

First Edition



OUR SERVICE

Sundays

8:45 Praise Choir
Rehearsal

9:15 Bible Study for all

10:30 In-person
Worship and
online worship through
Facebook LIVE



Wednesdays

10:30am Ladies Bible Study

3:30-5:30pm Team Kids

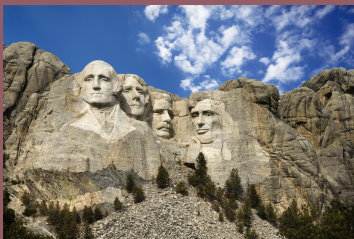
5:30pm Wednesday Night Supper

6:30pm Wed. night groups

- Ladies' Bible study
- Men's Bible study
- Creation Class
- Youth Bible Study
- King's kids' bible study
- Nursery available

7:30pm Choir Practice

OFFICE CLOSED FEB 29TH 2024



In case of Emergency call:
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Terry Smith-830-391-3362
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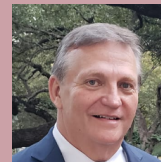
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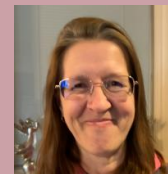
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Thoughts from Pastor Michael

As we enter this month that celebrates Valentine's Day, I am grateful to be part of a church family that practices love! Robin and I are so grateful to be here! I thought I would write this article based on love as it was described in the following verses.

1 Thessalonians 4:9-10 (HCSB) "About brotherly love: You don't need me to write you because you yourselves are taught by God to love one another. In fact, you are doing this toward all the brothers in the entire region of Macedonia. But we encourage you, brothers, to do so even more,"

2 Thessalonians 1:3 (HCSB) "We must always thank God for you, brothers. This is right, since your faith is flourishing and the love each one of you has for one another is increasing."

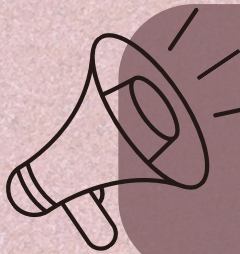
The Apostles wanted the early church to live in the Lord's love. Even though the Thessalonians were loving each other, Paul wanted it to happen "even more." John also emphasized love in His letters. According to Jerome, who lived from 354-430 AD and gave us the Latin translation of the Bible, John constantly emphasized love when he was dying. Jerome said that John was very frail in his final days of life in the city of Ephesus. He was so frail that he had to be carried into the church. There was one phrase that was on his lips constantly: "My little children, love one another." When asked why he always said this, John replied, "It is the Lord's command, and if this alone be done, it is enough."

Loving one another is so crucial! Jesus said that the world would know that we were His disciples if we loved one another. (John 13:34-35) It is no wonder that both Paul and John wanted God's people to love one another and to do so "even more."

How do we love other people "even more?" Psalm 32:10 says, "....But the one who trusts in the Lord will have faithful love surrounding him." In John 15:9 Jesus says, "....Abide in my love." You cannot produce it, but you can absorb and reflect it! The early church must have done so. Tertullian, born around 150 AD in northern Africa and one of the early church fathers, quotes a statement from the enemies of the early Christians and how they were viewed: "How they love each other."

Oh Father, enlarge our capacity to receive and reflect Your love!
Grateful to be your Pastor!

Pastor Michael Funderburk



Weekly Announcements

If you would like to receive the weekly announcements or the prayer list, please contact the office with your E-mail and we will add you to the list. Phone- 830-216-4946

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TERRY'S NOTES

February? Already? Goodness to Betsy! What do you think about when you think of the month of February? I think of, obviously, Valentine's Day! I also think about President's Day, Ground Hog Day and a few other important days. Oh, yeah, and I think about 39 years ago when I met Mrs. Sandra Smith. It's hard to believe that she has put up with me that long! Mercy me! All in all, February is a pretty cool month, sort of literally, too! Oh, yeah, and I remember when we had our last snow fall and power outages event in February of 2021. That great Arctic event actually occurred on Valentines Day, Feb. 14. I remember Sandra and I running outside, during the middle of the night, running around in the snow, while our daughter/family were sleeping. We tried to wake them up to come and witness the beautiful snowfall; instead, they replied from their bedroom, "Seriously, Mom and Dad, we are trying to get some sleep-ugggh!"

Valentine's Day is a month when we like to express our love a little bit more to our loved ones, our classmates, and our friends. We like buying little Valentine gifts and cards expressing our love to each of them. I loved Valentine's Day at school and exchanging cards with my classmates, even with the classmates we despised. LOL! It was that one day of the year we could be kind of mushy and get by with it, since that is what we were supposed to do.

Let's talk about a greater love, God's perfect love. 1 Corinthians 13 is the love chapter of the Bible. Of course, God's love is written from beginning to end in His Word; however, Paul's definition of love is defined a bit more specifically. I have used 1 Corinthians 13 when I have officiated weddings. Every time I read this incredible chapter to the bride and groom, I am reminded of the true meaning of love, and I reexamine my own life to make sure I am loving others with God's love and not with any other form of love. Most love that is expressed by mankind is a selfish love, or a love that expects something in return. I am afraid I have been guilty of this many times, expressing that selfish love opposed to expressing God's agape love.

Is there someone in your family, at work, or even at church you are having a very difficult time expressing God's love? Why don't you and I challenge ourselves this year and express to that individual by way of a card or a gift letting them know how much you appreciate them and love them. All we need to do is pray to the Lord to take away our selfish dislike, hate or resentment towards them and replace it with a kind deed we can use to express God's love through us to them. I have experienced this many times, and I have seen relationships restored, friendships made and forgiveness received. God wants us to try to get along with each other, especially the Body of Christ. So many times, we just walk away from hurt relationships, and we never get to experience the victory that can occur between 2 people. Why don't you try reaching out to someone who has hurt you or maybe you have hurt them. Give God a chance to use you to be a vessel for healing! Love You! *Pastor Terry Smith*

CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

- Team Kidz Praise: Wednesdays 4:45 pm
- Worship Choir practice: Wednesdays 7:30 pm
- Sunday Worship Choir: Sunday morning warm up 8:45 am

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FEBRUARY 2024

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

				<p>1</p> <p>10:30 Monthly prayer time</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>Men's Prayer BK  3</p> <p>8-9:30am</p> <p> OCC Mtg. 8am- Jack's cafe Mtg. following Annex</p>
<p>4</p> <p>Deacon Ron Bluff</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Guest Services Meeting- 2pm</p> <p>6:30pm-8pm BSF</p>	<p>7</p> <p>3:30-5:30 Team kids 5:30pm WNS Ragamuffins 6:30pm Bible Studies 7:30pm - Choir</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Meeting- COC/ Fellowship Comm. & Baptism Comm. 6pm</p> <p>5:30pm- Movie Night</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Youth Super Bowl Party  5pm -8pm</p> <p>Deacon Meeting.</p> <p>Deacon Chirs Coats</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>6:30pm-8pm BSF</p>	<p>14</p> <p>3:30-5:30 Team kids 5:30pm WNS Family Ministry 6:30pm Bible Studies 7:30pm - Choir</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Meeting- COC/ Funeral Comm. & Transportation Comm. 6pm</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p> <p>Deacon Bob Etheridge</p>	<p>19</p> <p> Office Closed For Presidents Day</p>	<p>20</p> <p>10am Fun Bunch -Texas Pride BBQ St. Hedwig Tx. 6:30pm-8pm BSF</p>	<p>21</p> <p>10:30am Ladies Bible study 3:30-5:30 Team kids 5:30pm WNS Jars of Clay 6:30pm Special Call BM 7:30pm - Choir</p>	<p>22</p> <p>6pm Texas Singing Men First Baptist Ch. Weslaco Tx. 5:30pm- Movie Night</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Men's Time 10am</p>
<p>25</p> <p>Youth Interfaith Event</p> <p>Deacon Danny Fenner</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>6:30pm-8pm BSF</p>	<p>28</p> <p>10:30am Ladies Bible study 3:30-5:30 Team kids 5:30pm WNS Elizabeth Coats 6:30pm Bible Studies 7:30pm - Choir</p>	<p>29</p>		

Sundays

8:45am - Praise Choir
Rehearsal

9:15am -Bible Study for all

10:30am -In-person Worship
and online worship
through Facebook LIVE

HAPPY
Valentines
DAY

Weekly Activities

- **Creative Hands Quilting**

Mondays at 10:00 am

-- **Line Exercise Classes**

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - from 9:30 -10:30 am

---**Tone & Stretch Classes**

Mon, Tues. Wed. & Thurs. from 4:30 -5:15 pm

Wednesdays- AM

10:30am - Ladies Bible Study

Wednesdays- Nites

3:30-5:30pm - Team Kids
and Team Kids Praise

5:30pm - Wednesday Night
Suppers

6:30pm -Bible Study Classes

7:30pm - Choir Practice



February Birthdays

1 Al Riley

3 Mac Gleeson

3 Tim Lanier

3 Clara Kotzur

3 Pam Talley

4 Bob Whitley

4 Esther Remling

5 Patty Swahn

6 LaShea Addington

7 Abygail Burns

8 Dustin Meyer

8 John Kelley

8 John Long

8 David Lozano

8 Dale Yeager

10 August Gleeson

10 Carol Bagley

10 Bonnie Rice

10 Jenny Richards

10 Katherine Brannon

11 Nick Nissen

11 Jerry Aldrich

12 Jewel Gleeson

13 Ron Wright

14 Connor Parkinson

15 Ansley Gates

15 Roy Idrach

15 Carolyn Sickenius

15 Laura Yeager

16 Kimberly Posey

16 Ray Addington

17 Sally Jenkins

18 Ricky Cox

19 Monroe Sickenius

23 Karen Gulick

23 Jason Guerrero

23 Tyler Mills

24 Hulon Drewett

25 Jan Browning

25 Kaitlyn Keylich

27 Kathy Hargrove

Happy
Birthday



March
Birthdays

1 Bob Herndon
2 Chris Coats
2 Sean Coats
2 Jane Lee



Ladies' Time

New Start Date- Feb 21st



Studying the book of James

Bible Study Fellowship
BSF
studying-
John's Gospel

6:30-8:00 - Annex Building
Kinder -8th Grade
Women's Group
Men's Group

Mens' Time

Men's Prayer Breakfast
in Fellowship Hall

February 3rd, 2024
8-9:30am





Men Doing Men Stuff...
With Men
First gathering of a new
men's fellowship group
Feb. 24th @ 10:00am
Lunch and Drinks
Provided
Contact: Robert Calmes
for info or to RSVP
210-232-3344



Fun Bunch

Feb. 20- Texas Pride BBQ, St. Hedwig, Tx.
Mar. 19- Golden Corral, San Antonio, Tx.
Apr 30- Big Lou's Pizza, San Antonio, Tx.
May 21- Olive Garden, San Antonio, Tx
Bus Leaves at 10:30am



Wednesday Bible Studies



*Valentine
Supper*

SPAGHETTI DINNER PROVIDED
BY FBCF'S STUDENT MINISTRY
Wednesday, Feb. 14th

No Charge for Senior Adults





Nursery Available
Wednesday 6:30-7:30
Newborn-PreK

6:30 PM

King's Kids
Kids' Bible Study



Creation
CLASS
WEDNESDAYS
AT 6:30



Women's Wednesday Night Bible Study
6:30 pm after
Wednesday Night Supper
Life Principles from the
Women of the Bible bk 2
Available for \$10 in Church Office



6:30pm Family Life Center



YOUTH
GROUP

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
Wed. Nights 6:30pm
STUDYING JAMES



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Next Generation- Kids and Youth

Please Let the Office Know- If you would like your child to ride one of the buses to the church after school.
(830)-216-4946

Wednesday Night Family Ministry
Bus Pick-ups at North Elem, South Elem, FMS & FHS.



3:30- Team Kids
4:45-Kids Choir
5:30-Family Dinner
6:30- Kids Bible Study

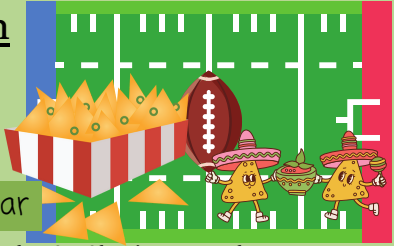
Super Nerf & Nacho Party

February 11th

YOUTH

Super Bowl Party

Half- Time Nerf War



Bring your Nerf guns for half -time nerf wars. We will provide nachos but bring an appetizer or dessert to SHARE

Sunday - February 25th

Interfaith Youth Service

More details to follow



If Giving For this online use Fund 9503

Work starting on Windows



FEBRUARY PRESCHOOL SCHEDULE

Date	Younger Preschool 9:00 am - Noon	Middle Preschool 10:20 am - Noon
02/04	Bonnie & Russell Dickerson	Denise Trabucco & Julia Trabucco
02/11	Sally Gaertner & Sherrie Welfel	Volunteers Needed
02/18	Bonnie & Russell Dickerson	Volunteers Needed
02/25	Elizabeth Coats & ???	Pam Dempsey & Celeste Savage



Link



VBS
June 3-7,
2024

Events

Feb. 22: First Baptist Church, Weslaco 6pm

Mar. 21 West Oak Woods Baptist Church, Austin

May 15: First Baptist Church, Pflugerville
(combined concert with Singing Women of Central Texas)



Missions

Breakfast at

Jack's at 8am on February 3rd

followed by our next PAL for OCC get together in the Annex at 9:30. The breakfast is optional, but a bit of fun before we gather for our actual meeting to discuss our progress and what new ideas we have come up with. (For more information, send a text or contact Sallie at 830-391-2344)



PAL, stands for Packing Agape Love, our acronym for our Operation Christmas Child project. Planning ahead is what we need to help everyone know how to pack our boxes better. We now have a couple props we can display to bring attention to our project. We have our Alpaca and recently acquired a display rack for boxes. The previous Safety Deposit Room is where we are storing items we purchase, and boxes that are already packed can be kept securely behind a locked gate.

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New Members

Dustin & Kasie Meyer

Maclaine Gorzell

Charles Felton
& Dana Kerby



The Flower Calendar is on the wall at the Coffee/Tea station
Feel free to choose a date if you would like to provide flowers for the Altar. Thank you!
Call Jeannie McCarville
(520) 251-1623

Kitchen Drifts

Thanks to all the teams that provide the yummy food and offer their time and culinary skills to our church. We appreciate the help laundering the kitchen towels please remember to return them to the kitchen as soon as possible.

God is So Good!

And He has Blessed us
with an amazing
Church Family



MENU

FEB. 7TH DINNER BY :

RAGAMUFFINS
LASAGNA, SALAD,
GARLIC BREAD, DESSERT

FEB 14TH DINNER BY :

FAMILY MINISTRY
SPAGHETTI DINNER
SENIORS EAT FREE
HAPPY VALENTINES DAY



Feb. 21st Dinner by :

Jars of Clay
Chalupas
Fixings & Dessert

Feb. 28th Dinner by :

Elizabeth Coats
Amarillo Chicken,
dessert

Church Committee

Needs!

WHAT'S MISSING?!? **UR**

Church Council-1 Family Ministry-2

Combined Meeting for -
Committee on Committees/
Fellowship & Baptism
2/8/24 at 6pm
Annex Foyer

Combined Meeting for -
Committee on Committees/
Budget and Finance
2/15/24 at 6pm
Annex Kitchen



Guest Services
Ministry Meeting
Feb. 6th, 2024 2:00 pm

DEACON FEB 11TH
MEETING AFTER SERVICE



Special Call
Business Meeting
2/21/2024

Agenda:
Vote to fill the position
of Family Minister

Movie Nights

Starts at 5:30pm

Thursday
Feb 8th

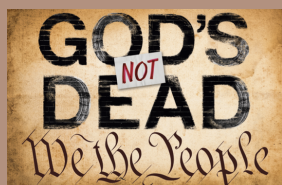


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Thursday
Feb. 22nd

BRING:

Your Favorite
Finger Food



#4



Prayer Time

Monthly Time Of Prayer

Thursday, Feb. 1st, 2024

ON THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH
10:30 am
Annex Kitchen



If you would like to receive a copy of the weekly Prayer list or add a prayer request to the list - Please just call the Church office at (830)216-4946



PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Intercessory Prayer Group

We need additional prayer warriors for Sunday's intercessory prayer group. We Pray during the service, for the service. It is on a rotating basis, 2 men, 2 women, or a married couple per Sunday.

If God is calling you to this ministry contact Bill Perry 614-309-1940 or Call the Church Office at 830-216-4946



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Building and Grounds

NOTES: FROM BUILDING AND GROUNDS

VOLUNTEERS APPRECIATED TO HELP KEEP OUR CHURCH LOOKING ITS BEST!

Do you see a need???

litter cleanup, leaf pick-up,
windows washed,
mowing & edging grass,
cleaning light housings, etc...

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask,
John Kelley- Building and Grounds Chairman (830)391-7704
or any member of the Building and Grounds Committee

Building & Grounds Meeting
Sat. February 3rd at 10am
Place: Fellowship Hall

Up coming MARCH Events

Canning Class
March 2nd- 10:30am
& March 16th 10am
In Fellowship Hall
Exercise

New Member's Celebration!

MARCH 3RD

WE ARE CELEBRATING
EVERYONE THAT
HAS JOINED SINCE...

JULY 2022

More Details to Follow

Help needed

Bus Drivers
Still Needed
Sundays 8:30 & After Church
in Fall-Wednesdays 2:30-4:45

See Pastor Terry,
John Long, Or Call
the Office (830) 216-4946

CDL GOOD BUT
NOT REQUIRED

Cardio STRENGTH
TRAINING FOR SENIORS

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ANNEX
(OLD WELLS FARGO BLDG.)
4:30PM- 5:15PM
MONDAY, TUESDAY, & THURSDAY
(AFTER LABOR DAY, WE WILL
ADD WEDNESDAY)

Text Linda at
210-632-6018
For More Information

Line Exercise Class

Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday, & Friday
In the Family Life Center
9:30am-10:30am

Immediate Needs in KidMin

Bible Study 9:15 am - 10:30 am	Worship 10:20 am - Noon	Children's Church 10:45 am - Noon
2-3 yr olds alternating Sundays	Middle Preschool 2nd Sunday	Kindergarten - 5th Grade 3rd Sunday of each month
4th - 5th Grade 1st, 2nd, & 5th Sundays Co-Leader	Middle Preschool 3rd Sunday	Thanks to all of our volunteers!

Praise BLESSING - WE CAME WITH-IN
\$365.73 OF MEETING OUR YEARLY GOAL

Thank You for Giving

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Budget at a Glance	Actual Giving Receipts	Required to meet Budget
December 2023	\$75,373.00	\$50,405.83
YTD thur Dec. 2023	\$604,504.27	\$604,870.00

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