



# First Family News

FBC GRANDVIEW: *A community connecting to Jesus.*

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Church family,

It's not often that you get the opportunity to hold a conversation with me week in and week out, and whenever you do, I tend to talk too much. Some may believe that's a blessing, while others (my wife included) might say otherwise. Nevertheless, I'm thankful to be writing to you this month as your Pastor of Worship.

I know a thought that comes to many people's minds is, "What does a full time Worship Pastor do throughout the week?" To answer that question best, I would have to say come and hang out with me for a week and find out. Preparation for a Sunday service is something I do not take lightly, as I understand the weight of responsibility I hold to provide clarity to the gospel through songs, order of service, and other elements of worship. Whether it's praying, meeting with and scheduling volunteers, testing/replacing microphones, instruments, cables, light bulbs, computers, etc., they all have a purpose in what we do here at FBC. What is that purpose and why do they matter? I want to make sure that all distractions are eliminated during our times of worship together.

If I have you focusing on anything other than how magnificent Christ is, I have failed as a servant to Christ first, and then to the saints here at FBC. The last thing we want our congregants to think about after a service is how dark or bright it was, or how much feedback was coming through the speakers, or how we couldn't hear what was being said clearly, or any other detail that has taken the attention away from our Lord.

Some of the questions I ponder while preparing each Sunday include:

"Are we worshipfully singing together or are we merely reading lyrics on a screen out loud?"

"Is Christ being honored or are we?"

"Are the Scriptures at the center of what we teach or is the latest, trendiest topic?"

"Are we just making our church look great or are we making Christ look great (not that He needs our help)?"

Healthy questioning keeps my focus in check, and I would also encourage our congregants to do the same. We are participating in such an amazing gathering that started long ago within the Scriptures we proclaim. What a privilege! It burdens me to know that so many choose to neglect or devalue these gatherings, but my heart is also encouraged

with those who faithfully attend and carry the good news with them each and every day. We need the gathering of the saints! We need each other! We need Christ!

The last thing I want to mention is that contrary to popular belief, worship does not begin and end with the singing portion of our church services. Worship is determined by God Himself, not by our sincerity, pious feelings or musical skill. Hebrews 12:28 says that we must "serve God acceptably with reverence and Godly fear." In order to be reverent, we need to know *Who* is being worshiped. God is holy, just, perfect, powerful, loving, etc. We must also worship in truth (John 4:24), meaning our worship must be properly informed. Unless we have an accurate knowledge of the God we worship, there is no worshipping in truth. Our worship also involves more than externals. God sees the heart (Isaiah 29:13).

We reverence, honor, and adore him, not just because of what He does for us, but for *who* He is. I hope you see that every time we gather together. I hope you see that in your own lives and in your own families. I'm honored to play a small role in His Kingdom work here at FBC. Thank you for allowing me to do so here!

In Christ,  
*Ethan Yates*



**Connection Sunday**  
**August 20th**

**Sunday School: 9:45am**  
**Combined Service: 11:00am**  
**Covered Dish Luncheon: 12:00pm**

**Church Conference: 1:15pm**

Everyone is encouraged to bring a covered dish food item to share.



- 01 Amanda Irvin, Kolson Kharrazi, Ryan McDonald, Sadie Smith
- 02 Kenneth Butler
- 03 Rebecca Blue, Robbi Jackson
- 04 Gina Basham, Chance Lee
- 05 Daniel Prater, Kelly Summey
- 06 Kimmie Etheredge, Prescott Holloway, Alisa O'Neill, Alex Roper, Brodie White
- 07 Jim Cox, Julie Mullins
- 08 Avery Higgins, Mark Braymer
- 09 Robert Moore
- 11 Brooklynn Cummings, Jared Greer, Brandon Russell
- 12 Madison Boyd, Carolina Marbut
- 13 Derrick Dycus, Karen Nall, Robert Tull
- 14 Aubri Armstrong, Nancy Peabody, Madeline Pipes, Noah Warren, Landy Whitehead
- 15 Alec Pena
- 17 Joseph "Abbott" Summerhill
- 18 Colton Bell
- 19 Stephanie Davis, Janet Smith, Beverly Stevens
- 20 Kristi Banks
- 21 Travis Holder, Chanci Massey, Kalani Thornton
- 22 Georgeann Allen, Brecken Basham
- 23 Erma Burnett, Andrew Rogers, Ty Russell, Jimmy Sikes
- 24 Layla Bennett, Matthew Gross, Zachary Gross, Dale Jackson, Abbey Moore, Jobie Reeves Holliday
- 26 Walker Yates
- 27 David Disherooon
- 28 James Richardson MD, Sandi Smith, Luke West
- 29 Caleb Armstrong
- 30 Reagan Dycus, Baylor Smith
- 31 Jamie-Linn Moore

### August DEACONS ON CALL

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|----|---------------------|--------------|
| 07 | Wally Pippin .....  | 817-648-8342 |
| 14 | Kenneth Pipes ..... | 817-648-6048 |
| 21 | David Self .....    | 817-929-4645 |
| 28 | Rustin Mayse .....  | 254-231-1431 |

## GRANDVIEW COMMUNITY TABLE



August 19th

Attention FBC family! Help us to reach out to folks in our community to give them—and us—an opportunity to get to know one another better. What better way to do that than to share a good meal and conversation with them. And a free meal at that! The more we get to know them, the more we are able to reach out and serve them for Christ.

Our next Community Table is scheduled for Saturday, August 19th at noon. Those wishing to help cook are asked to be at the church at 10:30am. Make plans now to invite someone and then come on and pull up a seat!!!



## GOLDEN GIRLS EXERCISE GROUP

**Mondays & Wednesdays @ 9am in the Fellowship Hall**  
**Contact Person: Jean Martin**



Small groups do make a difference. You are given an opportunity to get to know others better but also are able to get closer to the Lord through Bible studies, discussions, activities, etc. Not only does First Baptist offer age appropriate Sunday School classes on Sundays but there are several more areas you may want to consider for yourself and/or family. Wednesday evenings offer groups for our kids and youth as well as for ladies, men, mixed adults and a prayer group. On Sunday evenings, different Faith Bible Institute classes are available on a semester basis. If those don't work for you or you need more, check with Pastor Corey about small groups that meet in homes throughout the week. We have a class suited for you!



### Primetimers Luncheon

**Attention Primetimers:** Put on your blue suede shoes and come join us for an Elvis-themed luncheon on **Monday, August 28th** at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a covered dish to share.



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|-----------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------------|
| <b>Wednesday, August 2</b>  | 6:00pm  | Family Night                               |
| <b>Thursday, August 3</b>   | 8:00am  | CDO New Teacher Training                   |
| <b>Friday, August 4</b>     | 9:00am  | CDO Staff Training                         |
| <b>Saturday, August 5</b>   | 9:00am  | Back to School Fair                        |
| <b>Tuesday, August 8</b>    | 12:00pm | Youth Taco Tuesday                         |
| <b>Wednesday, August 9</b>  | 6:30pm  | Agenda Items Due<br>Youth Water Wars       |
| <b>Friday, August 11</b>    |         | Big Springs Trip                           |
| <b>Saturday, August 12</b>  | 9:00am  | CPR Training                               |
| <b>Sunday, August 13</b>    | 2:00pm  | Sunday School Promotion<br>Nursing Home    |
|                             | 6:00pm  | Deacons Meeting                            |
|                             | 6:00pm  | FBI Classes Start                          |
| <b>Tuesday, August 15</b>   | 9:00am  | CDO Teacher Workday                        |
| <b>Wednesday, August 16</b> | 6:00pm  | Back to School Bash                        |
| <b>Thursday, August 17</b>  | 6:30pm  | FBI Classes Start<br>CDO Meet the Teacher  |
| <b>Saturday, August 19</b>  | 10:30am | Cooks for Community Table                  |
|                             | 12:00pm | Community Table                            |
| <b>Sunday, August 20</b>    | 12:30pm | Connection Sunday                          |
|                             | 1:15pm  | Covered Dish Luncheon<br>Church Conference |
| <b>Tuesday, August 22</b>   |         | CDO Starts                                 |
| <b>Sunday, August 27</b>    |         | Stewardship Sunday                         |
| <b>Monday, August 28</b>    | 12:00pm | Primetimers Luncheon                       |

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**Sundays -**  
Traditional Worship\* 8:30am  
Sunday School 9:45am  
Contemporary Worship\* 11:00am  
*\*In house and on Facebook*

**Wednesdays -**  
Student Ministry 6:00pm  
FBC Kids 6:30pm  
Mixed Adults **GROW** Grp 6:30pm  
Ladies **GROW** Grp 6:30pm  
Men's **GROW** Grp 6:30pm  
Prayer Grp 6:30pm

Address Service Requested

**CPR CLASS**

Saturday  
August 12th  
9am  
Fellowship Hall

To sign up, call the church office by 4pm on  
Thursday, August 3rd 817-866-4430

sponsored by  
Grandview Volunteer Fire Department

**Children's Day Out  
REGISTRATION**

**Registration for 2023-2024  
Now Open**

To sign up, scan the QR Code  
or click on the link at gvfbcc.org  
under the Children's Day Out tab.

**BACK TO SCHOOL BASH**

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**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16TH**  
**6:00PM—7:30PM**

**FOOD AND WATER ACTIVITIES!**

**Meet Our Teachers**

CDO Meet the Teacher  
Thursday, August 17th, 6:30pm  
Fellowship Hall

## FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF:	June 11	June 18	June 25	July 2
Income Rec'd:	20472.49	8518.76	14018.57	20573.62
<b>BUDGET:</b>				
YTD Required:	332747.76	346612.25	360476.74	374341.23
YTD Receipts:	284231.37	288838.98	293936.38	307286.92
Wkly Required:	13864.49	13864.49	13864.49	13864.49
Wkly Receipts:	13860.38	4607.61	5097.40	13350.54