

Church Calendar ~ Weekly Schedule

Sunday Morning, March 24th

8:30am Worship
 9:30-9:50am Lite Breakfast
 9:45am Bible Study for All Ages
 10:30-10:55am Media Center
 11:00am Worship

Sunday Evening, March 24th

4:00-4:45pm Youth Praise Team Practice
 4:45-5:30pm Children of Parents attending Bible Study or Prayer Time at 5:00pm will go to the Large Children's Room and will be taken to Children's Choirs at 5:30pm
 5:00-6:30pm Adult Prayer Time (Sanctuary)
 Men's Bible Study (Classroom 203/204)
 Women's Bible Study (Family Life Center)
 Youth Bible Study (Basement)
 5:30-6:30pm Preschool Cherub Choir (Preschool Area)
 1st - 6th Children's Choir (Choir Room)
 6:30-7:30pm Adult Handbells

Wednesday Morning, March 27th

9:30am-12:00pm Media Center

Wednesday Evening, March 27th

4:30-5:15pm Children's Handbells (3rd-6th)
 5:15-6:00pm Churchwide Fellowship Meal
 6:00-7:30pm Nursery (birth-3yr olds)
 6:15-7:15pm **Mission Groups for Children**
 ~ Mission Friends (4 yr.-K) Preschool Hall
 ~ Girls in Action (1st-3rd) Children's Hall
 ~ Girls in Action (4th-6th) Children's Hall
 ~ Royal Ambassadors (1st-6th) Lg Rm 222
 6:15-7:15pm Youth Bible Study (7th-12th)
 6:15-7:15pm Adult Bible Study/
 Prayer Time
 6:15-7:15pm Praise Team Practice
 7:15-8:30pm Sanctuary Choir Practice

Flowering of the Cross - Easter Sunday



The flowering of the cross transforms a symbol of death, darkness, pain, and hopelessness into a symbol of new life and hope as we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ!

Our cross will be in a different location this year. It will be located next to the display case, in the Gallery Area. You are able to access this area from the Gathering Space or the Covered Entrance.

We encourage you to bring a simple stem of flowers from your yard, the ditch bank, or woods and insert it into the mesh. As we each make our contribution, the stark cross literally flowers into a beautiful and dramatic celebration of life!

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LET'S PREPARE FOR OUR EASTER FAMILY FESTIVAL

Palm Sunday

MARCH 24, 2024

4:00-6:00PM

For this Outreach Event, we would like to provide games, activities, and a hotdog supper!

We encourage groups (Sunday School classes, Mission Groups, etc) to work together. Each booth will be part of the Easter Scavenger Hunt.

Please sign up outside the church office.



HOLY WEEK Schedule

March 28th - Maundy Thursday, 7pm

March 31st - Resurrection Sunday -

Flowering of *The Cross*, Easter Sunday Morning

8:30 Worship

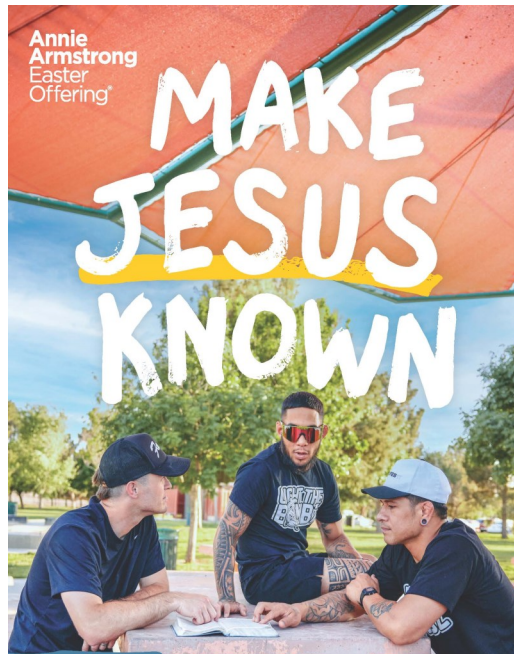
9:30 Lite Breakfast

9:45 Bible Study All Ages

11:00 Worship

April 1st - Church Office Closed ~ Easter Monday

April 3rd - No Wednesday Evening Activities



Annie Armstrong
 Easter Offering

MAKE JESUS KNOWN

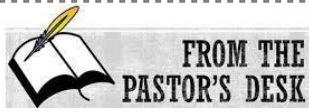
2024
 PROMOTION GUIDE

Week of Prayer for
 North American Missions
 March 3-10, 2024

The
Youth
 would like
 to serve **YOU!**

The Youth are looking for opportunities to bless those who could use an extra hand around their yard, house or business! If you have a project you could use their help with, please contact Taylor Head, Youth Pastor, at (334)224-4710.

Dear FBC Family,



THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

As we move to the "Passion Week," Jesus' final entry into Jerusalem takes on major significance even as it also raises many questions in our minds:

- Why, after walking everywhere He went and now, less than two miles from His destination, is He going to ride into the city on a borrowed donkey?
- Why would the crowd wave palm branches? (John 12:13)
- Why would the disciples throw "...their own clothes on the colt..." and the crowd "...spread their clothes on the road...?" (Luke 19:35 & 36)
- What was the meaning of what they were shouting? (Mt. 21:9; Lk. 19:38; Mark 11:10)
- How could such a celebration take place and then, just a few days later, we see the crowd shouting, "Crucify Him, crucify Him!" (Luke 23:21)
- What do we learn about the heart of God revealed in Jesus' weeping over the city?

Mark Moore in his *The Chronological Life of Christ* (1997) p. 497 states, "On the one hand you have the praise of the people, the sick being healed and children worshipping God. On the other hand, you have the religious leaders wanting to put a stop to it because it is out of their control."

This event is rich in the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecies, 1st century Jewish culture and worldview, and the practice of Second Temple Period Judaism. As Jesus was teaching His disciples of His day, so we as His disciples today can learn from Him.

See you Sunday, Lord willing!

Pastor Joe



EASTER BASKETS for our Nursing Home and Homebound Residents

We are collecting items to fill Easter baskets for our nursing home and homebound residents.

Please place **ALL** items in the basket provided outside the office **Sunday, March 24th**
Thank You!

Please see list below for ideas:

Small puzzles or puzzle books, Word search Lg print, Large Print Devotional books, Adult coloring books with markers or colored pencils, Lip Balm, Lotion, Deodorant, Combs/Brushes, Tissues, Calendars, Socks with grips, Stuffed Animals, Cards and/or Notes of encouragement are welcomed!



**American
Red Cross**

Blood Drive

**Tuesday,
March 26th**

2 PM to 6 PM

In the FBC Family Life Center.

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meals

Cost: \$6.00 Adult Plate & \$4.00 Child Plate

(Sign-up required by Monday at 4pm)

March 27th ~ Menu

Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Bread, Tea & Dessert

After the deadline call 943-8772 Pam Warren, she will have the list and knows how much food she has and how far it will go. Thank you!

Serving the Week of March 24, 2024

**Nursery Workers, please include Sunday night, let's make sure we have at least 2 people per service.*

Nursery Workers ~ Lisa Barmer, Lois Omonde, Jason & Susannah Berry, Nathaniel & Lisa Woolard, Jennifer Mitchell

Children's Church ~ **8:30am** ~ Robert & Hillary Sebald
11:00am ~ Debbie Harris

Deacon of the Week ~ Wesley Adams

Deacon Team Members ~ James Fitts, Matt Renfrow

Breakfast Team Contact ~ Jerry Blair ~ **4th Sunday**

Benevolence Team Helper ~ Tuesday, March 26 – Suzi Piegols

Audio/Visual Ministry Team ~ Fred Anderson, Emerson Asby, John Davis, Carol Evans, Don Fann, James Fitts, Brody Fox, Jimmy Harris, Wyatt Renfrow and Levi Setzer

We are always looking for folks interested in serving in the Audio/Visual Ministry, call Jesse Davis 946-8074 or Carol Evans 946-1724 and ask them about the specifics of the different areas available.~



**MAUNDY
THURSDAY**

**March 28th
7:00 pm**

**Worship at
the Table**

Financial Report for March 18, 2024

YTD Budget Requirement (WK 25)	\$	326,431.75
YTD Budget Receipts	\$	363,152.16
Budget Over / Under	\$	36,720.41
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$	<u>13,057.27</u>
Actual Budget Offering	\$	18,504.10

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