



# Ordinances of the Church

## Ordinance of Communion

Read the following passages:

- Matthew 26:26–28
- Luke 22:19–20
- 1 Corinthians 10:16–17
- 1 Corinthians 11:23–29

What do you most remember about Jesus when you take Communion?

What does it mean to you personally that Jesus gave His body and blood for you?

How does remembering His sacrifice affect your daily walk with Him?

What does Communion mean to you personally?

How does Communion connect you to the body of Christ?

## Ordinance of Baptism

Read Romans 6:3–4

What does it mean to be “buried with Christ” and “raised to new life?”

If you haven’t been baptized yet, what questions or feelings do you have about it?

Read Matthew 28:18-20

List out Jesus’ instructions.

Why does Jesus tell us to do this?

**Memory verse: Romans 6:3-4** - *“Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, in order that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.”*

## Financial Update 2025

| GENERAL GIVING               | Last Week                        | YTD (09/07)              |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Budget Plan                  | \$ 20,433                        | \$ 735,588               |
| Giving (Donations)           | \$ 28,282                        | \$ 664,678               |
|                              | <b>(over) \$ 7,849</b>           | <b>(Short) \$ 70,910</b> |
| GF EXPENSES                  | \$ 13,912                        | \$ 735,639               |
| FAITH PROMISE                |                                  |                          |
| Budget Plan                  | \$ 1,053                         | \$ 37,908                |
| Giving (Donations)           | \$ 940                           | \$ 22,607                |
|                              | <b>(Short) \$ 113</b>            | <b>(Short) \$ 15,301</b> |
| FP EXPENSES                  | \$ 2,181                         | \$ 35,183                |
| CIRA 2025: Budget: \$172,369 | Church Plant: Budget: \$ 150,000 |                          |
| Giving: \$ 96,322            | Giving: \$ 45,650                |                          |

## This Week @ FBC

- Monday, 9/15:** 6:15 am—Men's Monday AM Bible Study, rm 104  
7:00 pm—Parents of Addicted Loved Ones, rm 104
- Tuesday, 9/16:** 9:30 am—Woman's Bible Study, rm 107/108  
7:00 pm—Neurodivergent Bible Study, rm 104
- Wednesday, 9/17:** 11:00 am — Senior Lunch, rm 107/108  
5:30 pm— Youth Music/Band Practice, rm 207  
6:30 pm—Youth Group, rm 207  
6:30 pm—FBC Choir Rehearsal  
6:30 pm—World Religions Class, rm 105
- Thursday, 9/18:** 6:00 pm—Worship Team Vocal Rehearsal  
6:30 pm—Women's Bible Study, rm 107/108  
6:45 pm—Worship Band Rehearsal  
7:00 pm—GriefShare, rm 104



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**September 14, 2025**

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info on all our ministries:  
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**Sunday Morning Worship  
Services**  
9:30 am  
11:00 am

## 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 on FBC and any of its ministries, please stop by the Connections Center located in the main Lobby.

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

## Sermon Guide

### Unshakeable Roots: Acts 2:40-47

#### "Why Communion & Baptism Matter"

September 14, 2025

Pastor John Heston

#### What is an ordinance?

An act of \_\_\_\_\_ by Jesus to be observed  
until \_\_\_\_\_. It is used for our \_\_\_\_\_  
through the Holy Spirit.

#### Where is the power?

1. Not in the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Not in the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Not in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the elements

In the \_\_\_\_\_, in alignment with the \_\_\_\_\_ of  
the participant.

Baptism demonstrates our union \_\_\_\_\_ and His  
\_\_\_\_\_.

The Lord's Supper demonstrates our \_\_\_\_\_ with  
Christ.

- **Sunday Lunch:** **9/14** Baked Potato Bar **9/21** Nacho Bar
- **Young Adult Group:** **NOW MEETING at FBC** upstairs in room 217. Young Adults 18-30, singles or couples, meets every other Tuesday evening at **7:30 pm**, Contact Mike McCall for info: may-hmccall@gmail.com **Next meeting: 9/23**
- **Young Family Group:** Every other Wednesday. Contact Pastor Anthony (awhitlatch@fbc-tempe.org) **Next Meeting: 9/24**
- **FBC Mid-Week Youth:** (**7th-12th grade**), Wed. at 5:30 pm
- **Seniors Ministry: LUNCH Wednesday, September 17**  
**Bring \$5 and enjoy a good LUNCH and great fellowship! 11 am**
- **Women's Fall Bible Studies Tuesdays 9:30-11:30 am and Thursday Evenings: 6:30-8 pm**. Both groups will be studying Ben Joseph's book, "Conquering the Christian Rat Race"- How to be an impactful Christian. Room 107/108
- **NEW BIBLE STUDY CLASS:** Need a place to belong?  
**Bible study for neurodivergent adults**, ADHD, autism, etc.  
Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in room 104. We will be using the book, "Stuck" by Jennie Allen. Led by Michelle Pfeiffer-Johnson.
- **World Religions Class: Wednesday nights** in September, 6:30-8 pm, rm 105. Hosted by Pastor John with guest leaders.
- **Evangelism Training and Outreach Opportunity: Saturday, September 20, 2025** Take one step closer to Jesus. Learn how to share the Gospel and put it into practice.  
**Led by Pastor John.**
- **Baptism Class:** Would you like to find out more about baptism or would you like to be baptized? Join us for a class on baptism.  
**Sunday, September 21, at 11 am in rm 118. Led by Pastor Anthony.**
- **NEW CLASS: Foundations of our Faith. Sunday nights** from 5-6:30 pm in rm 104. **Begins 9/21** Led by Rick Brennan. This class will go through the fall and spring.

## Sunday Sermon Series



9/14: Does Communion & Baptism Matter?

9/21: How Do I Walk with God Daily?

9/28: What is Church For?

10/5: How Does God View Money?

## Going Deeper...

**World Religions Class**— **Wednesday nights** in September in room 105. 6:30-8 pm. Hosted by Pastor John. **Begins September 3.**

**Evangelism Training & Outreach**—**Saturday, September 20**, at 9 am in room 118. Led by Pastor John.

**Baptism Class**—**Sunday, September 21**, at 11 am in room 118. Led by Pastor Anthony.

**Foundations of our Faith** "Important beliefs and stories every believer should know." - **Sunday nights** from 5—6:30 pm in room 104. **Begins 9/21** Led by Rick Brennan. This class will go through the fall and spring.

**Rooted Class**—**Sundays**, for 7 weeks, **beginning October 5** at 9:30 am in room 118. Led by Elijah Hernandez.

**Spiritual Gifts Discovery Workshop**—**Wednesdays** in room 105 from 6:30—8 pm. **10/15 & 10/22**. Led by Pastor John.

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# KID CITY

(Birth through 6<sup>th</sup> grade)

Spiritual Growth Opportunities

Sunday's 9:30 & 11:00am

**Today** your son/daughter will learn about:

**Preschool through Kindergarten**

King David Writes About God

(Psalm 139)

**Memory Verse:** Psalm 75:1

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

**1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Dinosaurs and Dragons

(Job 40:15-19; 41:1-2; 41:5; 41:8; 41:14; 41:18-19; 41:21; 41:25)

**Memory Verse:** Genesis 1:1 "because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

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.