

10:45 am Worship Service

March 8, 2026

SERMON "That World God So Loves"
Exodus 17:1-7
John 4:5-42

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Change Service Requested

From the Pastor...

I'm having fun with the Pastor's Bible Study on Wednesday evenings. Fun, I believe, is one of the most underrated categories of theology. They ought to teach "P780 Ecclesiology and Fun" in seminary, but alas, I've yet to see that course offering in an academic catalogue.

The Revised Common Lectionary dealt us a good sequence of Gospel Lessons for the Sundays in Lent this year. The way I do a Pastor's Bible Study, that means the RCL also dealt us some good stuff for Wednesday evenings.

It is, perhaps, a risky thing for a pastor to teach a Bible study on a passage of scripture that he or she intends to preach on a few days later. I've thought to myself at times, What if I give it away? What if I repeat myself and they get bored? But I've also relished being able to say, "On Wednesday night, Gus Drum said... and that mattered to me" and "In the Pastor's Bible Study this week, Chris Sizemore said... and it changed the way I was thinking about preaching this text in this way..." and "A few days ago, Creda Billups said...well, I can't repeat what Creda said from a pulpit..."

I'm having fun with Wednesday evenings. Here's what we're up to through the remainder of the season of Lent in P780 Ecclesiology and Fun. Class is Wednesdays at 6 PM in the fellowship hall of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church. Y'all come.

LENT III - The Woman at the Well (Wed, Mar 4 & Sun, Mar 8)
Exodus 17:1-7, John 4:5-42
"That World God So Loves"

LENT IV - The Man Born Blind (Wed, Mar 11 & Sun, Mar 15)
Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9:1-41
"Loving the World? Seems Jesus Meant That"

LENT V - The Raising of Lazarus (Wed, Mar 18 & Sun, Mar 22)
Romans 8:6-11, John 11:1-45
"What Can Separate Us from the Love of God?"

PALM SUNDAY - The Triumphal Entry (Wed, Mar 25 & Sun, Mar 29)
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29, Matthew 21:1-11
"A Tale of Two Empires"

~ Rev. Zach Bay



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LIFE AMONG THE COLUMNS

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Worship God wholeheartedly. Love one another unconditionally. Help people meet Jesus.
Help each other become more like Jesus. Love our hurting world.

Circle 7
monthly meeting
 MARCH 10, 1:30 PM
 FRIENDSHIP CLASSROOM
 Host: Sallie Sturm | Program: Jo Fidler
 For additional information or to RSVP please contact
 Jane Fotos 304-360-5037 or janeefotos52@gmail.com.

M&M
monthly meeting
 Sunday, March 8 | 8:30 am
 COUNCIL ROOM

CIRCLE 7
MONTHLY MEETING
 March 10
 6:30 PM
Friendship Classroom

Meal Train
 PLEASE SIGN UP TO HELP
 FEED THE BAY FAMILY!

Scan the code to sign up



CIRCLE 4
MEETING
 * MARCH 10 → 6:30 PM *
 Parlor

March ALM

Needs:

- *CRAYOLA WASHABLE MARKERS
- *CRAYOLA COLORED PENCILS
- SINGLE-SUBJECT NOTEBOOKS
- *CRAYOLA CRAYONS 8-PACK
- PUZZLE BOOKS
- NON-HOLIDAY/ FAITH-BASED COLORING BOOKS
- GENTLY USED MAGAZINES

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*MUST BE CRAYOLA BRAND



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YYAMC
MEETING



MONDAY, MARCH 9
7:00PM, ONLINE

FAB Youth



MARCH 13-14

6PM FRI - 3PM SAT

YOUTH WILL EXPERIENCE A MEDIEVAL BANQUET AND FESTIVITIES FRIDAY EVENING, AND COMPLETE A HOMEBOUND MISSION OPPORTUNITY SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

**YOUTH
COFFEE
SHOP**

JOIN US IN THE FAB LAB FOR A CUP OF COFFEE PREPARED BY OUR YOUTH!



HOP ON OVER FOR OUR

*FAB Kids
Egg hunt*

Join us on

*March 25th
@ 6:00 pm*

FOR SOME EGG-CITING FUN!
Gus Drum Playground

LIFE AMONG THE COLUMNS

CALENDAR | March 8-14

Sunday, March 8

- 8:30 M&M Meeting (CR)
Nominating Committee Mtg. (Parlor)
- 9:00 Coffee & Doughnuts (FAB Lab)
- 9:30 Sunday Morning Bible Studies
- 10:45 Worship & Live Stream

Monday, March 9

- 9:00 Staff Meeting
- 7:00 YYAMC Meeting (Zoom)

Tuesday, March 10

- 1:30 Circle 1 (Friendship)
- 6:30 Circle 4 (Parlor)
- 6:30 Circle 7 (Friendship)

Wednesday, March 11

- 9:30 Women's Bible Study (CR)
- 5:30 Dinner: **Italian chicken, rice, sweet potatoes, roll, salad, dessert**
- 6:15 Pastor's Bible Study
- 7:00 Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 13

- 6:00 FAB Youth Lock-In

PRAYER CONCERNS

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| Christy Bird | Kim Lively-Smith, daughter of Jack & Jackie Lively |
| Ed Blankenship, friend of Gerry Smith & Kyle Hughes | Harry Main |
| Judy Booth | Pat Mann |
| Bill Call | Marc Miller, brother of Jess Hughes |
| David Cantrell, stepbrother of Jim Isaac | Suzanne Nieman, friend of Jerrie Hussell |
| David Crowe | Cindy Perry, niece of Mary Madsen |
| Felix Daniels | Steve Perry, nephew of Mary Madsen |
| Bill Denman | Paul Prunty |
| Carolyn Dickens | Bill Ransbottom |
| Natalie Swann Dodge, great niece of Jack Lively | Allen Reasons |
| Braxton Ernst, friend of Jackie Ballard | Justin Reynolds, nephew of Janet Jarrell |
| Martha Hagan | Larry Shannon, friend of Janet Jarrell |
| Anne Jameson, niece of Mary Madsen | Patti & Mike Shaver Sr. |
| Janet Jarrell | Barbara Sheils |
| Opal Jones | Kay Smith |
| Barbara Knight, sister of Mary Ann Nash | Jack, Becky & Haley Stephenson, friends of Martha Hagan |
| Linda Lawrence | David Stone, friend of Martha Hagan |
| Julie Lively, daughter of Jack & Jackie Lively | Lenora Sutphin |
| | Sherry Waggoner |
| | Kathleen Whitley, daughter of Mike & Donna Whitley |
| | Peggy Wilmink |
| | Debbie Wilson |
| | Cathy Wright, friend of Scott & Leigh Ballard |

If you or someone you have added to the Columns Prayer list can be removed, please call or email the church office.

Ministry Action Budget: March 1, 2026

Envelopes	15,483.33
Online	115.00
Total	15,598.33
Given To Date	115,406.38
MAB Expenses To Date	175,898.45
Overage/(Shortage)	(60,492.07)
Designated Funds	
Total Designated Funds	0.00
Designated Gifts To Date	865.00

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS!

Mar

- 8** Elizabeth Crump, Bart Davis
- 10** Pam Morrison, Grant Gatewood, Donald Smith
- 13** David Campbell, Nicholas Turner, Mary Margaret King
- 14** Pam Mitchell, Kate Smith, Mary Barnett



Don't forget, FAB is enrolled in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. Link your current Kroger Rewards account at kroger.com. Search **Fifth Avenue Baptist Church** or **Non-Profit Organization #TU434**, then click Enroll.



BLOOD DONATION

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH IS LOOKING FOR PARTICIPANTS FOR A BLOOD DRIVE TO BE SCHEDULED IN JUNE. SIGN UP SHEETS WILL BE IN YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOMS OR YOU CAN CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE.

SUNDAY MORNING GREETERS NEEDED

Door greeters needed! If you're able to volunteer, please contact Emma Dix @ 304-544-6181.

