

# BACK TO Sunday SCHOOL



# Dear Beloved First Family



Dr. Darin Wood - Senior Pastor

Grace and Peace to you today!

I'm so glad God has given us the chance to walk this road together and to find God's plan for each of our lives together. These days are difficult and unpredictable, but thank God for His sustaining power and for the Lord's provision by making us a family. My prayer for each of you is know the strength of both of those blessings this week.

## OUR NEW SCHEDULE BEGINS THIS WEEK

Please observe our new schedule beginning this week: 9 AM-10 AM is Sunday School. 10:30 AM is Worship. We've chosen this schedule because of the following section!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURNS THIS WEEK

Finally – after what has seemed like an interminable wait, our opportunity for Sunday School returns. If you have a child in the Preschool or Children's Ministries, please take time between now and Sunday to go to our website and watch the "FBC Kids Re-Entry" video. Featuring Sarah and Amy, this introductory video walks you through the process of entering our building, checking kids in and out and what we are trying to do to protect our church family.

We've also chosen to make this "Promotion Sunday," moving our children and students into their new grade level in preparation for the fall.

## DESERT STREAMS @ 9 AM

One of the best chapters in the Bible is Isaiah 43. Out of the depths of pain in the first 39 chapters comes the joy of hope in the last 27 chapters. In Isaiah 43:19, the Lord says, "Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do

you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and streams in the desert." What an analogy! Desert streams! Right where I would LEAST expect them to be! Anybody thirsty these days? I know I've found myself longing for that moment of refreshment. That's why we've chosen to call this new study by that name. Thus, beginning this past Monday, we launched "Desert Streams," a daily Bible Study at 9 AM led by myself and our ministry team. Based through the FBC Facebook page and our social media presence, this 5-10 minute study will be a brief discussion on the Book of Ephesians. Our intention is to be a word of encouragement, discipleship and a reminder of the timelessness of God's word in a world that seems to be shifting right under our feet. Meet me each morning at 9 AM and let's take a drink from those "Desert Streams."

## THIS SUNDAY

We've arrived at the conclusion of 1 Thessalonians 4, perhaps the best known passage in the letter. Herein, Paul discusses the return of Christ and what happens to people when they die. This is a passage I've used more times than I can count for funerals. It's a timely word for such an occasion. However, we do ourselves no favors if we choose to reserve the passage for only those times. Meet me Sunday morning as we talk about 1 Thessalonians 4:13-19 and the "The Comfort of Jesus' Coming."

Your servant,  
Darin

## THANK YOU MATTHEW WEST

If you missed it, you missed a great time with a talented man of God. Matthew, we thank you and your band for traveling to FBCM and sharing your heart and voice. Thank you to those who came to the Concert on August 1st. We pray you were blessed.



## August 9th

### Sunday School • 9 AM

#### PRESCHOOL & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We have put in place a procedure to make returning to church campus as safe and simple as possible.

#### STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO SUNDAY MORNINGS FOR FBC ELEMENTARY AND PRESCHOOL FAMILIES:

- Print and complete a [screening form](#) prior to arrival, if possible. (Paper copies will be available on site if needed.)
- Pack diapers/wipes/clothing/bottles in a Ziploc bag and label with your child's name. (No fabric bags, kid's purses, or Bible covers, please.)
- Our water fountains are temporarily shut down to prevent the spread of germs. We ask that if your elementary-aged child may get thirsty during Sunday School, you provide a water bottle for them to drink out of. Please label the bottle. (Preschool classes have disposable cups and water pitchers in classrooms.)
- Arrive between 8:30-8:45. Enter at the Fish Tank doors only.
- Stop at the right screening station with your form for a temperature check, or the left screening station to complete a form and get a temperature check.
- Proceed to the table in the fish tank area to complete security tags for children birth-6th grade and to use hand sanitizer.
- If you have elementary children, they may head upstairs at this point (Volunteers will be manning the stairs and hallways). Preschoolers will be walked to their classrooms by volunteers (using buggies or a wagon if needed).
- Parents may head to the right to access the elevator or stairs by the CDC for adult Sunday School classes.
- Return to the fish tank area with your security tags immediately following Sunday School at 10:00. Give us your children's names, and wait patiently for a volunteer to retrieve them from class.
- Head to worship at 10:30 in the Worship Center, Chapel, or Fellowship Hall. (The Fellowship Hall will still be set up as a family-friendly worship environment with tables and activities!)
- Enjoy a well-deserved Sunday afternoon nap!

#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

In-person Sunday School begins Sunday, August 9th at 9:00AM. We hope to see you there!!

The Children's Ministry Sunday School lesson can be viewed on the church Facebook page, Vimeo, and the All Star Kids Facebook page, at 1:00PM each Sunday.

#### STUDENTS

To protect our students and provide the safest possible environment, students (7th-12th grades) will go straight to their NEW class (their grade for the 2020-2021 school year). Temperature checks will be performed at the classroom door. Students will wear masks for the duration of the class.

If your student has had exposure to anyone with COVID within the last 14 days or has run a fever in the last 48 hours, please have them stay home.

#### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Class led by Vernon Stokes will be available, online, for Sunday at: [www.fbc-midland.org/resources/sunday-school-lesson](http://www.fbc-midland.org/resources/sunday-school-lesson)

#### FAMILY MINISTRY

After checking in your preschoolers and elementary kids in the fish tank area, you can use the elevator or stairs by the C Hall to go directly to your classroom. Please return to pick up your kids immediately following Sunday School.

#### ADULT 55+

- David Department – Chapel
- Stephen Department – Church Parlor (E Hall)
- Thomas Department – E112/114
- Bar-Simon Department – E111
- Joseph Department – E102
- Grace Department – D219
- Rachel Department – D217
- Peter Department – D203
- Gabriel Department – D205
- Ezekiel Department – Fellowship Hall 3
- Andrew Department – Zoom only

#### Sunday Worship • 10:30 AM

- Worship Center • Contemporary & Live Sermon
- Chapel • Traditional with simulcast sermon
- Fellowship Hall • Families with simulcast service
- Live Streaming on our website and Facebook.

#### Sunday Night • 5 PM

- Table Talk (Online Only)

#### Weekly Online Schedule

Previously recorded messages will be available, on our Facebook page and [fbcmidlandlive.online.church](http://fbcmidlandlive.online.church), for you to revisit. Dr. Wood has chosen these messages for your spiritual growth. Also, it is an outreach to people on social media so that they may know Jesus and to navigate these trying times.

##### SUNDAY

- 10:30AM - Sunday Worship
- 3PM - Sunday Worship (Rebroadcast)
- 5PM - FBC Table Talk
- 8PM - Sunday Worship (Rebroadcast)

##### MONDAY

- 12PM - Previous Series Message
- 7PM - Previous Series Message

##### TUESDAY

- 12PM - FBC Table Talk (Rebroadcast)
- 7PM - FBC Table Talk (Rebroadcast)

##### WEDNESDAY

- 6PM - WEBS

##### THURSDAY

- 12PM - Previous Series Message
- 7PM - Previous Series Message

##### SATURDAY

- 10AM - Sunday Worship (Rebroadcast)
- 8PM - Sunday Worship (Rebroadcast)

## 1st Family News

### STAY CAMP

August 9th-12th

Four days of worship, rec and missions for 7th-12th grade students – Incoming 7th graders are welcome!

Registration link:

<https://myfirstfamily.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/78/responses/new>

### SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

Each week they will learn about a missionary family, do a craft, have a snack and memorize a Bible verse.

If you are interested in helping please contact Stephanie Fuentes at [larrysteph@gmail.com](mailto:larrysteph@gmail.com) or Allison Ashmore at 432-683-0611.

### GIRLS IN ACTION (GA'S) LEADERS NEEDED

We are looking for GA leaders who would be willing to teach first through sixth grade girls about missions. In this role, you will help girls grow in their spiritual development as they learn the biblical basis of missions and discover their part in God's plan. Please call Hillary Lovell (432.770.8153) or Sarah Arrambide (432.683.0607) if you are interested in serving in this capacity.

### MOPS

MOPS Registration is open for 2020-2021! We meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings of the month, September through May. Please contact us for more information! We look forward to meeting you!

MOPS is looking for MOPS Kids Volunteers! If you are interested in helping minister to our moms, please volunteer to watch these sweet babies while the moms study, fellowship, and bond with one another.

[mopsfbcmidland@gmail.com](mailto:mopsfbcmidland@gmail.com)

### MUSIC AND MISSIONS

#### FOR 3 YR OLDS -6TH GRADE

Online Registration Opens August 5th. To register online, please go to: [www.fbc-midland.org](http://www.fbc-midland.org)

All activities will begin Wednesday, September 9th

### HOME TOUCH

What talents and gifts has God given you that you could use for His glory? Bayta Cullen recently felt led by the Lord to join the ministry to our homebound folks. She makes her own greeting cards and asked if she could send our members a specially prepared card at different times of the year. We are excited she has joined our team using her creative skills to touch the lives of others.



Perhaps you have an idea to help us make sure our older adults are not forgotten. Contact James Ervin at 325-203-2332 for more information on how you can join this ministry.

### BEREAVEMENT

- Roseanne Reese in the death of her brother, Richard Funk.
- Becky Greenleaf in the death of her father, Paul Weddle.
- Christina Vasquez in the death of her husband Juan, and to Jacob & Joaquin in the death of their father.

### HOSPITAL VISITS

James Ervin, our pastor to Adults 55+, is making the FBC family hospital visits. If you or a family member are going into the hospital or have been admitted to the hospital, please contact James at 325-203-2332 or Rhonda Carroll at 432-683-0612.

This will allow us to minister to you or your family member.

### MEDIA LIBRARY

The Media Library is another large part of our outreach. Our library has over 16,000 printed books, CD (audio) books and DVDs available for people of all ages and interests to check out. Library resources, in print, audio and video format are also available for teaching and discipleship as well as entertainment.

Digital resources, both audio and video, are also available for teaching and discipleship as well as entertainment.

On our website at [www.fbc-midland.org/resources/media-library](http://www.fbc-midland.org/resources/media-library) you will find a search button. Click it for information of what is available at the library.

Run a search by:

- Keyword
- Title
- Author
- Subject
- Series

Media Library Hours

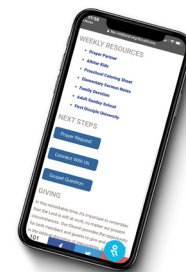
Monday through Friday 9:00 am - Noon

### FBC AT HOME

Our on-line worship guide is located at the following link.

[www.fbc-midland.org/fbcathome](http://www.fbc-midland.org/fbcathome)

The page is available now and updated every Saturday for that coming Sunday. For your convenience, we have provided links to resources and information on the sidebar of the page.



### Coming Soon

### FIRST DISCIPLE UNIVERSITY

More on-line discipleship classes are being developed, prepared, and soon will be available for your spiritual growth.

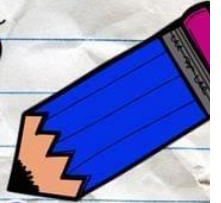
**All information about the classes are located on our website at:**

[www.fbc-midland.org/resources/fdu](http://www.fbc-midland.org/resources/fdu)





# School Begins Soon!

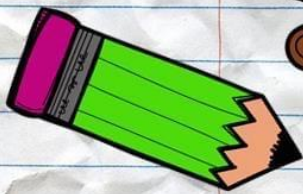
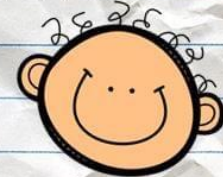


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our Children,  
Teachers, Staff and Administrators  
all the P.P.E. they need!

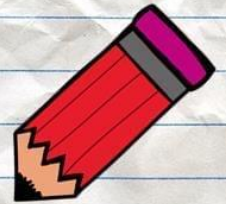
## P-ark and



## P-ray



## E-very Day



Driving past a school? Pull in, park and pray  
for our children, teachers and staff!

Driving past an administration building? Pull in,  
park and pray for our leaders!

Driving past a bus lot? Pull in, park and pray  
for our bus drivers!



## Do Your Part...



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# PRAYER

Our Missionary  
in  
Cochrane, Alberta, Canada



## DK Hale

### Midwest Baptist Association

- Pray for the Lord to reveal His choice of a CNBC Salaried Provincial Ministry Leader
- Pray for clarity in knowing where and how Brenda and I are to stay plugged in
- Pray for hearts that are warm to the Holy Spirit's leading

## FIRST BAPTIST MIDLAND

Join us in giving online at our church

- Must add your name for your year-end report.
- Must use a new browser: Windows Edge, Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox

### fbc-midland.org

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## FBC DIRECTORY

www.fbc-midland.org

Main Phone - 432.683.0600 Main Fax - 432.683.0660

Prayer Line - 432.683.0683

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| Pastoral Ministry.....        | 683.0604 |
| Missions Ministry.....        | 683.0623 |
| Music & Worship Ministry..... | 683.0618 |
| Administrative Office.....    | 683.0616 |
| Activities Ministry.....      | 683.0647 |
| Business Office.....          | 683.0615 |
| Children's Ministry.....      | 683.0609 |
| Preschool Ministry.....       | 683.0611 |
| Child Development Center..... | 683.0638 |
| Children's Day Out.....       | 683.0632 |
| Student Ministry.....         | 683.0606 |
| Family Ministry.....          | 683.0612 |
| 55+ Ministry.....             | 683.0612 |
| Media Ministry.....           | 683.0622 |
| Membership.....               | 683.0616 |
| Duplication Services.....     | 683.0626 |
| Library.....                  | 683.0625 |

### Sunday

Sunday School at 9 AM & Worship Services at 10:30 AM

Worship Services Online

• fbc-midland.org • facebook.com/fbcmidland • vimeo.com/fbcmidland

### Sunday Service Televised at

7:00 a.m. on KOSA (CBS) Channel 7

10:00 a.m. on MyTV, Channel 16 (or DirectTV Channel 40)

Televised services are on a one-week tape delay

## END OF MONTH REPORT

July 2020

| Offering                | Monthly     | Year to Date |
|-------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| First Baptist.....      | \$ 435,265  | \$ 7,116,017 |
| Budget Requirement..... | \$ 540,000  | \$ 6,442,082 |
| Over/Under Budget.....  | \$ -104,735 | \$ 673,935   |
| Hope 1:8.....           | \$ 1,470    | \$ 21,538    |

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

August 2, 2020

| Offering                | Monthly    | Year to Date |
|-------------------------|------------|--------------|
| First Baptist.....      | \$ 54,555  | \$ 7,170,572 |
| Budget Requirement..... | \$ 135,000 | \$ 6,577,082 |
| Over/Under Budget.....  | \$ -80,445 | \$ 593,490   |
| Hope 1:8.....           | \$ 205     | \$ 21,743    |