



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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Occasionally, I find myself drawn back to one of my favorite movies. It was entitled, "Goodbye, Mr. Chips" and it came out in 1969. In the movie a school teacher in a boys school encounters a series of challenges in his life and career. At various times he finds himself reflecting on the school song.

"In the morning of my life, I can look to the sunrise
at the moment in my life when the world is new,
and the blessing I will ask is that God will grant me
is to be brave and strong and true.

And to fill the world with love my whole life through."

In the springtime of our new year, and in the season of preparation for Easter, the words in this song seem so appropriate for us.

For was it not in the "springtime" of our faith that we asked God to help us be strong and brave and to learn of God's love and truly show it and to be faithful in Christian service in the church? And is it also sometimes the case that we have let that request of God and the commitment to service in worship wane as we saw other things take prime intent in our lives? Something happened, and we no longer asked God for his blessings, and we no longer remember what we promised and worshipping God takes a back seat.

This is that wonderful season of renewal and reflection. The Good News of Jesus and his Resurrection is before us. And we can consider the blessings we asked for and promises we made in the "springtime" of our faith, and we can experience a new springtime, now based on our own story of growing faith, where we can be brave and strong and true where we will show love in all that we do, and we will enjoy the commitment we have in Christian worship together.

May it be so!

1st Quarterly Ministry Meeting of 2025

Sunday, April 27th will be the date for our 1st Quarterly Ministry Meeting immediately following the worship service. All Minutes and Board Reports are due Wednesday, April 23rd by noon. Thank you.

Annual Senior Tea

The 89th Annual Senior Tea has been scheduled for Friday, May 9th at 1 p.m., the Friday before Mother's Day. A planning meeting will be on Tues. April 1st at 11 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to help with the Senior Tea, please contact the church office or attend this meeting.

Lunch on Us Program

Our church will be hosting the "Lunch on Us" Program again this summer. The starting date is yet to be determined so we will notify everyone once it has been set. If you would like to help with this program or make a donation, please see Janice Roberts or contact the church office at 217-942-6633.

Graduation Sunday

Graduation Recognition Sunday will be on May 18th during the church service. If you know of any College, High School or Eighth Grade Graduates please contact the church office by Wednesday, May 14th with their names, school info and any college degrees they have received.

Salad Luncheon

The Salad Luncheon will be Thursday, June 19th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. A planning meeting will be scheduled in the

future that will be held in the Fellowship Hall to discuss what is needed and assign tasks to those who volunteer to help with this event. More information will be posted after this meeting in the church bulletin, on the church bulletin boards, flyers around town and on our church Facebook page.

2025 Operation Shoebox Gifts

Each month our church will be collecting different types of items to be put into boxes to donate. There is a gray basket in the Sanctuary foyer to place the gifts. They will be picked up and stored till they are ready to be placed in the boxes. The approximate due date for the boxes will be around November 13th. See Nancy Wollenweber or Edwina Garrison if you have any questions. Monthly collection list is given below:

February	Boys & Girls Crocs & Flip Flops
March	hair brushes, combs & toothbrushes
April	water bottles, glue sticks & safety scissors for small children
May	washcloths, crayons & small writing tablets
June	socks for children of all ages & bounce balls
July	colored pencils, pencil sharpeners, erasers & jump ropes
August	small coloring books that will fit in boxes
September	Barbie dolls, "WOW" toys & Matchbox cars/trucks
October	Yo-Yos, Slinky, small loose leaf paper pkgs.
November	Playdoh, dominos, Uno cards

APRIL

1st – Senior Tea Planning Meeting @ 11 a.m.

In Fellowship Hall

9th – Bloodmobile in FBC Parking Lot

13th – Palm Sunday

Fellowship Hall Reserved for Wedding Shower

17th – Maundy Thursday Service @ 6:30 p.m.

18th – Good Friday (Office Closed)

20th – Sunrise Service @ 7 a.m.

w/Breakfast following

Easter Service @ 10 a.m.

27th – Quarterly Ministry Meeting

Immediately following Worship

MAY

4th – District 1 Foundation Program @ 2 p.m.

9th – 89th Annual Senior Tea

10th – Fellowship Hall Reserved for Baby Shower

11th – Mother's Day

18th – Graduation Recognition

26th – Memorial Day

JUNE

4th – Bloodmobile in FBC Parking Lot

15th – Father's Day

19th – Annual Salad Luncheon

Thank you for your continued support to the Carrollton Area Food Pantry! God Bless!

Bernie Faul

Hello my church family & friends. It was heartwarming to know you still remember me. I thank you all for the lovely cards, gifts & cookies. Sandi is so good to me & treats me so Great!! God, Thank you for her!! I pray God also is waiting for a just right someone for our church. Blessings. Keep us in your prayers.

Charlotte White

Dear friends and FBC of Carrollton, On behalf of everyone at One Hope United, thank you for your constant support. A partner like you helps us change lives and we are very honored to have you. To many more years of partnership and changing lives. We are looking forward to sharing the successes and milestones made possible by your support. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!







Thank you so much for thinking of us with a peace lily at the time of Mom's passing. Also, a big thank you to the women who worked so hard preparing and serving our family so everyone could reminisce about good times with Mom. It's great to have such a wonderful church family.

Tammy Weber & family
Teresa Hamilton & family





April 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 11 a.m. Senior Tea Planning Meeting in the Fellowship Hall	2 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Choir & Praise Team Practice 6:30 p.m. Prayer Time in Sanctuary <i>Haley Garber</i> <i>Jacob Lovel</i> <i>Ron Stuart Jr.</i> <i>Randy & Deborah Davis</i>	3 6 p.m. Stained Glass Class <i>Jim Weber</i> <i>Diana Flatt</i>	4 6:30 p.m. Chosen Generation Bible Study	5
6 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 10 a.m. Worship & Communion 11 a.m. Sunday School <i>Crew Nelson</i>	7 6 p.m. Zach Flowers Outreach <i>Janet Hardwick</i>	8 <i>Mackenzie LaMarsh</i> <i>Aden Short</i> <i>Amelia Uhles</i> <i>JR & Gena Flowers</i>	9 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 2-5:30 p.m. Bloodmobile in FBC Parking Lot 5:30 p.m. Choir & Praise Team Practice 6:30 p.m. Prayer Time in Sanctuary	10 <i>Samantha Tucker</i> <i>Aaron & Michelle Hopper</i> <i>Larry & Christine Meek</i>	11 6:30 p.m. Chosen Generation Bible Study <i>Debra Cunningham</i>	12 <i>Michelle Hopper</i> <i>Michael Goode</i>
13  9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 10 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary 11 a.m. Sunday School 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study – Mark <i>Donna Reif</i> <i>Chrissy Osterman</i>	14 6 p.m. Zach Flowers Outreach 6 p.m. C.E. Board 7 p.m. Trustees	15	16 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Choir & Praise Team Practice 6:30 p.m. Prayer Time in Sanctuary <i>Jeff Allen</i> <i>Mark Beatty</i> <i>Barb Becker</i>	17  6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service <i>Gina Graham</i>	18  OFFICE CLOSED 6:30 p.m. Chosen Generation Bible Study <i>Marty & Chrissy Osterman</i>	19 <i>Paige Baalman</i>
20  7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service w/ Breakfast following 10 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary 11 a.m. Sunday School <i>Aaron Adams</i>	21 6 p.m. Zach Flowers Outreach 6 p.m. Diaconate Meeting	22 <i>Rich Portwood</i> <i>Steve Dunn</i> <i>Jessica Ogden</i>	23 BOARD REPORTS DUE 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Choir & Praise Team Practice 6:30 p.m. Prayer Time in Sanctuary <i>Rick Hires</i> <i>Melanie Fessler</i>	24 6 p.m. Stained Glass Class <i>Dan & Debra Cunningham</i>	25 6:30 p.m. Chosen Generation Bible Study	26
27 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 10 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary 11 a.m. Sunday School After Worship 1 st Quarter Ministry Meeting 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study – Mark <i>Vic Camden</i> <i>Elden Martin</i> <i>Brandon Tuey</i>	28 6 p.m. Zach Flowers Outreach 6 p.m. Church Council Meeting <i>First Baptist Church; Est. 1827 199th</i>	29 <i>Molly Essen</i>	30 <i>Tyler DeOrnellas</i>			

Happy Birthday Blessings

Wedding Anniversary Congratulations

May 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 <u>6 p.m.</u> Stained Glass Class Suzanne Scott	2 <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Chosen Generation Bible Study Evan Hopper	3 Seth Cordes Randy Davis
4 <u>9:30 a.m.</u> Fellowship Time <u>10 a.m.</u> Worship & Communion <u>11 a.m.</u> Sunday School <u>2 p.m.</u> Dist. 1 Foundation Program	5 <u>6 p.m.</u> Zach Flowers Outreach Corie Gillingham	6	7 <u>9:30 a.m.</u> Women's Bible Study <u>5:30 p.m.</u> Choir & Praise Team Practice <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Prayer Time in Sanctuary Mike Lovel Larry Meek	8 Dean DeOrnellas Megan McClenning	9 <u>1 p.m.</u> 89 th Senior Tea <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Chosen Generation Bible Study Janet Bryant Marty Osterman John & Jeannie Gleason	10 Fellowship Hall Reserved by Racheal DeOrnellas
11  <u>9:30 a.m.</u> Fellowship Time <u>10 a.m.</u> Worship in Sanctuary <u>11 a.m.</u> Sunday School <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Young Adult Bible Study <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Pastor's Bible Study – Mark Brenda Reif-Ranger Ila Mae Baalman Tyler & Paige Baalman	12 <u>6 p.m.</u> Zach Flowers Outreach <u>6 p.m.</u> C.E. Board <u>7 p.m.</u> Trustees Carol Kelley Ryan & Tammy Breckon Brian & Amanda Essen	13 Will Beatty Madison Graham Linda Horn Tina McFadden	14 <u>9:30 a.m.</u> Women's Bible Study <u>5:30 p.m.</u> Choir & Praise Team Practice <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Prayer Time in Sanctuary BJ Staples	15 <u>6 p.m.</u> Stained Glass Class Jill Bennett London Wollenweber James & Lori Cordes	16 <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Chosen Generation Bible Study Brad McClenning	17 Lara Griesemer Heather Donaldson Gabriel Hunt Stanley Nicol
18  <u>9:30 a.m.</u> Fellowship Time <u>10 a.m.</u> Worship in Sanctuary <u>11 a.m.</u> Sunday School Mason Holmes	19 <u>6 p.m.</u> Zach Flowers Outreach <u>6 p.m.</u> Diaconate Meeting Gena Flowers Knox Lawson	20 Matt Reynolds King Jackson Amy Lacey	21 <u>9:30 a.m.</u> Women's Bible Study <u>5:30 p.m.</u> Choir & Praise Team Practice <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Prayer Time in Sanctuary John & Jamie Allen	22 Marilyn Darr Maclin Short	23 <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Chosen Generation Bible Study Karen Angle Mindy Leavell	24 Janet Ornellas
25 <u>9:30 a.m.</u> Fellowship Time <u>10 a.m.</u> Worship in Sanctuary <u>11 a.m.</u> Sunday School <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Young Adult Bible Study <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Pastor's Bible Study – Mark Gayle Lake	26  <u>6 p.m.</u> Zach Flowers Outreach <u>6 p.m.</u> Church Council Meeting Howie Prough Darren Gilbert	27 Laura Overbey	28 <u>9:30 a.m.</u> Women's Bible Study <u>5:30 p.m.</u> Choir & Praise Team Practice <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Prayer Time in Sanctuary Aidan Giberson	29 Amber Flowers Chad Flowers	30 <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Chosen Generation Bible Study Melissa Lentz Ellie Cunningham	31 Nacole Yates

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June 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 10 a.m. Worship & Communion 11 a.m. Sunday School Becky Angle	2 6 p.m. Zach Flowers Outreach Jamie Allen Ryan Wheeler Randy & Bonnie Jackson	3 Ashley Curran	4 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 2-6 p.m. Bloodmobile in FBC Parking Lot 5:30 p.m. Choir & Praise Team Practice 6:30 p.m. Prayer Time in Sanctuary Jillian Tucker Lisa Robinson Michael & Rachel Fraser	5 6 p.m. Stained Glass Class Jeff Wollenweber Jennifer Goode Joe & Hannah Reed	6 6:30 p.m. Chosen Generation Bible Study Kearsta Ornellas Hannah Reed Kelsie Steckel	7 Anita Adams Cindy Harness
8 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 10 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary 11 a.m. Sunday School 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study – Mark Michelle LaMarsh Curtis & Angela McFadden	9 6 p.m. Zach Flowers Outreach 6 p.m. C.E. Board 7 p.m. Trustees Jeanne Steinacher Cindy Snyder	10 Tyler Roberts Charlene Merriman	11 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Choir & Praise Team Practice 6:30 p.m. Prayer Time in Sanctuary Koby Schnelten	12 Betsy Reed	13 6:30 p.m. Chosen Generation Bible Study Andrew Ornellas Allison Shaw Katie Steinacher Sarah Tuey Rich & Peggy Portwood	14 Randelon Breckon Dennis Byland Kim Davis Hadlee Ruyle Don & Brenda Reif-Ranger Allen & Jeanette Handling
15  9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 10 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary 11 a.m. Sunday School Brooklyn Eilerman Rachel Fraser	16 6 p.m. Zach Flowers Outreach 6 p.m. Diaconate Meeting Natalie Umphress Diane Roberts	17 Alaina Flowers Gay Pepple	18 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Choir & Praise Team Practice 6:30 p.m. Prayer Time in Sanctuary 	19 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.  6 p.m. Stained Glass Class Brady Schnelten Orion Nyman Aaron & Anita Adams	20 6:30 p.m. Chosen Generation Bible Study Mark Darr Ursula Sethaler	21
22 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 10 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary 11 a.m. Sunday School 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study – Mark Nicole Dawdy Lucas Garber Easton Griswold Rocky & Lois Portwood Al & Margaret Heger	23 6 p.m. Zach Flowers Outreach 6 p.m. Church Council Meeting Edwina Garrison Graham Dean	24 Reagon Kiger Dustin Meyer Beverly Rawe Ava Short Don & Lara Griesemer	25 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Choir & Praise Team Practice 6:30 p.m. Prayer Time in Sanctuary Mila Reed Dannielle Trotter Eric Williams	26 Katelun DeOrnellas Sara Tucker	27 6:30 p.m. Chosen Generation Bible Study Patrick McDaniels Lillian Zimmerman Sawyer Harr Bob & Cheri Schnettgoecke Alan & Michelle Churchman	28 Scott Rhoads Dennis & Michelle LaMarsh Brian & Kara Short
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