

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

July 24-Isaiah 35-36
July 25-Isaiah 37-39, Psalm 76
July 26-Isaiah 40-43
July 27-Isaiah 44-48
July 28-II Kings 18:9-19:38
 Psalm 46, 80, 135
July 29-Isaiah 49-53
July 30-Isaiah 54-58
July 31-Isaiah 59-63

Birthdays


Meagan Connelly (7/25)
Rita Osland (7/25)
Jack Ryan (7/25)
Nancy Brooks (7/26)
Linda Shilling (7/29)
Mike Werner (7/29)
Lauri Wieland (7/29)
Angelina Barbarisi (7/31)
Raelynn Tilghman (7/31)

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 (7/17)
Budget Plan	\$ 28,355	\$ 822,295
Giving (Donations)	\$ 13,946	\$ 730,871
	\$ -14,409 (Shortage)	\$ -91,424 (Shortage)
GF Expenses	\$ 53,289	\$ 584,697
Faith Promise	Last Week	YTD (7/17)
Budget Plan	\$ 1,045	\$ 30,304
Giving (Donations)	\$ 849	\$ 30,065
	\$ -196 (Shortage)	\$ -239 (Shortage)
FP Expenses	\$ 10	\$ 40,220

Legacy Cumulative Debt Reduction		
	Last Week	Since Jan 2019
Legacy Designated	\$ 640	\$ 434,552

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.





FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH  TEMPE

LOVE GOD
LOVE PEOPLE

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

July 24, 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

Rejoice the Lord is King
Welcome and Announcements
Grace Greater Than Our Sin
My Faith Has Found a Resting Place
Prayer
Message-Pastor Anthony Whitlatch
“Misusing the Gifts of God”

9:30 am-Contemporary Worship

All Because of Jesus
Welcome and Announcements
1,000 Names
Hymn of Heaven
Prayer
Message-Pastor Anthony Whitlatch
“Misusing the Gifts of God”

11:00 am-Alternative Contemporary Worship

Mediator
Welcome and Announcements
Look What God Has Done
Anchor of Hope
Psalm 19
Prayer
Message-Pastor Anthony Whitlatch
“Misusing the Gifts of God”

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

Welcome
Worship Song #1
Worship Song #2
Worship Song #3
Prayer
Message-PIT Nathan Pipe
“Misusing the Gifts of God”

6:00 pm-Evening Worship

Welcome
Glorious One
Hymn of Heaven
Same God
Prayer
Message-Pastor Matthew Downs
“Faith is Perfected By Works”

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	\$ 69,470.00
Under Budget	\$ 57,300.00

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	\$ 27,684.00
Under Budget	\$ 122,316.00

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 24

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 25

6:00 am-Men’s Bible Study

Tuesday, July 26

9:30 am-Women’s Ministry Tuesday Morning Bible Study
1:00 pm-Teen Gaming Tuesday

Wednesday, July 27

6:30 pm-Worship Team Rehearsal

Thursday, July 28

5:00 pm-Teen Film and Technology

Saturday, July 30

9:00 pm-Teen Saturday @ Sozo Coffee
11:00 am-Memorial Service for Carrie Sill

Consider These

“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

God blesses your financially so that you can be a blessing to others . . .

- ✓ Deuteronomy 15:7-8, 10-11 *If there is a poor man among your brothers in any of the towns of the land that the Lord your God is giving you, do not be hardhearted or rightfisted toward your poor brother ... Rather be openhanded and freely lend him whatever he needs. Give generously to him and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to.*
- ✓ II Corinthians 9:8 *God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.*

*Do your givin’ while you are livin’
when you’re knowin’ where it’s goin’.*

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:

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

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

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.

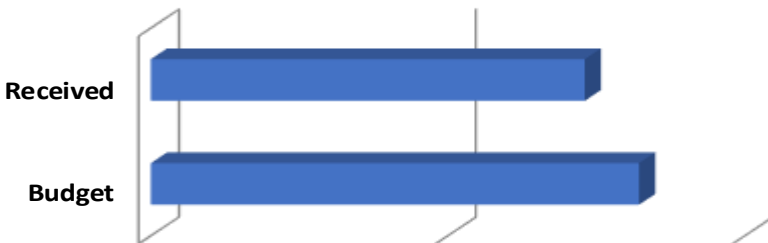
We need \$28,355.00 each week to meet our budget.

YTD Money Needed
\$822,295.00

YTD Money Received
\$730,871.00

UNDER Budget
\$-91,424.00

2022 General Fund Giving



	Budget	Received
Series 1	\$822,295.00	\$730,871.00

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 Everywhere

Bible Point: God is Everywhere

Elementary

9:30 am Bible Story: The Lord's Return

11:00 am Bible Story: God Prepares the Way

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 love bridges the gap
between young and old.



Sunday Lunch in the MAC

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

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

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



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.



"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.

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

Invite Someone To Worship

**Family, Friends, Neighbors,
Co-Workers**



**God still speaks to those
who take the time to listen!**



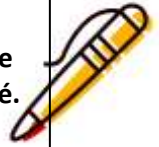
Women's Ministries helps create opportunities for women to grow in their relationship with Jesus, to make healthy and safe connections with other women of faith, and to use their God given talents to benefit the church body and the community.

Weekly Schedule

***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 24 – Use Your Gifts for God – Not Yourself

Sunday AM, July 31 – God Moves, We Receive

Sunday AM, August 7 – True Jews Follow Jesus

Sunday AM, August 14 – You Must Choose God

Sunday AM, August 21 – Repent and Please God



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

Whatever God wants us to do.
He will help us do it!



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



Pastor Roger Would Like to Invite You to Tour one of our Former Church Buildings

One of our former FBC Worship Centers
was built at the corner of University

Drive and Myrtle Avenue, the current location of the ASU Tower Center
Buildings.

ASU is currently in the master planning phase for the Tempe campus and
that corner is significant as an academic introduction to ASU. Plans are to
demolish the Tower Center Building to facilitate other university
development for adjacent areas in the near term and for a significant
academic structure for that site in the future.

You are invited to visit this old church on Wednesday, August 10, before it
is demolished. Be at the southeast corner of University Drive and Myrtle
Avenue at 9:34 am for a guided tour of the old church conducted by an ASU
official. To find a parking spot come really early. Also, because of the heat
bring an umbrella.



God will never allow anything to
come to you
that you and He cannot handle.

Join us on Sunday Evenings
as we are challenged to accept the
“Real Truth!”

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 21 – Choose proper friendship. Reap eternal benefits.

Sunday, August 28 – Leave the judging to Jesus.

Sunday, September 4 – Choose God’s will not your will.



Follow Jesus in Believer’s Baptism

**Our next believer’s baptism
is scheduled for Sunday, August 14.**

Reasons to be baptized...

- **Baptism says**, “I am not ashamed to say I am a believer in Jesus Christ”.
- **Baptism is** an advertisement for Jesus Christ.
- **Baptism is** doing what Jesus said, identifying yourself that you are a Christian.

The only pre-requisite for baptism is to be sure of your spiritual condition.
Have you put your trust in Jesus alone for your eternal life?

YES, I am interested in Baptism. Please call me.

Name _____

Telephone Number _____

Please tear off and drop in the offering plate.



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 rball@fbc-tempe.org

#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.

<https://www.azvoterguide.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/2022-Arizona-Voter-Guide-PE.pdf>



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.
9. 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 robswanson.fbc@gmail.com. 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.



God has called us to play the game,
not to keep the scores!

Save the Date



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
 - ✓ Snow Cones
- 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
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Sunday Mornings Messages

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)**

August 14 – “Taking Responsibility” (Ezekiel 18:1-20)

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

August 21 – “God of Mercy” (Ezekiel 18:21-32)

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

Sunday Evening Messages

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

**July 31 – “Doers of the Word, #1,
Pure Speech is Self-Controlled”
(James 3:1-12) PIT Tom Croke**

**August 7 – “Doers of the Word, #2,
Two Kinds of Wisdom”
(James 3:13-18) PIT Tom Croke**

“Misusing the Gifts of God”

July 24, 2022

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

PG-13 - PARENTS BE ADVISED SOME GRAPHIC CONTENT!

Ezekiel 16:15 – “But you trusted in your beauty and played the harlot because of your fame, and you poured out your harlotries on every passer-by who might be willing. (16) “You took some of your clothes, made for yourself high places of various colors and played the harlot on them, which should never come about nor happen. (17) You also took your beautiful jewels made of My gold and of My silver, which I had given you, and made for yourself male images that you might play the harlot with them. (18) “then you took your embroidered cloth and covered them, and offered My oil and My incense before them. (19) “Also My bread which I gave you, fine flour, oil and honey with which I fed you, you would offer before them for a soothing aroma; so it happened,” declares the Lord God.

- All _____
God gave to them they used for Idolatry

What Physical Thing Has God Given to Us That We Worship in Our Culture?

Ezekiel 16:20 – “Moreover, you took your sons and daughters whom you had borne to Me and sacrificed them to idols to be devoured. Were your harlotries so small a matter? (21) “You slaughtered My children and offered them up to idols by causing them to pass through the fire,

- The Climax of the offenses of Jerusalem was

Ezekiel 16:22 – “Besides all your abominations and harlotries you did not remember the days of your youth, when you were naked and bare and squirming in your blood.

- Those who forget how much they’ve been given become

Ezekiel 16:23 – “Then it came about after all your wickedness (‘Woe, woe to you!’ declares the Lord God), (24) that you built yourself a shrine and made yourself a high place in every square. (25) “You built yourself a high place at the top of every street and made your beauty abominable, and you spread your legs to every passer-by to multiply your harlotry.”

Ezekiel 16:26 – “You also played the harlot with the Egyptians, your lustful neighbors, and multiplied your harlotry to make Me angry. (27) “Behold now, I have stretched out My hand against you and diminished your rations. And I delivered you up to the desire of those who hate you, the daughters of the Philistines, who are ashamed of your lewd conduct. (28) “Moreover, you played the harlot with the Assyrians because you were not satisfied; you played the harlot with them and still were not satisfied. (29) “You also multiplied your harlotry with the land of merchants, Chaldea, yet even with this you were not satisfied.” (30) “How languishing is your heart,” declares the Lord God, “while you do all these things, the actions of a bold-faced harlot.

- Jerusalem looks to _____ and _____ alliances for protection, satisfaction and security - Egyptians/Assyrians/Chaldeans

Ezekiel 16:31 – “When you built your shrine at the beginning of every street and made your high place in every square, in disdain money, you were not like a harlot. (32) “You Adulteress wife, who takes strangers instead of her husband! (33) “Men give gifts to all harlots, but you give your gifts to all your lovers to bribe them to come to you from every direction for your harlotries. (34) “Thus you are different from those women in your harlotries, in that no one plays the harlot as you do, because you give money and no money is given you; thus you are different.”

- The reality of Idolatry and Adultery - we often give up _____ and we never _____ what we’re truly looking for

Ezekiel 16:35 – Therefore, O harlot, hear the word of the Lord. (36) Thus says the Lord God, “Because your lewdness was poured out and your nakedness uncovered through your harlotries with your lovers and with all your detestable idols, and because of the blood of

your sons which you gave to idols, (37) therefore, behold, I will gather all your lovers with whom you took pleasure, even all those whom you loved and all those whom you hated. So I will gather them against you from every direction and expose your nakedness to them that they may see all your nakedness. (38) “Thus I will judge you like women who commit adultery or shed blood are judged; and I will bring on you the blood of wrath and jealousy.

- Leviticus 20:10 – ‘If there is a man who commits adultery with another man’s wife, one who commits adultery with his friend’s wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.
- Exodus 21:12 – “He who strikes a man so that he dies shall surely be put to death.
- Leviticus 24:17 – ‘If the man takes the life of any human being, he shall surely be put to death.

Ezekiel 16:39 – “I will also give you into the hands of your lovers, and they will tear down your shrines, demolish your high places, strip you of your clothing, take away your jewels, and will leave you naked and bare. (40) “They will incite a crowd against you and they will stone you and cut you to pieces with their swords. (41) “They will burn your houses with fire and execute judgments on you in the sight of many women. Then I will stop you from playing the harlot, and you will also no longer pay your lovers. (42) “So I will calm My fury against you and My jealousy will depart from you, and I will be pacified and angry no more. (43) “Because you have not remembered the days of your youth but have enraged Me by all these things, behold, I in turn will bring your conduct down on your own head,” declares the Lord God, “so that you will not commit this lewdness on top of all your other abominations.

The Idolatry That You Run to Will Eventually Be Your Destruction

**If You Continually Use the Gifts God Has Given You in Rebellion
- Eventually He will Remove them from You**

What gifts has God given you?

What are you using them for?

How can you use the gifts God has given you for His glory??