

First Baptist Church

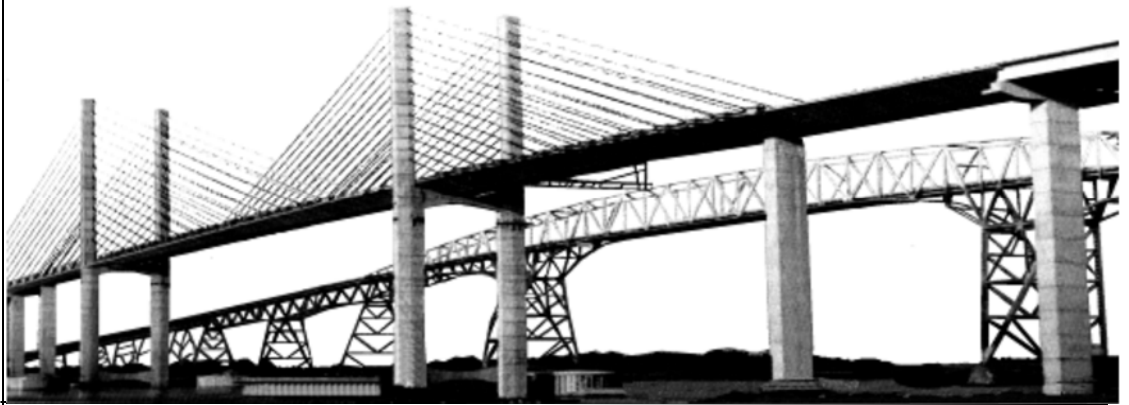
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The Bridge Builder



FALL FESTIVAL

Monday
October 31

6:00 p.m. — 8:00 p.m.

Join us for a great time
of games, food,
music, photo booth
and FUN!!

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH . . .

Dear Church Family,

It is always encouraging when we can witness the Gospel reaching across generational lines and calling people to Christ. The joy I experienced watching FBCBC respond with love to one in desperate need and be an encourager to another who is taking her first steps in Christ. The Gospel matters. The Gospel is the need of any person drawing a breath and is the means of transforming one's life. We love because we have been loved through the Gospel.

Amy and I will be away from you next week, October 23-27, as we take part in a unique ministry. We were invited to attend a Pastor's Retreat hosted by Double Honor Ministries. The ministry is designed to encourage and build up pastors to fulfill their calling within the local church. These events are hosted around the country, but are by invitation only. We will be attending in Destin, Florida where we will be joined by 3 or 4 other couples at a beachside condo. There is a host couple onsite to care for and minister to the pastor couples. The host couple will lead times of discussion and teaching in conjunction with being available for personal counseling as needed. The most amazing aspect is that the retreat is all expense paid. I have heard of this ministry and never conceived I would be a part of one. We were told our invitation was in part due to the new pastorate, multiple transitions, stresses of family, and recent loss of Amy's Dad. We are very thankful and humbled by this opportunity.

Sunday John Woods, Minister to Senior Adults, will be preaching and leading the morning service. John has been extending his service with new ventures. Wednesday Ricky McClelland will be teaching the Bible study. Ricky has continued to have an expanding ministry due to his willing heart to serve. Come and be an encourager to them. I have no doubt you will be blessed by both of these men and the message they will be sharing. FBCBC is blessed to have men who will step up and lead. Having such faithful people across the spectrum of this church allows me to rest well in my absence. My prayers will be for God to continue His work of doing the "impossible." Invite someone to FBCBC, where the "impossible" is a living reality every day.

Your Pastor,
Douglas Shows
Ecclesiastes 3:1

Youth News . . .

Fall Festival

Our annual Family Fall Festival will be held in less than two weeks on Halloween! We are still in need of candy and a few more booths. If you would like to help with running a booth but are having a hard time deciding on what type of booth to have, no need to worry, as we have many ideas, we just need the workers! Stop by the church office or give Chris or myself a call and we can set you up! Currently we have nine (9) booths, but are in need of at least nine (9) more! This will not be your typical Fall Festival, but it will be a avenue to share the Gospel with a community that is in need! Believe it our not, there are many homes in Bridge City that do not even have a single Bible on the bookshelf. This will be one of the very few times in which the mission field comes to us! Let's join forces and make an eternal difference in our community!

Be Intentional,
Aaron



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We are continuing our "Follow the Leader" Unit this week as we learn about the Children & Youth Leaders and what they do for God! I want to say a special thank you to Ron Ellis! On Sunday, he came and shared during children's church about the Deacons and what they do for our church! We have had so much fun learning about and praying for our church leaders!

On Wednesday we saw 5 new faces come and join our "Weird Stories" group! We learned about The Writing on the Wall, and about a man whose prideful life did not please God and about a man who God used to give a message! This week we are learning about the "Talking Fire" and about how there is no excuse when God asks you to do something! Encourage the kiddos to bring a friend, too!

Please be in prayer for our upcoming Fall Festival. This is such a great way to reach out to those in our community who normally may not come out! Don't miss your opportunity to joyfully minister to the children and families in our community!

That the next generation may know,
Chris

Fall Festival

It is time to bring your candy for our Fall Festival. Your donations can be left in the Welcome Center, Office or Sanctuary.

Sunday School News

Has anyone ever ridiculed you or criticized you because you are a Christian? If so, how did you respond? This week's lesson tells us how Peter reacted to this problem. Be here to hear what we should do. It will help.

Attendance was 138.

See you Sunday.

Troy

LIFE CHAIN

October 30, 2015

2:30 — 3:30 p.m.

"Please Pray

For the Sanctity of All Life"

Meet by 2:15 p.m.

at

First Baptist Church's

Parking Lot

200 W. Roundbunch Rd.

or

St. Henry's Catholic Church

Parking Lot

475 W. Roundbunch Rd.

Bring your lawn chairs, umbrellas & bottled water.

Please come & PRAY!

~ Please "be a voice for the unborn who cannot speak for themselves" ~



DIAPER SHOWER

for

Jennifer Quist

this Sunday

at 8:45 a.m.

in the Adult 2/3 classroom.

Everyone is invited.

NURSERY WORKERS October 23, 2016

Sunday School Brittany Ernst
Worship Service Thelma Wheelis

**Volunteers always needed. Please call
 Brittany Ernst at 409.313.1215.**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Sunday, October 23, 2016

- 9:15 Sunday School
- 10:30 Celebration Worship Service
Children's Church
for 4 yr. old — 2nd grade
- 5:30 Sunday Evening Classes
Children's Activities
Youth Activities

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

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

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

- 6:30 Mid-Week Worship Service
Children's Activities
Student Worship
- 7:30 Instrumental Rehearsal

LOOK AT THE RECORDS

October 16, 2016

Average Weekly Needs	\$10,163.14
Sunday Receipts	\$10,306.43
Weekly Expenses	\$ 2,804.82
Y-T-D Avg. Weekly Receipts	\$ 9,865.48

ATTENDANCE:

Sunday School	138
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WORSHIP SERVICE:

Celebration Service of Worship	148
Nursery	9
TOTAL AM WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	157

BE IN PRAYER FOR . . .

The Minister of Music Search Committee as they search for God's man for this position. The following are on this search committee, please pray for each one specifically.

Robert Simonton	Alternates:
Grace Dumesnil	Dorothy Roddam
Fred Myers	James Ellis
Lynn Richard	
Laura Schur	

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Aaron Little	Minister to Students
John Woods	Minister to Senior Adults
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Suzonne Vann	Interim Worship Director

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
8:00 — 4:30
MONDAY — FRIDAY

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