

# First Baptist Church

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*Glorify  
Go  
Gather  
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# The Bridge Builder

First Baptist Church-Bridge City  
invites ALL ladies to our

# GALENTINE

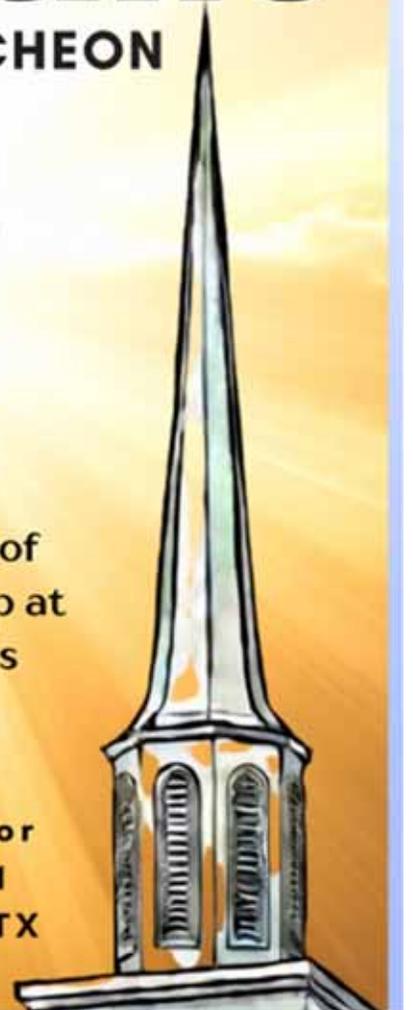
LUNCHEON

**FEBRUARY 28**  
**11:00AM**

Speaker: Ramona Hargrave  
Theme: "Our Temple"

Make plans to enjoy this time of  
great food and sweet fellowship at  
our annual gathering of ladies

Sign Up in Sunday School or  
FBC Office (409)735-3581  
200 West Round Bunch, BCTX



## BK'S KORNER

Wow! Yesterday's sermon was on point. Especially the part about families. The truth is we have given the responsibility of raising and teaching our kids over to the school and the church. Then when they don't pick it up, we wonder why. 18 years is what we've got. That's not long in the grand scheme of things. Fathers and grandfathers we need you to build the families that God wants us to build.

We have to fill the gaps in the families that need our help. There a lot of single parents out there. A lot of unwed teen pregnancies with the dad unwilling to stick around. We must help instead of judging. We must help build the families that God wants built.

You will want to make plans to attend the Easter Musical on March 29. It will bless your heart and promises to be a truly worshipful experience. You don't want to miss.

Remember to pray for our church. Pray for Renewal and Revival here at our church. May this be the year that we get to see it happen.

Pray.  
Pray for our church.  
Pray for our community.

Prayers and Blessings  
BK ><

### **BRIDGE CITY/ORANGEFIELD MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE**

This month we are collecting the following:

#### **Shaving Cream**

for the Bridge City/Orangefield Ministerial Alliance. We will have containers placed around the building for these donations.

## YOUTH MINISTER'S UPDATE

Church Family,

This week, BK's message from Jeremiah 29 reminded us of a powerful truth: we are called to live faithfully in the place God has planted us, fully present in the world, yet not shaped by it. The exiles were instructed to build, plant, seek the welfare of the city, and live intentionally among the people around them. They were not to withdraw, nor were they to conform. They were to represent the Lord right where they were.

That same calling applies to us today. Being "in the world but not of the world" is not passive, it requires intentionality. If God has placed us in our neighborhoods, workplaces, schools, and communities, then He has done so with purpose. We are not simply to coexist; we are called to shine. And that shining happens most clearly when we intentionally share the hope of the gospel.

This is why we are investing in evangelism training with our youth. Over the coming weeks, our students will be learning how to clearly and confidently share their faith in ways that connect with their generation. Our goal is not simply to give them information, but to cultivate boldness rooted in truth. We want them to understand that their faith is not meant to stay within church walls, but to be lived out and spoken with love in everyday life.

Our confidence in this effort is grounded in Romans 1:16: "*For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.*" The power is not in our eloquence, personality, or strategy, it is in the gospel itself. When we speak it faithfully, God works through it powerfully. As a church family, may we model what it looks like to live distinctly while loving deeply. May our students see adults who are unashamed of Christ, confident in His Word, and intentional about sharing the good news. God has placed us here for such a time as this. Let's faithfully represent Him where we are.

In Christ,  
Cody

## MUSIC MOMENTS

Dear FBCBC Family and Friends,

On Sunday evening March 29th at 5:30 p.m. FBCBC Music People will present **“Covered — An Easter Musical.”** It contains narration and music, provided by our own musicians. We gave Grady Welborn five (5) songs we wanted to be included in this presentation and God inspired him to write the narration portion.

Currently, our music guys and gals are working on Sunday afternoons and invite anyone who would love to present The Gospel with us to join us. The script comes from The Word of God. It is enhanced with Scriptures for us to remember long after the musical is over. **“Covered”** is a worship experience which will speak to your hearts like it has ours.

### Scene 1 — Broken

#### “Hallelujah, What A Savior!” “Man of Sorrows”

By Philip P. Bliss

“Man of Sorrows!” what A Name for The Son of God  
Who came Ruined sinners to reclaim!

Hallelujah, what A Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,  
In my place condemned He stood,  
Sealed my pardon with His Blood;

Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Guilty, vile and helpless we,  
Spotless Lamb of God was he;  
Full Atonement! Can it be?

Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die,  
“It is finished,” was His cry;  
Now in Heav’n exalted high:

Hallelujah, what a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King.

All His ransomed Home to bring,

Then anew this song we’ll sing:

Hallelujah, what a Savior!

We, the ransomed, are blessed and challenged to share The Gospel with others in our community. Remember, BK said: “God doesn’t send us into a situation He hasn’t prepared us for.”

Love y’all, Billy & Pam

### PLEASE NOTE:

The string group will be practicing in the sanctuary Tuesday, February 17 at 1:30 p.m. All are welcome to come and listen.

## “King’s Table” Youth Meals

Thank you to everyone who provided meals for the youth group’s “King’s Table” on Wednesday night. The meals were awesome and very much appreciated. The signup list for the first half of 2026 has been posted for anyone who wants to volunteer to bring a meal. Thank you for loving on and supporting our youth.

FBC Kids  
Going Skating  
4 yrs — Grade 6

Sunday, Feb. 22  
2— 5:30 p.m.  
(parents welcome)



We will be going by church van (and SUB’s if needed) to the skating rink in Little Cypress ORC on Hwy. 87. We will meet in the FLC gym. Please bring tall socks.

The church is providing each child’s entrance fee, skate rental and \$4.00 for a snack at the concession stand. Church permission forms are required. Personal helmets, knee pads, etc., are allowed. Bring a friend.

See Lynn Richard for more info. 409.920.5508

## “Welcome Bag” Wish List Baptist Cancer Center

The cancer center gives patients going through treatment a “Welcome Bag”. It is our privilege to provide some of the items that each bag contains. Several other churches have decided to participate with this project so we will collect items during the month of March and September.

Below is a list of some of the items needed:

Chapstick	Men/Women socks
Hand sanitizer (individual)	Individual Kleenex
Word search books	Bath Sponge Loofah
Crayons/colored pencils	Adult color books
Pocket spiral writing pad	Candy
Small travel hand lotion	

These items can be placed in the Welcome Center. Your help is very much appreciated.

## LOOK AT THE RECORDS

**February 15, 2026**

Projected Budget Need YTD:	81,600.40
Weekly Receipts:	6,317.00
Actual Budget Receipt to Date:	58,864.08
Actual Budget Spending to Date:	53,303.92

### ATTENDANCE:

Sunday School 127

### WORSHIP SERVICE:

Worship 137

Nursery 6

TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 143

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## DEACON OF THE WEEK

February 22—28, 2026

Larry Linder Deacon  
Dewey Stuart Visiting Partner

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

### Sunday, February 22, 2026

9:15 Bible Study  
10:30 Morning Worship Service

### Monday, February 23, 2026

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

### Tuesday, February 24, 2026

8:45 Soup Kitchen

### Wednesday, February 25, 2026

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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### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

7:30 — 5:30

MONDAY — THURSDAY

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