

The Vision

First Baptist Church
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Sunday Worship Times

Morning Worship @ 10:15 am
Small Groups @ 5:30 pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

STAFF

Church Phone..... 682-3538
Fax Number..... 682-3539
Church Web Site..... www.fbclamar.org
www.facebook.com/firstbaptistchurchoflamar
Dr. Robert Hodson, Pastor..... 681-0393
Steve Livingston..... 225-2821
Worship Leader & Family Ministries
Chris Roth, Youth & Outreach Director..... 214-0233
Pam Caruthers Secretary
Gina Reed, Secretary
Staci King, Financial Secretary/Treasurer
Valerie Waggoner, Preschool Director 214-4406
Tanya Potter, Custodian 461-4312

Church Office Hours
Monday-Thursday
8:00 am - 12:00 pm
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Friday
8:00 am-12:00 pm
Staff Meeting
Monday 1:30 pm



**FOR NOVEMBER
MONDAY
November 22**

Daylight Savings Time Ends
Sunday, November 5th.
Remember to set your clocks **Back one hour.**



The Church office will be **CLOSED**
Thursday, Nov. 23rd & Friday, Nov. 24th
Have a blessed Thanksgiving Day!

Upcoming Meetings:

Monday, November 6th
YAH Council Meeting @ 10:30 am

Tuesday, November 7th
Church Council @ 7:00 pm

Our Deepest Sympathy to :

*Dana Sheat & Family in the loss of her
Father, Hugh Logan*



*Diane Moore & Family in the loss of her
Mother, Helen Gardner*

Community Thanksgiving Service
Sunday, November 19th
7:00 pm @ Grace Place Church

November YAH Meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 14th @ 5:00 pm
Meal: Turkey, Dressing & Gravy provided
A-G; Bring a Dessert H-P; bring a Salad
Q-Z: Bring a Vegetable
FBC Fellowship Hall

Prayer Warriors



Gifts due by Wed. Nov. 8th
Crafters-Thursday, November 9th
10:00 am Assembling teachers gifts for delivery



To Know Christ and to
Make Him Known



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Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday, November 23

Dine-In

Delivery and Pick-up Meals
First Baptist Church



We are once again planning our annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner. We will have meals available for delivery or pick up. Deliveries will go out by 11:00 am. Meals may be picked up between 11:00-12:00. We will also be offering DINE-IN 12:00-1:00 pm. We need food items for the meal. There is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area for these items or you can call the church. Please have the non-perishables to the church by Sunday, Nov. 19th Please have the slaw mix here by Wednesday, November 22nd.

Monetary donations are being accepted for Turkeys & Hams. (church will purchase)

120 # Slaw Mix	160 pounds Potatoes
70 Cans Jellied Cranberry Sauce	90 boxes Stuffing Mix
35 Gallons Green Beans	80 Cans Pumpkin (no mix)
62-2# Pkgs Frozen Corn	80 Cans Evaporated Milk

If you would like to help in the kitchen or deliver meals, please sign up in the Gathering Area or call the church office at 682-3538. If you would like to pick up a meal or have a meal delivered or know of someone who would like to have a meal delivered, please contact the church office. We are in need of coolers for deliveries on Thanksgiving Day. Please bring them no later than Wed. Nov. 22nd and have your name clearly written on them. Thank You!

From the Pastor's Heart

Dear First Family and Friends,

Denise and I would like to express our appreciation and thanksgiving to all our church family and friends for their generous support during Pastor Appreciation Month. Your notes and cards of encouragement, your gifts of love, and your voices of prayer and support affirms our love for you. I know God has great things He wants to accomplish as we serve Him together.

My devotional reading this morning was from the book of Psalms. It described a world in chaos, earthquakes, tsunamis, all kinds of trouble. It calls us to come see the glorious work of the Lord as He causes war to end and peace to be restored. This is the most comforting phrase... "The Lord of Heaven's Armies is here among us." What a great promise!

Keeping the Main Thing, the main thing,
Pastor Robb

Looking Ahead

- November 1 6:30 pm Women's Fall Bible Study
- November 2 1:30 pm Women's Fall Bible Study
- November 4 8:00 am Men's Ministry Breakfast
- November 5 Daylight Savings Time Ends
R.A.K. Quarter Collection
10:15 am OCC Shoeboxes due back
5:30 pm Small Groups End
- November 6 10:30 am YAH Council Meeting
- November 7 Election
7:00 pm Church Council Meeting
- November 8 6:30 pm Women's Fall Bible Study
- November 9 10:00 am YAH Crafters, gift delivery
1:30 pm Women's Fall Bible Study
- November 12 R.A. K. Quarter Collection
- November 13-20 O.C.C. Collection Week
- November 14 5:00 pm YAH Meal
- November 15 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study ends
- November 16 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study ends
- November 19 R.A. K. Quarter Collection
7:00 pm Community Thanksgiving
Service @ Grace Place Church
- November 21 10:00 am FBC'S & 123's
Thanksgiving Feast
- November 23 Thanksgiving Day-Office Closed
Thanksgiving Community Meal
- November 24 Office Closed
- November 26 Advent of Hope-MBCH Gifts due
- November 28 Meals on Wheels Delivery

MINISTRY OF PRAYER CHURCH FAMILY

Joel Cofield Chris Sheat Beth Reed Beverly Ramseyer
Leonard Metcalf Melanie Bruffett Lorraine Vice Christine Byram

EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY

Jewell Dearing, uncle of Pam Caruthers
Richard Gallman, brother of Guy Gallman
Jentri Banwart granddaughter of Peggy & David Banwart
Rick VanGilder, son of Patsy VanGilder
Earl Higgins, brother in law of John Lawrence & Nancy McCall
Brett Campbell, friend of Belinda & Dayne Shoff Travis Gire, friend of Gale & Tom Main
Steve Rawlings, nephew of Lynn Divine Jim & Glenda Thomas, parents of Mike Thomas
Donna Fagile, friend of Jane Houghton
John Orahood, friend of Leon Bishop
Diane Dighero, sister of Pam Kelley Joel Miller, friend of Mae Cooper
Tim Gifford, friend of David Banwart Jeannie Koehn, mother of Mike Koehn
Jeanie & Bill Burkhardt, sister & brother in law of David Thrasher
Billy Schnauffer, brother in law of Nina & Gary White Tina Walker, sister of Cindi Sprouls
Scott Gordon, friend of Bruffetts & Sandbergs Rod Jurgens, friend of Sheila Stevens
Nancy Kirby, sister in law of Kay McKee Becky Howell, friend of Teresa Roberts
Tyler Worthington, grandson of Shirley Hildebrand Travis Stroud, son of Carol Stroud
Jessica Querry, sister in law of Kerri Beshore

MILITARY / 1st RESPONDER PERSONNEL

Taylor Sheat, National Guard, nephew of Chris Sheat
Rene Gamache-Army, husband of Jerica (Stahl) Gamache
Brian Jenkins-, grandson of Maxine Francis
Richard Jones-Army, Washington, son of Linda Jones
Caleb Stevens-USAF Las Vegas, NV, son of Gary & Shelia Stevens
Joey Rossiter - North Carolina, grandson of Sue Hobson
Dylan Hill-Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska-son in law of Darin & Jennifer Beem
Mark Jones - Navy-Illinois, son of Linda Jones
Nathan Davis-National Guard, husband of Sarah Davis

MISSION OUTREACH

Pastoral Staff Lamar's Unchurched Building/Project Committee
Issues in Israel

Youth/Outreach

Raising Godly Children

"I do not write these things to shame you, but to admonish you as my beloved children. " 1 Corinthians 14:4
Raising Godly children in this crazy world can be a daunting task. As parents it can seem like an overwhelming task. We could all use a little help at times and God's word is the best place we can go for words of advice when we are seeking a little guidance on how to raise our children.

The first way Paul instructed his spiritual children was through his words. But if strong words were all it took to raise great children, we would all have great children, wouldn't we? The fact is, it takes more than words. So, second, I want you to notice how Paul trained his spiritual children by his actions. Specifically, there are two characteristics of a godly parent Paul exhibited.

First of all, he demonstrated unconditional love. Look at 1 Corinthians 4:14: "I do not write these things to shame you, but to admonish you as my beloved children." Paul was saying, "I am not trying to shame you; I am trying to reclaim you." Anytime we rebuke our children, it is not out of anger; it is out of a desire to help them experience what God wants for them.

Paul admonished the Corinthians because he loved them; in fact, he called them his "beloved children." That term "beloved" comes from the Greek word "agape." It is the highest form of love—the kind of unconditional love God has toward us. Remember, these Corinthian Christians were involved with fornication and incest; they were getting drunk at the Lord's Supper. Yet in spite of their disobedience,

Paul was saying, "I love you with all my heart." If your children are going to receive your rebuke, they have to be convinced of your unconditional love for them.

Second, Paul provided a faithful example. He said in verse 16, "Therefore I exhort you, be imitators of me." In other words, "Do you want to learn how to be humble? There is no better example than me." Doesn't that make you wince a little bit? But Paul knew it is not a question of whether our children are going to imitate us but what they are going to imitate in us.

When my daughter Kinley was about five, our family was running late for church, and Kinley stood at the door with her hands on her hips, saying, "Hurry up! Hurry up! Let's go!" I thought, "Where did she learn that kind of obnoxious behavior?" Then it hit me, she had seen her dad do that to her mother far too many times. Never forget your children are watching you. You can fool people at work and at church about your Christlikeness, but you will never fool your children. As they look at your life, what are they seeing? What are they learning about how to deal with anger? About forgiveness? About trusting God when things look very dim?

As somebody once said, "More is caught than taught." That is why it is so important to provide a godly example for our children. We must practice what we preach.

To God be the Glory,

Chris Roth

R.A.K. Laundromat QUARTER Ministry

(Random Acts of Kindness)

We will be collecting Quarters to bless the patrons at the Laundromat this
Holiday season. Collection Jar will be in the Gathering area
Sundays Nov. 5th, 12th & 19th

Operation Christmas Child

*There are still shoeboxes available, Don't Forget to
Pick Up One,
fill it with special gifts of love and return it on
Sunday, November 5.*

Our prayer is that children around the world will
have the joy of receiving a gift
and an opportunity to hear the Gospel.

National Collection Week is November 13 - 20 and
we will again be a Drop-Off location. Volunteers are
needed to help pack the shoeboxes that will be
dropped off and there are plenty of opportunities to
serve. Sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Area.

Serving God together,
Operation Christmas Child at First Baptist Church
Lamar

Men's Ministry Breakfast

Sat., November 4th @ 8:00 am

Speaker: Joe Nogalski
S.W. Regional Rep. MBCH
(Missouri Baptist Children's Home)



Averages for October, 2023

Average Attendance for October
Morning Worship - 222
Sunday School - 124
Small Groups - 51

Treasurer's Report for September 2023
Total Income: \$55,014.14
Total Expenditures: \$51,345.69
October FLOC Contributions: \$1,637.26



November Homebound

Nancy Bowman

Young At Heart December Outing

Thursday, Dec. 7th

Stong's Throw Dinner Theater

Tickets \$29.00 per person

Deadline to sign up is Mon. Nov. 20th

Call the church office to

Reserve your tickets.



We will be participating again this year with

Missouri Baptist Children's Home Christmas Tree Program

*When we receive the children's gift
requests, there will be a tree by the
Church office.*