

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

November 21-Acts 13-14
November 22-James 1-5
November 23-Acts 15-16
November 24-Galatians 1-3
November 25-Galatians 4-6
November 26-Acts 17:1-18:18
November 27-I Thessalonians 1-5
II Thessalonians 1-3
November 28-Acts 18:19-19:41

Birthdays

Madison Ferry (11/22)
Veronica Guererro (11/23)
Curtis Wenzel (11/24)
Debbie Roberts (11/26)
John Becker (11/27)
Les Kinney (11/27)
Yadi Dorsett (11/28)
Steve Weston (11/28)

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!



By giving to Faith Promise you help our missionaries spread the Gospel of Jesus around the world!

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

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

Free Sermons

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

Free sermons by Pastor Roger 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 Pastor Chris Hester at fbccampuspastor@fbc-tempe.org.

Financial Update 2021

General Giving	Last Week	YTD (11/14)
Budget Plan	\$ 28,124	\$ 1,293,704
Giving (Donations)	\$ 42,017	\$ 1,196,047
	\$ 13,893 (Shortage)	\$ -97,657 (Shortage)
GF Expenses	\$ 7,874	\$ 1,096,727
Faith Promise	Last Week	YTD (11/14)
Budget Plan	\$ 1,045	\$ 48,070
Giving (Donations)	\$ 204	\$ 48,135
	\$ -841 (Shortage)	\$ -65 (Overage)
FP Expenses	\$ 00	\$ 60,908

Legacy Cumulative Debt Reduction

	Last Week	Since Jan 2019
Legacy Designated	\$ 255	\$ 350,226

Please continue to give to help reduce our long-term Legacy debt of approximately \$1,152,439.00

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 attend one of our "Welcome Lunches" as a guest of Pastor Roger and Dianna.

If you would like to attend our next Welcome Lunch please contact Jeff Savage by calling 480-839-0926.



**FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH OF TEMPE**

**WE
LOVE
GOD
PEOPLE**

Accepting, loving and challenging people with God's truth

November 21, 2021

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

Welcome to Worship

8:00 am-Traditional Worship

He Has Made Me Glad
We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise
What A Mighty God We Serve
Welcome, Announcements, Offering
Count Your Blessings
This Is My Father's World
I Love You Lord
Prayer
Special Music
Message-Pastor Anthony Whitlatch
"Behind Closed Doors"

9:30 am-Contemporary Worship

Awesome Is the Lord Most High
Welcome, Announcements, Offering
Here For You
I Stand Amazed
Prayer
Choir
Message-Pastor Anthony Whitlatch
"Behind Closed Doors"

11:00 am-Alternative Contemporary Worship

You Are Good
Welcome, Announcements, Offering
No Other Way
Jesus Thank You
His Mercy Is More
Prayer
Message-Pastor Anthony Whitlatch
"Behind Closed Doors"

11:00 am-Acoustic Praise and Worship (Upper Room)

Welcome
Worship Song #1
Worship Song #2
Worship Song #3
Prayer
Message-PIT Nathan Pipe
"Behind Closed Doors"

6:00 pm-Evening Worship

**Holiday Concert
With Hosanna
Enjoy Pie in the Gym**

CIRA 2021 Update

The Center for Islamic Research and Awareness (CIRA-a full-time ministry of FBC) is excited to provide you with this financial update for the period of January-May 2021:

Financial Need

Annual Budget	\$ 126,770.00
Giving-to-Date	\$ 98,978.00
Under Budget	\$ 27,792.00

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 aabboud@fbc-tempe.org. Make out all checks to FBC earmarked "CIRA."

Church Plant 2021 Update

The FBC Church Plant (10 minutes from FBC-Tempe) in Guadalupe (a ministry of FBC) is pleased to provide you a financial update for the period of January-May 2021:

Financial Need

Annual Budget	\$ 150,000.00
Giving-to-Date	\$ 41,264.00
Under Budget	\$ 108,736.00

The FBC Church Plant in Guadalupe along with Peter and Trisha Molina, 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 pmolina@fbc-tempe.org. Make out all checks to FBC earmarked "Church Plant."

This Week at FBC

Sunday, November 21

8:00 am-Traditional Worship
8:00 am-Adult Bible Class
9:30 am-Contemporary Worship
9:30 am-Kid City Children's Classes
9:30 am-Junior High and High School Teen Bible Class
9:30 am-Adult Bible Classes
11:00 am-Alternative Contemporary Worship
11:00 am-Acoustic Praise and Worship
11:00 am-Kid City Children's Classes
11:00 am-Adult Bible Classes
12:00 noon-Lunch in the MAC
2:00 pm-College Age Volleyball
3:00 pm-GriefShare
5:45 pm-Awana Club
6:00 pm-Evening Worship

Monday, November 22

6:30 am-Men's Monday Morning Bible Study
6:45 pm-Men's Bible Study Fellowship

Wednesday, November 24

6:30 pm-Worship Team Rehearsal
6:45 pm-Choir and Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, November 25

Happy Thanksgiving
6:00 pm- Walk to Bethlehem

Friday, November 26

FBC Office is Closed
6:00 pm-Walk to Bethlehem

Saturday, November 27

6:00 pm-Walk to Bethlehem
10:00 am-Youth Cyber Saturday

Consider These

"There are no pockets in a shroud and no U-hauls behind a hearse."

"Two things ruin a church-loose living and tight giving."

"God looks at the heart, not the hand-the giver, not the gift."

*"If everyone in your church followed your pattern of giving, would your church receive a token, a tip or a tithe?"
(Brian Kluth, Pastor and Generosity Speaker and Author)*

Reflect

Don't trust in your riches, but trust in God

- ✓ Proverbs 11:28 "Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will thrive like a green leaf."
- ✓ I Timothy 6:17 "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God."
- ✓ John 14:1 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God."
- ✓ Job 31:24-28 (Job said) "If I have put my trust in gold or said to pure gold, 'You are my security,' if I have rejoiced over my great wealth, the fortune my hands had gained ... so that my heart was secretly enticed ... then these also would be sins to be judged, for I would have been unfaithful to God on high."

Safety and Security



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

FBC Window Decals

FBC car window decals are still available for purchase. All proceeds from these go to Faith Promise to support our FBC Missionaries and Short-Term Mission Trips. If you have any questions regarding these, contact David Brinn.



Recycle Ink Cartridges

Please place any HP, Dell, Lexmark, Brother, Epson, Samsung, Kodak, Sharp or Canon empty ink cartridges that you have in the recycle box in Skylight Hall. These help defray the cost of office supplies for the church.

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

Library News

The FBC Library is OPEN!!

New to the Library:

- ✓ DVD—The Chosen Season!
- ✓ Books by: Tracie Peterson, Lynn Austin, Karen Kingsbury, and Lauraine Snelling



FBC Bible Classes

8:00 am

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

9:30 am

Friendship Class-Room 106
(Couples and Singles All Ages)

Men's Class-Room 105
(Men of all Ages)

Truth Seekers-Room 118
(Couples and Singles All Ages)

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)

Journeys-Room 106
(Couples and Singles All Ages)

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.

Help FBC Meet Its Budget

We appreciate your faithful giving to FBC and its ministries.

God is doing many good things at our church. Pray for the economy in America.

We need \$28,124.00 each week to meet our budget.

YTD Money Needed
\$1,293,704.00

YTD Money Received
\$1,196,047.00

UNDER Budget
\$-97,657.00

2021 General Fund Giving



	Budget	Received
■ Series 1	\$1,293,704.00	\$1,196,047.00



GriefShare Support Groups In-Person or via Zoom

Help and encouragement
following the death of a loved one

GriefShare Weekly Seminars – Sundays, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

For registration information, contact Teresa Kovac

at 732-319-5533 or visit www.Griefshare.org

Surviving the Holidays – Tuesday, December 7

**Be kind to unkind people –
They need it the most!**



Children's Ministry (Birth through 6th Grade)

Preschool and Kindergarten

Bible Story: Believers Share with Each Other

Bible Point: I Can Share

Elementary

Bible Story: Jacob's Family Grows

Bible Point: Jacob's Family Grows

Extraordinary Blessings / Special Needs

Bible Story:

Our goal is to partner with parents in teaching children to see and experience the world through the lenses of our beliefs.

Our desire is for them to have a biblical worldview instead of a secular worldview. Our worldview influences everything in our lives. We want our children to know that God's Word is the foundation for our lives and is the standard we use to judge every thought and action. Our Bible is perfect and true. If we use it as our foundation, it will guide us and change our lives.

Kid City Prayer Request for the Week:

Pray for our Kid City parents . . .

To bring up their children under the care of the Lord.

Sanctify them, that they may be concerned for the salvation of their children.

Awana



Club

Sunday evenings, 5:45 to 7:15 PM

November 21 – Pie Social

November 28 – No Awana Club

December 5 –

Do you listen to . . .

Pastor Roger's "Walk and Talks"

each week? If not, why not start this week!!

Here is how you can find the "Walk and Talks" on the internet.

- The most current weekly "Walk and Talk" is found on the FBC webpage at www.fbc-tempe.org
- To find all of the "Walk and Talks" on YouTube, go to www.youtube.com, type in "FBC Tempe Walk and Talk"
- To find the "Walk and Talks" on Facebook, go to www.facebook.com, search First Baptist Church – Tempe and go to videos



Invite Someone To Worship

Family, Friends, Neighbors, Co-Workers



Worship Service Tech Workers Needed

Due to moves and health issues **we are in serious need of new Tech Workers to run our Sound, Lighting, Media and Camera Stations**

for all morning services, as well as our evening service. If you have a desire to serve our Lord Jesus in these areas, we need you greatly. Our worship services cannot happen without dedicated volunteers to serve these vital tech positions. We will train you on whichever tech station you would like to serve. Please contact Pastor Roger Ball at 602-402-5309 or email him at rball@fbc-tempe.org or Julie Huver at jhuver@fbc-tempe.org.

Kindness is the insignia of a loving heart.

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, January 8, 2022 -
7:50 to 10:00 am



You will get to:

- Meet – Know – Pray for Other Men
- Enjoy an Excellent Breakfast
- Join Other Men in Lifting Up Jesus
- Develop New and Lasting Friendships
- Worship
- Discover Special Events for Men

Sign-up today at the Men's Ministry Table
in Skylight Hall – Don't miss it!



Men's Upcoming Events

*Plan ahead and sign-up at the
Men's Ministry Table across from the Library
for the following men's events:*

- **Men's Breakfast** – The next Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, November 13, 2021, at 7:50 am here at FBC. For more information on what is planned contact Pastor Anthony.
- **Monday Morning Bible Study** – This Men's Bible Study is meeting each Monday morning at 6:30 am here at FBC in Room 104. Contact David Brinn at 480-466-3481 for more information.
- **Authentic Manhood** – This class for men meets on Sunday mornings here at FBC at 9:30 am in Room 105. For more information on this class contact Pastor Anthony.
- **Hikes with Adam** – Hikes are now being planned for the Fall. Contact Adam Bachman at 480-363-5570 for more information.
- **Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University** – The start-up date for this class is yet to be determined. Contact Pastor Anthony for more information.
- **Bible Study Fellowship** – Small group Bible studies focused on learning the Bible here at FBC on Monday evenings. Contact Austin Erwin at 480-213-9627 for more information.



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.



"TOT TOWN"

FREE New Indoor Play Area in Kid City!

Ages – Birth to 5 years old
with attending parent

When – On Thursdays from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Where – FBC Kid City Preschool

Call your friends, bring your tots and meet up with new friends for some great play time. This is an amazing NEW community space, which will include bounce houses, imagination play, doll houses, an indoor playground and more!

Contact Pastor Jeff at fbcoutreach@fbc-tempe.org for more information.



Holiday Concert & Pie Social

Join us **TONIGHT** at 6:00 pm for a special concert presented by Hosanna.

Following our Holiday Concert

join us in the MAC for our **Annual Holiday Pie Social**.

Come and enjoy a time of fellowship,
friendship and great pies!





Invite your friends on Sundays
to Hear Practical Answers
to Every Day Problems!



Sunday, December 5 –

How to find the plan of God for my life

Sunday, December 12 –

Being honest with God

Sunday, December 19 –

God will make all things right – we can trust the justice of God

Sunday, December 26 –

Sin has grave consequences in this life and the next

Sunday, January 2 –

Trust God even when you do not understand

Sunday, January 9 –

God is always with His people

Sunday, January 16 –

We must honor the glory of the Lord
and fear and reverence God because of His power

Sunday, January 23 –

Sometimes God asks us to call out sin –
we must be willing

Sunday, January 30 –

Let God prepare you





Women's

Ministries helps

create opportunities for women to grow in their relationship with Jesus, to make healthy and safe connections with other women of faith, and to use their God given talents to benefit the church body and the community.

❖ We offer Weekly:

- ❖ Bible Studies
- ❖ Moms groups
- ❖ Small connection groups
- ❖ Prayer teams

❖ Throughout the year we gather together for:

- ❖ "Girls night-out"
- ❖ Multicultural potluck and games
- ❖ Crafts and Painting classes
- ❖ Whatever other fun activities our creative connection team can come up with!

❖ Each year we have our Spring Event and Luncheon and the Fall Retreat to Prescott Pines.

We are an active, caring, and growing community that wants to live for Jesus.

Let's Journey Together!

More information is at the Women's Ministries table across from the Café!

Sign up for our weekly email for updates on dates and times



Angel Tree . . .

This is your opportunity to help a needy child by buying a gift on behalf of an incarcerated parent. These children need us! On Sunday, November 21, there will be a tree in the FBC Lobby with paper angels attached that contain information about a child. All you need to do is take an angel and buy a gift (approximately \$25.00) and bring it to us in a gift bag with the paper angel attached no later than Sunday, November 28. Please do not wrap your gift. Each child will have two angels in their name. One is for a clothing item and the other a fun gift. Thank you for supporting this worthy cause. We are short of volunteers this year, so if you would like to stop up and help, please call Bruce Baird at 480-274-5467. Have a wonderful Christmas season.



All Church Hike

Date and Time – Saturday, December 4,
from 6:00 am to 2:00 pm

Location – Sunrise Peak (McDowell Mountain)
(Moderately Hard – Six Miles – 1,200 Feet (Sunrise at 7:14 am))

Bring: water, snacks, flashlight and sunscreen

Enjoy a nice leisure hike up to Sunrise Peak, with a couple of steep inclines. Maybe lunch after the hike.

Meet at FBC-Tempe to carpool.

For more information, contact Adam Bachman at
480-363-5570 or at ajbachman7@hotmail.com



Sunday Lunch in the MAC

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

November 21 – Bacon Sloppy Joes with Macaroni Salad, Chips, Fruit, Salad Bar and Dessert

November 28 – No Lunch

December 5 – No Lunch



Save
the
Date

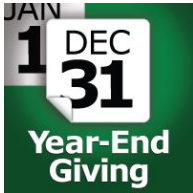
FBC Mission Conference

Date: February 11-13, 2022
Theme – “Every Tribe, Every Nation”

*Join us on Friday Evening, February 11
for our “Youth Silent Auction”

*On Saturday, February 12,
you will have the opportunity to
“Meet a Missionary”

*On Sunday, February 13, missionaries will be in all of the
Morning and Evening Worship Services
as well as in all of our children, teen and adult Bible Classes.



Help FBC With Your Year-End Donations

Help FBC reduce the deficit, pay our bills and reach our budget goal. You can give through online giving, through your local bank or by writing a check and placing it in the offering plate on Sunday. Your year-end giving is greatly appreciated.

To be able to declare your end-of-year gifts for 2021, and in accordance with IRS rules:

1. All checks need to be dated no later than December 31, 2021,
2. If hand carried to FBC, your gifts need to be in the church's possession on or before 12:00 noon on Friday, December 31, 2021,
3. If sent through the mail, your gifts need to be postmarked no later than December 31, 2021 and
4. If you use online giving your gifts must be dated no later than December 31, 2021.



Children's Ministry Special Event

Winter Camp is a fun time for students to connect with other students, grow spiritually and have FUN!

Students can participate in Archery, High Ropes Course, Indoor Rock-Climbing Wall, Eliminator, Double Zipline, Team Competitions, Gaga Ball, 9 Square, Hiking and much more!

For more information please visit the website under Children's Ministry.



Express Appreciation to Pastor Jeff Savage

Five and half years ago God guided Pastor Jeff Savage to our church to serve in a wide range of Outreach Ministries focused on young families to Compassion Day to teaching to preaching to greeting to gym sports to VBS to evangelism to Tot Town etc. Today

God is guiding Pastor Jeff to conclude his ministry with us.

Pastor Jeff has resigned from his pastoral position with his last day Friday, November 27. Pastor Roger describes Jeff as being "Faithful. Committed to God. Reliable in Ministry." Take the time to express your appreciation to Pastor Jeff. You can contact him at fbcoutreach@fbc-tempe.org to share a word of thanks for his ministry.

A love offering is being collected for Pastor Jeff. You can make your donation to FBC-Tempe and earmark "Pastor Jeff" and return it to the church office.



Walk to Bethlehem

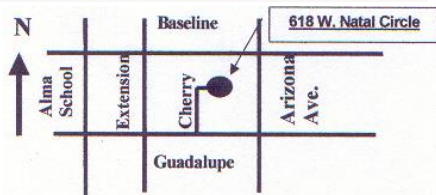
Needs

Hosts and Hostesses

**Would you be willing to be a
Host/Hostess for Walk to Bethlehem?**

Hosts and Hostesses are need for Walk to Bethlehem between the dates of Thursday, November 25, and Friday, December 24, from 5:30 to 9:30 pm at the home of Pastor Roger and Dianna.

If you would like to be included in this special Christmas ministry, please stop by the Walk to Bethlehem Table in Skylight Hall and sign-up for one of these dates or call Pam Rosendale in the Church Office at 480-839-0926.



Walk to Bethlehem Needs YOU . . .

***DISMANTLE on Monday and Tuesday,
January 10 and 11, from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm
and store it away for another season.***



LOTS of volunteers with helpful hands are needed.

Bring a battery charged drill if you have one and also a pair of gloves.



Lunch will be provided. Please stop by the table in Skylight Hall or

RSVP to Pastor Roger at rb618@cox.net

or at 602-402-5309

if you are able to help!

Can We Count on You??

**Stop by the Christmas Tables in Skylight Hallway
and sign-up to help with these two very important projects.**



The kindness you spread today,
will be gathered and returned to you tomorrow!



Let's Help This Christmas ... Let's Help This Christmas ... FBC Families Need Help!

5.

There are a number of families in our church who face "monthly painful challenges." Hardship has become a way of life for these families. But all of these families serve God with a smile among us. They work hard. They purpose to pay their bills on time. Lazy, no. No scams here. But no savings. Some families are younger. Some are older. Red, yellow, black and white and they all need some help at Christmas. Some families struggle every month to make medical payments on major medical expenses. Some families work part-time as they constantly look for full-time employment. From big families to families of one. Some face the loss of their rental home and some contemplate being homeless. Some live paycheck to paycheck on part-time wages. Some walk or ride the bus. Some families have one car. Some have no insurance.

6.

We would like to help 20 low income families in our church with some extra money at Thanksgiving or at Christmas. If you know of a family who is facing some special needs, please contact Pastor and give him your recommendation.

7.

Starting now and until Christmas, please give a check marked "Thanks Jesus." Pray and give. The last opportunity to give to this is at our three Christmas Eve Services on Friday, December 24, at 4:00, 6:00 and 8:00 pm.



Gingerbread House Event

Date and Time –

Sunday, December 5, at 12:00 pm

Goody gumdrops, lollipop and candy galore – you will love what we have in store! All families are invited to decorate gingerbread houses in the MAC. This Christmas event is designed to be a relaxing afternoon for your family and the best part . . . your house won't get messy either. Please reserve your family spot and sign-up to donate two bags of Christmas candy on the church website: www.fbc-tempe.org, Children's Ministry.

Any questions or comments, please contact Sharmon Steil at 480-839-0926 or at fbcchildren@fbc-tempe.org.



Celebrate Christmas at FBC

Walk to Bethlehem

Bring a friend to Walk to Bethlehem

at Pastor Roger and Dianna's Home
at 618 W. Natal Circle, Mesa, AZ 85210,
between 5:30 and 9:30 pm every night
between Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve.

Sunday, December 5

AM Sermon - "Peter, Do You Love Me"

***Children's Ministry Gingerbread House Event
at 12:00 noon in the MAC.***

PM Sermon – "Significance of the Tribe of Benjamin"

Sunday, December 12

AM Sermon - "Honesty"

PM – Celebration of Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 19

AM Sermon - "Justice of God"

PM Sermon – "Significance of the Tribe of Simeon"

Friday, December 24

Christmas Eve Candlelighting Services

"Jesus Is King"

Enjoy a delightful evening as a family singing Christmas Carols
and hearing the Christmas Story told in many different ways
plus the lighting of the candles at 4:00, 6:00 and 8:00 pm.

Sunday, December 26

AM Sermon – "Woe to the Sinner"

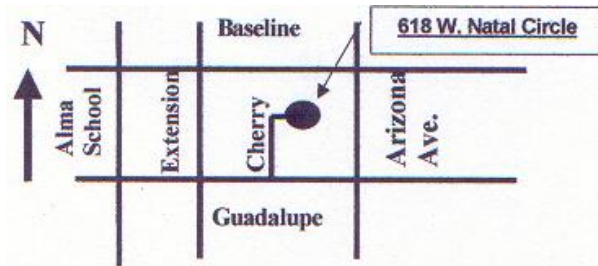
Celebrate the Wonder
of Christmas

Walk to Bethlehem

Date - Thursday, November 25,
through Friday, December 24

Time - Gates open at 5:30 pm

Place - At the home of
Pastor Roger and Dianna Ball,
618 W. Natal Circle, Mesa 85210



**Video and audio services and messages are being
live streamed at 9:30 and 11:00 am and 6:00 pm 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 Mornings Messages

**November 28 – “Post Resurrection Appearance”
(John 21:1-14)**

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
Pastor Matthew Downs (11:00 Upper Room)

**December 5 – “Peter, Do You Love Me?”
(John 21:15-25)**

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
PIT Nathan Pipe (11:00 Upper Room)

**December 12 – “Honesty”
(Habakkuk 1:1-11)**

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
PIT Nathan Pipe (11:00 Upper Room)

**December 19 – “Justice of God”
(Habakkuk 1:12-2:5)**

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
PIT Nathan Pipe (11:00 Upper Room)

Sunday Evening Messages

November 21 – Holiday Concert with Hosanna

**November 28 – “Needing a Push”
(Joshua 18:1-10) Pastor Peter Molina**

**December 5 – “Significance of the Tribe of Benjamin”
(Joshua 18:11-28) Pastor Matthew Downs**

“Behind Closed Doors”

November 21, 2021
Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

John 20:19 – So when it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and when the doors were shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

- Jesus comes to the Apostles in the midst of their _____
- The _____ is WITH all those who believe speaking peace _____ of our fear
 - John 14:26 – *“But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you. (27) “Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful.*
 - Isaiah 53:5 – *But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.*

#1 - God Offers Peace to those who Believe in the Midst of Our Fear

John 20:20 – *And when He had said this, He showed them both His hands and His side. The disciples then rejoiced when they saw the Lord.*

- Its _____ to have JOY in Life when we have no _____
- John 16:19 – *Jesus knew that they wished to question Him, and He said to them, “Are you deliberating together about this, that I said, ‘A little while and you will not see Me, and again a little while, and you will see Me?’” (20) “Truly, truly, I say to you, that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice you will grieve, but your grief will be turned into joy. (21) “Whenever a woman is in labor she has pain, because her hour has come; but*

when she gives birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish because of the joy that a child has been born into the world. (22) "Therefore you too have grief now; but I will see you again, and your heart will rejoice and no one will take your joy away from you.

- God is Willing to _____ the Truth to you Clearly

#2 - God Offers Peace About Jesus Christ To Those Who Have A Tendency To Believe

#3 - To Those Who Believe - God Offers Peace When Interacting With The World

John 20:21 – So Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

- Jesus sent us into the world to _____ to Jesus Christ and _____ Jesus Christ to the world

John 20:22 – And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

- I don't have to be afraid of the world because _____ sent me
- I don't have to be afraid of the world because I have the _____

John 20:23 – "If you forgive the sins of any, their sins have been forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they have been retained."

- The Context is _____
- The Act of Forgiving Sin Remains With _____
- The Act of Remaining _____ To Our Sin (Unforgiven) or being _____ from our sin (Forgiven) Remains With _____ of us
- Our Job Is To _____ Forgiveness (PEACE)

#4 - God Offers Peace To The World Through Us - _____ - As We Share The Gospel

John 20:24 – *But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. (25) So the other disciples were saying to him, “We have seen the Lord!” But he said to them, “Unless I see His hands the imprint of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe.” (26) After eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors having been shut, and stood in their midst and said, “Peace be with you.” (27) Then He said to Thomas, “Reach here with your finger, and see My hands; and reach here your hand and put it into My side; and do not be unbelieving, but believing.” (28) Thomas answered and said to Him, “My Lord and my God!”*

#5 - God Offers Peace About Jesus Christ To Those Who Have A Tendency NOT To Believe

#6 - God Offers Peace Through His _____ on the Cross and His _____

John 20:29 – *Jesus said to him, “Because you have seen Me, have you believed? Blessed are they who did not see, and yet believed.”*

#7 - God Offers Peace and Blessing To Everyone Who Has Not Seen The Resurrected Jesus and Yet Believes

John 20:30 – *Therefore many other signs Jesus also performed in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; (31) but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.*

- Two Purposes of John’s Gospel: _____ and _____

**God Offers Peace About Jesus Christ
To Those Who Have A Tendency To Believe
AND Those Who Have A Tendency NOT To Believe**

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