



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Amarillo

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THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Church Family,
They're back!

Believe it or not, grandma's hobbies are hip once again. Twenty- and thirty-somethings are trading in some of their scrolling online for needlepoint, journaling, and crocheting.

Apparently, the younger generations are trying to digitally detox and return to creative engagement. In fact, the microwave generation is now interested in baking grandma's old recipes. One expert explained, "These experiences are really offering something they can't get online."

The trend is so hot, the markets report that the sale of cross-stitch patterns are up 89% as compared to last year. In a survey of 2,000 adults, 71% were involved in craft projects recently.

As we return to grandma's crafts, I pray we return to her values, her community of faith, and her scripture. Sometimes the greatest new trend is a trip to the past. Welcome to 1950! (*Wall Street Journal*, 6/16/25, p1)



JUNE 23-26

Join 4 downtown churches serving in our city each evening at two different local school parks, June 23-26, from 5:00-7:30 p.m. All kinds of help is needed! This is a great chance to serve with your family, fit a mission week around your work schedule, or simply join our church family in sharing Christ's love here in Amarillo. Volunteers are needed for children's ministry, crafts, Bible stories, food, conversation, set up/clean up, and more! There is a place for everyone.

To register to serve, use the link on our church website (www.firstamarillo.org/4amarillo.)

MINISTRY SITES:

Wills Elementary School (3500 SW 11th Ave)

5:00-7:30 p.m.

Schedule:

5:00-6:00 p.m. – meal for families and volunteers

6:00-7:30 p.m. – program which includes Bible story, crafts, scripture memory, recreation, and youth activities.

San Jacinto Elementary School (3400 W 4th Ave)

5:00-7:30 p.m.

Schedule:

5:00-6:00 p.m. – meal for families and volunteers

6:00-7:30 p.m. – program which includes Bible story, crafts, scripture memory, recreation, and youth activities.

4Amarillo Mission Week Volunteer Meeting

Sunday, June 22

4:30 p.m. – FBC Fellowship Hall



visit us online at www.firstamarillo.org

NEWS AT FIRST BAPTIST

NEW MEMBERS



Eric and Kimberly Matthews
Layla Matthews
For Baptism and By Statement
(also pictured are Sunny and RJ)



Christian and Caddie Voigtlander
By Letter



Tommy Johnson
For Baptism



John Griffin
For Baptism

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

This Sunday, Dr. Trevor Brown will bring a message entitled "What Is Possible?" from Genesis 18:1-15. Spend time preparing your heart for our Sunday morning service.

The Loft

will be closed June 20-28

HOW'S YOUR SERVE?

Have you thought about serving in Sunday Morning Bible Study? We begin our new year in August, and this summer we will be enlisting new teachers and leaders for preschool, children, and student classes. Please contact the church office or one of our education staff members if you sense God leading you to help! Regular training is provided, and we would love to explore possibilities.

SUBSTITUTE DRIVERS FOR FIRST RIDE

Each month we need several substitute drivers for our Sunday morning shuttle cart service, First Ride. If you can help on a substitute basis, or would perhaps consider helping on a regular basis (once every 2-3 months), please contact Tommy Needham or the church office (806-373-2891).

DEACON OF THE DAY

June 22	Hal Skaggs
June 23	Jay Sawyer
June 24	Jeff Stephenson
June 25	Justin Clark
June 26	Terry Harris
June 27	Bobby Sidman
June 28	Steve Kersh

WOMEN ON MISSION

WMU LEADERSHIP, Sunday, June 22, 4:00 p.m., room 309.

CAN YOU HELP?

We need a washer and dryer for a refugee family. If you can help with this need, please call Sue Kelly, 806-679-7841.



HIGH NOON ON THE SQUARE

Wednesday, June 25
11:45 a.m.

Potter County Courthouse Lawn
Join Corky and Gay for lunch and entertainment. Bring your lawn chairs and lunch (or you can purchase a Bubba's 33 hamburger for \$10 at the event). The entertainment will be presented by TEXAS. Please RSVP if you plan to join us so we can reserve plenty of space.

LUNCH AND LEARN

Thursday, June 26
12:00 noon – room 110

Chris Kutin, retired pastor, hospital chaplain, and prison chaplain, will present a program entitled "Prescription for Joy." Cost for lunch is \$5. Please RSVP for the meal by Tuesday, June 24.

COLORFUL CLOSETS

FBC always comes through in providing for Colorful Closets through the "blue bag" collection. We collected 165 blue bags full of clothing for those in need – many containing even more than requested. Thank you, church!



Youth Choir Mission Trip

June 20-29

Friday, June 20

1:30 p.m. – Meet on the Lawn at the Loft to be ready for a 2:00 p.m. departure time!

Please be in prayer for our Youth Choir and sponsors (125 in all) as they travel to New York City to sing and serve, capped off by a concert with Matthew West in Carnegie Hall.

Sunday, June 22

Youth Summer Series

7th-12th grade Sunday School classes will meet together in The Landing during the Sunday School hour.

June 23-28

NO Youth Activities

The Loft

will be closed
June 20-28



(for those who are college age)

Sunday Morning Bible Study

9:45 a.m. – The Loft 102

Tuesday Lunch and Bible Study

12:00-1:00 p.m.

Bring your own lunch and meet at The Loft first floor.



Merge 2025

July 14-17

Register today at

www.firstamarillo.org/merge

Merge Camp Parent Meetings

Zoom Meeting

Monday, June 30

6:30 p.m.

(To attend zoom meeting, all camper forms must be completed and the balance paid in full.)

In-Person Meeting

Sunday, July 6

4:30 p.m. – First Baptist Church



WIDOW'S MITE

We continue to provide basic home maintenance and repair assistance to First Baptist Church widows, widowers, and other adults in our congregation who might have specific requests on an "as needed" basis. If you would like help at your home, or would like to serve in this ministry, contact Caron Babcock or call the church office (806-373-2891).



Summer Fun Days

Preschool welcomes 149 preschoolers to Summer Fun Days!

FAMILY DEDICATION



Kenna Faye Sherrill
Parents: Jeff and Erin
Brothers: Gabriel and Grayden



Avagail Ruth Voigtlander,
Atticus Jak Voigtlander, and
Scout Faye Voigtlander
Parents: Christian and Caddie

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

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.

MEDICAL MISSIONS: VITAMINS COLLECTION

Our summer team to Zambia is collecting vitamins all summer: men's, women's, children's, and prenatal. These are sorted and given to all patients who visit our 4-day clinic. Multivitamins of any quantity must be in the original bottle and should be capsules or tablets (not gummies). They can be dropped off in the main office.



FINANCIAL REPORT

SPECIFIC, SIGNIFICANT, INTENTIONAL

June 15, 2025

Weekly budget requirement	\$ 174,266.98
Weekly budget receipts	\$ 200,043.98
Year-to-date budget requirement	\$ 4,182,407.52
Year-to-date budget receipts	\$ 6,495,281.49

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

- The family of Sherry Vaughn.
- The family of James "Jimmy" Jones.
- Janet Wright in the death of her son, Jerry Terry, Kansas City, MO; brother of Jacki Quinto and Julie Brown; uncle of John Nite.
- Malorie Zimmer and Chris Stapp in the death of their grandmother, Roxie Stapp, Groom, TX.

WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE DAILY READINGS

Sunday, June 22	Psalms 109-110
Monday, June 23	Psalms 111-118
Tuesday, June 24	Psalms 119
Wednesday, June 25	Psalms 120-127
Thursday, June 26	Psalms 128-134
Friday, June 27	Psalms 135-139
Saturday, June 28	Psalms 140-142

NEW MEMBERS

By Letter or Statement to Date	96
For Baptism to Date	49
Baptized to Date	44
Watchcare	3

WEDNESDAY MEAL

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

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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