

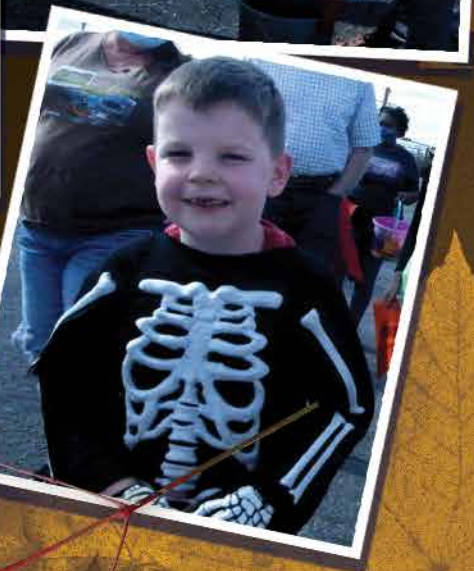
# THE BANNER

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# HUGE Success!

## FAMILY FEST



# Dear Beloved First Family



Dr. Darin Wood - Senior Pastor

Grace and Peace today! May God's kindness and favor extend to you this week especially! My prayer has been and continues to be that we who are citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven will act as ambassadors of our homeland while we're here, representing Christ as our King and Heaven as our home.

## THANKSGIVING DINNER

Our annual Thanksgiving Dinner is scheduled for Nov 22 at 5 PM! If you've not made it to one of our Wednesday night suppers, you may not have experienced the new flavor our kitchen has taken up since they reopened in September! To encourage your participation, we've lowered the price this year to \$5 per person or \$25 maximum per family. A traditional Thanksgiving meal, we'll share our time together around our socially-distanced tables and thank God for preserving us through the craziest year of our lives. If we've EVER needed a celebration to thank God for His goodness, it's now. No reservations needed, no advance tickets sold – just plan to join us that night for a wonderful time of celebrating God's goodness together with our church family.

## GIFT CARD DROP OFF

As you may have heard recently, we're doing our Christmas outreach event differently this year. While it's far from perfect, it's better than not doing anything. Please drop off your donated gift card(s) with our volunteers by the fireplace in the Welcome Center on Sunday morning 11/8 and 11/15. We will make certain those cards arrive in the hands of those who need them. On December 5 from 9AM till Noon, we'll invite our pre-registered friends to come pick those cards up at a designated time. When they arrive, they'll also hear a Gospel presentation and be invited to respond to it.

I'm confident in saying we've never done it like this before. These days are challenging and unusual. Let us focus our hearts and minds on serving others, even if it's not like we normally have.

## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Like everything else this year, we've modified our Christmas Eve services and I want to give you plenty of notice. First of all, our service times will be 4 PM and 6 PM. No 8 PM service this year. Second, the services will be identical. In the past, we've done each one a little differently than the other two. Not this year. Finally, per the request of our state, we're going to limit ourselves to 75% of our auditorium's capacity or about 750 people. After much prayer and deliberation, we've decided to ask people to make reservations for those spaces, akin to how we managed our services back in May when we first returned. Registration for those services will open on December 1 at 8 AM. Details about how to register will be in next week's Banner.

## JESUS IS STILL KING

As I write this to you, it's Election Day. By the time you read this, we'll know more than I do now. I can't see into the future to see what will happen nor can I impose my will or wishes on the world. What I can say – with absolute confidence and clarity is that regardless as to who wins the election, JESUS IS STILL KING AND ALWAYS WILL BE. Walk in the joy of that confidence and assuredness.

Your servant,

Darin

## FAMILY FEST 2020

What an amazing turn-out for this year's Family Fest. We had a car show, trunk and treat, games, and prizes. The families that joined in the fun had such a great time. With COVID-19 and bad weather limiting the communication between two elementary schools and their students, we had no idea how many families would come to the event. Although many more attended than we presumed, their joy and patience were a treat and a blessing to see. Not only did we distribute treats and prizes, but we also passed out Bibles and information about our church. Also, we received hundreds of contact information cards from the families. We will be reaching out to them soon.

The event could not have been a greater blessing to our community nor have operated so efficiently if it were not for all the First Family volunteers along with the FBC staff.



Sunday Worship • 8:15 AM

- Blended Worship Service in Worship Center (extended care 8:15 only)
- Overflow in Chapel
- Live Streaming on our [Church Online](#) and [Facebook](#).

Sunday School • 9:30 AM

PRESCHOOL & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Thank you, parents, for your faithfulness as we partner together to build a foundation of faith for our kids. You are making an impact not only on your family, but on generations to come!

Parents, don't forget our Step-by-Step Guide for FBC Elementary and Preschool Families for check in. You can find the instructions at: [fbc-midland.org/childrens-check-in](http://fbc-midland.org/childrens-check-in)

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.

STUDENTS

To protect our students and provide the safest possible environment, student's temperature will be checked 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)

Sunday Worship • 11:00 AM

- Worship Center • Contemporary & Live Sermon
- Chapel • Traditional with simulcast sermon
- Fellowship Hall • Families with simulcast service
- Español Service • Student Worship room
- Live Streaming on our [Church Online](#) and [Facebook](#).

Wednesday November 11th

WEDNESDAY FAMILY MEAL

- Salisbury Steak
- Baked Potato
- Broccoli
- Tossed Green Salad
- Honey Wheat Roll
- Millionaire Pie

PRESCHOOL & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Music 6:00-6:45pm, Missions 6:45-7:30pm (3 yrs by 9/1 — 6th grade)

Wednesday night screening and check-in will occur in the Fish Tank area only. Please arrive between 5:30-5:45 and follow steps 2-5 outlined in the Check-in Guide at: [fbc-midland.org/childrens-check-in](http://fbc-midland.org/childrens-check-in)

Weekly Bible Study

MOMENTUM YES

Wednesdays through November 18th  
Led by Bryan Pinson  
Every Wednesday evening in Fellowship Hall  
Cost: Free

MomentumYes invites everyday people to rethink God's mission, the call of the Church, and their individual roles.

LADIES PRECEPT BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays  
9 AM in the Fellowship Hall.  
Cost: \$20

Restarting January 7, join us as we continue our studies of Kings and Prophets including: 2 Kings, 2 Chronicles, Obadiah, Joel, Amos, and Jonah!

Contact Katy Little to sign up:

Email - [klittle@fbc-midland.org](mailto:klittle@fbc-midland.org) or call - 432-557-9768.



## 1st Family News

### UPWARD BASKETBALL

Registration has begun! Online or in person registration at the Activities Building. Registration is \$90 and spots are limited! If you have any questions you can email [avanderveer@fbc-midland.org](mailto:avanderveer@fbc-midland.org) or call 432-683-0648.

### JOYFUL SOUND CHOIR

A Ministry for Adults 55+

Come join us for our new choir year. November 5th & 19th at 10:30 AM in the choir room.

Call James Ervin for more information. 432-683-1053

### 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)

### HOPE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

#### Remembering Those Who Have Gone Before Us

Sunday, November 15  
5:00 PM \* Chapel

Holidays are a difficult time to deal with the loss of a loved one. Dr. Darin Wood will bring a message of hope and we will honor those who have passed away. If you have a loved one that you would like to include in the list of names, please contact Cindy Eoff in the church office. 432-683-0604

If you would like to submit a photograph of your loved one, please send to Cindy Eoff no later than Monday, November 9.

Everyone is invited to attend!



### WAINSCOTT/LACY SCHOLARSHIP

If you are attending a Baptist College, University or Seminary, you are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Applications can be picked up in Cindy Eoff's office for the Spring 2021 semester and must be turned in by December 15th.

### MEDIA LIBRARY

Browse through our Catalog at home. To see what is available for check out or to see if a book, audio book or video you are looking for is in our Library. 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.

### Serving Opportunities

#### FBC KIDS KARE

We are looking for additional paid part time workers for childcare events. Must be at least 18 years of age to apply, with previous childcare experience with children of all ages strongly preferred.

Interested in joining the Kids Kare team or have any questions please contact Allison Ashmore at 432-683-0611 or email at: [aashmore@fbc-midland.org](mailto:aashmore@fbc-midland.org).

### Acknowledgments

#### THANK YOU

*Thank you for the donation to Buckner in memory of our sister, sister-in-law and Aunt, Lori. We are honored that you would give generously on behalf of Lori. She loved working with children and youth so this is a special way to remember her life-long service to God. We so appreciate all of the calls, texts and most of all prayers supporting us during this time.*

Love,  
Justin, Shane, Jaycee & Sadie Dockrey

*Thank you for the donation to Buckner Children & Family Services in memory of my mother, Lera Randolph. My mother loved spending time with her children and grandchildren and would be very pleased that a gift was made that helps children and families in need. Mothers are our greatest supporters and cheerleaders and when they are gone, they leave a huge hole, but we are grateful that she is healed and no longer alone and is united with her loved ones in heaven. Thank you again for this memorial.*

Mike Vaughan & Family



## MONTHLY MENU PLAN

You have your choice of Chick-Fil-A Sandwich with Waffle Potato Fries and a cookie or the menu listed below. The Chick-Fil-A meal is in limited amounts and is available to first come first serve. RSVP online at [fbc-midland.org/Events](http://fbc-midland.org/Events)

Adult Meal \$6 / Hamburger \$4 / Salad Bar \$3.50

Family Plan \$23

## WEDNESDAY FAMILY MEALS



### NOVEMBER 11

- Salisbury Steak
- Baked Potato
- Broccoli
- Tossed Green Salad
- Honey Wheat Roll
- Millionaire Pie

### NOVEMBER 18

- Chicken Alfredo
- Broccoli
- Tossed Green Salad
- Garlic Bread
- Pumpkin Cake

### NOVEMBER 25

- No Meal



## First Family Thanksgiving Meal

Join us at 5pm on Sunday, November 22 for our annual Thanksgiving meal. Cost is \$5 and tickets may be purchased at the door. Menu includes turkey/dressing and all the trimmings!

# November 22nd

## Operation Christmas Child and Christmas 2020

### Operation Christmas Child (International)



Drop-off Days November 1st – 15th in Welcome Center by fireplace.

Please help us share Jesus with children and their families overseas by packing a shoebox full of school supplies, fun toys, hygiene items, and a small gift like a deflated soccer ball and air pump or stuffed animal. Pastors around the world host outreach events in places where people may not know Christ and invite them to follow Him as they give the boxes away to children. Discipleship and follow-up are provided by these local church pastors.

### Gift Card Giveaway (Midland)

We will be giving gift cards for toys and groceries away to families on Saturday, December 5th from 9 AM to noon where they will hear a creative Gospel presentation and experience Jesus' love from the First Family.

Drop-Off gift cards on Sundays, November 1st, 8th, & 15th in Welcome Center by fireplace.

Toys - Please help us share Jesus with children in Midland by donating a gift card(s) from Walmart or Target in increments of \$25 or \$50. We hope to give each family a gift card(s) worth \$50 to buy a gift/gifts for their child(ren) up to 400 children.

Food - Please help us share Jesus with families by donating a gift card(s) from Walmart or HEB in increments of \$50 or \$100, so that we can give each family \$150 in gift cards to help with groceries during this season.

If you know of children or a family that could use some Christmas assistance, please contact the Missions Office so we can help you help them.

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### Prayer Partners

## PRAYER

Our Missionary  
in  
Midland, Texas

Tracy & Mike  
Vaughan

Christmas in Action



- Please pray that we will continue to be able to serve the low-income and elderly in the community and show the love of Christ as we meet their basic needs.

### WEEKLY COUNT

November 1, 2020

Sunday School Groups	Attendance
Adults	452
Preschool, Children, & Students/College	247
Online Live Views	269

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

November 01, 2020

Offering	Weekly	Year to Date
First Baptist	\$ 84,477	\$ 590,157
Budget Requirement	\$ 127,000	\$ 635,000
Over/Under Budget	\$ -42,523	\$ -44,843
Hope 1:8	\$ 225	\$ 910
Lottie Moon	\$ 700	\$ 1,280

### END OF MONTH REPORT

October 2020

Offering	Weekly	Year to Date
First Baptist	\$ 505,680	\$ 505,680
Budget Requirement	\$ 508,000	\$ 508,000
Over/Under Budget	\$ -2,320	\$ -2,320
Hope 1:8	\$ 685	\$ 685

## FBC DIRECTORY

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

Main Phone - 432.683.0600

Main Fax - 432.683.0660

Prayer Line - 432.683.0683

Pastoral Ministry .....	683.0604
Missions Ministry .....	683.0623
Music & Worship Ministry .....	683.0618
Administrative Office .....	683.0604
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 .....	683.0612
Duplication Services .....	683.0626
Library .....	683.0625

#### Sunday

Worship Services at 8:15 AM & 11:00 AM • Sunday School at 9:30 AM

Worship Services Online

• [fbc-midland.org](http://fbc-midland.org) • [facebook.com/fbcmidland](https://facebook.com/fbcmidland) • [vimeo.com/fbcmidland](https://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

