

## Financial Update 2025

GENERAL GIVING	Last Week	YTD (12/21)
Budget Plan	\$ 20,433	\$ 1,042,083
Giving (Donations)	\$ 29,795	\$ 968,467
	<b>(Over) \$ 9,362</b>	<b>(Short) \$ 73,616</b>
GF EXPENSES	\$ 37,327	\$ 1,032,590
MISSIONARY FAITH PROMISE		
Budget Plan	\$ 1,053	\$ 53,703
Giving (Donations)	\$ 1050	\$ 33,980
	<b>(Short) \$ 3</b>	<b>(Short) \$ 19,723</b>
FP EXPENSES	\$ 2,206	\$ 50,378
<b>CIRA 2025:</b> Budget: \$172,369	<b>Church Plant:</b> Budget: \$	150,000
Giving: \$ 133,852	Giving: \$	66,530

### Year End Financial Update and Goal

**\$143,142 of our \$230,000 goal has been given.**

**Keep praying as we look to close the gap of \$86,858.**

### This Week @ FBC

**Monday, 12/29:** 6:15 am—Men's Monday AM Bible Study, rm 104

**Tuesday, 12/30:** 7:30 pm—Young Adults, rm 217

**Wednesday, 12/31:** Church office open from 8am—12pm

**Thursday, 1/1/2026:** Happy New Year! Church office closed.

**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](http://www.fbc-tempe.org) and click "Donate" OR Scan here**



# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF TEMPE

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**Dr. John Heston, Senior Pastor**

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## December 28, 2025

Visit our Website for more  
info on all our ministries:  
[fbc-tempe.org](http://fbc-tempe.org)

**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

### Our Next Steps: "The Ministry of Presence"

Hebrew 10:23-25

December 28 , 2025

Pastor John Heston

The ministry of presence is less about a busy  
\_\_\_\_\_and more about a settled \_\_\_\_\_.

Presence is the true currency of \_\_\_\_\_.

The goal is to help people find \_\_\_\_\_and  
become \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Practical steps:

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## Featured Events:

- **Sunday Lunch:** **12/28** No Lunch **1/4** TBD
- **Young Adult Group:** Young Adults 18-30, singles or couples, meets every other Tuesday evening at **7:30 pm, rm 217**. Contact Mike McCall for info: mayhmccall@gmail.com **Next meeting: 12/30**
- **Young Family Group:** Every other Wednesday. Contact Pastor Anthony (awhitlatch@fbc-tempe.org) **5:30 pm, rm 107/108**  
**Next Meeting: 1/14**
- **Seniors Ministry:** LUNCH **Wednesday, January 14**, at **11am**. Sign up in the lobby.
- **Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, January 10 at 8am.
- **Women's Spring Bible Studies:** Tuesday mornings, begins 1/27, 9:30-11:30am. Thursday evenings, begins 1/29, 6:30-8pm.  
"Intentional, Living Out the Eight Principles of Disciple Making" \$11

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### Help FBC With Your Year-End Donations

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

To be able to declare your end-of-year gifts for 2025 and in accordance with IRS rules:

1. All checks need to be dated no later than December 31, 2025,
2. If hand carried to FBC, your gifts need to be in the church's possession on or before noon on Wednesday, December 31, 2025.
3. If sent through the mail, your gifts need to be postmarked no later than December 31, 2025
4. If you use online giving, your gifts must be dated no later than December 31, 2025.

# 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**

One Family Service Day

**Memory Verse:** John 3:16

"For God so loved the world He gave His only Son."

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

One Family Service Day

**Memory Verse:** Matthew 1:21 "She will have a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."

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.

FBC Holiday Office Hours

*Happy New Year*

12/29 & 12/30: 8am-5pm

12/31: **8am-12pm**

1/1: **Closed**



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**Be a part of the 2026 FBC Passion Play!** We are looking for singers, actors (no speaking required), costume designers, set builders, and back stage helpers! This multi-generational production showcases Christ's journey to the cross. We will perform on Palm Sunday, March 29, 2026 and rehearsals will begin in January. If you would like to be involved, see Julie Huver or sign up at the table in the lobby. Ages 4-104 (under 8 need parents with them)

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