FBCL Newsletter / SEPTEMBER 2025



With college football season starting, we are now inundated each week with information about our favorite teams. The game plan, the injury report, the younger players filling in, and on and on with more info than you ever knew you needed. Football is a process, and the best teams are better at the end of the season than they were at the beginning of the season. The product we see on the field is a result of countless hours of work outs, film study, and practice sessions that the average fan never sees. What else is like that? Disciple making! The fully mature disciple of the Lord Jesus doesn't just happen overnight. What is true about a successful football team is also true for the growing disciple of the Lord Jesus. First of all, preparation is key! 1 Peter 1:13 tells us, "Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being soberminded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." Christ calls us as His followers to actively put in the work of studying the Word, preparing our minds to serve Him publicly and privately, and looking forward in readiness for the day He returns. Secondly, as a football team works together, brings up younger players, and supports each other through injuries, so does the community of disciple makers! In 1 Thessalonians 5:11, Paul tells us to "encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing." Like a successful team, the disciple making church is always looking to the needs of others, seeking to get new teammates trained and in the game, and helping one another as injuries arise. Again, it's an active process that involves planning and being engaged in the game. Finally, a successful football team has clearly defined goals. The team that doesn't have the goal of winning a championship is never going to win a championship! A disciple maker has goals too – to be and build disciples! We have to know what we are working towards before we can get there. I want to be a fully trained follower of Jesus who helps others become a fully trained follower of Jesus who helps others become fully trained followers of Jesus and on and on it goes. Paul told Timothy, "what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also." (2 Timothy 2:2) Like a successful football team, year after year, we want to basically build a dynasty with fully trained disciples coming behind us with the same goal of discipling others. Preparation, teamwork, and knowing our goals – like a successful team in the fall, the church is called to walk in obedience to what Christ has called us to! What do you need to get off the sidelines and get in the game today?! Let me know! I'm here to help!

Love you, Church! Pastor Patrick



First Baptist Church of Lakeview

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. REFUGE 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Evenings- we will have quarterly business meetings with a meal after and special events

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

ADULTS: AIMM men's ministry,
Rooted Women's Ministry,
and Prayer
YOUTH GROUP: 6th - 12th grade
KIDS: AWANA (K-5th grade)

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Nursery Workers

Sept 7- Donna Childs & Wendy Thomas Sept 14- Mindy Taylor & Debi Masterson Sept 21- Laura Boland & Renese Swanson Sept 28- Tammy Bailey & Jamie Chambers

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

7th- Youth Sunday service

8th- Deacons Meeting @ 6pm

9th- CHEER @ 10 a.m.

11th - Sunshiners: Farm to Fork @ 11:30am

14th – Youth "Doughnuts for Donations" fundraiser 8:30-9:45 am

20th- Youth Lock In @ FLC @ 8 p.m.

21st – Business Meeting & prayer walk 5pm

26th- Sunshiners Game Day 11:30am-3:30pm

SUNSHINERS REMINDER!

This month's meeting on September 11th will be held at Farm to Fork at 11:30 a.m.

HOPE HOUSE MINISTRIES

SCHOOL has started back!

Please start bringing the following items for Lakeview Middle School "snack packs":

Peanut Butter crackers or Cheese crackers, microwave Mac & Cheese (4 pack or larger), microwave popcorn and Pop Tarts.

Bins are located at the Nursery Entrance & Office Entrance of church to place items in.



Refuge - Sunday evenings @ 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for those age 18 to 30; we will have food, fun & fellowship. Be sure & invite your friends! If you have questions or need more info, see Corey Austin.



Newborns - 5 yr old meet in the Preschool area on middle floor. 1st thru 5th grades meet on 3rd floor in Children's Dept.

Wednesday Nights @ 6 pm (Meet in Preschool area on middle floor) Kindergarten through 5th grade. Please join us & invite/bring your friends!



@ 9:30 a.m. in the Youth Room.

Join us for the MidWeek Gathering, Wednesday's @ 6 pm in F.L.C.



The Lakeview Student Ministry invites everyone to join them on **Sunday**, **September 14**th for "Doughnuts for Donations." Visit the Old Bell Café between 8:30 until 9:45 a.m. We will have doughnuts, coffee & juice. This fundraiser will help fund all Youth activities for the rest of this year. (Please Dough-nate generously!)



Saturday, SEPT. 20th, at 8 pm. We'll have games, worship, snacks & plenty of late-night fun. Don't forget your sleeping bag, bible & bring a friend along for the adventure!

Friends, Faith & Fellowship all night long!