

# THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE



#### Dear Church Family,

The story goes that in ancient Greece, the politically crafty philosopher Aristippus had learned to get along in court by flattering the tyrant Denys. Aristippus looked down his nose at some of his less prosperous fellow philosophers and wise men who would not stoop that low. One day he saw his colleague Diogenes washing some vegetables and he said to him disdainfully: "If you would only learn to flatter King Denys you would not have to be washing lentils."

Diogenes looked up slowly and, in the same tone, replied "And you, if you had only learned to live on lentils, would not have to flatter King Denys."

"For we never came with flattering speech, as you know, nor with a pretext for greed – God is witness – nor did we seek glory from men, either from you or from others, even though as apostles of Christ we might have asserted our authority." (1 Thessalonians 2:5-6)



## **GOD AT HOME**

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Join us this Sunday, April 14, as Trevor Brown continues a sermon series exploring the Bible's desire for God's home and ours. The Bible begins and ends with an announcement that God is creating a new home. Jesus Himself prays to the Father "that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them." How can we make our lives a home for Him? How should we wait for the home He prepares?



#### **TUESDAY NOON BIBLE STUDY**

Corky Holland will begin a new study entitled *Mountain Top Experiences* on Tuesday, April 16. Join us in Fellowship Hall from 12:15-12:45 p.m. A light lunch is available (\$5) beginning at 11:45 a.m., and First Singers meet following the study.



### BREAKER ROCK BEACH! VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2024 June 10-14

9:00 am. - 12:00 Noon Ages 4 (by August 31) through completed grade 6 Information available at <u>www.firstamarillo.</u> <u>org/vbs</u>. Registration is open for volunteers!



#### **COLORFUL CLOSETS**

We will once again be providing new clothing for children in our community through Colorful Closets. Lists will be available beginning April 21 at hallway tables on the second floor. Watch for more details!

See you Sunday.

# NEWS AT FIRST BAPTIST

### **NEW MEMBERS**



Amou Kongder and Angelina Bol (also pictured is Abuk Ayei)



Jonathan, Peter, Phoebe, and Eden Shaffer *For Baptism* (pictured with parents, Jonathan and Melodie)



Luis and Jessica Mireles For Baptism and By Statement (also pictured are Carson, Niccolas, and Brooklyn)

### **DEACON OF THE DAY**

April 14	Al Hughlett
April 15	David Mills
April 16	Barry Lowrance
April 17	Jim Campbell
April 18	Mark Gilbreath
April 19	James Austin
April 20	Gerry Chapman

### **PREPARING FOR WORSHIP**

This Sunday, Dr. Trevor Brown will bring a message entitled "Longing for Home"from 2 Corinthians 4:16-5:10 Spend time preparing your heart for our Sunday morning service.



Cruz Sr., Rain, Cruz Jr., and Ken Lozada *For Baptism* (also pictured is Pang Lozada)



Brandon Trolinder By Statement Troy Snow By Statement



Vongprachanh Vongprachanh *For Baptism* (pictured with husband, Khampong)



Janette Niyondagije and Silvester Ndahimana *For Baptism* 

Not Pictured: Kevin, Darcie, and Cooper Richardson *By Statement* Zachary and Kimberly Pickard *By Statement*  WOMEN ON MISSION SKY SCOTT Wednesday, April 10, 9:30 a.m., room 107.

# **CELEBRATE WITH US**

Mike and Sharol Shutts 30 Years of Mission Service Mission Aviation Fellowship Sunday, April 14 Reception in Fellowship Hall following evening worship.

## **DISCOVER FIRST CLASS**

The Discover First Class will meet in the Original Building on Sunday, April 14.

# **GUEST PARKING**

Thank you for keeping our Family Life Center guest parking spots along Tyler Street available on Sunday mornings.

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# LUNCH AND LEARN

Wednesday, April 17 12:00 Noon –room 110 Our speaker will discuss estate planning, focusing on documents and directives such as wills, powers of attorney, DNRs, etc., as well as answer questions about estate planning. Lunch provided; the cost is \$5, and the RSVP deadline is Monday, April 15.

### HERITAGE FELLOWSHIP

Thursday, April 18 5:30 p.m. –Fellowship Hall Our theme is "shipwrecked on a deserted island," with Guy Wesley Langham providing our musical program. The RSVP deadline is Tuesday, April 16, and the cost is \$8.



Sunday, April 14 Youth Choir 4:30-6:00 p.m. – Music Suite *D Groups* 6:00-7:00 p.m. Meet on the 4th floor

### Wednesday, April 17

Acteens (all girls 7th-12th grade) 6:00 p.m. – room 410 Servants (all guys 7th-12th grade) 6:00 p.m. – room 413



**PrimeTime** 6:45-8:00 p.m. room 407



BREAKAWAY CAMP 2024 May 26-31

Early Bird Cost: \$550 (ends April 21) Two family members: \$950 Three family members: \$1100

Register online or, for more information, go to <u>www.</u> <u>firstamarillo.org</u> or use the QR code.





*(for those who are college age)* **Tuesday, April 16** Challenge Bible Study 7:00-9:00 p.m. 11th & Polk Ministry Center Contact Corey for more information



#### **New Christians Class**

Sundays, April 14 and 21 9:45 a.m. (Sunday School hour) We are offering a class for kids who have recently accepted Christ. We will discuss the importance of our faith and ways we can share our faith with others. Please let Cliff or Hannah know if you want your child to participate.

#### **Family Night Out**

Friday, April 19 6:00-7:30 p.m. Let us take care of your kids while you go out! 7:30-8:30 p.m. Join us back at FBC for Dessert and Family Games.

Sign up online at <u>firstamarillo.</u> org

# Vacation Bible School

June 10-14

We need your help at VBS! Go to the VBS page (<u>www.firstamarillo.</u> <u>org/vbs</u>) to learn more about this exciting week in our church's life. You can also sign up to help. We need help in many different areas.

#### Merge Camp

July 15-18 Completed 4th-6th grade *Cost of camp increases after this Sunday.* For more information or to

register: <u>www.firstamarillo.org/</u> <u>merge</u>.



### **Sunday Morning Needs**

Preschool needs two teachers for kindergarten age during the Sunday School hour. Contact Elaine if you can help (elaine@firstamarillo.org).

Vacation Bible School June 10-14

# **BABIES OF THE WEEK**



Brooklyn Azalea Mireles daughter of Luis and Jessica Mireles



Emersyn June Barnett daughter of Seth and Kristina Barnett

# **NEW KID ON THE PEW**

Wade Price



# 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

•The family of Brent Ward.

•Wilma Tomes in the death of her daughter. Shirley Tomes O'Neal. Gulf Breeze, FL; sister of Debra Tomes. •Joan Caballero in the death of her father. Robert Santana Caballero, Santa Fe, NM; uncle of Ann Austin and Jane Austin. •Bradley Maybin in the death of his grandfather, Bob Brashear, Robinson, TX.

•Rosalind Bates in the death of her aunt. Vernice Jones, Memphis, TN.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT **ALL HIS**

April 7, 2024 Weekly budget requirement \$165,228.17 Weekly budget receipts \$263,604.22 Year-to-date budget requirement \$ 2.313.194.38 Year-to-date budget receipts \$ 2,666,354.75

# **GRATEFUL FOR OUR NEW DEACON OFFICERS**

Following the ordination service Sunday evening, the Deacon Fellowship elected the following as officers for 2024-2025: Chairman – Steve Bowen Vice-Chairman – Bob Dempsey Secretary – Frank

## WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE **DAILY READINGS**

Sunday, April 14 1 Chronicles 1-5 Monday, April 15 1 Chronicles 6-9 Tuesday, April 16 1 Chronicles 10-16 Wednesday, April 17 1 Chronicles 17-21 Thursday, April 18 1 Chronicles 22-27 Friday, April 19 1 Chronicles 28-29 Saturday, April 20 2 Chronicles 1-5

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

By Letter or Statement to Date	100
For Baptism to Date	37
Baptized to Date	38

# WEDNESDAY MEAL

Wednesday, April 17 Chicken fried rice • Veggies • Eggroll (catered by Chop Chop) 0R Delicious Dozen Salad Bar Make reservations online or call the church office by Monday noon.



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