

Financial Update 2024

GENERAL GIVING	Last Week	YTD (11/24)
Budget Plan	\$ 23,920	\$1,124,246
Giving (Donations)	\$ 14,595	\$ 802,118
	(Short) \$ 9,325	(Short) \$322,128
GF EXPENSES	\$ 10,072	\$1,007,280
FAITH PROMISE		
Budget Plan	\$ 888	\$ 41,736
Giving (Donations)	\$ 395	\$ 64,697
	(Short) \$ 493	(Over) \$ 22,961
FP EXPENSES	\$ 3,554	\$ 44,990
CIRA 2024: Budget: \$139,447	Church Plant: Budget: \$ 150,000	
Giving: \$ 125,982	Giving: \$ 57,988	

This Week @ FBC

Monday, 12/2: 6:15 am—Men's Monday AM Bible Study, rm104
7:00 pm—Parents of Addicted Loved Ones, rm104

Wednesday, 12/4: 5:30 pm— Youth Group, rm207
6:30 pm— Pastor John's class: *Forgotten God*, rm105
6:30 pm— Choir/Orchestra/Praise Team rehearsal

Thursday, 12/5: 6 pm—Broken, Home of Grace Counseling, rm204
6 pm— Young Adult College Group, rm207
6:30 pm—Women's Bible Study, rm104
6:30 pm—GriefShare, rm218

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 click "Donate"

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LOVE
PEOPLE
DEEDS

December 1, 2024

Visit our Website for more
info on all our ministries:
fbc-tempe.org

Sunday Morning Worship
Services
9:30 am
11:00 am

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 on FBC and any of its ministries, please stop by the Connections Center located in the main Lobby.

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

Sermon Guide

God Gives Strength While We Are Waiting

Isaiah 40:30-31 December 1, 2024 Pastor John Heston

While waiting on God, it is common to feel tempted to _____

_____.

God's _____ is the solution to our weariness.

_____ to God's promises is how He strengthens us.

Featured Events

- **Sun. Lunch:** **12/1** Swedish Meatballs **12/8** No Lunch
- **Seniors Ministry 65+:** Join us on **Wednesday, December 18** at **Organ Stop Pizza at 3:30pm**. Everybody will purchase their own pizza and we will socialize and listen to some great music!
- **NEW EVENT All Church Hike:** Easy 2.5 mile hike on the Lost Ranch Ruin Trail on South Mtn. **12/7/24 8am-12pm**
Directions to trail head: Chandler Blvd & 19th Ave. Park along Chandler Blvd, then walk to the Bursera Trailhead.
- **NEW EVENT Gingerbread House Building:** Join us on Sunday, **December 8** at 12:10pm in the Gym. Be sure to **reserve your family's spot** and sign up to donate three bags of Christmas Candy: www.fbc-tempe.org (children)
- **NEW EVENT Christmas Concert:** FBC Choir and Orchestra present "Once Upon a Manger". **6pm Sunday, December 8**. Followed by a Christmas Cookie Fellowship in the lobby.
- **NEW EVENT Ladies Christmas Celebration** of women, toys, and cookies! All women are invited to help Pastor John bag toys for the FBC children at both Christmas Eve services. **Tuesday, December 10 from 9:30–11:30am**. Please bring your favorite Christmas cookies to share!
- **Young Adult Group:** **NOW MEETING at FBC** upstairs in room 217. Young Adults 18-30, singles or couples, meets every other Tuesday evening at **7:30pm**. Contact Mike McCall for info: mayhmccal@gmail.com **Next meeting: 1/14**
- **Young Family Group:** Meets every other Wednesday at FBC. Contact Pastor Anthony at awhitlatch@fbc-tempe.org
Next meeting: 12/18
- **Young Adults College Group:** A great time to connect over food and the Word with Pastor Scott and other leaders.
Thursdays 6pm, rm207.

Sunday Bible Classes at FBC

8:00 am—Messenger Class, rm 107/108: Attended by couples and singles, 50's & up. This class studies books of the Bible verse by verse with time for questions and answers about biblical life applications.

9:30 am—Jr High & High School Youth Classes, rm 207

FBC Students is your place to be encouraged, challenged, and accepted as a part of the family of God.

9:30 am—Truth Seeker Class, rm 106: Attended by anyone seeking God's truth and application for daily life. This class studies the Bible and topical subjects through lecture and interactive discussion.

9:30 am – Bible Bus Class, rm 214: Primarily for parents of youth group members going thru the Bible with J. Vernon McGee and through life with each other. Discuss weekly Bible study homework and pray for our families.

11:00 am—The Hood Class, rm 107/108: Open to all ages. Couples and singles. This class will provide mutual encouragement and instruction on how to get involved with non-believers around us.

Gingerbread House Decorating Party
Sunday, December 8 @ 12:10

Be sure to reserve your family's spot and sign-up to donate three bags of Christmas Candy: www.fbc-tempe.org (children)



Questions/Comments: Please contact Sharmon Steil;
fbcchildren@fbc-tempe.org or 480-839-0926

Register your family here



GriefShare – Meets Thursdays from 6:30-8:30pm, rm218

New Group beginning January 16-April 10

Special Loss of a Spouse event on January 9, 6:30-8:30

KID CITY

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

Today your son/daughter will learn about:

Preschool through Kindergarten

Jesus and the Woman at the Well
(John 4:7-26)

Memory Verse: Romans 12:13
"Share with God's people who are in need."

1st through 6th Grade

Family Worship Service

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

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

Our goal is to partner with parents in teaching children to see and experience the world through the lenses of our beliefs.

Our desire is for them to have a biblical worldview instead of a secular worldview. Our worldview influences everything in our lives. We want our children to know that God's Word is the foundation for our lives and is the standard we use to judge every thought and action. Our Bible is perfect and true. If we use it as our foundation, it will guide us and change our lives.

THE ROAD TO CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 1

Sermon: "God Gives Strength When We Are Waiting"

Sunday, December 8

- Sermon: "We Can Have Hope When We Are Waiting"
- Gingerbread House Building at 12:10 in the gym, sign up req.
- Christmas Concert/Cookie Social: 6pm

Sunday, December 15

Sermon: "Waiting on God's Promises"

Sunday, December 22

Sermon: "God is at Work in
Our Waiting"

Tuesday, December 24

"Hope is Here: The Savior Has Come"

Christmas Eve Family
Candlelight Services

Food Reception following
each service.

4pm & 6pm





Your **HELP** is Needed

For our Christmas Eve Receptions in the Quad we need hosts, servers and individuals to help with clean-up. This is your opportunity to love people on Christmas Eve before and after the 4:00 and 6:00pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Services.

- **From 3:30 to 4:15 pm we need 6 greeters**
- **From 5:30 to 6:15 pm we need 8 greeters**
- **From 3:30 to 5:30 pm we need 9 helpers/servers**
- **From 5:30 to 7:30 pm we need 9 helpers/servers**
- **From 7:30 to 10:00 pm we need 10 helpers/servers/clean-up**

If you can help make Christmas Eve special for those people attending our Candlelight Services, please tear off the form below and place it in the offering plate or stop by the Christmas Eve Table in the lobby to sign-up to help at this special event.

YES, I would be willing to host and serve for the FBC Christmas Eve Reception

- From 3:30 to 4:15 pm (greeter) we need 6 more**
- From 5:30 to 6:15 pm (greeter) we need 8 more**
- From 3:30 to 5:30 pm we need 9 more**
- From 5:30 to 7:30 pm we need 9 more**
- From 7:30-10:00pm we need 10 more**

Signature _____

Email Address _____

Cell Phone _____