

The Vision
 First Baptist Church
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Sunday Worship Times

Morning Worship @ 10:15 am
 Small Groups 1st & 3rd Sundays @ 5:30pm
 Evening Worship 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 7:00 pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

STAFF

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 Chris Roth, Youth & Outreach Director..... 214-0233
 Belinda Shoff, Secretary
 Chastity O'Neal, Secretary
 Staci King, Financial Secretary/Treasurer

Church Office Hours

Monday-Friday
 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Staff Meeting
 Monday 10:30 am



**FOR MARCH
 MONDAY
 March 25th**

FBC 101 New Members Class

March 3rd-24th
 9:00 am
 4 week class Led by Pastor Robb Hodson

Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday, March 5th

YAH Council @ 1:15 pm
 Church Council @ 7:00 pm

Sunday, March 10th

Business Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Sunday, March 24th

Deacon's Meeting @ 6:00 pm



Lord's Supper

Sunday, March 10th
 10:15 am

Young Christians Weekend

Saturday, April 6th

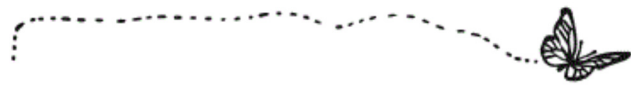
At Silver Dollar City

Cost: \$25.00 to reserve tickets

Deadline to Register: Sunday, March 10th

We will leave the Church @ 7:00am and return to the Church around 11:00 pm

Youth will need money for lunch at the Park and we will stop at McDonald's in Ozark on the way home.




*This is the day that the Lord has made;
 let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

Psalm 118:24



To Know Christ and to
 Make Him Known



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**Daylight Savings Time
 Begins March 10th**



Family Movie Night @ The Plaza

"Indivisible"

Sunday, March 31st

5:00 pm & 7:30 pm

Free Admission!!!



INDIVISIBLE is the extraordinary true story of Army Chaplain Darren Turner and his wife Heather. When war etches battle scars on their hearts, they face one more battle: the fight to save their marriage. One marriage, one family, under God.

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From the Pastor's Heart

Dear First Family and Friends,

With the month of March quickly approaching, one must consider renewing their fishing license. I am making plans to do more fishing this year than I did last year, which consist of more than three times. I have already been preparing, new fishing line on the reels, changing stuff in the fishing tackle box, and charging the batteries for the boat. The gracious gift of a very good friend, I have the necessary funds to renew my license! There is yet one major missing component. Taking the time to go fishing. I have the enthusiasm, plans, and preparation, but I find a variety of excuses why I can't go fishing today. Moreover, it does not matter the day, there is always an excuse.

Matthew records the first people Jesus called to follow Him were fishermen. He records the fact that they were busy mending their nets from a long night of fishing. Jesus asks Peter to launch out to the deep for a catch. He does, they catch a boatload, almost two boatloads of fish. Coming to the bank, Jesus calls them to follow Him and they drop everything to follow Him.

How easy is it for us to become so consumed in our daily activities of life that we are too busy to hear Christ call us to follow Him. We ignore the golden opportunities He puts in our path to make a difference in someone's life. We fail to hear that soft gentle voice say, "follow me, launch out to the deep for a catch." I pray we never become so busy we miss hearing the call to become fishers of men.

I'm going fishing.

Keeping the Main Thing, the main thing,
 Pastor Robb

Looking Ahead

- March 3 9:00 am FBC 101 New Members Class
12:00 am Parenting Class
5:30 pm Small Groups
- March 5 1:15 pm YAH Council Meeting
7:00 pm Church Council
- March 6 5:40 pm BLAST
6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 7 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 10 **Day Light Savings Time Begins**
9:00 am FBC 101 New Members Class
10:15 am Lord's Supper
5:30 pm Parenting Class
6:00 pm Business Meeting
7:00 pm Evening Worship
- March 11-15 Lamar Spring Break
- March 12 5:00 pm YAH Meeting
- March 13 5:40 pm BLAST
6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 14 1:13 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 17 9:00 am FBC 101 New Members Class
5:30 pm Small Groups
- March 20 5:40 pm BLAST
6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 21 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study
6:00 pm Ladies' Night Out
- March 24 9:00 am FBC 101 New Members Class
6:00 pm Deacon's Meeting
7:00 pm Evening Services
- March 27 5:40 pm BLAST
6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 28 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study
- March 31 3:00 pm Maple Senior Living Service
5:00 pm Family Movie Night @ the Plaza
7:30 pm Family Movie Night @ the Plaza



MINISTRY OF PRAYER CHURCH FAMILY

Bill Bowman Sharon Ramey David Banwart Walter Powell
Austin Potter John Lawrence

EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY

Jason Stahl, brother of Julie Means
Merida Ramage, granddaughter of Keith & Lynn Divine
Merle Moore, mother of Debbie Heim
Robbie King, sister of Nell Finley
Dallas Beem, father of Darin Beem
Billy Schnauffer, friend of Dayne & Belinda Shoff
Jessica Querry, sister-in-law of Kerri Beshore
Renee Whitley, sister of Alan Ray
Crea Schmidt, grandson of Wanda Reno
Robert & Pansey Holt, friends of Rose Bronson

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Austin Potter - Marines, son of Dan & Tanya Potter
Brandon Lipe - Chicago, Il. grandson of Noel & Lynn Grigery
A1C Nathan Sanden - Davis-Monthan AFB, Tuscon, AZ,
grandson of Dwayne & Linda Jones
Joey Rossiter - North Carolina, grandson of Sue Hobson
Merissa Schmidt - Pentagon, granddaughter of Wanda Reno
Landon McManis - Moody AFB, GA, grandson of Albert & Justine McManis
Mark Jones - Okinawa, Japan, son of Dwayne and Linda Jones
Patrick Beetler - Camp LaJeune, NC, son of Sherry Stettler
Capt. Cody Rossiter - Germany, grandson of Sue Hobson
Nathan Davis-National Guard, husband of Sarah Davis

MISSION OUTREACH

Pastoral Staff Missionary Tony Pitaniello Lamar's Unchurched
Building Committee Haiti Mission Trip

PRAYER WARRIORS

Teacher gifts for March need to be in the Church Office by
Wednesday, March 6th for delivery on March 7th.
This will be the last delivery before the Prayer Warrior Banquet.

Prayer Warrior Banquet is April 1st at 5:00 pm

YAH Meeting

Thursday, March 12th

5:00 pm

Meal: Potluck

Dessert Provided by the Church

We will be making bird feeders

Family Ministries

Do we worship with our emotions and our minds? Please consider **Romans 12:1-2**: "I urge you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God which is your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable, or well pleasing and perfect." I believe this passage will help us to do exactly that.

Emotionally and mentally, we are inspired by the "**mercies of God**". God's mercies are everything He has given us that we don't deserve: love, grace, joy, faith, strength, wisdom, hope, patience, kindness, righteousness, eternal life, forgiveness, reconciliation, justification, sanctification, freedom and much more. The knowledge and understanding of these incredible gifts motivate us to emotional worship. Another way of engaging our minds and emotions in worship is by "**(presenting our) bodies a living and holy sacrifice**". The reference to our bodies here means all of our humanness—our hearts, minds, hands, thoughts, attitudes—are to be presented to God as our "**spiritual service of worship**". Surrendering our bodies, requires us to give up control of these things and turn them over to Him, just as a literal sacrifice was given totally

to God on the altar. This surrender however, is not free of the mind. We must be "**transformed by the renewing of (our) mind.**" We renew our minds daily by cleansing them of the world's "wisdom" and replacing it with true wisdom that comes from God's word. Emotional worship will spring forth from a transformed mind, but unless that worship is shaped by a mind saturated in Truth, it can be destructive, out-of-control. Where the mind goes, the will follows, and so do the emotions. **(1 Corinthians 2:16)** tells us we have "the mind of Christ," not the emotions of Christ. Finally, worship that engages both the mind and emotions will guide us in "**that which is good and acceptable, or well pleasing and perfect**", to God. The highest form of praise and worship is obedience to Him and His Word and Will. To do this, we must know God; we cannot be ignorant of Him **(Acts 17:23)** but proclaim with passion what we know to be true. Jesus tells us that true worshipers will worship God in spirit and in truth **(John 4:24)**. This means we worship from our hearts with emotion, and with our minds saturated by the truth, the way God has designed. God willing, this will be how we worship Him here at First Baptist Lamar.

God Bless, Steve



March Homebound

Maple Senior Living
Mary Walker



Dessert Auction

A Big Thank You goes out to all those who helped with and attended the Dinner and Dessert Auction. From Vickie Morris organizing the meal, to Jim Schiltz for doing our auctioneering, to all our Collision Youth and parents who worked hard and provided desserts. Most importantly, thank you to our Church congregation for attending and supporting our youth group. We are all truly blessed to be part of an amazing church family. The total amount received was \$5,450.

Ladies' Night Out

Thursday, March 21st

6:00 pm

Come & Go

Amanda Livingston's Home (1805 Lakeview Dr.)
Menu: Pepper Jack Chicken Fajita Soup, Corn Bread,
& Sopapilla Cheesecake

Vital Signs for February, 2019

Average Attendance for February
Morning Worship - 247
Sunday School - 143
Evening Worship - 29

Treasurer's Report for February 2019 Business Meeting
Total Income: \$ 45,526.62
Total Expenditures: \$ 39,127.81