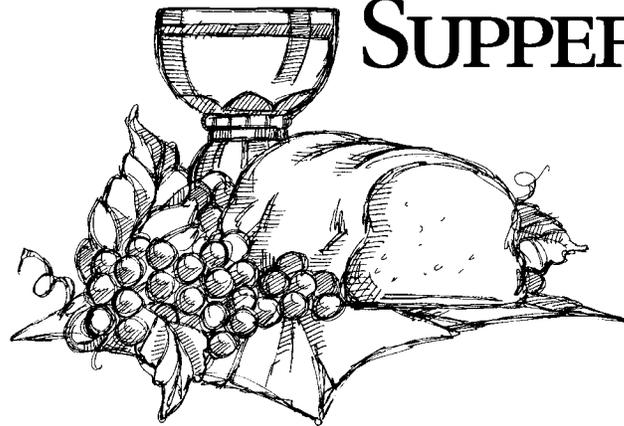




# The Bridge Builder

## THE LORD'S SUPPER



## REFLECTIVE LORD'S SUPPER

Friday  
April 14, 2017

6:30 p.m.

## PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH . . .

Dear Church Family,

We are fast approaching Easter and the joy of celebrating Christ's resurrection. During the Easter season we have the opportunity to give to the Annie Armstrong mission which funds efforts across the North American continent, reaching the unchurched here in our own country. Prayerfully give and help us reach our ambitious goal.

Remember, Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> is our Lunch and Learn starting at 10:00 am. We will be exploring the unique challenges of presenting truth in the ever changing culture. Also, Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> after church is our family time at Claiborne Park involving food and fun.

Our sermon series, "Faith that Moves Mountains", will come to a close on Easter Sunday. We have explored faith from throughout the Word of God. We have seen faith's core components of trust and obedience. We have witnessed faith in action among the biblical narratives. We have seen that faith is to be used regardless of its strength or size. Faith ultimately is removing trust from ourselves and placing it in God. Out of that choice we act by obeying God's Word even above our own desire. Sunday we explore faith in the story of David and Goliath found in I Samuel 17.

David has been anointed King of Israel in secrecy and is called out of obscurity to trust in God before all of Israel. The Philistines have gathered for war and Saul refuses to engage. Goliath steps forward to taunt the Israelites and insult the God of Israel. David overhearing is ashamed when no soldier will fight, not even Saul. Though David is not a soldier he convinces Saul to let him fight. They attempt to dress David as a man of war, but he declines and proceeds as a man of God. David is often pictured as the underdog, but it is actually Goliath. The battle is between the two champions, Goliath and the God of Israel. As David used a sling and a stone, God used David a lowly shepherd boy. David steps out in faith, trust and obedience, as a willing servant of the Most High. Faith is the means which God uses to deliver us from ever oppression. Faith recognizes that it is not our battle to fight. Are you fighting giants that weren't yours to fight? Are you ready to let God take the battle field?

FBCBC is where the "impossible" is a living reality every day. Invite others to join with you in living out the "impossible" at FBCBC.

Your Pastor,  
Douglas Shows  
I Samuel 17:45

## CHILDREN'S DIRECTOR

We have entered the Easter Season in full swing. This past Sunday we learned about Palm Sunday, and Jesus washing the disciple's feet. One of the questions I asked the kids was, "How would you expect a king to ride into town?" As expected, they answered things like, "wearing jewels" and "gold everywhere", or "riding the most beautiful horse", and so on. We talked about how Jesus came in on a donkey instead, just a normal donkey, with no riches, or fanfare. Why? As we continue to learn about the events leading up to Easter Sunday, I pray that the kids see Jesus as He was... a humble servant King that loved us so much, He willingly gave us the ultimate Easter gift. Eternal life.

Just a reminder, the Easter Egg Hunt is this Sunday after church at Claiborne Park, Shelter #12. A group of us will be heading out immediately following Sunday school to set up the area! We are looking forward to a great time!

There are several wonderful upcoming opportunities to serve in the Children's Ministry! First, we are looking for an assistant to help with the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School and Sunday evening class. I believe we may have found a teacher, but she will need a partner.

Secondly, we are preparing for camp and are looking for sponsors to go with us! We are hosting a camp this year at the East Texas Baptist Encampment, themed "Get It! Give It! Live It!". This is a camp for 2<sup>nd</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade beginning May 31<sup>st</sup> and will go thru June 2<sup>nd</sup>. The cost for camp is \$100 per person with a \$25 non-refundable deposit due by May 3<sup>rd</sup> and the balance paid in full by May 24<sup>th</sup>.

Finally, we are having a VBS meeting on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 in the Children's Choir room. If you are interested in being a part of this wonderful Children's Outreach opportunity, please try to attend this meeting!

If you would like to know more about this opportunity or any other events going on, please give me a call, here at the church!

That the next generation may know,  
Chris

# Easter Egg Hunt

## Sunday, April 9th

### Following Morning Service

We will meet at

## Claiborne Park Shelter #12

Lunch will be provided

## YOUTH NEWS . . .

### Last Call for Lunch & Learn

This Saturday we will welcome two of our areas greatest minds to FBC for a very important lunch and learn opportunity. Stop by Saturday morning just a shade before 10:00 A.M. and hear authors Tim Ramsey and Jordan Rogers as they lead us through teaching absolute truth in a relative world. I am also very excited to have been included in the lineup, and very much so look forward to not only sharing with you my heart on biblical apologetics, but also hear the heart of so many others. The cost is \$10.00 which essentially pays for your lunch. The learning opportunity will last until about 3:00 P.M. Please take a look just below to see the schedule of activities, and make plans to stop by for a while, even if you can't stay the entire time!

Session 1- 10:00 A.M.- Biblical Foundations for Apologetics - Aaron Little

Session 2- 10:45 A.M.- The Essence of Truth- Jordan Rogers

Lunch- 11:45 A.M. - Provided by Jennifer Caldwell

Session 3- 1:00 P.M.- Teaching Truth in a Relative World- Tim Ramsey

Session 4- 2:00 P.M. - Questions & Answers - Entire speaking panel

Be Intentional,  
Aaron

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You are invited!

## EASTER BREAKFAST BUFFET

All Adult Sunday School Departments  
Members & Visitors

Sunday, April 9, 2017  
8:30 a.m. — 9:15 a.m.

in  
Adult 6 Sunday School Department

Let's celebrate the resurrection of our Lord with Bible study and of course good food and fellowship. Invite adults who do not attend to be a part of what First Baptist has to offer.

## NEW SONG

Next Sunday, Palm Sunday, we will sing a song named "Hosanna (Praise is Rising)", one of eight songs in the 2008 Baptist Hymnal which contain the word "hosanna". But what does "hosanna" mean? The most common New Testament uses of "hosanna" are in the gospel accounts of the Triumphant Entry in Mark 11, Matthew 21, and John 12. The Hebrew word "הושיעה נא" (pronounced hôšî'â - nâ'), the source of the Greek "osanna" from which our English "hosanna" derives, was used in the Old Testament to mean "save", "help", "has gained victory", and "has delivered" or "has saved". Some in the crowds greeting Jesus arriving on a donkey colt with palm fronds waving were hailing one who they hoped would save them from Roman oppression and some may have realized they were greeting the Anointed One, the One Who would save their souls. We know today that He is the One who delivers us from sin and death. This next Sunday when we sing the lyrics "Hosanna, hosanna, You are the One Who save us, worthy of all our praises", take to heart that He is the One Who saves, helps, has gained victory, and has delivered us. Amen! To God Be The Glory, Suzonne

## CHOIR NOTES

Thank-you to those who sang in the Sunday Choir this past Sunday -- you sounded great! With the replacement of the drum shield with the smaller electric drums, we have been able to more effectively mic the choir so that even a smaller choir can be heard well. It is the desire of my heart that the choir at First Baptist will continue to grow as our people recognize that God gave them a voice in order to praise Him. To God Be The Glory, Suzonne

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## MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE EASTER FOOD DRIVE



The Ministerial Alliance has asked us to please donate **canned peas** for their annual Easter food drive. You may drop off in the church office or leave in the sanctuary or welcome center.

**NURSERY WORKERS April 2, 2017**

**Sunday School Brittany Ernst**

**Worship Service Thelma Wheelis**

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

**LOOK AT THE RECORD**

**March 26, 2017**

Average Weekly Needs	\$ 9,927.14
Sunday Receipts	\$13,466.25
Weekly Expenses	\$ 4,221.41
Y-T-D Avg. Weekly Receipts	\$10,534.26

**ATTENDANCE:**

Sunday School 123

**WORSHIP SERVICE:**

Worship	125
Nursery	7
<b>TOTAL AM WORSHIP ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>132</b>

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**

**Sunday, April 9, 2017**

- 8:30 Breakfast for Adults in Adult 6
- 9:15 Sunday School
- 10:30 Worship Service  
Children's Church  
For 4 year old — 2nd grade
- 12:00 Children's Easter Egg Hunt & Picnic  
at Claiborne Park, Shelter 12
- 4:00 Deacons Meeting
- 5:30 NO Children's Activities  
Youth Activities  
Sunday Night Classes

**Tuesday, April 11, 2017**

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

**Wednesday, April 12, 2017**

- 6:30 Church Conference  
Children's Activities  
Student Worship
- 7:30 Instrumental Rehearsal

**Friday, April 14, 2017**

- 6:30 Reflective Lord's Supper

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

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