

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
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Chris Roth, Youth & Outreach Director..... 214-0233
Pam Caruthers Secretary
Gina Reed, Secretary
Staci King, Financial Secretary/Treasurer
Valerie Waggoner, Preschool Director 214-4406
David Thrasher, Custodian 682-1562

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 24**

Daylight Savings Time Ends
Sunday, November 2nd.
Remember to set your clocks
Back 1 hour Sat. Nov. 1st



The Church office will be CLOSED
Thursday, Nov. 27th & Friday, Nov. 28th
Have a blessed Thanksgiving Day!

Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday, November 4th

10:30 am YAH Council Meeting
Church Council @ 7:00 pm

Sunday, November 23rd

4:00 pm Deacon's Meeting

November YAH Meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 18th @ 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

Guest Speaker: Melissa Jeffries

Our Deepest Sympathy to:



Charles Stanley & Family in the passing of

Carol Stanley

Jacob & Kenna Russell in the passing of

Glenna Russell

Prayer Warriors

Gifts due in church office

by Wed. Nov. 12th

YAH Crafters

Thursday, Nov. 13th @ 10:45 am

Assembling teachers gifts for delivery to schools



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*To Know Christ and to
Make Him Known*



Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday, November 27

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. 23rd.

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

120 # Slaw Mix

60 Cans Jellied Cranberry Sauce

35 Gallons Green Beans

62-2# Pkgs Frozen Corn

160 pounds Potatoes

90 boxes Stuffing Mix

70 Cans Pumpkin (no mix)

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. 26th and have your name clearly written on them. Thank You!

From the Pastor's Heart

Dear First Family and Friends,

This is the season of Thanksgiving. 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, cards of encouragement, your gifts of love, your voices of prayer and support confirm your love for us. We love you all. I know God has wonderful things He wants to accomplish as we serve Him together.

As we approach Thanksgiving season, we have so much to be thankful for. God has richly blessed our church, especially with new people joining the First Family. Sunday school classes are growing, children's church is growing, Wednesday activities are increasing in number. Praise the Lord!

I am reminded of a favorite hymn entitled, "Count Your Blessings." The chorus goes like this, "Count your blessings, name them one by one: Count your many blessings, see what God has done." I challenge you to begin today to count your blessings. You will be surprised what God has done for you!

Keeping the Main Thing, the main thing,
Pastor Robb

Looking Ahead

Nov. 1	8:00 am Men's Ministry Breakfast
Nov. 2	Daylight Savings Time Ends 10:15 am OCC Shoeboxes due back 5:30 pm Small Groups End
Nov. 4	Election 10:30 am YAH Council Meeting 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting
Nov. 5	5:30 pm Children's Class 6:30 pm Women's Fall Bible Study Ends
Nov. 6	1:30 pm Women's Bible Study Ends
Nov. 7 & 8	Fresh Grounded Faith Conference Springfield, Mo
Nov. 8	5:00 pm Deacon's Retreat-- Reed Home
Nov. 9	Recognition Of Veterans-morning Worship Service
Nov. 11	Veteran's Day
Nov. 12	Prayer Warrior Gifts due in office 5:30 pm Children's Class
Nov. 13	10:45 am YAH Crafters, gift delivery
Nov. 17-24	O.C.C. Collection Week
Nov. 18	5:00 pm YAH Thanksgiving Meal
Nov. 23	4:00 pm Deacon's Meeting 6:00 pm Community Thanksgiving Service, Christian Church
Nov. 25	Meals On Wheels Delivery
Nov. 27	Thanksgiving Day-Office Closed Thanksgiving Community Meal
Nov. 28	Office Closed

Young At Heart
December Outing
Thursday, Dec. 4th
Stone's Throw Dinner Theater
"Christmas Belles"
Tickets \$30.00 per person (play & meal)
Deadline to sign up is Sun. Nov. 16th

**MINISTRY OF PRAYER
CHURCH FAMILY**

Maksim Bary Jordan Potter Chastity O'Neal Mae Cooper Karen Lawrence
Charles Ritchey Jeff Schwinn Oscar Bronson Del Thatch Bill & Jan Bowman
Gerald Swearingen Wayne Dingman Russ Bennett Althea VanDeMark

EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY

Olivia Sheat, granddaughter of Chris & Dana Sheat

Kevin Sheat, pastor of Grace Place Russ Clapper, brother of Tanya Potter
Bruce Belline, friend of Tom Main Jeannie Koehn, mother of Mike Koehn

Becky Purkey, daughter of Anna & LeeRoy Voorhees

Becky Saddler, sister of Barb Gaines Tyler Sportsman, son of Sheila & Gary Stevens
Christina Perkins, daughter, Susan Ball, sister of Oscar Bronson & Anna Voorhees
Melissa Shields, niece & Bill Burkhardt, brother in law of David Thrasher
Jerry Bunn, friend of Dick & Linda Pope
Suzanne Hill, wife of Drew Hill Irene Vancil, mother of Pam Manitz
Robbie Williams, friend of Dwight Sprouls Brenda McKay, sister of Chris Sheat
Lisa Mitchem, friend of Jolene LeeMasters
Ryan Danley, brother of Jimetta Thomas Karen Mosher, cousin of Stephanie Siebert
Wanda Hudson, sister of Denzil Voorhees
Janelle Vice, daughter in law of Harvey Vice
Josh Blanchard, cousin of Leena Harris
Jentri Banwart, grand daughter of Peggy & David Banwart
Brett Campbell, friend of Belinda & Dayne Shoff
Tina Walker, sister of Cindi Sprouls

MILITARY / 1st RESPONDER PERSONNEL

Bryce Greer, Air Force, Washington State, nephew of Chris Sheat
Major Thomas Rossiter, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., grandson of Sue Hobson
Amanda Dunford, Navy, Va, family of Russ & Rita Bennett
Taylor Sheat, National Guard, nephew of Chris Sheat
Rene Gamache-Army, husband of Jerica (Stahl) Gamache
Brian Jenkins, Army-Germany, nephew of Jerald Lehman
Richard Jones-Army, Washington, son of Linda Jones
Mark Jones - Navy-Texas, son of Linda Jones
Nathan Davis-National Guard, husband of Sarah Davis

MISSION OUTREACH

Pastoral Staff Lamar's Unchurched Issues in Israel

November Homebound

Nancy Bowman

Homebound Members of the Month

Courage=Veterans=Thank You
Veteran recognition Sun. Nov. 9th

Youth/Outreach	
How Do We Change Others? <i>“In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” – Matthew 5:16</i> In our journey of faith, we’re called to live in a way that reflects our beliefs. This means our lives should be a testament to the gospel we proclaim. Every action we take can speak volumes about our relationship with Christ. As we embody His teachings, we become living examples of His love, making it easier to share the gospel with others. It’s not only about speaking the words but showing them through our life choices. Our readiness to share the gospel begins with how we live, letting our light shine before others.	Christians believe Jesus changes everything. But what exactly happens when we trust him with our lives? How we think about the far-reaching implications of God’s work for us will inevitably affect how we live out our faith. It’s God’s work for us that changes our past, present, and future. With God the Father, Son, and Spirit each working to change us in unique ways, we can be confident that one day, we’ll enjoy the total transformation we now experience in Jesus Christ. Not only does God’s work change us, but when we live it out it can change others. Today’s article is a reminder to live out your faith and allow God to change you and also change others. To God be the Glory, Chris Roth



Operation Christmas Child
Thank you, Church Family!

Thank You to our church family for donating items through the year for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. The children packed 50 shoeboxes and the youth packed 100 shoeboxes during their Operation Christmas Child Packing Parties.

National Collection Week is November 17 - 24 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. This year we are needing men at the end of each day to help with moving and lifting packed cartons. Sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Area.

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

Men's Bible study each Wed. @ 6:30 pm

Treasurer's Report for August 2025
Total Income: \$59,586.31
Total Expenditures: \$57,427.02