only did Pastor Rob get to baptize them but he and his wife Melissa enjoy watching
 Caleb and Sylvia becoming an active part of FBCT. Pastor Rob says, "It is amazing to see your kids make decisions like this."

- 10. When you pray God hears you! Our music leadership team has been diligently praying that God would send them a guitarist for our services. Pastor Rob writes, "Last week I was introduced to Collin who plays acoustic and is also a vocalist. What a blessing."
- 11. They Long to Be Rooted and Built Up in Jesus. God is giving our women a desire to grow in spiritual maturity. Tuesday morning's Connection now has two break-out studies. The Thursday evening study is rock strong. And, our Sunday morning ladies are studying about Jesus' I Am statements. Women are growing by studying and discovering what the Bible says and means, by having dynamic Bible discussions, and by learning to apply the Word to their own lives. You, too, can mature in your faith! Stop by the Women's Ministry Table in the hall and chat with Kris Williamson about available studies.
- 12. I Trusted Christ at a Young Age. In 2000 my parents and I moved from rural NY to AZ. The big city intimidated me, Here I met the father of my 3 beautiful children. He was abusive and involved with drugs. It got so bad. One day I really wanted to leave so I went into my bedroom, dropped to my knees and really talked and prayed to the Lord to please help me escape my situation. The next morning, I received a phone call to say he was incarcerated.
- **13. Celebrating with Graduates.** FBCT has the privilege of hosting the 2024 Phoenix Seminary graduation May 4th. They will be using our worship center for their graduation ceremony. FBCT's Mindelle Will and Alicia Padilla will both receive their master's degrees that day.

Congratulations, Mindelle and Alicia!

"And again,' I will put My trust in Him.' And again, 'Behold, I and the children whom God has given Me."



Video and audio services and messages are being live streamed at 9:30 and 11:00 am Sundays at https://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistChurchTempe

Pastor Roger's sermons and other FBC Pastors can be heard for free on our website at www.fbc-tempe.org.

Sunday Morning Messages

New Sermon Series April 7 - May 5

MENTAL HEALTH

April 21 - "Social Conflict - Teens"

(Luke 17:3, Ephesians 4:29, Romans 12:17)
Pastor Anthony Whitlatch with guest professional, Alicia Padilla

April 28 - "Self Regulation"

(2 Timothy 1:7, Galatians 5:22-23)
Pastor Anthony Whitlatch with guest professional, Loretta White

May 5 - "Relational Trauma"

(John 8:31-32, Hebrew 6:18)

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch w/ guest professional, Karissa Whitlatch

Mother's Day
May 12 – "Humbly Exalt God"

(Luke 2:46-49) Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

Mental Health - Social Conflict

Luke 17:3, Ephesians 4:29, Romans 12:17-18

April 21, 2024 Pastor Anthony Whitlatch Guest Professional: Alicia Padilla

What was helpful from the interview with Alicia?

How Do We Deal with Social Conflict Biblically?

Luke 17:3 - Be on your guard! If your brother sins, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him.

Ephesians 4:29 - Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.

Romans 12:17-18 - ¹⁷ Never pay back evil for evil to anyone. Respect what is right in the sight of all men. ¹⁸ If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men.