# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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Daylight Saving Time Ends Sunday, November 7, 2021.

Set your clocks back one hour. See you in church!

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# First Edition

## **Thanksgiving Outreach Ministry**

The Pastoral Staff, Deacons and their Wives would like to invite you to help in a Thanksgiving Outreach ministry by providing Thanksgiving baskets to families within our church body and the local communi-A list of nonperishable food needed for the baskets is listed below. These items need to be in the church by Sunday, November 14, to allow enough time to sort and organize the food. Perishable items such as turkeys,

rolls, and frozen pies will be purchased with donations. If you would like to assist with perishable items, please designate your donation to the Thanksgiving Outreach. Online donations can be designated to the Love Offerings Fund with a note in the memo line of "Thanksgiving Also, this baskets." vear we would like to include a homemade dessert in the baskets to have a personal touch. If you are interested in helping organize bas-



kets, we will meet at the church at 9:00 am, Saturday, November 20th. Baskets will be delivered the same day.

Non-perishable foods to bring

Canned Yams
Canned Cranberry Sauce
Canned Green Beans
Canned Corn
Instant Potatoes
Boxed Dressing
Foil Turkey pan

Things to purchase with Donations

Turkeys Frozen pies Brown & Serve rolls

Suggested Homemade Desserts Pie (any kind) Dozen cookies/brownies

# Community Thanksgiving Worship Service

The Community Thanksgiving Serivice hosted by the Floresville Ministerial Alliance will be held on Sunday, November 21, 2021, at 6:00 pm at the Floresville United Methodist Church. We will participate with other local churches and give thanks to our Lord together as a community of believers.

## Thanksgiving Holiday Schedule

In honor of the Thanksgiving holiday, the church office will close at noon on Wednesday, November 24, 2021. The office will be closed all day on Thursday and Friday, November 25-26, 2021, and will reopen Monday morning, November 29, at 8:00 am. There will be NO afternoon or evening activities at the church on Wednesday, November 24, 2021.

#### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

Hello everyone!

Well, here we are in NOVEMBER! The days just keep rolling by faster and faster. Thank you, LORD, for the picture-perfect beautiful weather. I have so many wonderful memories during this time of year, even the different aromas! Smell of baking, rain, foliage, just the season change!

November to me is Sharing Month! We can do our part at any age to share with others. We don't have to wait until Thanksgiving to begin sharing food, visits, phone calls, help with some yard work, help clean their house or car. So many ideas, all you have to do is offer!

Another Helping idea has been brought up. In past years there have been some ladies groups that have put together Jump Ropes for Jesus. There were over 40 helpers - representing nine churches. It was a wonderful community event. This year, the plan is to again combine efforts and fill gallon-size Ziploc bags and fill them with goodies focusing on our senior shut-ins and nursing home residents. Some items to be collected could be: tracts, socks, travel-size containers of lotions, tissues, wipes, Vaseline (for dry skin), and small pocket size calendars for next year. The list could go on and on. It has been a very difficult time for residents and shut-ins during the pandemic. This project is sponsored by the Gambrell Association Ladies Ministry. The event will be held Saturday, November 13, from 10-12, at First Baptist Church Stockdale. A light lunch will be provided. Contact Judy Childress at 210.844.9596 with questions/concerns.

#### **NOVEMBER**

- November 13th, Saturday, 2:00-3:30 pm -We will join together and share some of our love filling the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. There are boxes available in the foyer. Families can choose to take a box home and fill it with their items. The completion date for these boxes will November 14th.
- November 20th, 2021. We will be preparing thanksgiving baskets with usual items for a Thanksgiving dinner. A list of items needed will be posted in the church foyer. We will be asking for assistance of donations to purchase the turkeys. As you are shopping for the preparation of your own dinner, help purchase some of those items for our baskets. We usually provide homemade treats with each basket. Please consider helping with the packing on the 20th and delivery.

Please remember to pray for all those on our prayer list. This is a very busy time of the year. If the LORD taps on your shoulder to help, purchase, deliver, or be HIS hands and feet, please answer HIS call. If you have any Women's Ministry ideas, please share with Sally Gaertner @ 361.290.1068 or Donna Arispe @ 210.560.9642

In HIS Service!

#### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Join us on Saturday, November 13, 2021, from 2:00-3:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall for a shoebox packing party. Bring your items to donate, and we'll work together to fill as many shoeboxes as we can to bless a boy or girl somewhere around the world.

Remember to be in prayer for each child who receives a shoebox gift; pray their hearts soften to the gospel as it is shared with them through this project.



All boxes are due Sunday, November 14. Please include \$9 per box to cover shipping expenses. Check out <a href="https://www.operationchristmaschild.com">www.operationchristmaschild.com</a> for gift ideas.

The mission of OCC is to provide local partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies as a means of reaching out to children in their own communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ. These simple gifts are shipped outside the United States to children affected by war, poverty, natural disaster, famine, and disease; and to children living on Native American reservations in the U.S.

The shoebox gifts are shipped out from processing centers by the middle of December, and depending on the distance they must travel, some are delivered by Christmas—primarily those in Central/South American and Eastern Europe. This project never forces religion on a child or intends to manipulate, but intends to share the Gospel.

# November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	WNS- Pulled Pork	4	5	MEN'S BREAKFAST
*Bob Whitley	8	9	WNS- Tuscany Soup	VETERANS 11	Youth Camp 12 Zephyr	wmu-10 am OCC-2 pm
*David Arispe	15	16	WNS- Chalupas 17	18	19	20
*Ron Bluff	22	23	24	Thanks 25	26	27
*Chris Coats	29	30				



1	Heather	Sparks
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- Traci Yosko
- Matthew Hankins
- 2 2 3 5 Joe Leal
- Leif Joosepson
- Terri Johnson
- Kenneth Kotzur
- 6 Terry Mills
- 6 Bill Newnam
- 7 Carson Addington

#### Terri Bombei 7 Marc Gulick

- 8 Cynthia Guerrero
- 9 Kimberly Embrey
- 10 Tyler Holt
- 13 Jamie Burris
  - Timothy McKeen
- 14 Elizabeth Coats
- Makayla Miller 14
- 14 Adair Welfel
- 15 David Arispe
- 16 Matt Keller
- 20 Dee Smith
- 20 Atticus Tipton
- Julie Fischer 21
- 23 Rhea Nell Rogers
- 24 Shelbi Bays
- 25 Agnes Moody

## Schedule of

#### Sunday

- 8:00—In-person Worship
- 9:15—Bible Study for all
- 10:30—In-person Worship and online worship through Facebook LIVE

#### <u>Tuesday</u>

- 5:30 Choir practice
- 6:30—Bible Study Fellow-

#### **Wednesday**

- 5:30—Supper
- 6:30—Prayer Meeting / Youth Bible Study/ Life Groups

#### **Weekly Activities**

- Creative Hands— Quilting Mondays at 10:00
- •• Line Exercise Classes Mon, Tues. & Thurs. from 9:30-10:30 am
- \* Deacon of the Week
- Bonnie Banks 26
- 26 Pat Tackitt Ray
- 27 Bonnie Dickerson
- 27 Sharron Wesley
- 27 Jordan Respondek 27
- Thomas Taggs Tammy Skloss 28
- 29
- Stephanie Moss

# Join us!

# "MISSIONS FOR SENIORS!"

Gambrell Association Ladies Ministry

What: Packing of ziplock bags for senior residents with various toiletries and messages of Love

Items for bags will be provided.

Each attending church will take filled (you may donate items if you wish) bags back to their own community.

Where: First Baptist Church Stockdale

When: Sat. Nov. 13th 10:00-12 noon Lunch provided

Questions/concerns Judy Childress 210 844 9596

# MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE HELP **FUND ADMINISTRATOR**

The local Ministerial Alliance is seeking an individual(s) who can fill the position of client intake person for the Floresville Ministerial Alliance Help Fund.

This person would be responsible for:

- Taking incoming phone calls from clients seeking assistance and determine eligibil-
- Meeting with a client to complete the Client Information Form.
- Paying for the client utility bill in person.
- Maintaining records of transactions and bank statements.

#### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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# BUILDING HIStory

Original Loan Amount: \$ 525,000.00

October Loan Payment: \$ 5,000.00

Current Loan Balance: \$ 69,327.61

"Take from among you an offering to the Lord. Whoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it as an offering to the Lord."

Exodus 35:5a (NKJV)

Condolences go to the family of J.B. Dismuke, a former long-time member, who passed away October 2, 2021.

Deepest sympathy goes to the family of Vici Anderson, who passed away October 8, 2021. with deepest SYMPATHY

Sincere condolences go out to the Terri Villarreal family, who passed away October 15, 2021.

Sympathies are extended to the family of Dorothy Holley, who passed away October 19, 2021.



Dear Church Family, Thank you for your gifts, words of encouragement, and prayers during Pastor Appreciation month. We are blessed to serve alongside a very loving congregation. We look forward to the journey ahead God has in store for us all!

Pastor Mike, Pastor Terry, and Pastor Matt

### **NEW MEMBERS**

### By Baptism:

Alice Goldchuk P. O. Box 134 Floresville, TX 78114 830-391-5641

## **By Statement:**

Nancy Pirtle 136 Oak Fields Dr. Floresville, TX 78114 575-317-2496

### By Letter:

Rocky & Sarah Slavin 161 CR 119 Floresville, TX 78114 210-414-9674

## Floresville Food Pantry

Suggested Donations for November

Thanksgiving-related Non-perishables
Canned goods
(yams, vegetables, cranberry sauce)
Boxed instant potatoes
Boxed dressing or stuffing



The Floresville Food Pantry is partnering with *Daily Bread* ministry of San Antonio to provide food to the needy of Floresville. The Pantry is now open on Thursdays only. Clients need to arrive at 8am to sign in and wait for food distribution. A devotional time will be at 9am. Clients are asked to bring their own bags. The Pantry is located on the corner of 4th and A Street and the phone number is 830-321-1151. Volunteers and donations are always appreciated.

BUDGET-AT-A-GLANCE Actual Giving Receipts Required to Meet Budget

 September 2021
 \$ 49,286.27
 \$ 59,329.67

 YTD thru September
 \$ 465,049.92
 \$ 533,967.06



Online giving is an easy, convenient, and secure alternative to writing a check. Go to the church's web page, <a href="www.fbcf.org">www.fbcf.org</a>, or scan the QR code with your smart phone.