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THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Church Family,

The direction the wind blows is always changing. We are never at our forever place (not in this life), for our address keeps changing. Our circumstances, our mood, our life stage, our health, our relationships, and even our abode will, inevitably, eventually change. Bishop Steven Charleston said it so well:

"On the other side of sadness comes joy. On the other side of loss comes blessing. the other side of a sleepless night comes the dawn of a new hope. We are not fixed points in time, condemned to only one feeling, one emotion, one experience. We are souls of the air, moving on the wind, exploring what is never on the map until we find it. We are not subject to death, but pledged to life, linked in a holy bond, able to fly through all kinds of weather." (Bishop Steven Charleston on Facebook, 9/11/2022, www. homileticsonline.com)



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 9-13

9:00 a.m. to Noon

(Early bird arrival at 7:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center)

Ages 4 - Grade 6

Register online at firstamarillo.org/vbs

Volunteers: May 26 is the last day to sign up to help. For more information, please contact Cliff Cary, Hannah Bandy, Elaine Clark, or the church office. Thank you for making a difference!



VBS FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Wednesday, June 11 6:00-8:00 p.m. First Field and Picnic Area Inflatables, climbing wall, free hot dogs. free snow cones, and more! Adult volunteers are needed to help with inflatables and attractions. Volunteer signup sheets are available in your Sunday School classes. Watch for more details soon!



4AMARILLO MISSION WEEK

Our annual 4Amarillo mission week is June 23-26 and has opportunities for all ages to serve and share every evening. We will be hosting two sites: San Jacinto Elementary and Wills Elementary park, serving meals from 5:00-6:00 p.m., followed by kids' activities, Bible stories, games, crafts, outreach, and more from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Sign up to be a volunteer at firstamarillo. org/4amarillo, or you can complete the volunteer form available in the church office.



visit us online at www.firstamarillo.org

NEWS AT FIRST BAPTIST

NEW MEMBERS

Not Pictured:

Terry and Pam McAffrey By Statement



CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year we have individuals who share financial resources above and beyond their regular tithe to sponsor a full or partial scholarship for Breakaway or Merge camps. Our continued hope is that every student who wants to attend a FBC church camp will be able to do so, regardless of financial ability. Thank you for making this possible.

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

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May 25	Marcus Norris
May 26	Brad Hoeksema
May 27	Buddy Covin
May 28	Jon Mark Beilue
May 29	Joe Thompson
May 30	Keith Demetriades
May 31	Richard Miller

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

This Sunday, Brad Holmes will bring a message entitled "Family History" from Joshua 24:14-15. Spend time preparing your heart for our Sunday morning service.

SUNDAY EVENING, MAY 25

There will be no afternoon or evening activities on Sunday, May 25 (in celebration of Memorial Day).

SCHEDULE CHANGES

May 24-31
The Loft will be closed
Sunday, May 25
No afternoon activities or evening
worship
Monday, May 26
Church Offices and FLC Closed
Tuesday-Friday, May 27-30
Family Life Center will close early at 5:00 p.m.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

We need a few people to help refugees learn English. Classes meet on Thursday mornings and/or Sunday afternoons, starting in September. Please call Sue Kelly, 806-679-7841, for more information.



AUTO, BIKE, AND COMPUTER MINISTRY

If you have an interest in donating or receiving a bicycle, computer, or auto, please contact the church office (806-373-2891).



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WORKDAY

Tuesday, June 3
9:30-11:00 a.m. – Fellowship Hall
It's time for our annual VBS "help
day" to assist Elaine, Cliff, and
Hannah as they prepare for a great
VBS. Come join us as we cut,
sort, copy, and help with crafts and
children's activities!



VBS YARD SIGNS

VBS yard signs are available in the church office. Stop by and pick up a sign to place in your yard to let your neighbors know what is happening early this summer at FBC Amarillo!

WORSHIP IS A SACRED TIME

Our Sunday morning worship service is a sacred time for our First Baptist Church family. To avoid distracting others, please remain in the sanctuary and seated during the sermon and invitation. Parents, please remind your children to use restroom facilities prior to worship. Thanks for your help!





Breakaway

May 25-30

Sunday, May 25
Students check in at 7:00 a.m. on
The Lawn at The Loft

Friday, May 30 Check Facebook or Instagram for updates on return arrival time

Please be in prayer for our students and sponsors traveling to Breakaway.

Sunday, May 25

9:45-10:45 a.m. Union in The Landing *No Youth Choir*

The Loft will be closed May 24-31



(for those who are college age)

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:45 a.m. – The Loft 102



Meet Our Summer Interns



We are so grateful to have Emma Stonecipher, Peyton Peavey, Ashlyn Dixon, and Hollis Stowe helping out in the Kids Ministry this summer!

Help with VBS Prep Work

We need your help! Come by Cliff's office this Sunday to grab a bag of craft or decoration preparations for VBS!

Get Excited for VBS! June 9-13

Register today at www.firstamarillo.org/vbs

Movie Party

(for all completed 1st-6th graders)
Wednesday, May 28
1:00-4:00 p.m. in The Loft
Bring a pillow and blanket and join us for snacks and a movie!



Merge 2025

July 14-17 Register today at <u>www.</u> <u>firstamarillo.</u> org/merge



Vacation Bible School June 9-13

TOP Needs:

- •Two people to teach music to 5-year-olds
- •A teacher for 4-year-olds
 Please contact Elaine if you can help!

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FIRST STEPS GRADUATION



Four-year-olds



Transitional class

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.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

We offer Sunday Morning Bible Study classes for adults: co-ed classes, women's and men's classes, classes for single adults, classes by age, and classes for all ages! Classes focus on great Bible teaching, life application, building relationships and fellowship with others, caring for others, and much more. For more information, stop by the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings or contact Robby Barrett in the church office (806-373-2891).

FINANCIAL REPORT

SPECIFIC, SIGNIFICANT, INTENTIONAL

May 18, 2025
Weekly budget requirement
\$ 174,266.98
Weekly budget receipts
\$ 218,377.33
Year-to-date budget requirement
\$ 3,485,339.60
Year-to-date budget receipts
\$ 5,780,549.10

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

- •The family of Mary Lou Frazier.
- •Gene Hurst in the death of his father, Earl "Gene" Hurst, Jr.

WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE DAILY READINGS

Sunday, May 25
Job 25-28
Monday, May 26
Job 29-31
Tuesday, May 27
Job 32-33
Wednesday, May 28
Job 34-35
Thursday, May 29
Job 36-37
Friday, May 30
Job 38-39
Saturday, May 31
Job 40-42

NEW MEMBERS

By Letter or Statement to Date	91
For Baptism to Date	42
Baptized to Date	38
Watchcare	3



FOR THE LATEST NEWS
AND EVENTS VISIT
FIRSTAMARILLO.ORG

WEDNESDAY MEAL

Wednesday evening meals will not be served during the summer. Watch for start-up date in August!

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