

# **Baptism Sunday**

Celebrate these stories of transformation!

God is GOOD!

## **Angie Munoz**

I grew up a praying Catholic in a small town. In college I learned about being "born again" from Christians on campus. I didn't really understand. At 19, I was truly uninformed as a believer. At 19, a stranger from a small church took me there to receive Christ. I don't know why I agreed to go with her. It was emotional and intense. For weeks, I was quiet, processing what had taken place without any regrets. I am on a lifelong journey with Christ to grow and transform my life. Changes include knowing my true identify, loving others, with a never-ending hunger and thirst to study the word. Jesus Christ is my Lord, Master, and Savior.

### **Jordan Tang**

Before life following Christ, life was confusing. I had no clear purpose or direction. I was working and surviving but not alive. I first went to a church in Michigan and received a Bible, but over the years I have been back and forth in my commitment to following Christ. Now I have committed to follow Him as best as I can. I have received his forgiveness. I want to pass on the truth of Jesus Christ to my sons and my grandsons. He is the only way to true joy, peace, and eternal life.

### **Chris Tang**

I grew up knowing Christ from my parents and in the Bible. I believe Jesus Christ died for my sin. I believe I am a sinner and in need of a savior. I asked Jesus to be my savior. I plan to live my life according to the Bible and I find joy in the knowledge of God and the Bible's teaching about how to be a righteous man.

### Michelle DuGan

Life before baptism, was pretty chaotic, I was a drinker and smoker, had epilepsy with seizures, no peace in my life. That changed when God and Jesus healed me from drinking and smoking it happened in about two days, and it was over, I never looked back, it's been about 17 years. I really put my faith in Him because He did that for me, because He healed me, He was really there for me. Life has been, well it still has it challenges, no one said it's going to be easy and sometimes it not, but sometimes I can be still, and I feel Him working in my life, so there is peace in that moment.

### **Dwayne Johnson**

My life was very ego driven and self-centered. Thought everything was against me, and pride was at the forefront. I wasn't just thinking of myself too highly, I was thinking of myself too much. I was trusting my own plan and thought I knew what was best for me. Followed my heart and it led me to some bad decisions until 4 months ago I decided I can't do life on my own, so I poured my heart out in prayer and submitted. Since then, I've gotten sober and things have started moving in ways beyond me. Been humbled greatly and made me realize how askew my own plans are. It's been very difficult though breaking my old ways of thinking and forgiving others. To have the courage of my convictions in this transformative time has been the biggest thing. Through Christ I can be a lot more steadfast in what I believe is right and trusting in Him and to use me for His will and to give me the strength to carry that out.

#### **Financial Update 2025 GENERAL GIVING** Last Week YTD (10/12) Budget Plan \$ 20,433 \$ 837,753 Giving (Donations) \$ 749,838 11.898 (Short) \$ 8,535 (Short) \$ 87,915 14,984 \$ 824,815 **GF EXPENSES** MISSIONARY FAITH PROMISE Budget Plan 1.053 43.173 Giving (Donations) 24.535 \$ 180 (Short) \$ 873 (Short) \$ 18,638 **FP EXPENSES** $\Omega$ 39.437 **CIRA 2025:** Budget: \$172,369 Church Plant: Budget: \$ 150,000 Giving: \$110,580 Giving: \$ 51.056

# This Week @ FBC

Monday, 10/20: 6:15 am—Men's Monday AM Bible Study, rm 104

**Tuesday, 10/21:** 9:30 am—Woman's Bible Study, rm 107/108

7:00 pm—Neurodivergent Bible Study, rm 104

7:30 pm—Young Adults, rm 217

**Wednesday, 10/22:** 5:30 pm— Youth Music/Band Practice, rm 207

6:30 pm—Youth Group, rm 207 6:30 pm—FBC Choir Rehearsal

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6:30 pm—Spiritual Gifts Class, rm 105

**Thursday, 10/23:** 6:00 pm—Worship Team Vocal Rehearsal

6:30 pm-Women's Bible Study, rm 107/108

6:45 pm—Worship Band Rehearsal

7:00 pm-GriefShare, rm 104



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October 19, 2025

Visit our Website for more info on all our ministries:

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Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:00 am 4525 S. McClintock Drive

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Dr. John Heston, Senior Pastor

# 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

Overcoming Resistance to Jesus: Matthew 12:15-21

"The Prophecy of God's Servant"

October 19, 2025

Pastor John Heston

| Opposition to Jesus doesn't      | nis power o      |
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| God's plan—it fulfills prophecy. |                  |
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| This prophecy shows us that      |                  |
| 1. Jesus is the                  | loved by God and |
| empowered by the Spirit.         |                  |
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| 2. Jesus is the                  | , bringing       |
| hope through victory.            |                  |
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### **Featured Events:**

- Sunday Lunch: 10/19 Meatball Subs 10/26 BBQ Chicken
- Young Adult Group: Young Adults 18-30, singles or couples, meets every other Tuesday evening at 7:30 pm, rm 217. Contact Mike McCall for info: mayhmccall@gmail.com Next meeting: 10/21
- Young Family Group: Every other Wednesday. Contact Pastor Anthony (awhitlatch@fbc-tempe.org) 5:30 pm, rm 107/108
   Next Meeting: 10/22
- FBC Mid-Week Youth: (7th-12th grade), Wed. at 5:30 pm
- Seniors Ministry: LUNCH <u>Wednesday, November 19</u>,
   Bring \$5 and enjoy a good LUNCH and great fellowship! 11 am, rm 107/108.
- Women's Fall Bible Studies: Tuesdays 9:30-11:30 am and Thursday Evenings: 6:30-8 pm, rm 107/108.
- **Foundations of our Faith: Sunday nights,** 5—6:30 pm, rm 104. Led by Rick Brennan. On-going thru the Spring.
- NEW CLASS: Rooted Class. Sunday mornings
   9:30 am in room 118. Led by Elijah Hernandez and Michael Parker.
- **NEW CLASS:** Spiritual Gifts Discovery Workshop. Wednesday.

  October 22 in rm 105 from 6:30—8 pm. Led by Aly Lemons, hosted by Pastor John.
- BFF Women's Breakfast: Saturday, October 25, 8:30 am
   upstairs in rm 221. Light breakfast, coffee, tea and girl time! No cost.
- Membership Class: Interested in knowing more about FBC or becoming a member? Join us for this 2 part class. Sunday, October 26, and November 2 at 9:30 am, rm 105.
- All Church Hike: Saturday, November 1. 5:30am—2:00pm. See Canyon Trail (Payson). Contact Adam at ajbachman7@hotmail.com



Everyone and your friends are invited to our amazing 10-day trip to Israel from March 2 to 12, 2026. Walk and look (and grow your faith) where Jesus and Abraham walked. Stand and pray in the places where Peter and Paul stood. Be inspired as you ride a boat and sing on the Sea of Galilee, and enjoy a

fun swim in the Dead Sea. Walk the road where Jesus carried His cross. Plus much more. Your "full and final trip payment" is due no later than Nov 11, 2025. For more info, Contact Pastor Roger at <a href="mailto:rb618@cox.net">rb618@cox.net</a> or call him at 602-402-5309.

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" OR Scan here



Treat

Join us for a family-friendly night of costumes, candy, and creative trunks on **Sunday, October 26** from 5:45–7:00 pm!

Walk from trunk to trunk collecting candy, enjoying creative decorations, and connecting with our community.

Please have your **vehicle parked and ready by 5:45 PM** so we can begin on time! This is a free event and open to everyone.

Invite your friends, neighbors, and family!

Please keep all costumes/car decorations family-friendly—nothing scary or gory. **Scan to register or** 

go to www.fbc-tempe.org

# CHURCH ACTION MEETING TODAY

**Action** – To vote on the following Deacon Board and Finance Committee recommendations:

- 2026 FBC Proposed Budget
- 2026 FBC Proposed Faith Promise Giving

You will find a copy of the 2025 FBC Proposed Budget, the 2025 FBC Proposed Faith Promise Giving and current Finance Report in our Connection Center and also at the FBC Office.



# (Birth through 6<sup>th</sup> grade)

Spiritual Growth Opportunities Sunday's 9:30 & 11:00am

**Today** your son/daughter will learn about:

# **Preschool through Kindergarten**

Gideon Fights a Big Army (Judges 6-7)

Memory Verse: Ephesians 6:10

"Be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power."

# 1st through 6th Grade

Family Service

**Memory Verse:** Samuel 16:7b "For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."

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.