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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Whether you have been a part of our church family for years or just finding your way into our community, one thing I hope that you have found to be very clear is that our mission as a church is discipleship. We are about sharing Christ and growing in faith together. That is who we are and what our church is about. There are a lot of ways this is lived out: small groups, corporate worship, serving, giving, missions – and so many other ways. I pray you have experienced our church in this way.

As we think about discipleship, while living in community with like-minded believers is a fundamental part of growing in faith, it must start with a personal relationship with Jesus and real commitment to follow Him with your whole heart and life. Over the month of October and into November we will explore the idea of living in the Holy Spirit – or maybe more properly stated, learning to allow the Holy Spirit to live through us.

Our theme verse for this series will be Galatians 5:25, "Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit." We will dive into what it means to live by the Spirit and how we can help one another keep in step with the Spirit. I hope you will make every effort to be part of this important series. The Holy Spirit is, unfortunately, the least talked about person of the Trinity in Baptist life. So come as we learn together about living by the Spirit.

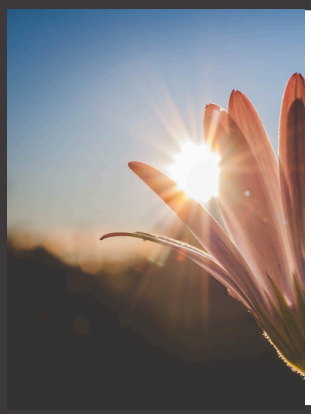
Be blessed and be a blessing.

Brian



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Sermon Series

October 4 - November 15, 2026

LIVE BY
THE SPIRIT

Galatians 5:22-25

New Members

Diana Crespo

Magnolia Justice

Bradley McComb

Matthew Messer

Chris Urista

Baptism

Adrianna Stoner

Upcoming Events

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14
No Wednesday Night Meal or Classes
(Worship teams will rehearse as scheduled)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1
Daylight Saving Time Ends
(Set your clocks back before bed on Saturday, 10/31.)



Register Today

UPWARD SPORTS

Upward Basketball registration is live!

Cost and Details
Grades 1 through 6 (Boys & Girls)
$95 until October 19
$120 from October 20 through November 9
(last day to register)

Visit our website or scan the QR code below to register your player. **Volunteer coaches and referees are needed also!**

Contact Chris Skoglund with questions.

Holiday Craft Fair

Saturday, October 17 from 9 am to 2 pm

FBC Recreation Center

- **Fall & Christmas Decor**
- **Delicious treats**
- **Handmade gifts & unique finds**
- **Free Admission**

The Craft Fair team is looking for friendly faces to make our upcoming Craft Fair a success! If you'd like to greet visitors and share what makes our church special at the FBC info table or give our wonderful vendors a bathroom or snack break, we'd love to have your help. It will make a BIG impact on our event!

The POSSE presents...

Wild Wacky Western BBQ

Thursday, October 29 at 5:30 pm
Recreation Center

BBQ is FREE with a ticket. Pick up your tickets on Sundays and plan to mosey on over for some good food and fellowship.

Saddle up in your Western best.
Prizes will be awarded for the best-dressed cowboys and cowgirls!

Operation Christmas Child

The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. Through this project, Samaritan's Purse partners with the local church worldwide to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and make disciples of the nations. By filling ordinary shoeboxes full of toys and other fun items, you can be part of giving boys and girls what may be their first gift ever, which may also result in an opportunity to accept the best gift of all, Jesus Christ.

How You Can Help:

- Pick up a box (or a few!) and fill it. Boxes are available in various locations around the church, along with a list of acceptable items that can be included.
- Return your boxes by October 25
  - Sundays (Worship Center)
  - Monday thru Thursday (Church Office)
- Prayerfully consider being a part of this ministry

At this time of the year, where giving is more important than receiving, our church has committed to bringing Christmas to at least **350** children around the world.

Children's Holiday Voices

Children (Grades 1 through 5) are invited to sing with us for two special services as we prepare for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

***Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays**
6:15 pm to 6:40 pm in Room 215
October 21 - December 2*

New students are welcome! Children who currently attend Rooted Kids at 6:30 pm will begin Holiday Voices at 6:15pm during this season. They will move to Creation Station after rehearsal. **Come sing, learn, and celebrate the holiday season through music!**

FALL FEST

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7
5:00 PM TO 7:00 PM
RECREATION CENTER

On Saturday, October 10, the **Coastal Bend Food Bank** is hosting five cast members from *The Chosen* at Whataburger Field. Throughout the event, these actors and actresses will share how being part of *The Chosen* has transformed their lives.

Admission is completely free, but a ticket is needed for entry. You can secure a ticket online by following the QR code or pick up a physical ticket at the church office.

Non-perishable food items are greatly appreciated to help local food pantries. Food collection barrels will be available at the event.



From The Library

Open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm and Sundays from 9:45 am to 10:15 am

October is a time for coming back to church, backyard cookouts with friends, football, and hopefully cooler weather. October is also a good time to snuggle up with a good book. Come by the church library and check out a book.

FBC Book Club

Thursday, October 8, 2026 at 2:00pm
The Friendship Room at Koinonia Homes
3113 Ocean Drive

This month, we'll discuss ***If There is No God...The Battle Over Who Defines Good and Evil*** by Dennis Prager. The book explores how Judeo-Christian values shape morality and why feelings alone cannot define right and wrong. Through challenging exchanges, Prager examines how we determine good and evil and why feelings, though powerful, are not a moral standard.

Prager address timeless questions: Why does God allow injustice and suffering, and how can religion improve humanity? Religious belief is not required -- only reason -- to find these debates compelling.

Accessible to believers and skeptics alike, *If There Is No God* offers clarity for a morally troubled age.

Join us for discussion and fellowship.

Book Ministry

Share the love of Jesus by donating paperback Christian books and Bibles to the **Book Ministry**. We especially need these for the Nueces County Jail. Please place donations ins the box outside the Library, Room 231. Checks for Bibles may be made to the FBC prison ministry.

Your gift could be what points someone to Jesus. Many inmates have not read a book in a long time and are deeply grateful for these resources.

Books will also be donated to the Food Pantry and the Street Ministry.



Are you interested in making a new Church Cookbook? Let Cristy Kitchen know if you would like to be on the Cookbook Committee.

Worship Center Flowers



October 4
Given in celebration of James and Stella Golliday's 37th wedding anniversary.

October 11
Given by Sandra and Rey Rillo in honor of their 34th wedding anniversary.

October 18
Given by Frances Leal in cherished memory of her beloved parents, Pablo and Beatrice Sanchez.

October 25
Given by John and Paul Thomason in celebration of Beverly Thomason's 100th birthday.

October Weekly Recurring Schedule

SUNDAYS
Bible Study • 10:00 am
Worship Services • 8:45 am & 11:15 am - Worship Center
Kids Church *1st & 3rd Sundays during Worship Services*
in Creation Station (Rm 219)
Handbell Rehearsal • 4:30 pm - Room 131??

MONDAYS
Flower Ministry • 8:30am - Room 151
To volunteer, contact Glenda Bailey @ 361-986-9793.
Pickleball • 9:00 am-2:00 pm - Recreation Center
Ceramics • 9:30 am-2:30 pm - Recreation Center
No pottery wheels - Beginners welcome! Adults, please.

TUESDAYS
Library Open • 9am-4pm - Media Library 2nd Floor
Harbor Lights Daytime Choir - 10am - Choir Room
55+ Basketball • 11:30am-1:30pm - Recreation Center
Open Basketball • 2pm-4:30pm - Recreation Center

WEDNESDAYS
Preschool Play Day • 9:30am-11:30am - Rec Center
Free and open to children kindergarten and younger.
Children must be accompanied by an adult.
Pickleball • 11:30am-2pm
Rooted Discipleship Classes
- 5:30 pm - Family Meal - Rec Center
- 6:30 pm - Bible Study Classes for all ages

Band Rehearsals • Worship Center
- 6:00 pm - Blended Service Band and Orchestra
- 7:00 pm - Modern Service Band

Choir Rehearsal • 6:45 pm - Choir Room
This is the perfect time to see if music is a fit for you.
All are welcome to attend our weekly rehearsals!

THURSDAYS
Library Open • 9:00 am-4:00 pm - Media Library 2nd Floor
Senior Adult Game Time • 9:30 am - Recreation Center
Sewing Ministry • 10:00 am-12:00 pm - Rec Center Craft Room
55+ Basketball • 11:30 am-1:30 pm - Recreation Center
Open Basketball • 2:00 pm-4:30 pm - Recreation Center
Pickleball • 5:00 pm-8:30 pm - Recreation Center
Street Ministry • 4:30 pm - Room 151
To volunteer, contact Cristy @ 830-643-4837

FRIDAYS
Food Pantry • 9:00 am-11:00 am - Room 151
To volunteer, contact Ed Cooke @ 361-991-8253.
Pickleball • 9:00 am-2:00 pm - Recreation Center

SATURDAYS* (Oct 24 & 31 only)
55+ Basketball • 9:00 am-10:30 am - Recreation Center

Wednesday Night Menu

Meal at 5:30pm in the Recreation Center
$6/Person, $5/Senior Adult, $4/Child

October 7 - King Ranch Chicken served with Guacamole, Salsa, Corn Chips, Garden Salad, and Mexican Chocolate Cheesecake

October 14 - **NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL or CLASSES**

October 21 - Chicken Tetrazzini served with a Garden Salad, Garlic Knots, and Pumpkin Dessert w/ whipped topping

October 28 - Manicotti with Meat Sauce served with a Garden Salad, Garlic Breadstick, and Creamy Apple Dessert

Weekly Kid's Menu - Chicken Nuggets served with Chips, Mandarin Oranges or Applesauce, and Ice Cream or Dessert

Rooted
WEDNESDAY NIGHT DISCIPLESHIP

5:30 PM - Family Meal in the Recreation Center*
6:15 PM - Nursery & Children's Music Begins
6:30 PM - Adult & Youth Discipleship Classes
6:45 PM - Worship Choir Rehearsal

**Gym is open for children to play from 5:45pm-6:10pm*

Babies through Age 3
Nursery - Room 120

Pre-K through Kinder
Nursery - Room 119

Grades 1 through 5
Room 215 and Room 219

Grades 6 through 12
Youth Room
Rec Center - Second Floor

Family & Parenting Study
Room 150

Pastor's Study
Room 151

Women's Study
Room 156

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