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fbc Faith News



August 2019 | Monthly Newsletter

Mark Your Calendar

8.3

Men's Ministry Council-7:30am
Women's Ministry Think Tank-9am

8.4

Communion Sunday/Mercer
County Food Pantry Sunday

8.11

Trustee Meeting-11:45am
Nursing Home Services-1:30pm

8.18

Praise In The Park Family Fest-10am
No 8am or 10:15am Service
No Sunday School

8.23

Women's Better Together-6:30pm
at Betty Frost's Home

8.25

Baptism Sunday-8am & 10:15am

8.23

J.O.Y. Circle—7pm

9.4-11.20

Wednesday Night Live-Adult
Classes, Kids Club & Collide-6:30-8pm

Proverbs 27:17, Ecclesiastes 10:10

"If the ax is dull and its edge unsharpened, more strength is needed but skill (wisdom) will bring success." ~ Ecclesiastes 10:10
"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." ~ Proverbs 27:17
"This man (Saul) is my chosen instrument to carry My Name before the Gentiles and their kings and before the people of Israel." ~ Acts 9:15b

You are a chosen instrument in the hands of Almighty God. I have absolutely no hesitation in saying this. We are created in His image, deeply loved, persistently sought after, and sacrificially and highly paid for, not to mention greatly valued. No matter who might ever read those sentences; whether rich, poor, young, old, successful, down and out, highly educated, mentally disabled, repentant sinner, or rebellious sinner, or any other possible human identity that exists, those statements are true and applicable to you. It's God's definition of who we are as human beings, not what we've done or how we feel about ourselves that matters. The only thing that makes the difference in any of our lives is very simply whether or not we will agree with God, or go to our grave rejecting Him.

Once we've heard the good news (Christ died for you and faith in Him is the source of all healing and forgiveness), trusted Him for salvation, then the next step is to make ourselves available for God's good and wonderful purpose in our lives. Our lives automatically are infused with eternal purpose and meaning. The question will come; what is God's will for my life...? At this point I would refer you back to the Scriptures I referenced above. Three things are important

to take notice of:

- 1) You are a chosen instrument. The instrument is most useful in the hands of a skillful worker, namely Christ.
- 2) Christ is wise, and prefers to work with sharp instruments. If the instrument is dull, the work is much harder (and harder on the instrument!).
- 3) Christ sharpens His instruments using other instruments.

I was working on a little project where I needed to cut a metal doorframe. I had a wonderful little tool Seth let me borrow for the job. I hacked away at the first door frame for a long time, and thought this was going to take forever, and maybe the tool wasn't so great after all. Then I put a new blade on the tool. The job was done in two minutes... The little saw cut like a hot knife through (cold) butter (I was still cutting through metal after all). It made me think about each of us. How sharp of an instrument am I in my Master's hand? Am I allowing myself to be sharpened by those around me? When I'm sharp, Christ can use me, but when I'm dull more strength is needed. What about you? How is God sharpening you? Will you let Him? Will you let the Word of God transform your mind? Will you let godly council inform your decisions? Will you let difficult relationships teach you about perseverance and forgiveness? Will you let tough situations strengthen your faith? If you'll do these things, you'll see what wonderful things God can create, shape, remodel and produce with your life in His hands.

In Christ, Pastor Luke

Volunteer & Giving Information

Date

Nursery

Kids Worship

8/4/19	Ronda Moffitt, Lisa Clawson, Jan Crutcher & Lucy Dunn	Denise Bowker, Mary Rohm, Kathy Olson, Maddie & Mollie Dunn, Alison Lafever & Melissa Struble
8/11/19	Jo Bjorling, Marcy, Rusty & Shaylee Smet	Denise Bowker, Tina McCaw, Felicia Bonyng, Lucy & Mollie Dunn, Jess Weist & Sheila Busch
8/18/19	Praise In The Park-No Nursery	Praise In The Park—No Kids Worship
8/25/19	Sharon Moffitt, Kim & Sidney Quam & Maddie Dunn	Denise Bowker, Angela Pauley, Joyce & Logan Thomas, Mollie Dunn, Monica Dennison, Haley & Josh Johnson

Hi Volunteers! Thank you for serving in the nursery during the 10:15 worship service. Please be in the nursery ready to serve by 10:05am so the Sunday School nursery staff can transition to service. *If you cannot serve on your scheduled day, please switch with someone else on the list in advance and communicate that change with Mollie via Facebook or by texting/calling 309-371-6962. Thank you for serving!

Committee Member of the Month

Finance Board Member of the Month for August — Jacque Nelson-Bruns

Trustee of the Month for August — Dennis Dixon

Prayer Team 2019

August 4th-8am-Peggy Johnson & Kurt Diesch—**10:15am**-Anita Parkinson. Tina McCaw
August 11th— **8am**-Marty South, Jon & Lindsay Ricke—**10:15am**-Jeanne Barber, Laurie & Mick Louck
August 18th - **8am**-Troy & Tish Riddell - **10:15am**—Lisa Litwiler, Mary Lee Finch & Barb Bryant
August 25th —**8am**-Doug & Diane Hessman—**10:15am** Jason & Shelly Snyder & Lonnie Maynard

Weekly Attendance & Offering

DATE	6/30/19	7/7/19	7/14/19	7/21/19
8 AM	86	75	59	98
10:15AM	361	245	250	251
TOTAL	447	321	309	349

Date	6/30/19	7/7/19	7/14/19	7/21/19
General Fund Giving	\$8,562.00	\$12,079.16	\$11,956.65	\$8,056.50
Designated Giving	\$3,500.14	\$2,456.25	\$209.14	\$264.06
Total Giving	\$12,062.14	\$14,535.41	\$12,165.79	\$8,320.56

****Weekly Current Expense offering needed to meet 2019 budget - \$10,840.71**

Lives Changed by Jesus Christ!

Year To Date Baptisms — 10

Year To Date Decisions for Christ - 4



Kids Club Ministry

August Newsletter



We've had a great summer so far and the kids will be headed back to school before you know it. Here's a little summer report:

Roar VBS was hit with 138 kids in attendance on our high day. We ended the week with a splash at our Family Swim Party with around 110 folks in attendance. And then, we had a great crowd out for our VBS program. The VBS kids and the church body raised over \$1,600 for our School Supply Shop that we hosted on Saturday, July 27th at the Keithsburg Food Pantry. Thank you to every single person who donated money, supplies, and their time to make this school supply give away a success!

We had a great group of families attend Week 7 of Life Action Camp in Buchanan, MI in July. Family Camp is a great way to connect with your family as well as other families for a fun, all-inclusive get away. Check online for openings next year at www.lifeactioncamp.com. Grab another family & go have some fun at a week of your choice starting in June through Labor Day weekend.

What's Ahead:

Kids Worship (Sundays): Starting on Sunday, September 1st, Kids Worship during the 10:15am service will be offered to kids ages 3-4th grade. We will be celebrating our 5th & 6th grade participants on August 25th with a special treat and game time during Kids Worship as they are moving upstairs.

Kids Club (Wednesdays): All kids ages 3-5th grade are invited to join us for Kids Club on Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm starting September 4th-November 20th. Kids will have a blast diving into God's Word, playing games, enjoying yummy snacks, and making

new friends. *We are changing registration platforms so as soon as it's up & running, families can pre-register their kiddos. We'll post the registration link on all social media and our website once it's ready. Thanks for your patience!

Kids Club Christmas Shop: This session kids can use their memory work points to buy Christmas gifts for their families on Wednesday, November 13th during Kids Club. We are now collecting small, NEW items to go in the shop.



Donations can be brought to the church & placed in Mollie's office until the event. We're collecting the following types of items: Cute coffee mugs, small jewelry items, soft slippers, fun socks, small stuffed animals, coloring sets, lotions, games, pen and pad sets, beauty sets, small picture frames, chocolate gift boxes, small tool kits, small toys, etc. Thanks for your help!

Bus Ministry: Pastor Seth will be heading up the Kids Club/Collide Bus Shuttle this school year. Bus riders will be required to pre-register before riding on our Kids Club/Collide bus. Watch for a registration page coming soon. Thanks for your patience as we're switching over to a more user friendly format. Join our Facebook page for bus updates, "Wednesday Night Live Bus Shuttle (First Baptist, Aledo)."

Bus Schedule: (Please be flexible as there may be delays)

Joy Community Park: 5:10pm/8:20pm

New Boston Elementary 5:20pm/8:30pm

Keithsburg Casey's 5:35pm/8:45pm

Seaton Wheeler's Café 5:45pm/8:45pm

YMCA Aledo 6:00pm/8:10pm

Buttonwood Aledo Office 6:10pm/8:07pm

~ Mollie Dunn, Children's Pastor

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COLLIDE YOUTH NEWS!

This past month the Lord has been working on me to trust him in ALL things. With everything that the Lord has brought me and my family through, I wish I could say it is easy to trust him. But, in reality, I want to be in control and I want to plan the way things go in my life. Sometimes it feels like we are stuck in reverse or spinning our wheels, but God is faithful

to come alongside and give us the strength and perseverance we need to keep going! Proverbs 3:5-6 says "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him and he will make your paths straight." One of the big takeaways from these verses is that we have to SUBMIT ALL of our ways to the Lord. My prayer these last few days have been, "Lord I'm all in for what You want to do in my life, guide and teach me. Help me to discern what Your will is for my life. Help me to be the Christ honoring person that makes a difference in this world!"

Our next session is starting on Sept. 4th and one of the areas I feel a burden for this session is to help foster and grow a group of students that are authentic and ready to get in the trenches for the sake of the Gospel. We have a school that is predominately unchurched, this is a great mission field to be able to grow and spread the love of Jesus to. I'm excited to dig in and grow this fall session! - Mario

High School Collide

Our high school students will continue to meet on Wednesday nights @ 6:30pm. We will have a short devotional, games, and fellowship. We hope to see all our high schoolers on Wednesday nights!



Praise In The Park-Family Fest!

Praise in the Park will be Sunday Aug. 18th in

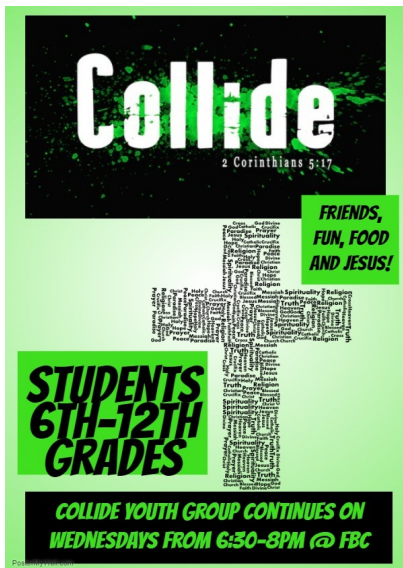


Aledo's Central Park from 10am-3pm! This is always a great time and we will have Knocker Ball and other fun games

geared towards our youth! Invite a friend and come join us!

Collide for the Fall Session Starts Sept. 4th and runs through Nov. 20th

Wednesday, Sept. 4th kicks off our Fall Session! Be here from 6:30-8pm each Wednesday night for a time of fellowship, snacks, games, and digging into God's Word.



We look forward to another great year!

SAVE THE DATE! COLLIDE FALL RETREAT! INVITE A FRIEND!



Mark your calendar! Saturday & Sunday, October 12th - 13th is Collide Youth Fall Retreat! Our guest speaker is Tyler Jones who is a Youth Pastor from

Pearl Baptist Church in North Carolina and music will be provided by Lara Jones along with a few members of our praise band! Prepare yourself to have a great time with friends and grow in your faith. Registration coming soon!

A Word From Pastor Seth

I have the wonderful opportunity to take on the bus ministry at the Church. Our bus route has reached the point that it needs complete focus and its own ministry crew. I say ministry crew because we are in need of people who want to serve the Lord by helping with the activities on the bus. I will be coordinating the activities on the bus so we are actually using the drive time as a ministry opportunity. I'm looking for fun and joyful folk's who are willing to help me in this ministry. As I was looking for bus ministry programs, I came across a poem about bus ministry. The following is a short snippet of the poem helped me to see the kids through the eyes of Jesus:

"Some see a fight, a push and a shove,
I see a desperate cry for love.

Some see a brat, he acts so bad,
I see a boy who's never met his dad.

Some see the dirt, the filth and the rot,
I see a kid who without Jesus doesn't have a shot.

Some see the messes and the trouble they give;
I see the poverty in the place where they live.

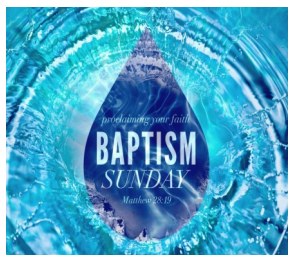
Some see a smart mouth, disrespectful and loud,
I see a kid made fun of by a crowd.

The Lord to me His mercy has shown,
Lord, help me to reach out so others may make Heaven their home."



Bus Ministry Informational Meeting - August 14th @ 6pm @ FBC in the Enon Room. If you have interest in serving with the Bus Ministry, please make plans to attend this meeting. All bus ministry crews must go through our child protection policy and background check. To begin the process please email me at seth@firstbaptisaledo.com

~Seth



Baptism Sunday is August 25th

Have you made that all important decision to follow Jesus and now you want to be baptized? Maybe you have questions about baptism and what it means. If so, call the church office—309-582-7812 and ask to speak to Pastor Seth or fill out Sunday's Connection Card & Pastor Seth will contact you.

Food Pantry Sunday is this Sunday, August 4th!



Communion Sunday is Sunday, Aug. 4th. This is also the Sunday that we remind everyone to bring a non-perishable food items for the Mercer County Food Pantry. Please leave the items in the grey tote in the church lobby.

Women's Ministry

August Women's Better Together Gathering



Betty Frost is hosting the August Better Together Gathering at her home- 702 SW 8th Ave., Aledo on Friday, August 23rd at 6:30pm. Sheri Olson will present: Ready for Service. Disciplining my body to win the prize and not be disqualified. Referencing 1st Corinthians 9.

Please bring a snack to share. All ladies are invited to join us at Betty's home. Better Together gathering are designed for women to connect on a deeper level.

Other Women's Ministry Happenings

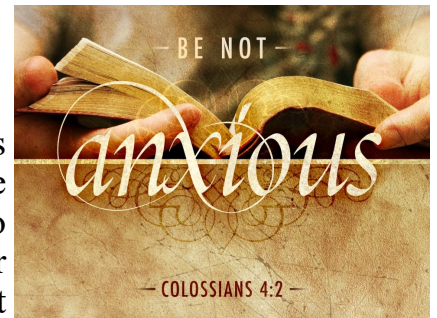
Women's Ministry Think Tank – We'll meet Saturday, August 3rd at 9am in the Enon Room. All ladies are welcome to join us. These meetings are designed to plan the ministry events, classes and activities throughout the year.

J.O.Y. Circle - The J.O.Y. Circle Ladies—(Jesus, Others, Yourself) will meet on Tuesday, August 27th at 7pm Enon Room. All ladies are invited to join us. J.O.Y. Circle is a gathering of the women for a time of fellowship and learning. Questions, see Vivian Kopp or Sherry Huffstutler.



Women's Prayer Time

What better way is there to show love for someone than to commit to pray for them? On the first Sunday of each



month, our Women's Ministry PrayerCare group spends the Sunday School hour praying for a portion of our First Baptist women. All women are welcome to join us on Sunday, August 4th @ 9:00am in the lower level classroom #5. If you have questions, see Jeanne Barber or Peggy Johnson.

Women's Conference!

Revive '19: Seeking Him - Indianapolis, IN
September 26th-28th, 2019

**RESTORE YOUR FIRST LOVE.
REMOVE BITTERNESS, FEAR, AND WORRY.
REFRESH YOUR SPIRIT.**

Experience personal refreshment and be equipped to share the hope of revival with others. Ticket Cost is \$159. Attendee is responsible for purchasing their own ticket from Revive19.com and the FBC Women's Ministry will cover the cost of the hotel.



We will leave from FBC for the conference in the late afternoon on Sept. 26th & return in the late evening on Sept. 28th. Please see or call Jenny Dixon (309-373-0104) for more details and to secure your lodging! This conference does sell out! Jenny needs to know if you are attending so she can reserve your room. jenllong1@gmail.com.

Thrive Women's Retreat Nov. 1st-3rd In Buchanan, Michigan

Schedules, responsibilities, deadlines, caring for the needs of others— our lives, as women, are filled with opportunities. Most days we wouldn't have it any other way. But the stuff of life can leave us longing for more of what Jesus promised to give us. "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly (John 10:10)."



THRIVE is a weekend designed to help you experience more of Jesus—through His Word, worship, fellowship, fun, and incredible food (that you don't have to cook!) Come join us! Because Jesus wants far more for you than to simply survive. Cost is \$145 per person (includes lodging and meals.) If Thrive is the only Women's Conference you attend in 2019, the Women's Ministry will pay \$100 towards your cost, making your cost for Thrive \$45. Please see Jenny Dixon to sign up or for more details: jenllong1@gmail.com.

Men's Ministry

Men's Ministry Council

The FBC Men's Ministry Council will meet Saturday, August 3rd at 7:30am in the Enon Room.



FBC Men's Bags Tournament

All men are invited to come Sunday, Sept. 22nd at 5:30pm to the lawn at First Baptist. We will be grilling out, having snacks and playing Bags. Invite a friend and come join us. No need to sign up, just show up. Questions, see Lonnie Maynard.



Men's Golf Outing

Scramble format... August 25th @1pm @ Hawthorn Ridge. We will randomly draw for teams of four and tee off at 1pm. You are welcome to eat lunch on your own. Hawthorn will have food for sale. This is a dry event... no alcohol will be permitted. Cost is \$30-pay at the golf course. Sign up on Sunday's Connection Card or call the church office at 309-582-7812

Fall Men's Conference Opportunities

Quest Father Son Retreat at Life Action Camp — Oct. 4th-6th, 2019 in Buchanan, MI—Interested? Sign up on Sunday's Connection Card. The first sign ups will get the first choice of beds in the cabin. After the cabin is full Pastor Seth will book other accommodations. **Cost: \$100 for the Dad and \$50 for each son.**



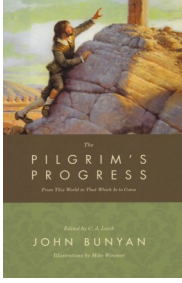
Quest is a fun filled weekend for fathers and sons. These father son adventure weekends feature outdoor events jam packed with activities designed to help dads and sons reconnect. You will make memories that last a lifetime. Spiritual principles are embedded into activities and athletic events to equip fathers and sons for the journey ahead. We recommend that sons be at least six years old for this event. Pastor Seth is coordinating and attending this event so if you have questions, please see him for details.

Men's Momentum Weekend Is Oct. 18th—20th, 2019 Buchanan, MI at Life Action Camp-Cost for Momentum is \$100



Men do not thrive on bread alone (although the food is great at a Momentum retreat!) Food, fellowship, and spiritual recharging mark these men's time together. Guests are challenged in their Christian walk, prompting many to make life-changing decisions. We encourage men to lead their families—and ultimately our nation—with deliberate action, resisting the role of passive onlooker. This retreat is designed for men ages 16 and older. Watch and listen for sign up.

Book of the Month—1 For Adults & 1 for Kids!

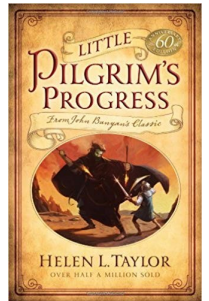


“Pilgrim’s Progress” by John Bunyan Copies available in the church lobby. Cost-\$13

This month’s book is *Pilgrim’s Progress* **John Bunyan** (1628–1688) was a Reformed Baptist preacher in the Church of England. He is most famous for his celebrated *Pilgrim’s Progress*, which he penned in prison. Bunyan was author of nearly sixty other books and tracts, including *The Holy War* and *Grace Abounding to the Chief of Sinners*. — For more than three centuries both Christians and non-Christians, young and old, have been fascinated by the characters and story of John Bunyan’s *The Pilgrim’s Progress*. In this breathtakingly beautiful edition of Bunyan’s classic, updated in today’s language, the characters are brought to life in color images taking you on a visually stunning journey with Christian as he seeks the Celestial City. When you encounter Evangelist, Hypocrisy, Faithful, and others, you’ll better understand life’s joys and sorrows on this side of heaven.

& Little Pilgrim’s Progress—Cost \$5

This version is for kids. Fifty-five years ago, Helen L. Taylor took John Bunyan’s *Pilgrim’s Progress* and simplified the vocabulary and concepts for young readers while keeping the storyline intact. The result was a classic in itself, which has now sold over 600,000 copies. It’s both a simple adventure story and a profound allegory of the Christian journey through life, a delightful read with a message kids ages 6 to 12 can understand and remember. A new look and fresh illustrations for today’s children enlivens the journey to the Celestial City.



Volunteers needed



American Red Cross

**BLOOD
DRIVE**

Ron Moffitt Needs Volunteers - FBC is hosting the Red Cross Blood draw on Tuesday, Aug. 20th at the Mercer County VFW. Ron Moffitt is needing 2-4 volunteers to help between 11am & 5:30pm in the Canteen. See or call Ron if you can assist for all or part of the day—309-582-4608.

Faith & Reason Made Simple Special Event!

Faith & Reason Made Simple – Helping people of all ages defend their faith in the midst of skeptical, unbelieving culture. This event will help you know how to assist your children, grandchildren and others to defend their faith. Making the complex issues of apologetics simple and understandable.



Rick McGough of Local Church Apologetics will be holding a 2 night Apologetics class at First Baptist Aledo during Wednesday Night Live (Sept. 4th & 11th) as well as sharing a message during the 8am & 10:15am church services on Sunday, Sept. 15th concluding with a seminar Sunday evening, Sept. 15th from 6-8pm. You may now sign up for the class on Sunday’s Connection Card or by calling the church office at 309-582-

7812. No need to sign up for the Sunday evening session, just show up.

Mark Your Calendar

Praise In The Park Family Fest!

Sunday, August 18th from 10am-3pm

In Aledo's Central Park

- Praise & Worship—10am.
- FREE Lunch! - Following Worship service until 12:30pm.
- Family Fun! Water Inflatables (Kids, bring your swimsuits), Knocker Ball, Carnival Games, Kona Ice & Gospel Music Featuring Faithful Crossings & The Dixon Brothers Band - 11:45am-2:30pm
- Mini Market of faith inspired products featuring Inspired Sweets & Candles, Adorned & MS Designs — 11:15am-3pm.
- Holy Hands Puppet Ministry—2:30pm.

Bring your lawn chair!

***In the event of rain, Praise in the Park will be moved to Mercer County High School—1500 S. College Ave. Aledo.*

Please be in prayer about who you will invite to join us at Praise In the Park. This will be a great day for you to invite friends, family and neighbors who don't have a church home to join us for worship, lunch and family fun in Aledo's Central Park. There are extra invite postcards in the church lobby, please pick up as many as you need and share them with family and friends. There will be no Sunday School or 8am or 10:15am services at FBC that day.



Alex Duncan
Brady Connell
Caleb Smith
Zane Frick
Tina McCaw
Kade Lafever

Randy Franks
Blair Wilkerson
Audrey Ringle
Joe Reusch
Dennis Carlson

Cathy Griswold
Bruce Bodeen
Sharon McCormick
Evan Clark
Kim Sheese
Kale Moreland
Faith Gillespie
Kaylee Mohammadi
Lynzee Mohammadi
Bethany Cirks
Connie Mattson
Lola Buttgen
Jerry Mattson
Kathryn Retherford
Jon Ricke
Mollie Dunn
Ron McNall
Jodie Andress
David Potthast
Robyn Bottens
Kendell Hedrick
Ilene Tracy
Lindsay Ricke
Kane Loving
Perry Paugher
Wesley Baker
Merrick LeClere
Ava Ruggles
Jarod Spangler
Erin Wyant
Patsy Bewley
Becky Moffitt
Bob Schultz
Mary Schrock
Pat Gibson

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Bill & Bernice Kelly
Curtis & Karole Franks

Brad & Sheri Olson

Luke & Mollie Dunn
Lonnie & Cindy Maynard
Ed & Mary Schrock
Dennis & Kathleen Carlson



As most of you know, First Baptist has a Blessing Box in our north parking lot. This is a mini food pantry that people can access any time of the day or night. The box is being used very frequently by local families. In fact, we go through about 6 bags of groceries per week! Thanks to all of you who have jumped in to help with this ministry! We appreciate the continued support! We are always in need of non perishable food items for the Blessing Box. Here are a few suggestions: Canned Chicken or Tuna Fish, Peanut Butter, canned or dry beans, soups of any kind. Rice, Boxed Dinners of any kind, Oatmeal, & canned fruit. Health items such as soap, deodorant, toothpaste and feminine products are also appreciated. Please leave these items in the pink tote in the lobby.



Calendar of FBC Events

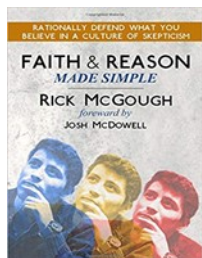
To see this calendar online visit firstbaptistaledo.com
under the events tab.

Coming up this Fall at First Baptist Aledo! Wednesday Night Live!

New Fall classes for adults and kids!

Wednesday Nights Sept. 4th-Nov. 20th from 6:30-8pm.

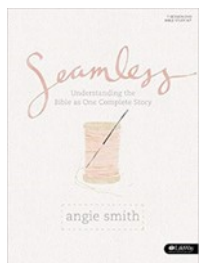
****Sign up for adult classes online at firstbaptistaledo.com**



Adult Classes

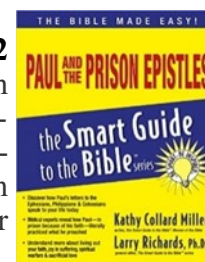
“Defending Your Faith-Faith & Reason Made Simple” – Taught by Pastor Luke & Rick McGough of Local Church Apologetics at FBC. Rick McGough will teach on Sept. 4 & 11th and then Pastor Luke will continue teaching the class after that. This study is designed to simplify the complex issues of apologetics in order to equip believers of all ages to better defend their faith in the midst of this skeptical culture we live in.

The Book of Signs: 31 Undeniable Prophecies of the Apocalypse” by David Jeremiah Taught by Steve Struble at the Edwards River Library-412 E. Main Street Aledo. “The end times.” “The apocalypse.” “The day of judgment.” Terms such as these are both fascinating and frightening for any student of God’s Word. They point to key questions people have wrestled with for centuries, including: What does the Bible tell us about the future? How much can we understand about biblical prophecy and its application in our lives? What signs and signals will precede the end of everything as we know it? Which of those signs and signals have already come to pass, which are we experiencing now, and which are still to come? In this landmark collection, bestselling author Dr. David Jeremiah offers answers to these questions and much more. Drawing from decades of experience as one of the world’s most-respected Bible teachers, Dr. Jeremiah has updated content from previously published works in addition to writing new material on a wide variety of subjects. The result is a truly epic and authoritative guide to biblical prophecy—a must-have resource for Christians seeking to navigate the uncertainties of the present and embrace God’s promises for the future.



Women’s Study - Seamless-Understanding the Bible As One Complete Story—Co-Taught at FBC by Kady Hofer & Brooke Loving- Seamless will help you move forward with confidence in your understanding of Scripture. Each week of study features key information that ties all of scripture together into the seamless truth of the gospel message and is accompanied by maps, general Bible facts, and word studies. Seamless covers the people, places, and promises of the Bible, tying them together into the greater story of Scripture. Participants in this study will gain an overarching understanding of the fundamental layout and meaning of the Bible.

Women’s Study-Paul & The Prison Epistles—Taught By Laurie Louck at her home - 612 NE 2nd Ave., Aledo-Class is Free to Attend— *Paul and the Prison Epistles* is another book in the exciting Smart Guide to the Bible series that is a revolutionary commentary designed to un-complicate the Bible. You’ll discover how Paul’s letters to the Ephesians, Philippians and Colossians speak to your life today. Biblical experts reveal how Paul – in prison because of his faith literally practiced what he preached. And, you’ll gain an understanding about living out your faith, joy in suffering, spiritual warfare & sacrificial love.



Kids Programs

See Reverse Side Next Page for Details

- Kids Club for ages 3 years old through 5th grade.
- Collide Youth Group— 6th-12th grade.
- Nursery for 0-2years old.

All classes are open to the public. Invite your friends to join us!



**Coming up this Fall at First Baptist Aledo! Wednesday Night Live!
Kids Club & Collide Youth Group!
Wednesday Nights Sept. 4th-Nov. 20th from 6:30-8pm.
Free to Attend!**



Kids Club!!

We offer a high-energy, fun-filled, Christ-centered program where kids worship, serve, learn, and play together. We have Kids Club on Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm as part of Wednesday Night Live. All kids ages 3 years old through 5th grades are invited. Nursery is provided for infants-2 years old for parents who attend a Wednesday Night Bible Study. The Fall Session begins September 4th and ends November 20th. *We currently use Gospel Project curriculum. Registration for Kids Club is coming soon! Questions, call Children's Pastor Mollie Dunn at 309-371-6962.

Collide Youth Group! Students Grades 6th – 12th!

Through the power of the Holy Spirit we seek to love teenagers and point them to Jesus Christ. We're not so much of a youth group as **we are a youth family**. We love to see teenagers lives change through the life changing message of the gospel. By **partnering with the family** our desire is to see young people embrace Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and through **solid biblical teaching**, flourish and grow in their faith in the context of a loving, Christian community within the local church. As a result of this, they will be forever changed by the message of the Gospel, as they are held accountable to their faith in a loving Christian community of adults and friends.



What to expect at Collide? Expect to have fun! Have lots of great snacks, plays some fun games and most importantly learn about what it means to know God personally through Jesus Christ. We highly value outreach and love seeing students come from all walks of life, even if you don't have a church home you are welcome at Collide. You don't need to pre-register for Collide unless you need bus pick up. Registration for the bus is coming soon!

Mario Pauley is the contact person for all youth programming questions. If you need to speak to Mario, you can email him at mario@firstbaptistaledo.com or call or text Mario at 309-582-6044.

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