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Dear First Family,

Grace and Peace in Christ our Savior. What a remarkable week we had last week! In case you missed it Sunday, our work as a warming station / shelter was a blessing to our community as well as to our church. While we pray that need never exists again, we now have one more reason why the Lord had us build the Activities Building where it is – to serve God's people in times of difficulty. Thanks to each of you who volunteered as a host, brought food or water. The heart of service I saw last week – in spite of the weather and drastic conditions – is what makes this church such a special place.

FIRST CARES

That's the name we're using for our "I need help" or "I want to help" ministry. If you go to our website (www.fbc-midland.org), you'll find both links at the top of the page. We've received several requests already and will be working through those this week. Likewise, we've



received numerous volunteers who are ready and eager to serve. If you are one of them, expect a call from our offices inviting your participation. If you have not signed up as a volunteer and would like to, now is the time to do so! Follow the link and submit your form to indicate your willingness to help.

IMPACT WEEKEND

Feb 12-14 was supposed to be Impact Weekend. Let's try this again, shall we? THIS SUNDAY, when you come to worship, expect to be led by our guests who are leading. Rev. Lance Shumake will be preaching and Jared Wood (no relation to me that I know about!) and his band will be leading our worship. I've known Lance since we were college students at Dallas Baptist. I believe you'll be better for joining us for worship so I'll look forward to seeing you this Sunday!

GIVING

As you might expect, with the crazy schedule we've had for the last few weeks, we have fallen behind in our budgeted receipts for the year. Perhaps you've forgotten or you got off track on your giving. May I invite you to use these next few Sundays as a "catch-up" time and get your giving back on track. It's certainly not that God needs your money. Quite the opposite. The reality is you need to give more than God needs to get! In the meantime, pray for our offerings to catch up.

May God guide our hands and hearts in serving Christ and people. Your Shepherd,

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STEWARDSHIP REPORTS

February 14, 2021

Offering	Weekly	Year to Date
FBC Offering	\$ 75,003	\$ 2,864,234
Budget Requirement	\$ 127,000	\$ 3,038,382
Over/Under Budget	\$ -51,997	\$ -174,148
Hope 1:8	\$ 0	\$ 513,169

February 21, 2021

Offering	Weekly	Year to Date
FBC Offering	\$ 81,943	\$ 2,946,178
Budget Requirement	\$ 127,000	\$ 3,165,382
Over/Under Budget	\$ -45,057	\$ -219,205
Hope 1:8	\$ 164	\$ 513,169

CHURCH CONFERENCE AGENDA

February 28, In Fellowship Hall at 5 PM

- Approval of Minutes (January 31, 2021)
- Approval of new members
- Grant Church Letters
- Reports:
 - 1. Church Council Chairman
 - 2. Personnel Committee Chairman
 - Report on Search Committees
 - 3. Finance Committee Chairman
- Old Business
- New Business
 - 1. General Nominating Committee
 - Becky Elliott David Ladies Class
 - Sissy Arreguin 6th Grade
 - Mike Reeves 2nd Grade
 - Erin Glasscock 3 yr. old Mission Friend
- Other Business
- Adjourn

EASTER DEVOTIONAL

As you prepare for the Easter season, we're providing a devotional guide for you!

Easter devotional book (Easter Code) is now available for you to pick up in the Welcome Center and Chapel Foyer.

#fbcfindhope

SUNDAY, 2/28

8:15 AM Led by band from Impact Weekend

(extended care 8:15 only)

9:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM

Worship Service

Led by band from Impact Weekend (Worship Center),

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Traditional (Chapel), & Family (Fellowship Hall)

Español Service (Student Worship Area)

5 PM Church Conference

Youth Choir

6 PM Youth Discipleship Classes

MONDAY, 3/1

WMU Ladies Prayer Luncheon

11:30 AM - 1PM in room Room D101-102

Cost: \$6 for Lunch (Optional)

Join us as we pray for missionaries who partner with our church.

Brotherhood luncheon

11:45 AM - 1 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Cost: \$6 **Must RSVP**

Brotherhood luncheon meetings are every Monday. You must RSVP by

Sunday, 2/28

Call Carl Brown if questions, 432-557-6810

WEDNESDAY, 3/3

4:45 PM Wednesday Family Meal

RSVP each week, online, at fbc-midland.org/events in

the Wednesday Family Meals tab or at:

myfirstfamily.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/143/responses/new

Menu

- Classic Meatloaf
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Broccoli
- · Tossed Green Salad
- · Honey Wheat Roll
- · Coconut Meringue Pie

6 PM Orchestra

WEBS (room E114)

Women's Ministry WEBS (room E102)

Preschool & Children's Choirs

Student Ministry Pizza (Activities Building)

6:30 PM Student Ministry Midpoint Bible Study (E-Hall)

6:45 PM R.A.s, G.A.s, & Mission Friends

7 PM Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, 3/4

6:30 - 7:30 AM: Iron Men

9 AM: Ladies Precept Class

10:30 AM Joyful Sound Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

March 5th - 6th

Fri: 6 PM - 9:30 PM & Sat. 8 AM - 3 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Cost: \$20 **Must RSVP**

IF: Gathering Live-stream

Even If: Even if the worst happens, we won't lose hope. For more information or to register, contact Katy Little at: klittle@fbc-midland.org.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Save the Date! June 7-10, 2021



"Press Play" Hybrid VBS

More information coming soon.

Contact Sarah, Amv. or Allison to see how you can help!

Opportunities to Serve

FIRST SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE

The Midland Baptist Crisis Center would like for FBC Midland to partner with them by providing food items that are not provided in their food pantry boxes from the Food Bank. They are requesting that we focus on the following 4 food items:

- 1. Peanut Butter
- 2. Jelly (NO glass jars)
- 3. Canned Spaghetti Sauce (NO glass jars)
- 4. Canned Soup

Please bring your food items on March 7th (1st Sunday of the month) and place them in the blue food bins located around the church property.





Watch Desert Streams, February addition, this Friday at 9 AM on Facebook.

In case you missed it January's, visit vimeo.com/505902318

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.

