

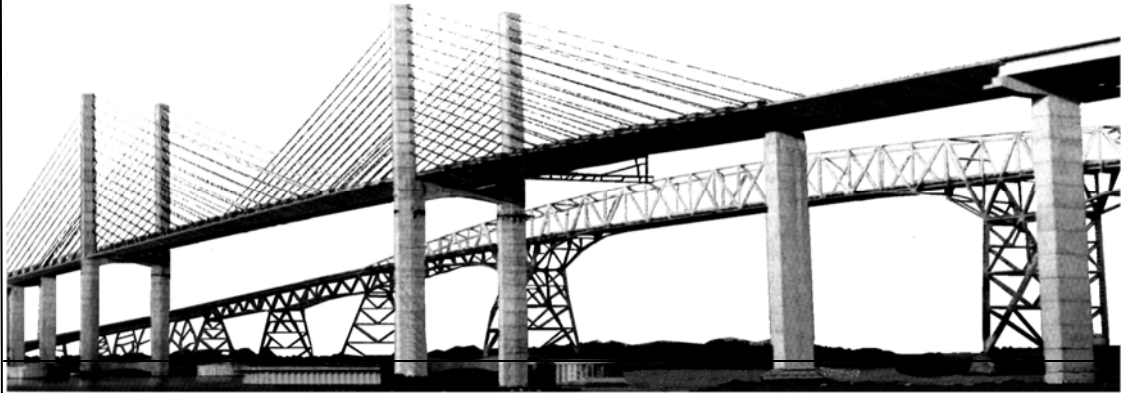
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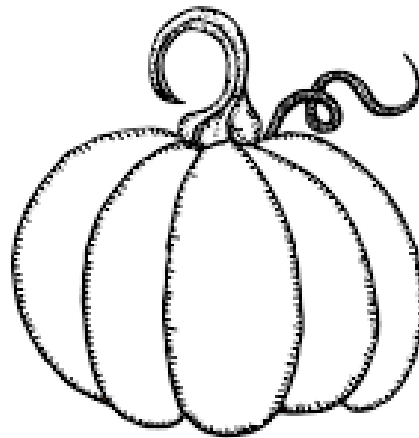
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The Bridge Builder



PUMPKINS ARE COMING

Sunday, September 27

We hope you are planning
On staying after church this day. Please bring the
following item for a shared lunch,
before we change clothes and unload the truck.

College Class	Cookies
Children's Workers	Cookies
Adult 2—3	Cookies
Adult 4-5, 6, & 7	Sandwiches
Adult 9 & others	Chips

**Sign up with a head count for your family
In Sunday School or by calling the office.

BK'S KORNER

I hope that you are planning to attend Sunday School and Worship on Sunday morning and then help unload pumpkins. Look at this as our church ministering to our community. Your part is to help set up the Pumpkin Patch. Yes, I did say that the Patch is a "ministry" to our community. With everything that has happened this year people need something to make them smile a bit. They need a place to take the kids and watch them get excited. They will take pictures, make memories with their family and forget the happenings in the world for just a minute.

I do need your help in working the Pumpkin Patch each day. Please sign up to work in the Patch. Help when and where you can. If you have never worked in the Patch, don't worry it is very easy. More than one person can sign up for each time period so please sign up.

Please prayerfully consider two opportunities to give. First we have our Reach Texas offering we are collecting. This is money that goes to our State Convention to support ministries and church starts right here in our own state. Find a Reach Texas envelope and put your gift in there. Second, we are collecting a Disaster Relief offering for our friends in Louisiana. We are currently looking at opportunities to partner with a Church that needs some help. We need to minister to the body of Christ that has been hurt by Hurricane Laura.

Did you know that in spite of everything that is happening around us that God is still working in our church? Really its amazing to see. We are continuing to see new families visit and even join our Church. People are being touched by the worship and by His Word. They give testimony to the many ways that God is working in their lives. This whole year could be one of things where the "enemy" meant it for evil but God used it for good. Pray for revival and renewal in our community and in the churches of our community.

God Bless you all. Continue to be careful about taking care of yourself while also continuing to serve the Lord. Let's focus on following Him!

Love you all
BK ><>

MISSION REPORT

It is an exciting time at First Baptist Bridge City. As we feel God's presence in our lives and we have missions on our minds there is much to do for Him. As we see the pumpkin truck arrive Sunday at 12:30 pm. We will be so excited. The monies made from the sale will be a mission effort for our church family.

Don't forget to give to our State Mission offering this month. Every bit of that offering goes to help missions in the State of Texas.

It's time again for us to give to the Baptist Hospital Cancer Center. This has been a tough time for the Center. The need for water, snacks, lip balm and many other items is very great there right now. Please give to this mission effort. If you can help with delivering these items to the center call the office or contact Imogene Ernst.

Our quilt ministry is doing great. We have 20 ladies interested in this mission. We hope to go to Buckners soon to carry more quilts. The Buckner campus is closed at this time. Come join us, it is a blessing to serve our Lord with ladies.

HURRICANE LAURA DISASTER RELIEF

If you are interested in making donations to help those in need from Hurricane Laura make checks payable to First Baptist Bridge City and mark the envelope Hurricane Relief. We will see that a church in need receives it.



OUR GOAL: \$3,500.00
RECEIPTS TO DATE: \$1,400.00

CHILDREN'S DIRECTOR

As most of you know by now, our amazing Preteen group decided to participate in the "World's Worst Preteen Singer" contest hosted by FourFiveSix Ministries (a ministry dedicated to preteens). The kids will be finding out this Wednesday that they were selected as one of the top five worst singers, and now we need votes! I'm not sure if this will reach you before Thursday, September 24th at 11 a.m, but if it does, log onto www.worstpreteensinger.com and cast your vote. We are in the #1 slot. We appreciate your vote and support! If we win, we will get an all-expense paid pizza party for the group and workers!

In Children's church, we continued on with our "Toy Bible Story" unit. We talked about Buzz Lightyear the Space Ranger. We learned that even though Buzz is a hero, he still has to take orders from Star Command and follow the orders they give. We are an amazing creation by God, with lots of talent and gifts, but we need to obey God's commands. We can't do what ever we want. During our lesson, we learned that God gave Noah very specific instructions on how to build the ark, why he needed to do it, and what he needed to take with him. Can you imagine what would have happened if Noah had not obeyed God. Noah had a choice... he chose to obey. Next week we will talk about our final character... Slinky the Dog!

Finally, don't forget about our Fall Festival Planning meeting this Wednesday, September 23rd at 5 p.m. in the Family Life Center. We will be finalizing plans for the Fall Festival. If you are unable to attend the meeting, give me a call, and I can give you the details! OH, AND...Speaking of fall festival... we are accepting candy donations!!! Bins will be located in the Sanctuary, in the Welcome Center and in the church office!

That the next generation may know,

Chris

WORSHIP DIRECTOR

SINCE JESUS CAME INTO MY HEART

I was thinking Sunday morning about all the different spiritual ages there are in our congregation. Some of the older ones may be younger in spiritual years. I am one of those. I knew who God was at a very young age, but did not experience the heart changing, Holy Spirit encompassing, "confident of my salvation" knowledge that I received when I accepted Christ 26 years ago.

So, I began thinking about all that I have experienced "Since Jesus Came into My Heart" and I hope that through our worship and singing this song this past Sunday, we were all able to take a minute and just go back to the time when God saved us. Remembering the new excitement that filled us and the confidence we gained at the knowledge that we will go to heaven when we leave this earth.

It is such a blessing to be able to come together and worship and remember what God has done for each and every one of us.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR

We had a good practice on Sunday and are making progress each time we meet. Even with all the unknowns with the virus still lurking and storms one after the other, we still take one day at time and work towards our presentation in December.

We have been practicing in the sanctuary, but next Sunday we will move into the choir room.

DRAMA PRACTICE

We continue our drama practice twice a week. This musical "A Baby Changes Everything" promises to be spiritually moving and gives us all a chance to worship the Lord at the celebration of His birth.

Please continue to pray for all the singers and actors and all the people who are helping with this endeavor.

For His Glory,
Debbie

NURSERY WORKERS
September 27, 2020



Thelma Wheelis
Connie Claus

Volunteers always needed. Please call
Thelma Wheelis at 409.293.6276.

LOOK AT THE RECORDS	
September 20, 2020	
Projected Budget Need:	354,984.98
Weekly Receipts:	6,302.18
Actual Budget Receipt to Date:	349,589.38
Actual Budget Spending to Date:	349,595.74
ATTENDANCE:	
Sunday School	110
WORSHIP SERVICE:	
Worship	135
Nursery	4
TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	139
DEACON OF THE WEEK	
September 27 — October 3, 2020	
Billy Crull	Deacon
Robert Simonton	Visiting Partner

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Sunday, September 27, 2020

- 9:15 Bible Study for all Ages
- 10:30 Morning Worship
Children's church
For 4 year old thru 2nd Grade
- Noon Snack Meal
- 12:30 PUMPKINS, PUMPKINS, PUMPKINS
Come help us unload Pumpkins!
- 5:30 NO Evening Activities (except for Christmas
Choir Practice at 4)

Tuesday, September 29, 2020

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

Wednesday, September 30, 2020

- 9:00 Quilt Group
- 6:30 Prayer Meeting
Youth Activities
Children's activities



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

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