

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

May 8-Psalm 25, 29, 33, 36, 39
May 9-II Samuel 8-9, I Chronicles 18
May 10-Psalm 50, 53, 60, 75
May 11-II Samuel 10, Psalm 20
I Chronicles 19
May 12-Psalm 65-67, 69-70
May 13-II Samuel 11-12,
I Chronicles 20
May 14-Psalm 32, 51, 86, 122
May 15-II Samuel 13-15

Birthdays

Tom Verburg (5/9)
Beth Hill (5/10)
Robert Hill (5/11)
Harry Barker (5/12)
Darlene Evers (5/12)
John Lucki (5/12)
Sami Shedenhelm (5/13)
Deeann Griebel (5/14)
Damaris Beltran (5/15)
Damon Frisbie (5/15)
William Godel (5/15)
Paul McDonald (5/15)
Naidra Salgado (5/15)

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 the Church Office at 480-839-0926.

Financial Update 2022

General Giving	Last Week	YTD (5/1)
Budget Plan	\$ 28,355	\$ 510,390
Giving (Donations)	\$ 52,034	\$ 349,521
	\$ 23,679 (Overage)	\$ -160,869 (Shortage)
GF Expenses	\$ 40,250	\$ 375,918
Faith Promise	Last Week	YTD (5/1)
Budget Plan	\$ 1,045	\$ 18,809
Giving (Donations)	\$ 672	\$ 19,539
	\$ -373 (Shortage)	\$ 730 (Overage)
FP Expenses	\$ 1,808	\$ 25,660

Legacy Cumulative Debt Reduction

	Last Week	Since Jan 2019
Legacy Designated	\$ 11,038	\$ 417,195

Please continue to give to help reduce our long-term Legacy debt of approximately \$822,627.20.
On February 6, 2018, our debt was \$1,829,853.40.

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 Di-anna. If you would like to attend our next Welcome Lunch please contact the Church Office by calling 480-839-0926.



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CHURCH  TEMPE

WE
LOVE
GOD
PEOPLE

Accepting, loving and chal-
lenging people with God's
truth

May 8, 2022

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

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus
Welcome and Announcements
I Love to Tell the Story
I Need Thee Every Hour
Prayer
Message-Al Fadi
“Full Scale Corruption”

9:30 am-Contemporary Worship

We Praise You
Welcome and Announcements
Raise a Hallelujah
10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)
Prayer
Choir
Kid City Mother’s Day Presentation
Message-Al Fadi
“Full Scale Corruption”

11:00 am-Alternative Contemporary Worship

Mediator
Welcome and Announcements
Behold Him
How He Loves
Prayer
Kid City Mother’s Day Presentation
Message-Al Fadi
“Full Scale Corruption”

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

Welcome
Worship Song #1
Worship Song #2
Worship Song #3
Prayer
Message-PIT Nathan Pipe
“Full Scale Corruption”

6:00 pm-Worship Service

Welcome
Your Grace is Enough
Great Things
That’s the Power
Prayer
Message-Pastor Matthew Downs
“The Choice to Serve God”

CIRA 2022 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-February 2022.

Financial Need

Annual Budget	\$ 126,770.00
Giving-to-Date	\$ 40,419.00
Under Budget	\$ 86,351.00

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@CIRAIInternational.com.
Make out all checks to FBC earmarked “CIRA.”

Church Plant 2022 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-February 2022.

Financial Need

Annual Budget	\$ 150,000.00
Giving-to-Date	\$ 17,974.00
Under Budget	\$ 132,026.00

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, May 8

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-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 pm-Lunch in the MAC
6:00 pm-Evening Worship Service

Monday, May 9

6:00 am-Men’s Bible Study
6:00 pm-Bible Study Fellowship
7:00 pm-Deacon Board Meeting

Wednesday, May 11

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

Thursday, May 12

5:00 pm-Teen Music Hang-Out
6:00 pm-High School and Junior High Teen Youth Group
6:30 pm-Meeting with Ryan and Shelby Webb

Friday, May 13

6:00 pm-Guadalupe Church Plant Bible Study

Consider These

*“If I cannot give bountifully, yet will I give freely.”
(Arthur Warwick)*

*“When I die, if I leave behind me ten pounds ...
you and all mankind (may) bear witness against me,
that I have lived and died a thief and a robber.”
(John Wesley, English Evangelist and Founder of Methodism)*

Reflect

Beware of greed, hoarding or selfishness in your life . . .

- ✓ James 5:1-3 *Now Listen, you rich people, weep and wail because of the misery that is coming upon you. Your wealth has rotted, and moths have eaten your clothes. Your gold and silver are corroded. Their corrosion will testify against you and eat your flesh like fire. You have hoarded wealth in the last days.*
- ✓ Psalm 119:36-37 *Turn my heart toward your statutes and not toward selfish gain. Turn my eyes away from worthless things.*
- ✓ II Corinthians 9:6 *Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.*

God is going to have to take some people to heaven feet first, because they keep trying to hold onto everything they have here on earth!

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

New to the Library:

- ✓ **Heart of Rubies** by Tessa Afshar
- ✓ **Harvest of Gold** by Tessa Afshar

Stop by and check them out!



FBC Bible Classes

8:00 am

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

9:30 am

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)

The Cure—Room 104
(Men of 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 \$28,355.00 each week to meet our budget.

YTD Money Needed
\$510,390.00

YTD Money Received
\$349,521.00

UNDER Budget
\$-160,869.00

2022 General Fund Giving



	Budget	Received
■ Series 1	\$510,390.00	\$349,521.00



GriefShare Support Groups In-Person or via Zoom

Help and encouragement
following the death of a loved one

Loss of Spouse Seminar – Sunday, May 22, 2:00 to 4:00 pm

For registration information, contact Teresa Kovac
at 732-319-5533 or visit www.Griefshare.org

You need the church,
the church needs you
and the world needs both.



Children's Ministry (Birth through 6th Grade)

Preschool and Kindergarten

Bible Story: Gideon Fights a Big Army

Bible Point: Bible Super Heroes

Elementary

9:30 am Bible Story: Honoring Our Mothers

11:00 am Bible Story: Honor and Celebrate Our Moms

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 that Kid City . . .

Would be a place where the Word
is faithfully preached and proclaimed.

We can only worship God
when we have prepared ourselves
to be in His presence, and want to know Him.

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/FBCtempe, 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 Rob Swanson at 480-839-0926 or Julie Huver at jhuver@fbc-tempe.org.

When in doubt – tell the truth!

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, July 9, 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, July 9, 2022, 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** – Contact Adam Bachman at 480-363-5570 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.
- **Men's Alaska Fishing Trip** – August 22 – 29 – Contact Pastor Anthony for more detailed information and cost.
- **Men's Camp** – September 23-25 – Check out the Men's Ministry Table for more information.
- **Men's Golf Outing** – July 23 – Check out the Men's Ministry Table 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 – First and Third Thursdays of each month
from 9:00 am to 1:00 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 the Church Office at 480-839-0926 for more information.



Sunday Lunch in the MAC

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

May 8 – Burrito Rice Bowls with Taco Beef and Your Choice of Toppings, Salad Bar and Dessert

May 15 – Variety Pizza Bagels, Caesar Salad, Salad Bar and Dessert

May 22 – Baked Chicken Taquitos, Rice, Pintos, Lisa’s FBC Salsa, Guacamole, Salad Bar and Dessert



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.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Evenings

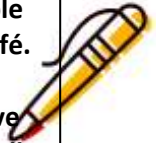
Moms in Prayer on ZOOM

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Dates: Jan. 9 - May 1

**Additional Information
can be found at the
Women's Ministry Table
across from Skylight Café.**

**Sign-up there to receive
an email reminder on all
activities and events!**



The Gideons are Looking for a Few Good Men

The Gideons are a body of believers dedicated to making the Word of God available to everyone and, together with the local church, reaching souls for Christ.

The Gideons began in 1908 as an Association of Christian Businessmen placing Bibles in hotel rooms and has evolved into an expanding mission to provide Scriptures to all people in nearly every facet of life. Today they have taken more than 2 billion Scriptures in more than 95 languages to 200 countries, territories and possessions across the globe.

They exist as an advocate for the lost, to bring them the saving knowledge of the Word through not only placing and distributing Scriptures, but also through personal witnessing and by associating together for service.

Join them and together spread the Good News. If you would like to know more about being a Gideon contact Stephen Hillis at 480-921-7738 or at fatherhillis@gmail.com.

Pastor Roger Ball



Where Do We Go from Here?

Starting Sunday, May 8

Our world is experiencing major changes.

We see the falling away of the church, the silencing of Christians, the ravaging toll of pandemics, the rise of globalism, a frail world economy, the fallout from socialism, woke religion, and more. These issues can be a cause of great anxiety. But if we understand that they were prophesied in the Bible as signs of the end times then we can be encouraged and know how to respond properly.

This series from Dr. David Jeremiah looks at 10 prophetic events that are appearing today in our culture and provides answers to these questions:

- **Where are we?** Take an honest look at troubling issues in our culture.
- **What does it mean?** Examine how these events are linked to Biblical prophecy.
- **Where do we go from here?** Get practical Biblical instruction to provide hope and courage to face these issues.

This series will be presented in The Hood Class, which meets on Sundays at 11:00 in Room 107. It will begin on Sunday, May 8. For more information contact Greg Jones, 480-205-8801, gregj757@gmail.com.



Ryan and Shelby Webb

Are you interested in hearing more about Sharing the Gospel with the Manam people?

Ryan and Shelby Webb and their four children are soon returning to Papua New Guinee with plans for finally sharing the

Gospel with the Manam people after 10 years of serving them.

Join them at FBC in Room 118 on Thursday, May 12, at 6:30 pm -OR- Sunday, May 15, 11 am to hear directly from them. Ryan will show you some Gospel training material he has been developing.

Pray for them, support them and listen carefully to how God will bring His Gospel to the nations.

The Christian's walk and talk must go together.



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



Sunday, May 8 – How do I rejoice in my salvation?

Sunday, May 15 – What is healthy grief?

Sunday, May 22 – God's design has always been to dwell with His people



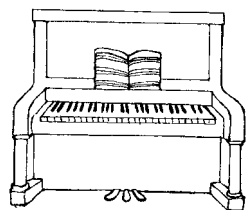
Sunday, May 29 – Can God make me a new person?

Sunday, June 5 – Is most of the world blind to the truth?

Sunday, June 12 – Is Jesus going to return soon?

Sunday, June 19 – How can I avoid a false prophet?

Sunday, June 26 – What is real hypocrisy?



FREE Used Piano Available

FBC has a used upright older piano available to anyone who would like it. Take a look at it and try it out in the hallway behind the MAC. If you are interested contact Pastor Roger at rb618@cox.net.

The Bible is most helpful when it is open.

VOLUNTEER



FBC Is Looking for Volunteers

Are you looking to meet some new people? Are you interested in serving here at FBC? Do you have a few hours

you could give each week to volunteering here at FBC? Then we have just the thing for you!

FBC is looking for volunteers who would be willing to give a few hours each week as needed to accomplish some of the following:

- Maintenance and housekeeping projects
- Window washing
- Dusting, sweeping and vacuuming
- Painting projects
- Taking out trash
- Cleaning tables and chairs
- Landscaping projects
- Sweeping sidewalks
- Cleaning and sanitizing kitchens
- Cleaning and sanitizing bathrooms
- Tear-down and re-set classrooms
- Greeters and Information Desk Greeter
- Bible Class Teachers
- Small Group Leaders
- Sunday Morning Early Prep Church – Open-Up and Lock-Up
- Sunday Evening – Open-up and Lock-up
- Golf Cart Overseer and Golf Cart Drivers

If you are interested in volunteering here at FBC please drop this form in the offering plate, sign-up at the table across from the Library or contact Pastor Roger at rb618@cox.net

Name _____

Cell Phone Number _____

Email Address _____



Kid City Happenings . . .

1. Tot Town, 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm, Indoor parent/child playgroup for 5 years and under.

2. Family Event @ SunSplash, Sunday, May 15, 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm, \$20.00 if you pre-register and pay in advance or \$46.00 @ the gate.

3. Donuts with Dad, Sunday, June 19, Students bring your dad, uncle or grandpa to Kid City on Father's Day for a free donut.

4. Family Summer Camp, June 24 – 26, Prescott Pines Camp

Get ready to have a family weekend filled with adventure, food, activities, laughter, recreation for the whole family and faith. Family camp is a great place for traditions and memories to form. This event is open to families of all ages. Registration required.

5. VBS, June 27-29 | 9:30 am – Noon, FREE

Join us for Mystery Island. Students will track down truths about the one true God. Students leaving 1st -5th grade will also have the opportunity to participate in electives such as soccer, sign language, cheer, art and more. Registration required.



6. Worship and Serve God

God created each of us uniquely with gifts and talents to bring Him the glory and to benefit the body of Christ. Our desire is to help you and your children find your place here at FBC. We are excited to provide ways for your family to use your gifts by serving in Kid City. Registration required.

**Information and registration links
can be found on the church website:**

www.fbc-tempe.org under Children's Ministry.



To truly worship God
is to carry the spirit of worship
into every facet of our lives.



Helping our Missionaries

Since January 1, giving to Faith Promise has been

\$22,885.00

Our need since January 1 is **\$19,764.00**

Our weekly need is **\$1,098.00**

If we do not receive \$4,760.00 each month, each of our Faith Promise missionaries receive partial monthly support, not "full" monthly support from us.

Your faithfulness in giving to Faith Promise helps our **missionaries** spread the love of Jesus around the world!

Faith Promise **missionary** giving is in addition to your General Fund giving.

Here at FBC we support our **missionaries** in three ways:

1. Through our General Fund Budget,
2. Through designated gifts to specific **missionaries**, and
3. Through our Faith Promise giving to our **missionaries**.

Below is a list of the **missionaries** we support monthly through Faith Promise:

- Al Fadi
- Mark Burritt
- Steve and Darlene Evers
- Jim and Carolyn Fasold
- Gideons
- Bob and Elena Gonzalez
- Jeff Hause
- Kevin and Lelani Humble
- Ben and Aleyamma Joseph
- Luis Matute
- Bernie and Mary Miller
- Nogales Baptist Seminary
- Brent and Melanie Palmer
- Nathan and Meagan Pipe
- Erika Potter
- Tom and Laura Requadt
- Steve and Patty Robenalt
- Salvation Army
- Dwight and Gwynne Shaver
- Southwest CBA
- Tempe Community Action
- Ryan and Shelby Webb
- Cathy Wilson
- Peter and Trisha Molina

To help support our Faith Promise **missionaries** you can donate online using the FBC website, you can bring your check or cash when you attend one of our Sunday Worship Services, you can mail a check to the Church Office or you can drop off your donation at the Church Office. Be sure to designate your gift for "Faith Promise."

We received for our **missionaries** in 2021, through our General Fund Budget, through specific designated gifts and through Faith Promise giving \$695,647.00 which is 47.18% of our total General Fund Budget.





**Plan to show your
compassion at our next**

**Compassion Outreach
Day**

Honoring God & Others!

Saturday, May 21, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

- One-Hour Prayer Groups
- Painting Project
- Free Car Wash
- Blood Drive
- Send the Gospel to PNG
- Breakfast in the Park
- McClintock Street Clean-Up
- United Food Bank
- Bible Drive



***Sign-Up at the Compassion Outreach Day table
in the foyer for the project
that you would like to take part in.***

***"This is how everyone will know
that you are my disciples
when they see the love
you have for each other." John 13:3***



**A new commandment I give to you,
that you love one another, as I have loved you, that you also love
one another.**

**By this all will know that you are My disciples,
if you have love for one another.**

John 13:34-35

**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

**May 15 – “Destruction and Salvation”
(Ezekiel 9:1-14)**

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
PIT Nathan Pipe (11:00 Upper Room)

**May 22 – “The Departure of the Divine King”
(Ezekiel 10:1-22)**

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
PIT Nathan Pipe (11:00 Upper Room)

**May 29 – “The Gospel”
(Ezekiel 11:1-25)**

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
PIT Nathan Pipe (11:00 Upper Room)

**June 5 – “Seeing and Hearing”
(Ezekiel 12:1-20)**

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)
PIT Nathan Pipe (11:00 Upper Room)

Sunday Evening Messages

**May 8 – “The Choice to Serve God”
(Joshua 24:1-15) Pastor Matthew Downs**

**May 15 – “We Choose to Follow God, But We Cannot”
(Joshua 24:16-28) Pastor Matthew Downs**

**May 22 – “What Will You Choose
When the Faithful Have Gone?”
(Joshua 24:29-33) Pastor Matthew Downs**

“Full Scale Corruption”

May 8, 2022

Al Fadi

Ezekiel 8:1 – It came about in the sixth year, on the fifth day of the sixth month, as I was sitting in my house with the elders of Judah sitting before me, that the hand of the Lord God fell on me there.

Ezekiel 8:2 – Then I looked, and behold, a likeness as the appearance of a man; from His loins and downward there was the appearance of fire, and from His loins and upward the appearance of brightness, like the appearance of glowing metal.

Ezekiel 8:3 – He stretched out the form of a hand and caught me by a lock of my head; and the Spirit lifted me up between earth and heaven and brought me in the visions of God to Jerusalem, to the entrance of the north gate of the inner court, where the seat of the idol of Jealousy, which provokes to jealousy, was located.

Ezekiel 8:4 – And behold, the glory of the God of Israel was there, like the appearance which I saw in the plain.

Ezekiel 8:5 – Then He said to me, “Son of man, raise your eyes now toward the north.” So I raised my eyes toward the north, and behold, to the north of the altar gate was this idol of jealousy at the entrance.

Ezekiel 8:6 – And He said to me, “Son of man, do you see what they are going, the great abominations which the house of Israel are committing here, so that I would be far from My sanctuary? But yet you will see still greater abominations.”

Ezekiel 8:7 – *Then He brought me to the entrance of the court, and when I looked, behold, a hole in the wall.*

Ezekiel 8:8 – *He said to me, “Son of man, now dig through the wall.” So I dug through the wall, and behold, an entrance.*

Ezekiel 8:9 – *And He said to me, “Go in and see the wicked abominations that they are committing here.”*

Ezekiel 8:10 – *So I entered and looked, and behold, every form of creeping things and beasts and detestable thing, with all the idols of the house of Israel, were carved on the wall all around.*

Ezekiel 8:11 – *Standing in front of them were seventy elders of the house of Israel, with Jaazaniah the son of Shapan standing among them, each man with his censer in his hand and the fragrance of the cloud of incense rising,*

Ezekiel 8:12 – *Then He said to me, “Son of man, do you see what the elders of the house of Israel are committing in the dark, each man in the room of his carved image? For they say, “The Lord does not see us; the Lord has forsaken the land.”*

Ezekiel 8:13 – *And He said to me, “Yet you will see still greater abominations which they are committing.”*

Ezekiel 8:14 – *Then He brought me to the entrance of the gate of the Lord's house which was toward the north; and behold, women were sitting there weeping for Tammuz.*

Ezekiel 8:15 – *He said to me, "Do you see this, son of man? Yet you will see still greater abominations than these."*

Ezekiel 8:16 – *Then He brought me into the inner court of the Lord's house. And behold, at the entrance to the temple of the Lord, between the porch and the altar, were about twenty-five men with their backs to the temple of the Lord and their faced toward the east; And they were prostrating themselves eastward toward the sun.*

Ezekiel 8:17 – *He said to me, "Do you see this, son of man? Is it too light a thing for the house of Judah to commit the abominations which they have committed here, that they have filled the land with violence and provoked Me repeatedly? For behold, they are putting the twig to their nose.*

Ezekiel 8:18 – *"Therefore, I indeed will deal in wrath. My eye will have no pity nor will I spare; and though they cry in My ears with a loud voice, yet I will not listen to them."*