# First Baptist Church

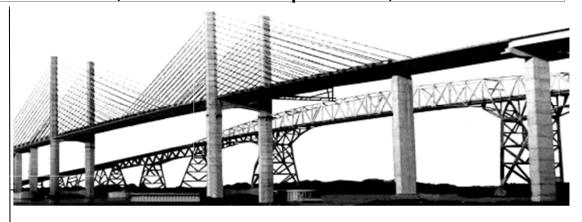
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Join us for

The Lord's Supper Sunday, September 28 during the 10:30 a.m. Worship

#### **BK'S KORNER**

As I said in my sermon on Sunday the one thing we need to repent of is prayerlessness. I don't know why its so hard but it is. Actually, I think I do know. I think it's spiritual. Satan makes it difficult so we won't do it. The other reason is, often you feel like you're not talking to anyone. I've heard it said that you can sit across for a chair and pretend like there is person sitting in it. If you can figure out a way to make it seem like you are talking to someone. Above all let us pray. It'll change our lives.

Join us Sunday for the Lord's Supper.

Well, we ready for Pumpkins. The Patch is all set up. Pumpkins will arrive about 9 am on Saturday. Keep an eye on Facebook for updates.

I want to thank everyone who came out Saturday to help set up the patch. We couldn't do the Pumpkin Patch without you. The Pumpkin Patch is for our community. Your work helps us to reach out to our community. Next step, Pumpkins!

Be sure to Pray.
Pray for someone.
Pray for your One.
Invite Your One to Church.
Pray the event at the Park.

Blessings and Prayers to you all.

BK ><>

#### YOUTH MINISTER

Church Family,

We have a fun and full weekend ahead of us! This **Friday night** after the Cardinals football game, we'll be gathering in the youth Sunday School room for a **Youth Game Night.** It will be a great chance to unwind, enjoy fellowship, and grow closer together. Then on **Saturday**, we'll need **all of our youth** to help unload pumpkins for the church pumpkin patch. This is an excellent opportunity to serve our church and community together.

As we look forward to the weekend, I'm reminded of Romans 8:14-17, which tells us that those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. Through Christ, we are not just a group of individuals— we are a family. That means when we gather for fun, serve through hard work, or lift each other up in prayer, we are living out our identity as God's sons and daughters. And as His children, we are heirs with Christ, carrying His light into our community.

Thank you for continuing to support and encourage our students as they learn what it means to live as members of the family of God.

In Christ, Cody Dowden



### Calling all kids

We are learning some Christmas songs on Wednesday nights. We will present them on Sunday, December 14 in the p.m. worship service. Join us on Wednesdays at 6:30 in the

sanctuary. Then you can be picked up at 7:25 in the children's church/choir room.

Also, parents, please consider joining the kids' Facebook page to keep up with announcements and events at ... FBC Bridge City Kids



OUR GOAL: \$3,500.00 RECEIPTS TO DATE: \$2,036.25

#### MUSIC MOMENTS

As we watched the Texas State Mission Video Sunday Morning, it was disappointing to hear that those volunteers could not witness for Christ in certain places in California. It is common knowledge that on overseas mission trips you cannot share The Gospel, but it seems odd that we would be discouraged from sharing The Word of God here in the United States. There is still freedom in Southeast Texas to share The Love of Christ with those right here in Bridge City.

We will be given a couple of opportunities to share The Gospel in the next three months. In September and October, our "Pumpkin Patch" provides ample opportunities to speak to people about Jesus. The Patch has been set up and waiting for those pumpkins to arrive next Saturday, 9/27. Your help is greatly needed to help unload them and deeply appreciated. Also, on the east side of the sanctuary there is a table where you can sign up to work in The Patch. You get to choose the day and time you are free to help-out, Don't be shy. Making conversation with others is easy and the pumpkins sell themselves.

The other way you will be able to share Christ is at BC Park. On November 2nd from 3 — 6 pm, FBCBC will sponsor an Outreach Gathering for our Community. There will be free hotdogs, chips, drinks and desserts. We have horseshoes, washer boards, volleyball, bracelet making, face painting and dominoes/board games for everyone to enjoy. A prayer tent will be set up and manned by Prayer Warriors ready to pray for any need. A "Welcome Table" and an "Information Table" will also be set up for those wanting to find out more about our church. The objectives are to mingle among our community friends and show them we care. Let's show them God's Love.

Love Y'all, Billy & PammieK

This year's Christmas Musical, "Adore Him" is filled with music that touches your heart. There's still time for those who are interested in singing to join us on Sunday afternoons from now thru December 14 from 4-5 pm in the Sanctuary to practice. Don't miss this opportunity to sing for Jesus!



We are offering a great way for you to support our youth group on Wednesday nights by providing a light meal for them to share in the FLC

We would like to coordinate a food calendar for the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. We are asking Sunday School Departments, families, or individuals to provide a youth friendly meal for about 15 people. You may donate the meal, or if you need reimbursement, please turn in to Cody Dowden.

Possibilities could be . . .

Sandwiches Hot dogs/corn dogs

Spaghetti Nachos

Lasagna Chicken Strips/fries
Quesadillas Baked potatoes etc.

We will call it "The King's Table," since students will feast on nourishment for the body and the soul. A calendar has been placed on the bulletin board above the water fountain near the sanctuary for you to sign up. A sheet of details is there also.

For additional information, call ... Missy Harbert (coordinator) 409.920.8302 Cody Dowden (youth minister) 409.720.8309



It's that time to begin collecting individually wrapped candy for our "Trunk or Treat" event in our

parking lot. The date is Sat., Oct. 25, 3:30-5:30 p.m. Please avoid chocolate candy, since it melts so quickly outdoors. Collection tubs have been placed around the church to receive your candy donations. We will need MANY car trunks and trucks. Small carnival type games are encouraged at your vehicle. The church has some you may use. See Lynn Richard if you need a small game to use.



#### PUMPKINS ARE COMING!!!!!

September 27

Please mark your calendar! We will need lots of help unloading the pumpkins.

#### LOOK AT THE RECORDS

#### **September 28, 2025**

Projected Budget Need YTD: 426,047.64
Weekly Receipts: 8,962.00
Actual Budget Receipt to Date: 392,386.90
Actual Budget Spending to Date: 359,697.98

#### ATTENDANCE:

Sunday School 143

**WORSHIP SERVICE:** 

Worship 161 Nursery 4 TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 165





#### **DEACON OF THE WEEK**

September 28 — October 4, 2025 Donnie Stanton Deacon Russell Allen Visiting Partner

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**

Sunday, September 28, 2025

9:15 Bible Study

10:30 Morning Worship Service

Lord's Šupper

4:00 Christmas Musical Rehearsal

Monday, September 29, 2025

5:30 Men's Priority Prayer 10:00 Ladies Prayer Group

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

9:00 Buckner's Quilting 6:30 Prayer Meeting

Youth, Preteen Bible Study &

Children's Choir

Mission Kids (3rd — 6th Graders)



"Come Sit By Me"

Is there an empty chair in your class?

Is there unused space on your pew?

We are beginning a campaign to fill those spaces. Your department is being given a fresh class roster that you might begin making personal contacts.

Who have you been missing?

"Who is your one?"

Who do you know that needs a church home?

We will be excited to hear reports from each department as we work together to reach our community.

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