

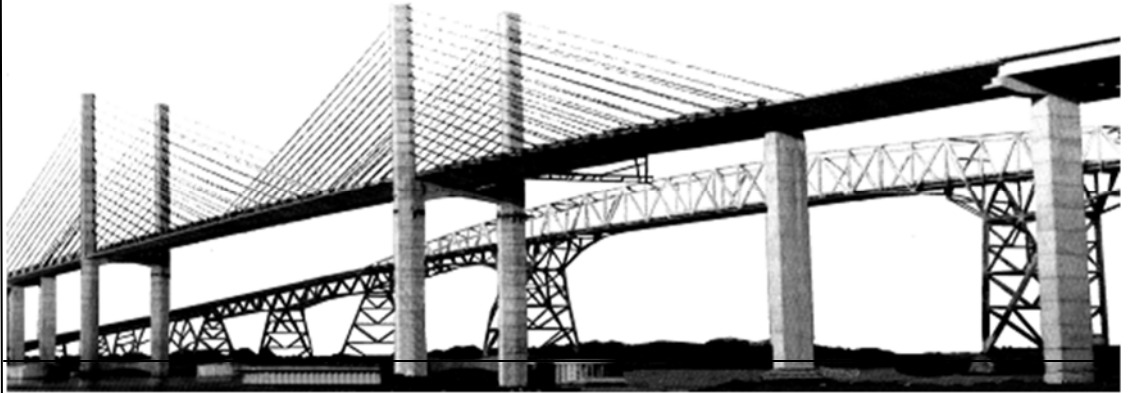
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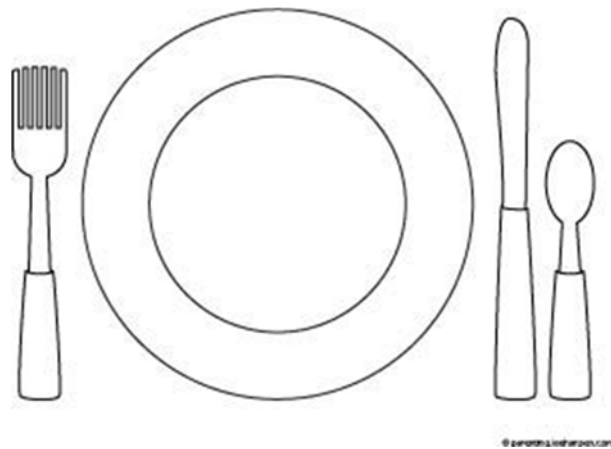
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Sign up for Anniversary Meal

A catered meal, from K-Dan's, is being provided for all after the a.m. service on Sunday, July 12. A head count is needed. Please sign up in Sunday School, on a sign-up sheet in the sanctuary, or by calling the office at 409-735-3581. You can also email, pat@fbcbc.org.

BK'S KORNER

Did you ever watch Popeye when you were a kid? That cartoon has been around forever. (just curious, is it still a cartoon?). Anyhow, you remember that whenever Popeye the Sailor got into a tough spot he would just pull out a can of spinach and "poof" he turned into a muscle man ready for anything. Moms all across America used to tell their sons to eat their spinach because it would make them strong. Did you know that really there is nothing extraordinary about spinach and its effects on our strength. It is true that it does contain iron but really it is a very small amount. There are many other foods which have more iron health than spinach. Here's what happened. Sometime around the year 1870 a nutrition chart was printed. It had the decimal point for the iron in spinach in the wrong place. It showed that spinach had 10 times more iron than it really does. It didn't matter, people took off with the idea that spinach can make you strong!

I know something that wasn't misprinted. Ephesians 6:10. It says to, "... be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might." If you are in a situation where you need to be a spiritual muscle man then the answer for you is the Lord. Your relationship with God and His word are our spiritual spinach or muscle builders. If you want to stand strong then you are going to have to have a spiritual nutrition. You will need to be close in your relationship with God. You will do this through prayer. You need to spend time with God daily. You older folks, you know how much you like it when your kids call or come by for a visit? Well, I just imagine God loves it too when His children check in with Him. We need to give God a call daily. Be close to Him. It is part of our spiritual spinach.

Another part of our spiritual spinach is the Word of God. Honestly, as believers we cannot survive without it. Writers in the Bible called it "pure milk" and another called it "meat". In either case the message is clear, the Word of God is essential to our spiritual health and strength. Prayer and the Word are how we stand strong in the power of God's might. God is up to any situation you may be facing in your life right now. So stand strong in His power. Have a little spiritual spinach and Stand Strong!

Have a great week. See you Wednesday ... and Sunday.... And

BK ><>

THANK YOU

Thank you so much for the generous scholarship. It will definitely help towards my college education.

Love,
Ethan Borque



**Celebration of First Baptist Church
July 12, 2020**

Did You Know?

Doug Shows became our 11th pastor in January 2016. He began leading a Men's Sunday School class in January 2018. Aaron Little served as Youth Minister and Debbie Anderson as Music Leader alongside Bro. Doug. He was faithful in going to the Meadows Nursing Home in Orange twice monthly, leading Bible study for residents. New office hours were created in September 2018 and a new pictorial directory was made. Larry Linder, Dewey Stuart, Greg Quist and Richard Varela were elected deacons.

Bro. Doug usually concluded his weekly Bridge Builder column with: "FBCBC is where the 'impossible' is a living reality every day and Christ is who we seek to exalt. Invite someone to be a part of what God is doing at FBCBC."

WORSHIP DIRECTOR

JESUS IS COMING SOON.....

Another great day in the Lord's house this past Sunday at FBCBC. We had a baptism, awesome worship time and we heard a powerful sermon from Bro. Keith about the end times. As Christ followers we should always be looking up and looking forward to the time that we see Christ coming back in the clouds.

When Jesus steps out
On a cloud to call His children
The dead shall rise
To meet Him in the air
And then those that remain
Shall be quickly changed
At the midnight cry
We'll be going home!

80TH ANNIVERSARY NIGHT OF WORSHIP

We are looking forward to this Night of Worship on Saturday, July 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Along with the groups, The Songs of Praise and Footprints, the following singers will be sharing:

Hannah Landry and Haley McDonald
Dedra Phillips
Cody Morris
Tyler Bailey
Madison Juneau
Robert Parker
Darrell Segura
Rusty McRight
Suzonne Vann
Trinity (trio from FBCBC)

2020 CHRISTMAS MUSICAL DRAMA

Just a reminder that if you are interested in helping/acting/singing in the musical, please contact Debbie Anderson.

For His Glory,
Debbie

CHILDREN'S DIRECTOR

On Sunday in Children's Church, we learned that God wants us to obey! We talked about a fish in a bowl. How many of you have ever had a pet fish? Here at our house, we have two aquariums. One has an eel (Murray is doing well, Mr. Robert and Mrs. Ouida), and the other has a variety of fish. Though the fish inside may not know it, the glass of the aquarium is very important. It's the glass that holds in the water so that the eel and fish can be safe and be where they are supposed to be. Eels are notorious for climbing out of aquariums. Now, as they need water to breath, you can see how going where they aren't supposed to can be a problem. When they don't obey the boundaries of bowl and water that bad things will happen.

We talked about Jonah and his disobedience to God. When he disobeyed, bad things happened. God wants us to always obey Him. This doesn't mean that life will be cupcakes and rainbows. Sometimes we will still suffer and go through hard situations, but when we obey, it means we trust God and the plan He has for us. He doesn't promise that life will always be easy, but He does promise that He will be with us. If He tells you to do it, and brings you to it, He will certainly bring you through it.

Sunday night we talked about the Parable of the lost sheep. I am so thankful that we service a merciful loving God that loves us even when we go astray.

Wednesday we will be talking about the results of our Spiritual Gift survey and what it means. We will be talking about how we can use our Gifts to their fullest for the glory of God. Hope to see you there!

That the next generation may know,
Chris

NURSERY WORKERS
June 28, 2020



Thelma Wheelis
Connie Claus

Volunteers always needed. Please call
Thelma Wheelis at 409.293.6276.

LOOK AT THE RECORDS
June 21, 2020

Projected Budget Need:	\$ 9,347.71
Weekly Receipts:	\$ 5,360.76
Actual Budget Receipt to Date:	\$223,693.04
Actual Budget Spending to Date:	\$223,977.54

ATTENDANCE:

Sunday School 98

WORSHIP SERVICE:

Worship	115
Nursery	5
TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	120

DEACON OF THE WEEK

June 28 — July 4, 2020

Greg Quist	Deacon
Russell Allen	Visiting Partner

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Keith Royal	Pastor
Dewey Stuart	Interim Youth Director
Chris Bailey	Director of Children's Ministry
Debbie Anderson	Worship Director

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
7:30 — 5:30
MONDAY — THURSDAY

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Sunday, June 28, 2020

9:15 Bible Study for all Ages
 10:30 Morning Worship
 Children's church
 For 4 year old thru 2nd Grade
 5:30 Evening Bible Study
 Adults meet in Sanctuary
 Children & Youth in regular class rooms

Tuesday, June 30, 2020

10:00 Ladies Prayer Meeting
 7:00 Men's Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, July 1, 2020

9:00 Quilt Group
 6:30 Prayer Meeting — Study of Daniel
 Youth Activities
 Children's activities



**WEDDING
 PICTURES**

We are making a wedding picture collage of those who married in FBCBC. If you would like to be included, get a picture from your wedding to Brenda Woodall as soon as possible!

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