

The Purpose of FBC . . .

Accept, love and challenge people with God's truth. We help any willing person reach his or her fullest potential to become radically Christ-like.

Bible Reading for the Week

May 5—Psalm 1-2, 15, 22-24, 47, 68
May 6—Psalm 89, 96, 100, 101, 105, 132
May 7—2 Samuel 7, 1 Chronicles 17
May 8—Psalm 25, 29, 33, 36, 39
May 9—2 Samuel 8-9, 1 Chronicles 18
May 10—Psalm 50, 53, 60, 75
May 11—2 Samuel 10, 1 Chronicles 19, Psalm 20
May 12—Psalm 65-67, 69-70

Birthdays

Sandy Barnhart—5/5
Ken Enfinger—5/5
Brent Palmer—5/5
Kayleigh Hulbert—5/6
Eric Palmer—5/7
Robbie Verburg—5/7
Ian White—5/7
Tracy Harbin—5/8
Tom Verburg—5/9
Savannah Pena—5/10
Robert Hill—5/11
Darlene Evers—5/12
John Lucki—5/12
Elizbeth Martin—5/12

For Our Guests . . .

Welcome to First Baptist Church! We are so glad you have joined us this morning.

Guests . . If you would like to receive information or a brochure on FBC and any of its ministries, please stop by the Connections Center.

Also, please share any prayer or praises in the space provided on one of the orange Communication Cards located in the pew racks. Let us know how we can help you!

Visit our Website for more information on all our ministries:
<http://fbc-tempe.org>

For a complete listing of our Pastoral Staff and contact information, please visit our website at fbc-tempe.org.
You may also contact the Church Office at 480-839-0926.

Free Sermons

Want to listen to one of the sermons by Pastor Anthony or one of the other FBC Pastors?

Free sermons by Pastor Anthony and the other FBC Pastors are available to you on the FBC webpage at www.fbc-tempe.org.

Volunteer House Cleaners Needed at FBC

We are looking for a few good men and women who could help with some important tasks on our campus. We need help with:

- ✓ Vacuuming
- ✓ Cleaning windows,
- ✓ Landscape projects,
- ✓ Clean tables and chairs,
- ✓ Dusting for cob webs and
- ✓ Organizing several storage rooms.



If you would give a few hours to help with one or more of these projects, contact the Church Office at 480-839-0926.

Financial Update 2024

General Giving	Last Week	YTD (04/28)
Budget Plan	\$ 23,920	\$ 406,640
Giving (Donations)	\$ 12,400	\$ 308,831
	\$ 11,520 (Shortage)	\$ -97,809 (Shortage)
GF Expenses	\$ 19,785	\$ 345,117
Faith Promise	Last Week	YTD (04/28)
Budget Plan	\$ 888	\$ 15,096
Giving (Donations)	\$ 234	\$ 29,564
	\$ 654 (Shortage)	\$ 14,468 (Overage)
FP Expenses	\$ 2,387	\$ 15,593

Legacy Cumulative Debt Reduction

	Last Week	Since Jan 2019
Legacy Designated	\$ 285	\$ 595,791

Please continue to give to help reduce our long-term Legacy debt of approximately \$278,748.00
On February 6, 2018, our debt was \$1,829,853.40.
Earmark your donations "Legacy"

How Do I Get Connected?

Do you want to meet and get to know the full-time Pastors, Children's Director, Women's Ministry Director and others? If so, you are invited to contact the Church Office by calling 480-839-0926 to schedule a time to meet.



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May 5, 2024

4525 S. McClintock Drive
Tempe, AZ 85282
480-839-0926
fbc-tempe.org
Dr. Roger Ball, Managing Pastor

Welcome to Worship

9:30 am-Contemporary Worship

Praise
Welcome and Announcements
Great Things
Only a Holy God
Message:
Pastor Anthony Whitlatch
Mental Health—"Relational Trauma"
John 8:31-32; Hebrews 6:18

11:00 am - Contemporary Worship

This is Amazing Grace
Welcome and Announcements
Communion
1000 Names
Abide
Message:
Pastor Anthony Whitlatch
Children's Baptism



*By giving to Faith
Promise you help our
missionaries spread the
Gospel of Jesus around the world!*

Scan here to enter FBC's
electronic giving page.



CIRA 2024 Update

The Center for Islamic Research and Awareness (CIRA-a full-time ministry of FBC) is excited to provide you with this financial update.

Financial Need

Annual Budget	\$ 139,447.00
Giving-to-Date	\$ 47,257.00
Under Budget	\$ 92,190.00

On behalf of Al Fadi, Hanane and the CIRA ministry thank you for your kindness and your continued support. Your contributions enable them to serve HIM to advance the Gospel to Muslims here and throughout the world. For more information contact Al Fadi at alfadi@CIRAIInternational.com. Make out all checks to FBC earmarked "CIRA."

Church Plant 2024 Update

The FBC Church Plant (10 minutes from FBC-Tempe) in Guadalupe (a ministry of FBC) is pleased to provide you with this financial update.

Financial Need

Annual Budget	\$ 150,000.00
Giving-to-Date	\$ 18,432.00
Under Budget	\$ 131,568.00

The FBC Church Plant in Guadalupe along with Peter and Trisha Molina, would like to say thank you for your support and contributions which enable them to serve HIM and share the Gospel with the people of Guadalupe. For more information regarding the Church Plant, you can contact Peter Molina at pnmolina@asu.edu. Make out all checks to FBC earmarked "Church Plant."

This Week at FBC

Sunday, May 5

9:30 am-Contemporary Family Worship
9:30 am-Kid City Preschool Classes
11:00 am-Contemporary Family Worship—Kids Baptism
11:00 am-Kid City Preschool Classes
12:00 pm-Lunch in MAC
12:15 pm—Men's Leadership Meeting
5:00pm—Young Adults in the Café

Monday, May 6

6:15 am—Men's Bible Study-Truth Project
7:00 pm-Parents of Addicted Loved Ones

Tuesday, May 7

9:30 am—Women's Summer Bible Study

Wednesday, May 8

5:00 pm— Young Families Group
5:30 pm-Karate
6:30 pm-Choir Rehearsal
6:30 pm-Orchestra Rehearsal
7:45 pm-Choir and Orchestra Rehearsal
8:00 pm-Worship Team and Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, May 9

5:00 pm Youth Music Hang Out
6:00 pm Youth Group
6:30 pm GriefShare
6:30 pm— Women's Bible Study

Consider These

Consistent giving facilitates consistent ministry.

Abundant grace brings abundant blessing and spurs abundant ministry.

The work of God is to be done by the people of God giving according to the will of God.

There are four steps to accomplishment: plan purposefully; prepare purposefully; prepare prayerfully; proceed positively; pursue persistently.

Reflect

We increase our ability, stability, responsibility when we increase our sense of accountability to God.

We may not be responsible for many of the things that happen to us, but we are responsible for the way we react when they do happen.

Prayer gives strength to the weak, faith to the fainthearted, and courage to the fearful.

Safety and Security



For the safety and security of everyone, your backpack or bag may be inspected. Thanks for your cooperation!

FBC Window Decals

FBC car window decals are still available for purchase. All proceeds from these go to Faith Promise to support our FBC Missionaries and Short-Term Mission Trips. If you have any questions regarding these, contact David



Visit our Website
for more
information on all our
ministries:
<http://fbc-tempe.org>

Library News

New DVD's in the Library:

- ✓ "Faith Under Fire"
- ✓ "The Hill"

New Books in the Library:

- ✓ "Just Once" by Karen Kingsbury
- ✓ "Sisters by the Sea" by Wanda Brunstetter



FBC Bible Classes

8:00 am

Messenger Class-Room 107/108
(Couples and Singles, 50's-70's)

9:30 am

Nursery-
Birth through 23 Months Old
Children's Classes-Kid City
(2 Years through 6th Grade)

Truth Seekers-Room 106
(Couples and Singles All Ages)

Women's Bible Study-Room 118

JHM (Junior High)-Room 207
(Junior High Ages 12-14)

HSM (High School)-Room 207
(High School Ages 14-18)

11:00 am

Nursery-
Birth through 23 Months Old
Children's Classes-Kid City
(2 Years through 6th Grade)

The Hood-Room 107/108
(Couples and Singles All Ages)

5:00 pm

Young Adults
18-25 years old
Meet in the Café

Online Donation

Why not consider signing up for electronic giving. FBC relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give once or on a recurring basis. To give electronically, visit www.fbc-tempe.org and locate the link to the electronic giving page.

Every Donation Helps

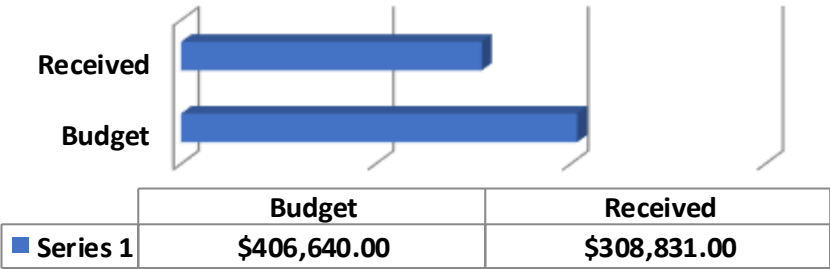
God values and blesses your faithful giving. Read Proverbs 3:5-10.

God is doing many good things at our church. Thanks for your offerings to God.

We need \$23,920.00 each week to meet our budget.

YTD Money Needed
\$406,640
YTD Money Received
\$308,831
UNDER Budget
\$97,809

2024 General Fund Giving



Sunday Lunch in the MAC

Your donations at the food line in the wood boxes help greatly to cover the cost of each meal

- 5-5 Hamburgers, hot dogs, bratwurst, chips, condiments, salad bar and Dessert
- 5-12 Chicken parmesan with fresh tomato sauce and shaved parmesan, Buttered pasta, vegetables, salad bar and dessert
- 5-19 Chipotle beef enchilada bake, borracha beans, chips, FBC salsa, Salad bar and dessert
- 5-26 Swedish Meatballs, egg noodles, vegetables, toasted bread, salad bar and dessert

KID CITY

(Birth through 6th grade)
Spiritual Growth Opportunities
Sunday's 9:30 am & 11:00 am

Today your son/daughter will learn about:

Preschool through Kindergarten

King David writes about God
(Psalm 139)

Memory Verse: Psalm 75:1

"Our God, we thank you for being so near to us! Everyone celebrates
your wonderful deeds."

1st through 6th Grade

He has risen
(Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24)

1st through 6th Grade: Read It, Memorize It & Live It

Between services (10:30 am -11:00 am) students have the
opportunity to memorize God's Word.



Kids age 3 thru 5th grade join us this summer
for **Wacky Wednesday VBS!**

Every other Wednesday night from 6-8pm
June 5 & 19
July 3 & 17

FREE but you MUST REGISTER

Or go to fbc-tempe.org and check out
Children's Ministries



Young Adult Class: Meets Sundays from 5-7pm in the café

Our Young Adults Class is up and running but needs your support! If you have been blessed with the ability to cook

delicious food (or if you enjoy buying food), we need your gifts to help grow our young adults ministry. Specifically, we are looking for sponsors to provide one meal per month (for 10 people), with the hope of having a meal each Sunday night to bless our young adults at FBC. Please contact Pastor Scott if you are interested at fbctempestudents@gmail.com.



Serving Helpers and Cooking Helpers Needed

- ***Serving Help is needed in Skylight Café*** on Sundays at 9:00 am and 11:00 am – Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at 480-839-0926
- ***Serving Help is needed at Lunch in the MAC*** on Sundays at 12:00 pm – Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at 480-839-0926
- ***A Cooking Assistance is needed on Sundays for Lunch Preparation*** – Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at 480-839-0926
- ***Individuals are needed to help Wash Dishes on Sundays following Lunch*** – Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at 480-839-0926

HELP Needed in Skylight Café!

Skylight Café is still in need of more volunteers! Come and be a part of this exceptional ministry!



- ☐ I would like more information on working in Skylight Café!

Name _____

Cell Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Please tear off and place in Offering Plate!



June 2026 Debt/Bank Loan for Worship Center, Music Center and Kid City



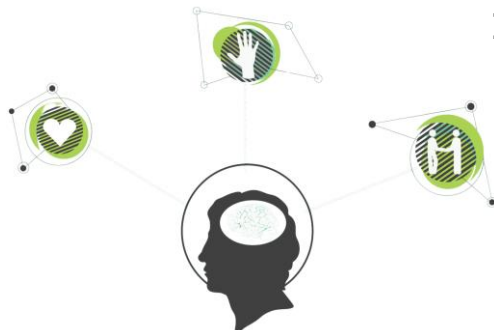
Originally the Loan was \$1,829,853.44 in November 2016
The Loan is now \$278,748.00 as of April 28, 2024.

FBC Endowment, a support organization of First Baptist Church of Tempe, services the National Bank of Arizona loan out of \$13,500.00 monthly payment from the church. With an additional \$24,000.00 of contributions each year, that loan would be fully paid off in May 2026. (And by the end of that year, a secondary loan of \$110,000.00 would also be paid off.) Payments of \$13,500 per month (\$162,000.00) can then be used to support other ministries of the church!

***Amazing! Help Pay down the debt.
Make your donation to FBC, earmarked "Legacy"***

April 7 – May 5, 2024

New Sermon Series



MENTAL HEALTH

Find past sermons online at fbc-tempe.org

Hear from Pastor Anthony as well as guest professionals in the mental health field each week.

April 7: Sin or Not – Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

April 14: Spiritual Abuse - with Mindelle Will Romans 6:1-14, 23

April 21: Social Conflict – with Alicia Padilla Luke 17:3, Eph 4:29, Rom12:17

April 28: Self-Regulation – with Loretta White 2Tim 1:7, Gal 5:22-23

May 5: Relational Trauma – w/Karissa Whitlatch John 8:31-32, Heb.6:18



GriefShare Support Group

Help and encouragement following the death of a loved one

GriefShare Weekly Seminars – in person/online

NEW MEETING DAY! Thursdays, May 2 – August 8 6:30pm

For registration information, contact Teresa Kovac at 732-319-5533 or visit www.Griefshare.org

All Church Hike **Date and Time** – Saturday, June 1. 7am – 3pm

Location – Washington Park - Payson

(Moderately easy 2 mile hike) **Bring:** Water, sack lunch, sunscreen

Enjoy this peaceful hike just below the Mogollon Rim,

Direction to carpool meet up: Carpool from FBC

For more information, contact Adam Bachman at

480-363-5570 or at ajbachman7@hotmail.com



Online Giving

Have you ever considered using online donations to make your contributions to FBC? **Online Giving . . .**

- Helps you plan your offerings as a percentage of your income (I Corinthians 16:2).
- Is easy, convenient and secure.
- Supports the ministry program at FBC, just like your plate offerings do.

Would you like to give online? Go to the FBC webpage at www.fbc-tempe.org and click on "Donations" and follow the directions.

If you need assistance contact Pam Rosendale at 480-839-0926.



Golfland Sun Splash

Date – Sunday, May 19

Time – 1:00 to 5:00 pm

Cost - \$25.00 per person

Scan here for FAQs and REGISTRATION info!

Still have ???, talk to Pastor Scott Summers



Women's Ministry Events

Summer Bible Studies

Tuesdays: May 7 – June 25, in the Quad 9:30-11:30 am. Study Book \$12
"Making God's Faithfulness the Bedrock of Your Faith"

Thursdays: May 2 – June 20, Room 104 6:30-8:00pm. Study Book \$11
"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus", a study in the Parables

WOMEN'S RETREAT

September 13-15, 2024

Tonto Rim Christian Camp, Payson, AZ
Sign Up Soon!



SAVE THE DATE!

Fall Bible Studies – Tuesdays AM August 13-November 5
"Sermon on the Mount"

Thursdays PM August 15 – November 7
"Hebrews"

Women's Christmas Brunch Potluck:

"Linger at the Manger"

Saturday, December 7, 9am – Noon



For more information and to sign up for women's Bible studies and activities, visit the Women's Ministry Table in the hallway across from the café.



Invite

Someone

To Worship

**Family, Friends, Neighbors,
Co-Workers**



Donation List

Thank you for donating to Wacky Wednesday/VBS! A donation bin is located in front of Kid City by the café.

Please contact, Sharmon Steil if you have any questions:

480-839-0926 or fbcchildren@fbc-tempe.org

- ~~Animal Crackers (1 tub from Costco/Sam's)~~
- Biscoff Creamy Cookie Butter Spread (3 Jars)
- ~~Gold Fish (1 large box from Costco/Sam's)~~
- Teddy Bear Grahams (6 boxes)
- Rice Krispies cereal (10 boxes)
- Marshmallows (10 bags)
- Fruit Roll Ups (80 roll ups)
- Tostitos Scoops chips (4 bags)
- Regular Pringles (5 cans)
- Plain M&M's (2 large bags)
- ~~Foil (10 rolls)~~
- Blue Solo Cups (50 cups)
- Shaving Cream (5 cans)
- Otter pops (100 Otter pops)
- Disposable Pie Pans (10 pans)
- Bottled Water (4 cases)
- Glue Dots (3 packages)
- ~~White Paper Plates (100 count)~~
- Individual packaged snacks (such as gold fish, granola bars...)
- ~~Disposable Shower Caps (15 caps)~~
- Skittles (2 large bags)
- Silly String (20 cans)

Congratulations to John Heston



From top left – right Ethan, John and Stacy
From bottom left – right Wesley, Lucas and Olivia

First Baptist Church of Tempe Church Action Meeting – April 14, 2024 Results

The congregation of First Baptist Church of Tempe has elected Pastor John Heston as our full-time Senior Pastor with a 97% positive vote.

Pastor Heston is a seasoned Pastor with over 25 years of experience of increasing responsibility in church leadership. He is committed to shepherding individuals to Christ, engaging the community in local and global outreach, and has a strong focus on discipleship. John will be transitioning from his current position to full-time ministry at FBCT over the next couple of months.

We welcome John and his family to the ministry here and look forward to seeing the plans God has for us through Pastor Heston.



Charitable Donations from IRA's

If you are over 70 ½ and have assets held in an Individual Retirement Account (IRA), you can transfer a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from the IRA directly to a charity tax-free. Normally, distributions from a traditional IRA are taxable when received. With a QCD, however, these distributions become tax-free as long as they're paid directly from the IRA to an eligible charitable organization. Also, a QCD equal or greater than your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), when you reach the age these are required, will satisfy that requirement. As with any financial subject, the government could change the rules, so it is always best to check with your accountant or tax advisor before proceeding.

How much can I transfer from my IRA to charity? Can I transfer more than my RMD?

Yes, if you are 70½ or older, you can transfer up to \$100,000 to charity tax-free each year -- even if that's more than your RMD. The money counts as your RMD but isn't included in your adjusted gross income.

I'll be 70½ in a few months. Can I give my RMD to charity now?

No--you have to wait until you are at least one day over 70½ years of age to make the tax-free transfer to charity.

Can I give do this with my 401(k) funds as well?

No. You can only make the tax-free transfer from an IRA. Therefore, you cannot make such a tax-free distribution from a 401(k), 401(b), 401(a), or any other ERISA account.

Can I withdraw the money from my IRA and then write a check to charity, or do I need to transfer the money directly?

The rules are very strict in this regard. You must have the custodian of your IRA transfer the money directly from your IRA to the non-profit for it to count as the tax-free transfer.

Each custodian has slightly different procedures on how they do this but the funds must go directly out of the IRA and directly to the charity.

It is extremely important that you notify the non-profit that you are donating to them so that they will know 'who' the donor is! It also helps to provide the non-profit's ID number, exact mailing address, phone number, and a person that the mail is to be directed to. For example, in the case of a donation to First Baptist Church of Tempe, you would tell the custodian of your IRA the following information:

First Baptist Church of Tempe ID:	86-0137714
To the attention of:	Pam Rosendale
Pam's phone number:	480-839-0926
Mailed to:	4525 S. McClintock Drive Tempe, AZ 85282

If you have check-writing privileges for your IRA, you can write a check to the charity but be sure to alert the charity so it knows the contribution came from you!

So which is better: the tax-free transfer or the charitable deduction?

If you do not itemize, then the tax-free transfer is nearly always more advantageous to the donor. Just remember to alert your tax preparer as the custodian of your IRA will still issue a 1099R. You need to show the tax preparer the donation-letter you received from the non-profit to prove that the charity received the funds.

****Key members of the Finance Committee can offer you wisdom. Contact Pastor Roger Ball as well. Remember, the above is tax information and is not to be considered tax advice. As always, consult your professional CPA, lawyer, or tax preparer for information about your specific tax situation. ****



Video and audio services and messages are being
live streamed at 9:30 and 11:00 am Sundays at
<https://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistChurchTempe>

Pastor Roger's sermons and other FBC Pastors
can be heard for free on our website
at www.fbc-tempe.org.

Sunday Morning Messages

New Sermon Series April 7 – May 5

MENTAL HEALTH

May 5 – “Relational Trauma”

(John 8:31-32, Hebrew 6:18)

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch w/ guest professional, Karissa Whitlatch

Mother's Day

May 12 – “Humbly Exalt God”

(Luke 1:46-55)

Pastor John Heston

Matthew Sermon Series May 19-June 9 YOUR MESSIAH?

May 19 – “God With Us”

(Matthew 1:18-25)

Al Fadi

May 26 – “One Good Ruler”

(Matthew 2:1-12)

Pastor John Heston

June 2 – “Free From Slavery”

(Matthew 2:13-15)

Al Fadi

June 9 – “No Fear in Death”

(Matthew 2:16-18)

Al Fadi

Mental Health – Relational Trauma

John 8:31-32; Hebrews 6:18

May 5, 2024

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

Guest Professional: Karissa Whitlatch

What was helpful from the interview with Karissa?

Real Healing from Trauma comes from Two Things:

1) The _____

John 8:31-32 So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, “If you continue in My word, *then* you are truly disciples of Mine; ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.”

Hebrews 6:18 so that by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have taken refuge would have strong encouragement to take hold of the hope set before us.

John 14:17 *that is* the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, *but* you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you.

John 15:26 “When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, *that is* the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me,

John 16:13 But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come.

2) The _____ of God

Deuteronomy 32:4 "The Rock! His work is perfect,
For all His ways are just; A God of faithfulness and without
injustice, Righteous and upright is He.

Genesis 18:25 Far be it from You to do such a thing, to slay
the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous and the
wicked are *treated* alike. Far be it from You! Shall not the Judge
of all the earth deal justly?"

Romans 12:19 Never take your own revenge, beloved, but
leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "VENGEANCE IS
MINE, I WILL REPAY," says the Lord.