

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Church Family,

What keeps us from working with a team?

Is it fear – fear of failing, of looking ridiculous, of risking how far we've come for the sake of going all the way to the Promised Land?

Is it inertia - refusing to let a hope for something better take hold in our hearts and push us forward?

Is it settling for second best in our lives, making do the way things are and figuring this is "good enough?"

Is it selfism – keeping closed off from others who could help us down the road to freedom because "we'd rather do it ourselves?"

Is it refusing to join with others in the misguided belief that "teamwork" takes away from our false independence?

Join your strengths with others, work together as a team and achieve more.

See you Sunday!

JOIN US IN THANKFULNESS AND RECOGNITION

On Sunday, September 14, we will recognize Dr. Batson during the morning worship services on his 30th anniversary as our pastor!

Plan to join us as we express our gratitude to God for Howie's ongoing ministry with us!



SUNDAY EVENINGS

Join us on Sunday evenings, beginning September 14, as we explore Paul's letters to the church in Thessalonica. These two ancient letters date back to the middle

of the first century A.D. As a result of their commitment to Jesus, the believers in Thessalonica were experiencing ostracism and isolation. What does Paul have to say?



BRIDGES 2.0: CONNECTING WORSHIP ON SUNDAY TO WORK ON MONDAY

Beginning Sunday afternoon, September 21, at 4:30 p.m., in The Loft. Each meeting during the six-week class features guest

speakers sharing how they connect worship and work in their vocation. Speakers include Dr. Walter Wendler, Dr. Crystal Stewart, Judge Jim Campbell, Dr. Stan Cobb, Phyllis Allison, and Toana Smith. **Contact the church office to reserve your spot!**



WOMEN'S VERITY CONFERENCE October 3-4 in The Loft

We are honored to be hosting a satellite simulcast of Verity Conference this year, and we would love for you to join us! Verity is a theologically rich, Scripture-centered teaching conference designed to equip Christian women to know what they believe,

why it matters, and how to communicate it graciously. Times are Friday, 5:00-8:00 p.m., and Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Cost for the event is \$20 and includes meals, snacks, and childcare if needed. Register by visiting the FBC webpage (www.firstamarillo.org), or calling the church office (806-373-2891).

NEWS AT FIRST BAPTIST

NEW MEMBERS



Daniel Snider
By Letter



Erika Webb
By Letter



Madeleine Clark
For Baptism

DEACON OF THE DAY

Sept. 14	Jim Allen
Sept. 15	Christopher McWhorter
Sept. 16	David Nance
Sept. 17	Derwin Comer
Sept. 18	Bob Dempsey
Sept. 19	Randy Contreras
Sept. 20	Jackie Rudd

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

This Sunday, Dr. Batson will bring a message entitled "Red Ribbons and Silver Medals" from 1 Samuel 8. Spend time preparing your heart for our Sunday morning service.

TUESDAY NOON BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES

Join us for Bible Study each Tuesday from 12:15-12:45 p.m. Ginger LaGrone Tucker is leading a six-week study entitled *Fruitful: More Like Jesus, Less Like Me*. Each week a light meal is provided (optional, \$5) at 11:45 a.m. First Singers meet following Bible Study!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY COMING SOON!

Esther, by Kelly Minter
Mondays, beginning September 15
9:30 a.m. – room 104
Books available in the church office for \$20.

Marilyn Standefer, facilitator

WEDNESDAY FAMILY NIGHT @ FIRST CONTINUES

5:00 p.m. – Family Meal in the FLC Gym Cost is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children, with a family maximum of \$25.

Please make meal reservations by Monday noon by going online (www.firstamarillo.org) or calling the church office (806-373-2891).

6:00 p.m. – Music and Missions activities for preschoolers and children

6:00 p.m. – Prayer Meeting in the sanctuary, Midway for Young Adults, Acteens and Servants for Youth

6:45 p.m. – PrimeTime for Youth

7:00 p.m. – Sanctuary Choir rehearsal

WOMEN ON MISSION



You are invited to the **Week of Prayer for Texas Missions**

Saturday, September 20, 2025

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Lunch served at 11:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

Men, women, and children are all invited!

Our special speaker will be Dr. Jason Burden, Pastor, First Baptist Church of Lubbock.

MARY HILL DAVIS OFFERING FOR TEXAS MISSIONS

Church Goal: \$40,020.25

Given to Date: \$18,595.35



HERITAGE FELLOWSHIP

Thursday, September 18

5:30 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

Special guest: Devlon Jones

It's time for football and tailgating (feel free to wear your favorite team jersey).

Meal Cost: \$8

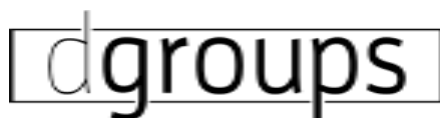
RSVP deadline is September 16.

LUNCH AND LEARN

Wednesday, September 24

12:00 noon – room 110

Join us as Linda Montgomery, who has vast experience teaching grief support classes, helps us understand the grieving steps and how to help and comfort our loved ones and friends. Lunch cost is \$5; please RSVP for the meal by Monday, September 22.



D-Groups are meeting. Group leaders are sharing information about time and place with those participating!

Sunday, September 14

Youth Choir

4:30-5:45 p.m. – Music Suite

Wednesday, September 17

Acteens (all girls 7th-12th grade)

6:00-6:45 p.m. – room 306 (main building)

Servants (all guys 7th-12th grade)

6:00-6:45 p.m. – L303 (The Loft)

PrimeTime (all 7th-12th grade students)

6:45-8:00 p.m.

The Landing @ The Loft

Middle School Retreat

6th-8th grade

October 10-12

Great Wolf Lodge, Grapevine, Texas

Cost: \$225

Scan the QR code

or register online

at <https://www.firstamarillo.org/youth>

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Registration Deadline: September 28

The Loft Hours

Sunday-Monday

Closed

Tuesday-Friday

4:00-9:00 p.m.

Saturday

1:00-9:00 p.m.



Kids Midweek

Wednesdays – 6:00-7:30 p.m.

For all 1st-6th graders.

Bible Drill

For all 1st-6th graders.

Join us each Sunday from 4:30-5:45 p.m.

1st Grade Bible Presentation

All 1st graders and their parents
Sunday, September 21 at 9:45 a.m. at The Loft Landing.

REMEMBER
TO
PRAY FOR
OUR PASTOR
ONE MINUTE
EACH DAY
AT 1:00 P.M.



(for those who are college age)

Sunday Morning Bible Study

9:45 a.m. – The Loft 102

Challenge Bible Study

Tuesday, September 16

The Loft – room L406 (The Loft)

Contact Corey for more info!



Preschool Wednesday Nights

6:00-6:45 p.m. – Preschool

Choir

6:45-7:30 p.m. – Mission Friends

NEW KID ON THE PEW



Reid Glawe



SINGLE MOMS MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP

Saturday, September 13

10:00-11:30 a.m.

FLC room 202

FIRST RIDE DRIVERS

We are especially grateful for our First Ride drivers who assist us every Sunday morning in getting to and from our parking areas! We need several additional adult drivers, so if you have an interest in helping once every three months, please contact Tommy Needham or the church office.

SERVICE TIMES AT FIRST

Sunday Morning Worship	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study for all ages	9:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer & Praise	6:00 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

- Cinna Splawn in the death of her father, Percy Reid.
- James Cooper in the death of his aunt, Dorothy Schoenhals, Shattuck, OK.

LADIES, MARK YOUR CALENDARS

October 3-4

Verity Women's Conference at The Loft
November 6

Women's Holiday Dinner



FINANCIAL REPORT

SPECIFIC, SIGNIFICANT, INTENTIONAL

September 7, 2025

Weekly budget requirement
\$ 174,266.98

Weekly budget receipts
\$ 200,377.65

Year-to-date budget requirement
\$ 6,273,611.28

Year-to-date budget receipts
\$ 8,701,503.04

TEXANS ON MISSION: CRISIS AND DISASTER TRAINING

Saturday, October 25

First Baptist Church of Amarillo

Scholarships available. Scan the QR code to register.



WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE DAILY READINGS

Sunday, September 14
Jonah 3-4

Monday, September 15
Micah 1-2

Tuesday, September 16
Micah 3-4

Wednesday, September 17
Micah 5-7

Thursday, September 18
Nahum 1-3

Friday, September 19
Habakkuk 1-3

Saturday, September 20
Zephaniah 1-3

NEW MEMBERS

By Letter or Statement to Date	121
For Baptism to Date	66
Baptized to Date	59
Watchcare	4

WEDNESDAY MEAL

Wednesday, September 17

Chicken fried rice • veggies • egg rolls

(catered by Chop Chop)

OR

Salad Bar

Make reservations online or call the church office by Monday noon.

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