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6 more weeks of winter.

# CHURCH EVENTS

- Student's IMPACT 2021: Friday Sunday, Feb. 12th-14th
- Golden Marriage Celebration: Sunday, Feb. 14th
- See detail of events at: fbc-midland.org/events

Dear Beloved First Family



Grace and Peace in Christ our Lord! This week marked my 5th anniversary serving as your pastor. I wanted to say thanks for allowing me the privilege. While it hasn't always been an easy path, it's a joy to serve here and I look forward to serving here for years to come. Thanks for walking this road with me and my family.

# WELCOME TO FEBRUARY!

As I write this to you, it's Groundhog Day. I'll admit I've never really understood this event. Why would I trust a rodent to tell me the future? Nonetheless, I'm told he saw his shadow so we'll be blessed with six more weeks of winter. Join me in praying for those who are serving those in the cold and for those who have to work out in it.

#### **IMPACT WEEKEND – FEB 12-14**

When you come to church on Feb 14th, please come ready to be blessed by our Student Ministry's Impact Weekend guests. Our worship will be led that morning by their worship band. Our preaching that morning will be from my longtime friend Rev. Lance Shumake. Lance and I were together at DBU and have walked together in numerous areas of ministry since then. My prayer is that you'll come with a heart ready to worship and a desire to see the students of our church and community reached for the Gospel! Pray for John-David Culbertson and those who have volunteered to serve our students that weekend.

#### W.E.B.S.! WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY IS BACK AT 6 PM!

After a long lay-off, we've brought back our Wednesday evening Bible study and prayer gathering! At 6 PM on Wednesdays in E-114, we invite you to join us for a time of prayer and a word of Biblical insight and encouragement. If you're bringing your child to choir or your teenager to Wednesday evening activities, you don't have to drop them and run! Join us for a journey together!

#### IF YOU ARE WATCHING OUR BROADCAST ON MY16 TV AND EXPERIENCING TROUBLE

You are not alone and it's not your TV or our broadcast. After weeks of trying to track down the problem on our end (it's the exact same broadcast we send to Channel 7 for our 7 AM broadcast where we have had no problems whatsoever), our partners at My16 have admitted some of their equipment has issues. They are working to resolve it, but this process will likely take time. If, therefore, you are using the 10 AM broadcast as your service, may I encourage you to use your DVR to record the 7 AM one on channel 7 OR pick us up on our live-stream at 11 AM via Facebook and fbcmidlandlive.online.church. Please know that we are doing everything we can to resolve this problem as quickly as possible.

# A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Sometimes, we wonder if the ministry and service we're doing connects with the people we mean to serve. Once in a while, we get a reminder that it IS working even if we can't see it. Our Associate Missions Pastor Eva Diaz recently went to Sams Club to secure foods needed for our "Food 2 Kids" program. I'll let her tell you from here:

"I went to Sam's on Friday to purchase Food 2 Kids. I had a basket full of Chef Boyardee. I had a cashier ask me if they were on sale. I said "No, this is food we purchase for our church program, Food 2 Kids. We partner with two schools and give these bags out for weekend meals for children in need". The cashier said "my kids would get those bags. That's when I was struggling but I am doing better now. It really helped us out a lot. Thank you for doing that – for helping families."

I trust that blesses you the way it did me. While it's a simple thing for us to purchase the food and a good practice for our GAs and RAs to serve the Lord and these families by packing the bags, when you see it from the other end – those blessed by receiving it – that new vision should inspire us to press on in the name of Christ and serve even more passionately! So where are you serving? What is your Kingdom assignment and what are you doing with it? My prayer is that you'll seek that assignment and serve with every ounce of strength you have!

This isn't the only partnership ministry we serve with here in the Permian Basin. If you're looking for a place to serve, I can name several for you. Contact our offices if you're interested!

Your servant,

Darin



The First Baptist Church of Midland says thank you and happy fifth anniversary to our Pastor, Dr. Darin Wood and his family. You have been the hands, the feet, the voice, and the love of God expressed in many different ways to our congregation.

We are blessed by your willingness to give of yourself and be used where God has placed you. Thank you for being our Pastor!

# WEEK OF FEBRUARY 7TH

#### Sunday Worship • 8:15 AM

 Blended Worship Service in Worship Center (extended care 8:15 only)

# Sunday School 9:30 AM Sunday Worship • 11:00 AM

- Worship Center Contemporary
- Chapel Traditional
- Fellowship Hall Families with simulcast service

Both Worship Services are live streamed on our website at <u>Church Online</u> as well as <u>Facebook</u>, <u>YouTube</u>, & <u>Vimeo</u>.

# Wednesday February 10th

SCHEDULE	
4:45 PM 6 PM	Wednesday Family Meal Orchestra WEBS (room E114) 6 PM Student Ministry Pizza (Activities Building)
6:30 PM 6:45 PM 7 PM	Preschool & Children's Choirs Student Ministry Midpoint Bible Study (E-Hall) R.A.s, G.A.s, & Mission Friends Adult Choir

#### WEDNESDAY FAMILY MEAL

Service begins at 4:45 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All meals include one dessert and a beverage. Credit and Debit cards are accepted.



Adult Meal \$6 / Hamburger \$4 / Salad Bar \$3.50 / Family Plan \$23

# RSVP by the Sunday prior to Wednesday. 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.

# MENU

- Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
- Green Beans
- Tossed Green Salad
- Garlic Bread
- Carrot Cake



Use the QR code above on your smart phone or visit online at: myfirstfamily.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/130/responses/new

# Weekly Bible Study

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

#### Wednesday 6-7 pm in FBC Room E102 Cost: \$5 per Book

All women are welcome to join us as we study "Rahab: Tracing the Thread of Redemption."

February 10: Introductory Session

February 17-March 31: 6 Lessons

Email Katy at klittle@fbc-midland.org to sign up!

## LADIES PRECEPT BIBLE STUDY

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

Our study of Kings and Prophets in 2 Kings, 2 Chronicles, Obadiah, Joel, Amos, and Jonah!

Contact Katy Little to sign up:

Email - klittle@fbc-midland.org or call - 432-557-9768.

# Events

#### BROTHERHOOD LUNCHEON

February 8th 11:45 AM - 1 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Cost: \$6 Must RSVP

Brotherhood luncheon meetings are every Monday. You must RSVP by Sunday, 2/7

Call Carl Brown if questions, 432-557-6810

# WOMEN'S MINISTRY

# February 21st 5-6 PM in Fellowship Hall

FBC Women Get Together

All women are invited to join us as we gather together, worship together, pray together, and grow together. You can come in person or join us by zoom.

Email Katy Little at klittle@fbc-midland.org if you would like to zoom in.

# D.M.A. LUNCHEON

February, 25th 11:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Cost: \$6 Guest Speakers: Chad Clark of One Hope Movement

RSVP in Sunday School or call the church office.

#### **1st Family News**

#### **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: <u>www.fbcmidland.org/resources/media-library</u> you will find a search button, click it for information of what is available at the library.

## MOPS

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. <u>mopsfbcmidland@gmail.com</u>

#### STUDENT MINISTRY

Looking for tutors, 4:15-5:30 PM on Tuesdays, 6th-8th grades for all subjects. If you are willing to help, contact John-David (jculbertson@fbc-midland.org or 432.683.0606).



A weekend of impactful Bible study, worship, fellowship, fun, and rest. Yes, we said rest. We are not talking about sleep rest, but spiritual rest. This weekend is designed to be a sheltered weekend where our students can connect with God and the church.

Impact weekend will be February 12-14. Early Registration will go through February 4th and will cost \$50 for the first student and \$40 for every student after that. Late registration will start Feb. 5th and go through the 12th, it will be \$75 for the first student and \$65 dollars for each student after the 1st.

We are still working on what this event will look like and we have several different plans that we are working on depending on COVID cases in Midland. We should have more information up soon. Sign up for our Student Ministry Reminds to get the latest information. You can register for impact weekend here:

myfirstfamily.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/113/responses/new

# Acknowledgments

#### THANK YOU

We are so appreciative of all your prayers for Levi this past month. We truly felt them and they carried us through all the time we spent in the hospital. We feel extremely blessed to have so many of you checking in and lifting us up in prayer.

Thank you, The Hogue Family

I wanted to thank everyone for welcoming my family to Midland. We appreciated all the prayers, gifts, cards, and warm greetings. Thanks to all those that helped us move in and stock up our cabinets with food. We are so glad to be here and look forward to serving with each one of you. We are truly grateful for kindness and generosity. Thanks again for a warm West Texas welcome! God Bless!

Moe, Jamie, and Sophie Bomer

Thank you so much for the donation in memory of our Poppie, David Bray Jr. We are so blessed to be able to call this our church home and appreciate all the church does for its members.

With love,

Kevin, Allison, Titus & Candace Ashmore

Thank you for the love and prayers since my sister and my children's aunt passed. May Duncan lived in Lawton, Oklahoma. It would please her so much to know our church gave to Buckner in her memory. Buckner is so special.

In Christ,

Barbara Smith, Elizabeth Smith, and San & Allison Smith

#### BEREAVEMENT

Our deepest sympathy, prayers, and love go out to the family members in the loss of their loved ones.

- Nora Stewart in the loss of her mother, Maria Asebedo
- Buddy & Sally Sipes in the loss of their daughter-in-law, Leslie Wood
- LaRue Whisenhunt in the loss of her sister, Phillis Swing
- Larry Ward in the loss of his mother, Mildred Ward
- Laly Rangel in the loss of her brother and Eva Diaz in the loss of her uncle, Moises Pedroza.
- Kevin Napier in the loss of his stepfather, Foy Braswell

#### NEW MEMBERS: JANUARY

The First Baptist Family welcomes these new members. We are delighted you chose FBC as your church family and we look forward to serving with you and growing together in faith.

• Alexandria Cronquist By Baptism



# Hey Ya'll,

My name is Jaylynn White. I am the Family and Adult 55+ Ministries Assistant. I was born here in Midland where I have lived here most of my life. I am a mother to three little boys Rawson(7), Brigham(5) and Kross(2), who keep me "crazy" as I like to say. I am also a wife of 9 years to my beloved husband Deagan. We happily live in Greenwood and are members at Greenwood Baptist Church.

Currently, we spend our free time as a family at the ball field. My oldest son plays competitive USSSA select baseball and my husband Coaches. We have enjoyed meeting new people, building new relationships and utilizing our platform to influence young boys in a positive, integrity-filled way. When we are not at the ballfield, we love to spend our time outdoors, hunting, fishing, and camping, or relaxing at our family BBQs around my in-law's pool.

I have only been serving at First Baptist for a short while, but during this time I have felt nothing but blessed to be a part of a Church with such rich history and serve alongside genuine people of God. Before I began to serve here at the Church, I was a stay-at-home Mother, and before that I served Midland County at the District Clerk's office in the Civil Department as a Lead Deputy Clerk.

Throughout my life I have found that my passion is to serve others through Christ and his teachings in the Bible. I believe that compassion, kindness and possession of a heart that seeks understanding can move mountains. For as it is written, "Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is, his good, pleasing and perfect will." Romans 12:2







A new Banner feature to better acquaint you, our 1st Family, with the men and women who serve you every week. You can look forward to learning more about these individuals in weeks to come.

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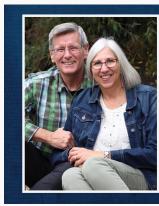
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Sunday Worship Services at 8:15 AM & 11:00 AM • Sunday School at 9:30 AM Worship Services Online

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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

#### PRAYER PARTNER



FOR OUR MISSIONARY: MARK & CAROL KOHL BOX ELDER, SD CADENCE INTERNATIONAL

I particularly need prayer for physical endurance. I have had a lot of physical pain that has slowed me down. Please pray that we will be able to keep up with the airmen.

- We have a neighbor that is going through a bad divorce. I have reached out to him but would like to clearly present the gospel to him. Maybe his marriage can yet be saved.
- Our next door neighbors have really connected with us. They are currently on the road, but when they get back, we want to continue sharing life with them. They are religious, but I don't think they know Jesus.



# STEWARDSHIP REPORTS

#### January 31, 2021

Offering		Weekly		Year to Date	
FBC Offering	\$	82,970	\$	2,654,225	
Budget Requirement		127,000	\$	2,784,382	
Over/Under Budget		-44,030	\$	-130,157	
Hope 1:8		0	\$	512,835	

#### Month Ending: January

Offering		Weekly		Year to Date	
FBC Offering	\$	453,316	\$	2,655,923	
Budget Requirement		635,000	\$	2,784,382	
Over/Under Budget		-181,684	\$	-128,459	
Hope 1:8		565	\$	512,835	

GIVE

# **How to Give Online**

Click the round button link located on the bottom right side of the website and follow the steps for online giving.