Volunteer House Cleaners Needed at FBC For Our Guests ... The Purpose of FBC ... Accept, love and Welcome to First Baptist We are looking for a few good men and women who could help with challenge people with Church! We are so glad you some important tasks on our campus. We need help with: God's truth. We help any have joined us this morning. Vacuuming willing person reach Cleaning windows, Guests . . If you would like his or her fullest potential Landscape projects, to receive information or a to become radically Clean tables and chairs, brochure on FBC and any of its Christ-like. Dusting for cob webs and ministries, please stop by the Organizing several storage rooms. Connections Center. Bible Reading for the Week contact the Church Office at 480-839-0926. Also, please share any July 10-Isaiah 5-8 prayer or praises in the July 11-Amos 1-5 space provided on one of the July 12-Amos 6-9 orange Communication Cards July 13-Isaiah 9-12, II Chronicles 27 located in the pew racks. Let us July 14-Micah 1-7 know how we can help you! July 15-II Kings 16-17, II Chronicles 28 July 16-Isaiah 13-17 By giving to Faith July 17-Isaiah 18-22 Promise you help our missionaries spread the Gospel of Jesus around the world! Visit our Website for more Birthdays information on all our ministries: Rvan Lauffer (7/10) http://fbc-tempe.org Reese Lauffer (7/10) Carson Lauffer (7/10) For a complete listing of our Drew Malmin (7/10) Legacy Cumulative Debt Reduction Pastoral Staff and contact infor-David Roberts (7/11) Linda Englund (7/13) mation, please visit our website Julis Tunnicliff (7/13) at fbc-tempe.org. Nolan Brinn (7/17) You may also contact the Joy Morse (7/17) Church Office at 480-839-0926. Please continue to give to help reduce

Free Sermons

FBC Pastors?

tempe.org.

Want to listen to one of the sermons

Free sermons by Pastor Roger and the

other FBC Pastors are available to you

on the FBC webpage at www.fbc-

by Pastor Roger or one of the other

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 the Church Office by calling 480-839-0926.





If you would give a few hours to help with one or more of these projects,

Financial Update	2022			
General Giving	Last Week		YTD (7/3)	
Budget Plan	\$	28,355	\$	765,585
Giving (Donations)	\$	13,592	\$	700,688
	\$	-14,763	\$	-64,897
	(Shortage)		(Shortage)	
GF Expenses	\$	9,061	\$	584,697
Faith Promise	Last Week		YTD (7/3)	
Budget Plan	\$	1,045	\$	28,214
Giving (Donations)	\$	297	\$	28,821
	\$	-748	\$	607
	(Shortage)		(Overage)	
FP Expenses	\$	1,759	\$	40,210

	Last Week	Since Jan 2019
Legacy Designated	\$ 439	\$ 433,127

our long-term Legacy debt of approximately \$822,627.20. On February 6, 2018, our debt was \$1,829,853.40.



SOD PEOPLE

Accepting, loving and challenging people with God's truth

July 10, 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

Blessed Assurance Welcome and Announcements Come Thou Fount **Great Is Thy Faithfulness** Prayer Message-Pastor Anthony Whitlatch "The True Vine"

9:30 am-Contemporary Worship

Crown Him with Many Crowns Welcome and Announcements All Because of Jesus Always Prayer Message-Pastor Anthony Whitlatch "The True Vine"

11:00 am-Alternative Contemporarv Worship

In Tenderness Welcome and Announcements Look What God Has Done He Will Hold Me Fast Only a Holy God Praver Message-Pastor Anthony Whitlatch "The True Vine"

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

Welcome Worship Song #1 Worship Song #2 Worship Song #3 Prayer Message-PIT Nathan Pipe "The True Vine"

6:00 pm-Evening Worship

Battle Belongs Glorious One Your Great Name Praver Message-PIT Stephen Tunnicliff "Partiality is Against the Royal Law"

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	\$ 66,115.00
Under Budget	\$ 60,655.00

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 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

\$ 150,000.00 Annual Budget Giving-to-Date \$ 27,283.00 Under Budget \$ 122,717.00

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, July 10

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

Monday, July 11

6:00 am-Men's Bible Study

Tuesday, July 12 9:30 am-Women's Ministry Tuesday

Morning Bible Study 1:00 pm-Teen Gaming Tuesday

Consider These

"When we give to God, we are just taking our hands off what already belongs to Him."

"Give to God what is right-not what is left."

"Some people give God a tenth-a tenth of what they ought to give."

Reflect

God can do great things through one person or a group that is devoted to Him . . .

- ✓ II Chronicles 14:9-12 Zerah marched out against (God's people) with a vast army ... Then Asa called to the Lord his God and said, "Lord, there is no one like you to help the powerless against the mighty. Help us, O Lord our God, for we rely on you, and in your name we have come against this vast army. O Lord, you are our God; do not let man prevail against you." ... (and) The Lord struck down the Cushites.
- Zechariah 4:6 "Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit," says the Lord Almighty.

Expect great things from God. Attempt great things for God.

Wednesday, July 13

6:30 pm-Worship Team Rehearsal

Thursday, July 14 5:00 pm-Teen Film and Technology

Saturday, July 16 9:00 pm-Teen Saturday @ Sozo Coffee

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:

- Season 2 of *The Chosen*
- ✓ Book #2 of *Leah's Garden* by Laurine Snelling

Stop by and check them out!

Safety and Security





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)

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 \$28,355.00 each week to meet our budget.

YTD Money Needed \$765,585.00 YTD Money Received \$700,688.00

> UNDER Budget \$-64,897.00



Upcoming Men's Events Men's Golf Tournament –



Date and Time – Saturday, August 6, 7:00 am Start
Location – Bear Creek Golf Complex in Chandler
Cost - \$50.00 (includes green fees and cart)
Must register with payment by July 24 – contact Jim Strouse at 480-410-5245

Optional \$5.00 Longest Drive Contest and \$5.00 Closest Pin Contest

Men's ONLY Camping –

Dates – September 23-25

 Location – Sharp Creek Campground (east of Payson)
Cost - \$40.00 per person (includes meals and camp sight) Must register with payment by August 28 –



contact Jim Strouse at 480-410-5245 or Pastor Anthony with any questions or to register



(Birth through

6th Grade)

Preschool and Kindergarten Bible Story: God Is with Moses Bible Point: God is Everywhere

Elementary 9:30 am Bible Story: Sin and Suffering 11:00 am Bible Story: Moses Sends the Spies

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 God would be worshiped, praised and adored.

Faith gives us the courage to face the present with confidence and the future with expectancy.

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 <u>www.fbc-tempe.org</u>
- To find all of the "Walk and Talks" on YouTube, go to <u>www.youtube.com</u>, type in "FBC Tempe Walk and Talk"
- To find the "Walk and Talks" on Facebook, go to <u>www.facebook.com/FBCtempe</u>, 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 <u>we are in</u> <u>serious need of new Tech Workers to run</u> <u>our Sound, Lighting, Media and Camera</u> 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 <u>jhuver@fbc-tempe.org</u>.

Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God.

Men's Breakfast Saturday, September 10, 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!



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 <u>www.fbc</u>-tempe.org and click on "Donations" and follow the directions. If you need assistance contact Pam Rosendale at 480-839-0926.

Worshiping God . . .

Worship is the "thank you" that refuses to be silenced. We have tried to make a science out of worship. We cannot do that. We cannot do that any more than we can "sell love" or "negotiate peace."

Worship is a voluntary act of gratitude offered by the saved to the Savior, by the healed to the Healer, and by the delivered to the Deliverer.

"In the Eye of the Storm"





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.

<u>Weekly Schedule</u> Summer Bible Class –

Two Studies in One!! Tuesday Mornings, June 7 – August 23 from 9:30 to 11:00 am 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!



Faith Promise . . .

Thank you for being faithful to God's Word through Faith Promise Giving!Faith Promise is money you give to help our missionaries.

If we do not receive \$1,045.00 each week, all of our Faith Promise missionaries like Jim and Carolyn Fasold, Jeff Hause, Kevin and Lelani Humble, Bernie and Mary Miller, Brent and Melanie Palmer, Erika Potter, Tom and Laura Requadt, Dwight and Gwynne Shaver and Cathy Wilson will not receive their "full" monthly support from us.

Your faithfulness helps our missionaries spread the love of Jesus around the world!

You can give to Faith Promise through your online giving or you can make a check payable to FBC earmarked "Faith Promise.



Invite your

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

Sunday AM, July 10 - Be Useful - Not Burned.



Serving Helpers and Cooking Helpers Needed

- Serving Help is needed in Skylight Café on Sundays at 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am – Contact Robin Spencer at 480-708-6964
- 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

A kindness done today is the surest way to a brighter tomorrow.



All-Church Summer Hike

Lava River Tube (Northwest of Flagstaff)

Date and Time - Saturday, August 13, from 6:00 am to 5:00 pm Meet at FBC to carpool to Flagstaff

Trail – 1.5 miles round trip with 100-foot climb down Moderate hike in a cave formed by lava.

No natural light, rocky terrain, awesome wall colors. Constantly 45 degrees.

Bring – layers, flashlight, water bottle, snacks for the drive.

(Lunch in Flagstaff after the hike)

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



Angel Tree

Angel Tree is your opportunity to help a needy child during ANGEL TREE the upcoming Christmas Season by buying a gift on behalf of their incarcerated parent. If you would like to

volunteer and assist with this ministry this coming fall, please contact Bruce Baird at brucerobertbaird@gmail.com or at (480) 274-5467. Thank you for supporting this ministry.



"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.

God cares for people through people.



Join us on Sunday Evenings

as we are challenged to accept the

"Real Truth!"

Sunday, July 10 - Conquer racism. Check your motives.

Sunday, July 17 – Win with mercy, not judgment.

Sunday, July 24 - Don't be all talk. Work out your faith.

Sunday, July 31 – Control your free speech.

Sunday, August 7 – World peace does not come from the world.

Sunday, August 14 – Change your desire, not just your action.

Sunday, August 21 – Choose proper friendship. Reap eternal benefits.

Sunday, August 28 – Leave the judging to Jesus.



Sunday Lunch in the MAC

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

July 10 – Pasta Toss with Sausage, Fresh Basil Tomato Sauce, Garlic Green Beans, Bread, Salad Bar and Dessert

July 17 – Orange Chicken, Lo Mein Noodles, Stir Fry Veggies, Rice, Salad Bar and Dessert

July 24 - Chad's Meat Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Veggies, Caesar Salad, Salad Bar and Dessert

Charity is twice blessed – it blesses the one who gives and the one who receives.



July Fresh NEW God stories. Will you help God?

#1 - During our five-minute conversation after worship on June 26, 2022, Mike wiped tears away from his eyes. Mike came to me and said, "I have been coming to this church for a few Sundays. From five different sermons, God is showing me how stubborn I have been all my life. How can I follow God not myself?" I said to Mike, "Everyone is stubborn against God. I am. Keep listening to the sermons. Love people. Keep admitting to God you are stubborn. Be honest about your arrogance against God. Find a Bible class and join it." Pray for Mike. Pray for me. Pray for your pigheadedness against God. Don't miss the next sermon and join a Bible class on Sunday mornings.

#2 - Chelsie two weeks ago emailed our church to say, "Hello! This past year has been rough for me. I attend a school near your church and every night when I get out I have to get on the freeway going east. On some of the hardest nights of my life I have looked up beyond the traffic light and stared at the cross. That cross has been a beautiful reminder that I am exactly where I need to be and that all of these hard things that happen are lessons. Your church has helped me without even having to step inside. Thank you so much."

#3 - Never forget the miraculous lesson from the overturn of Roe vs Wade, 50 years later: When it looks like God does not exist or does not care about you just know you are 100% wrong. God is permanently at work, never sleeping, doing his will on earth in many ways, especially through highly committed humble people of faith who keep on believing God for a miracle. God's people are called believers because we have faith in what we can NOT see or accomplish on our own. Did you have enough faith to believe God would overturn Roe vs Wade? Face your life with much more faith in our God. One person said, "One day America will look back on the fifty years following *Roe v Wade* in the same way we look back on legalized slavery—as a horrific evil justified by the courts but eventually overturned by the cause of justice for all. Frederick Douglas said, "The life of the nation is secure only while the nation is honest, truthful, and virtuous." Pray, one person said, "For a transforming movement of the Holy Spirit that will make our nation truly 'secure,' to the glory of God.

#4 - Carrie Sill went to Heaven on Thursday, June 23, after battling cancer. Pastor Roger says: "Carrie taught me in the face of adversity to trust more in Jesus less in self. Carrie taught me to smile big. Carrie taught me to take Heaven seriously. Carrie taught me how to grow my faith in God. Carrie taught me it is good to joke around with firemen. Carrie taught me to face pain and death with Jesus. Looking forward to seeing Carrie in Heaven."

#5 - Beth Moore said, "Which do we tend to enjoy most: God given victory or our foe's defeat? Our attitude can be the litmus test. Does victory humble us and bring us to our knees in thanksgiving to God, or does victory make us proud and arrogant toward those less victorious?"

#6 - The stranger called the Church Office on June 16, 2022, a grateful man named Cary, a chipper 78-year-old. Thank you for continuing to do VBS he said. He then told Julie the story about how, when he was a kid, he and his sister would attend VBS at FBCT (When it was on University Street) every summer. They didn't go to church any other time. He later accepted Jesus as his savior as a young adult but he has always credited the beginning of his salvation journey to FBCT and its VBS program. He also told the story of a lady, Mrs. V, who lived on Maple St and attended FBCT. Every day during the summer months at noon, she would open up her garage and invite all the neighborhood kids in. She would feed them snacks and tell them Bible stories using a flannel board. Many of the kids in the neighborhood were poor and wouldn't have had lunch otherwise. Food for the body and the soul. He said that he and his sister were reminiscing about going to VBS and he just had to call and say thank you.

#7 - One of our police officers said, "I always look forward to Sunday mornings because of this church." Our police officers often tell us the best part of their job is working at FBCT on Sundays because everyone offers appreciation, smiles, kindness and respect. Christians follow Jesus daily making peace with all by treating every person with dignity not hate and violence.

#8 - Need more faith? More joy? More purpose in your life? Join our growing group of 25 Christians, officially registered, to walk where Jesus walked in Israel from March 2-12, 2023. Find the Israel table near the church library or contact Pastor Roger for more information at <u>rball@fbc-tempe.org</u>

#9 - On Sunday, June 19, Dottie Griffin turned 90 years old. Happy Birthday Dottie Griffin! Yesterday Dottie said, "Betty Shaver some 70 years ago at FBCT displayed much faith, sacrifice and joy as a missionary. This has encouraged me all these years to pray and follow Jesus." Praise God for Dottie Griffin and Betty Shaver who now lives in Heaven. Be a joyful sacrificial Christian like Dottie and her mentor Betty. #10 - Over 110 children received facts about Jesus at VBS on June 27-28-29. The parents and kids came in and left with big smiles and strong words of appreciation. Much thanks to our huge team of teen and adult volunteers who assisted our VBS Director, Sharmon Steil. One child walked through the lobby holding her new small gifted Bible and with smiles said to everyone "This is my Bible."

#11 - Pay it forward because Jesus paid the price for your sins. In the middle of June in a text message he said someone gave us a partial scholarship that made it possible for my wife and I to go to Israel in March 2022. That trip has been life changing for us. Please use this donation to make it possible for another couple to go on your next trip to Israel in 2023. (We love people because God first loved us.)

#12 - God is not ignoring you. God has only strong good plans for you. Worship and trust God better every day. A friend reminded me of Habakkuk 3, "Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail, and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will take joy in the God of my salvation. God, the Lord, is my strength." Grow your faith by celebrating every day God's goodness and strength despite your circumstances.

#13 - Early in the morning June 27, we stood in front of the church office. He talked. He emotionally asked why was there so much brokenness and suffering in his family's life? I listened. The more I listened the more he talked and the more he cried tears of honest bitterness. He came right out and said, "I am so tired of being bitter." I asked permission to speak. He said, Yes." I said, "Who can offer the best revenge, you or God?" He said, "God." I said, "Why not ask God to pour out His justice on the people you are bitter toward?" He smiled and said, "That sounds really good.



Your Vote Matters . . .

The elections here in Arizona are just around the corner. Are you registered to vote? Have you checked out the candidates and what they stand for so you are prepared to vote? Below is a link to the online Arizona Voter Guide published by the Center

for Arizona Policy to help you be prepared. <u>https://www.azvoterguide.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/2022-</u> <u>Arizona-Voter-Guide-PE.pdf</u>



Missionaries Via Faith Promise Need YOUR Help

10 Reasons YOU are Needed to Help God

- 1. Inflation and near recession are decreasing donations and offerings to our missionaries.
- 2. With the cost of everything going up around the world this makes living and doing ministry more expensive.
- 3. This month, July 2023, if we don't receive \$4,000 earmarked Faith Promise we will reduce a percentage of support to our Faith Promise missionaries.
- 4. Almost yearly our church supports and sends out new home FBCT missionaries like Al and Hunan Fadi, Mark Burritt, Steve and Darlene Evers, Bob and Elena Gonzales, Jeff Hause, Ben and Aleyamma Joseph, Ericka Potter, Steve and Patty Robenalt, Dwight and Gwynne Shaver and Peter and Trish Molina.
- 5. Almost monthly missionaries visit our church with much good news and sacrifice.
- 6. Give to Faith Promise an extra donation every month because of Jesus.
- 7. Give to Faith Promise beyond what you give to the Church Budget.
- 8. Every month in Pastor Roger's Prayer Letter we offer new stories from our missionaries.
- Every month our 24 Faith Promise missionaries need from us about \$4,000 in donations.
- 10. Missionaries Via Faith Promise Need YOUR Help.

Worship Ministry News . . .



JOIN THE CHOIR

We are gearing up from an amazing Fall Season, and we'd love to have **YOU** join us! No experience in music or choirs is necessary - just a heart willing to lead others in worship! So come on out and give it a try! *Our next rehearsal is Wednesday, August 3, at 6:30 PM.* For more information or to sign up, please email (or see) Pastor Rob Swanson at <u>robswanson.fbc@gmail.com</u>. We can't wait for you to join us!



FBC ORCHESTRA

Are you an instrumentalist that would like to use your skills to lead others towards Jesus? Then we'd love to talk to you! We are looking for additional band members (guitar - electric or acoustic, bass, drums, keys, piano, etc.) We are also looking for orchestral players (trumpets, trombones, French horns, clarinets, flutes, saxophone, violin, viola, cello, etc.) *Even if you haven't played in years, it's never too late to use your gifts!* For more information, please email (or see) Pastor Rob Swanson at robswanson.fbc@gmail.com.

Blessed are those who can give without remembering, and receive without forgetting.



Join us here at FBC on Sunday, August 14, with our "BIG Back 2 Church Bash!"

- Worship Services at 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am
- From 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm there will be . . .
 - Barbecue Lunch in the Gym,
 - ✓ Bounce Houses,
 - ✓ Big Bubble Machine and
 - ✓ Bahama Bucks Shaved Ice.
- Then join us at 6:00 pm in the Worship Center for a
- "BIG Time Gospel Concert" with the Matney Brothers.
 Following the concert everyone is invited to an Ice Cream Social!

Put this important date on your calendar and plan to be here!



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

July 17 – "Our Desperate Need for Grace" (Ezekiel 16:1-14)

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

July 24 – "Misusing the Gifts of God" (Ezekiel 16:15-43)

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

> July 31 – "Our Shame and Forgiveness" (Ezekiel 16:44-63)

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

August 7 – "The Tree the Lord Planted" (Ezekiel 17:1-24)

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

Sunday Evening Messages

July 10 – "Partiality Is Against the Royal Law" (James 2:1-9) PIT Stephen Tunnicliff

July 17 – "How to NOT Judge the World" (James 2:10-13) Pastor Matthew Downs

July 24 – "Faith is Perfected by Works" (James 2:14-26) Pastor Matthew Downs

"The True Vine"

July 10, 2022 Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

The New English Translation (NET) Bible

The Metaphor

Ezekiel 15:1 - The word of the LORD came to me:

Ezekiel 15:2 - "Son of man, of all the woody branches among the trees of the forest, what happens to the wood of the vine?

Ezekiel 15:3 - Can wood be taken from it to make anything useful? Or can anyone make a peg from it to hang things on?

Ezekiel 15:4 - No! It is thrown in the fire for fuel; when the fire has burned up both ends of it and it is charred in the middle, will it be useful for anything?

Ezekiel 15:5 - Indeed! If it was not made into anything useful when it was whole, how much less can it be made into anything when the fire has burned it up and it is charred?

• The _____ is only good to be used as _____ for the fire

The Interpretation

Ezekiel 15:6 - "Therefore, this is what the sovereign LORD says: Like the wood of the vine is among the trees of the forest which I have provided as fuel for the fire—so I will provide the residents of Jerusalem as fuel.

Jerusalem is the ______

Ezekiel 15:7 - I will set my face against them—although they have escaped from the fire, the fire will still consume them! Then you will know that I am the LORD, when I set my face against them.

The Outcome

Ezekiel 15:8 - I will make the land desolate because they have acted unfaithfully, declares the sovereign LORD."

Sin has defiled both the _____ and the

Why Does God Use This Analogy (the Vine)??

Old Testament Use of the Vine and Vineyard

- 1. Hosea 10:1 Israel was a fertile vine that yielded fruit. As his fruit multiplied, he multiplied altars to Baal. As his land prospered, they adorned the fertility pillars.
- 2. Isaiah 5:4,7a What more can I do for my vineyard beyond what I have already done? When I waited for it to produce edible grapes, why did it produce sour ones instead... Indeed Israel is the vineyard of the LORD who commands armies, the people of Judah are the cultivated place in which he took delight.
- 3. Ezekiel 17 and 19
- 4. Jeremiah 2:21 I planted you in the land like a special vine of the very best stock. Why in the world have you turned into something like a wild vine that produces rotten, foul-smelling grapes?

Jesus' Use of the Vine

- 1. John 15:1 I am the true vine and my Father is the gardener...
 - a. Jesus is the _____
- 2. John 15:5 I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in me and I in him bears much fruit, because apart from me you can accomplish nothing
 - a. Power, Life and Salvation is not being a part of a

_____ it is being _____ with

Jesus Christ

3. John 15:6 - If anyone does not remain in me, he is thrown out like a branch, and dries up; and such branches are gathered up and thrown into the fire, and are burned up

a. Those who don't bear the fruit of God

will display the _____ of God

Psalm 80:7 - (NASB95) - O God of hosts, restore us And cause Your face to shine upon us, and we will be saved.

Psalm 80:8 - You removed a vine from Egypt; You drove out the nations and planted it.

Psalm 80:9 - You cleared the ground before it, And it took deep root and filled the land.

Psalm 80:10 - The mountains were covered with its shadow, And the cedars of God with its boughs.

Psalm 80:11 - It was sending out its branches to the sea And its shoots to the River.

Psalm 80:12 – Why have You broken down its hedges, So that all who pass that way pick its fruit?

Psalm 80:13 - A boar from the forest eats it away And whatever moves in the field feeds on it.

Psalm 80:14 - O God of hosts, turn again now, we beseech You; Look down from heaven and see, and take care of this vine,

Psalm 80:15 - Even the shoot which Your right hand has planted, And on the son whom You have strengthened for Yourself.

Psalm 80:16 - It is burned with fire, it is cut down; They perish at the rebuke of Your countenance.

Psalm 80:17 - Let Your hand be upon the man of Your right hand, Upon the son of man whom You made strong for Yourself.

Psalm 80:18 - Then we shall not turn back from You; Revive us, and we will call upon Your name.

Psalm 80:19 - O LORD God of hosts, restore us; Cause Your face to shine upon us, and we will be saved.

How will you display the character of God for all eternity?