





#### **GRACE AND PEACE IN CHRIST OUR LORD!**

Thank God for those who served our nation so faithfully. As we honor Memorial Day this week, let us not forget those who have fallen. Let's not forget their families as well. May God show his mercy to ensure no more deaths like those are necessary.



### VBS PRAYER WALK • SUNDAY, JUNE 1 – 2 PM

This coming Sunday is the day before VBS. That's a little like Christmas Eve for those who have been working on this event for months! The most powerful element of preparation is prayer! To that end, we'll gather in the Chapel at 2 PM to pray over our building, our teachers, and our Rec Team members. It's vital! We choose to do this gathering earlier than our regular Sunday evening gathering because many teachers will be putting the finishing touches on their classrooms – it's a chance to pray over them as they work. Additionally, we chose the earlier time because many of our regular Sunday night crowd are VBS volunteers who will spend the bulk of the week at the church – we want to give everyone a chance to rest before the week's rush. Join us for a time of prayer walking this Sunday at 2 PM!

#### VBS DECISION DAY • WEDNESDAY MORNING & VBS FAMILY NIGHT • WEDNESDAY EVENING

If you choose not to attend our prayer walk, I would ask that you pray specifically for two elements of the week, both on Wednesday. Wednesday morning, we'll gather the children together and give them the opportunity to respond to a Gospel invitation. On Wednesday evening, we'll gather with their families and extend the same Gospel invitation to everyone. Would you pray for the life-transforming power of Christ to be revealed in both of those times?

# SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION MEETING DALLAS • JUNE 8-11

Hot on the heels of VBS is the annual SBC meeting, this time in Dallas. I covet your prayers for those of us who will represent you: Moe Bomer, Allison Ashmore, Melinda Little, Michael and Mary Jane Hawley, David and Jenelle Brown, and me. We'll bring a full report upon our return.

#### **MISSION TRIPS!**

Also, shortly after our VBS, our mission trips begin. We'll begin by sending John Elliott, Bryan Pinson, and our Rec Team to the Philippines to serve with our longtime partner and friend Geoff Rich. Pray for God's favor over them in their travels and their ministry service!

#### **BIBLE READING INSIGHTS**

There are some pages in Scripture that we simply aren't sure what to do with. Consider 1 Samuel 28 and the Witch (or medium) of En-Dor. What in the world are we supposed to make of this? Much has been said and written about this passage. Why did God allow this? Wasn't Samuel in Heaven? Are witches truly capable of bringing people back? Why didn't God stop this? Ultimately, we lack a comprehensive understanding of the spiritual realm to comprehend it fully. What we can say with certainty is that there IS a spiritual realm beyond this world and that there is an afterlife. We can also say confidently that our God has absolute authority. What, then, do we do with these passages? We thank God He's in charge and we leave the understanding to him.

Your servant,

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# STEWARDSHIP REPORT

May 25, 2025						
OFFERING		WEEKLY	Y	EAR TO DATE		
FBC Offering	\$	101,174	\$	5,625,651		
Budget Requirement	\$	134,566	\$	5,098,953		
Over/Under Budget	\$	-33,392	\$	526,697		
Hope 1:8	\$	0	\$	33,895		

## WEEK OF JUNE 1ST

#### SUNDAY

9:45 AM Sunday School

 11:00 AM Worship Service\* (Worship Center) First Baptist en Español Service (Chapel) International Bible Study (D100)
2:00 PM VBS Prayer Walk

\*Extended care is available for Birth - PreK during worship services.

Worship Services are live streamed on our website at: fbc-midland.org as well as Facebook, YouTube, & Vimeo.

#### MONDAY

8:30 AM	VBS In-Person Re	egistration (Atrium)
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9 AM-12 PM VBS on Campus

#### TUESDAY

9 AM-12 PM VBS on Campus

#### WEDNESDAY

9 AM-12 PM VBS on Campus

4:45 PM VBS Family Meal (Fellowship Hall) MEAL: \$7.00 | FAMILY MEAL: \$25.00

#### Menu: Hot Dogs / Beef Chili, Chip's, Cookies

5:30 PM	Wed. Evening Bible Study & Prayer
	(Fellowship Hall)
	Women's Bible Study (E102)
6:30 PM	Adult Choir (Choir Room)
	Orchestra (Worship Center)

#### THURSDAY

9 AM-12 PM	VBS on Campus
12.00 DM	Draver Meeting (Chanal

12:00 PM Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

#### FRIDAY

6:30 AM Men's Prayer (Fellowship Hall)

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

#### **BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE SUPPORT** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Bereavement Committee is looking for Volunteers. This role includes providing a side or dessert for our bereaved families on the day of their loved one's funeral.

Please contact Fuffy Green to get on our volunteer list (432) 413-1303



# UPCOMING EVENTS

# JUNE 17-22

#### **BOY SCOUT TROOP #232 SUMMER CAMP**

In Junction, Texas for ages 11-18 years. For more information, please contact Jack Hood @ 432-559-6817.



**Steve Amerson** has established a reputation as an excellent tenor with a vocal flexibility that allows him to feel at home in both popular/ contemporary music and classical literature. With a wealth and depth of performance experience, Steve is known as America's Tenor.

Steve has been a featured soloist with major symphonies in the United States and abroad including performances at the Hollywood Bowl and Carnegie Hall.

Steve was one of three tenors chosen to record demonstration tracks used by Luciano Pavarotti, Placido Domingo and Jose Carreras in preparation for their "The 3 Tenors" performances including their 1994 Dodger Stadium concert, 1998 Paris concert and 2002 Yokohama, Japan concert.

His voice can be heard on over 175 movies and numerous television shows including La La Land, Star Wars; Rogue One, Star Trek Into Darkness, Matrix Revolutions, Matrix Reloaded, The Patriot, Amistad, Indiana Jones; Temple of Doom, Glory, Home Alone, Beauty and The Beast, Aladdin, The Hunt for Red October and commercials for Ford Trucks, Honda, Nissan, Toyota, Kibbles & Bits, Diet Coke, Spree, Mercedes, Texaco, IBM, and Delta Airlines.

Since 2006, Steve has performed for Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation and Society events throughout the country. In 2009, Steve was presented the "Bob Hope Award for Excellence in Entertainment" by the Medal of Honor Society.

Steve and his wife, Kristine make their home in Southern California. They have two married children and six, soon to be seven grandchildren.

## **GET CONNECTED TODAY!**

First Family, it's time to set up your online access to our church directory! Visit *fbcm.info/me* to get started, or stop by our **Help Desk** in the Welcome Center for assistance. We'll even take your picture while you're there!

**Teachers**, you can also set up online access to your groups. Let's stay connected and make it easier to engage with our church community!

## DON'T WAIT—GET STARTED TODAY!



#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL • JUNE 2 - 5

Give your kids an unforgettable summer at Vacation Bible School packed with faith, fun, and new friendships! Register your children in person on June 2nd at 8:30 AM and create an unforgettable summer adventure!

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• CONNECT CAMP • JUNE 30-JULY 3

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- Cost \$197
- K-8th Grades

Exciting news—Connect Camp is returning to FBC Midland! Get ready for a high-energy, fun-filled week that your kids won't want to miss.

For full details and registration, visit: *connectcamps.com/midland* 

- BASKETBALL CAMP JULY 7 JULY 10
  - Cost: \$100
  - 1st-3rd Grade 9 AM 11:30 AM
  - 4th-6th Grade 1:30 PM 4PM

Register at the FBC Activities Building, 432-683-0648, or contact Bethany at:

boconnor@fbc-midland.org.

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- SPORTS, SPEED, & AGILITY CAMP JULY 21-24
  - Cost is \$100
  - 1st-4th Grade meet at 9:00 11:30 AM
  - 5th-8th Grade meet at 1:30 4:00 PM

Register at the FBC Activities Building, 432-683-0648, or contact Bethany at: boconnor@fbc-midland.org.

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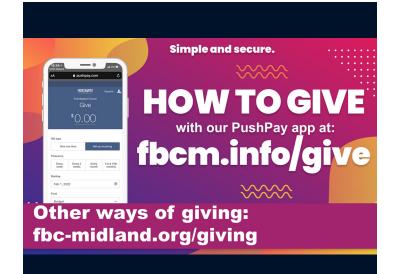
- VOLLEYBALL CAMP JULY 28-31
  - Cost is \$100
  - 1st-4th Grade meet at 9:00 11:30 AM
  - 5th-8th Grade meet at 1:30 4:00 PM

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For more details on these events and many others, visit our events page on our website! fbc-midland.org/events

# Student Ministry THIS SUMMER!

JUNE 2-5 6-10 11 18 19-21 25 30-Jul 3	VBS Camp How to Train Your Dragon Bible Study • OTB San Antonio Retreat Bible Study • OTB Connect Camp
JULY 2 9 11 16 23 25-Aug 1 30	SM Fellowship Bible Study • OTB Balmorhea Trip Bible Study • OTB Bible Study • OTB Ft. Davis Trip Bible Study • OTB
AUGUST 4-6 10 Marl	Ft. Worth Retreat Promotion Sunday K your calendars!



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Church Office Hours - Summer Schedule		
Mon-Thurs, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Fri 8:00 AM to Noon		
Sunday Warahin Samiana at 9:20 AM \$ 11:00 AM - Sunday Sahaal at 0:45 AM		
Worship Services at 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM • Sunday School at 9:45 AM		
Worship Services Online		
fbc-midland.org • facebook.com/fbcmidland		

Sunday Service Televised at





We curate a display of original artwork from our First Family members, and we'd love for you to be part of it. Whether you're a seasoned artist or just beginning your creative journey, this is your chance to inspire and bless others through your work.

Contact Janet at 432-528-5717 or Kelli Ballard at 432-466-1717 if you are interested in submitting your artwork for display



Peanut Butter Jelly (NO glass jars)) Canned Spechetti Sauce (NO glass jars)

Maco & Cheesse Hamburger Helper **Green Beans 13 Callon Trash Bags** 

FOR **MIDLAND BAPTIST CRISIS CENTER**