

# Praise In The Park

FAMILY FEST

Sunday, August 27th - 10am-2pm

Aledo Central Park

Free Admission - Open to the Public

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The month of Praise in the Park is upon us! We encourage you all to be in prayer about who you might invite to this fun, outdoor family event on Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> in Aledo's Central Park.

In the past, we have had around 500 people attend this event and we'd love to have more join us! Praise In The Park Family Fest is one of the best ways to invite those without a church family to check out First Baptist. Some people are uncomfortable with the thought of walking into a church, but coming to the park and sitting in a lawn chair to experience church, often appeals to many. It's a great way for the community to be introduced to our church family and staff! Please think and pray about the neighbor, friend or family member who doesn't have a church to call home, then pick up some invite cards at the Welcome Desk and either mail it to them or, better yet, visit them and drop it off.

Then, the day of Praise In The Park, please keep in mind that we may have many visitors so look for the new faces and introduce yourselves. Maybe bring an extra lawn chair in case a visitor shows up without one. Also, it's great to encourage our visitors be the first in line to lunch.

Here is what you can expect at Praise in the Park Family Fest:

Come to Aledo's Central Park on Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm for a day of worship, lunch, music and family fun at Praise in the Park Family Fest! Admission, lunch and all activities are FREE and this event is open to the community. Remember, please bring a lawn chair or blanket as provided seating is extremely limited.

## Praise In The Park Line Up

10am-Praise & Worship Service

11:15am- Hot Lunch catered by Mercer Market

12pm-2pm-Kids Fun Zone -Water & Bounce  
Inflatables (kids bring your swimsuit, towel & sunscreen), 9 Square In The Air, Frisbee Toss, Snow Cones & Cotton Candy, Games for the Students & Music by FBC and the Terrill Sisters.

We hope to see you in the Park!

Finally, the month of August also brings another great event which is Luke & Mollie returning to the office following their sabbatical! We are all grateful for their time away but are very much looking forward to their return! Welcome back Dunn family! We've all missed you!

In Christ, Seth

## Total Giving Through

7/23/23:

\$483,553.91

## Giving Needed To Meet

2023 Budget To Date:

\$370,272.90

Tithes & Offerings

Investing In The Kingdom

# KIDS CLUB MINISTRY



## 5th Grade Grad Hang-out w/ Mollie

If your student just graduated 5th grade (going into 6th grade) and attended Kids Worship and/or Sunday School, they are invited to hang out with Mollie & other Kids Worship leaders on Sunday, August 6th from 11:45ish (after church) until 2pm. We're going to play games, have pizza & make our own Sundaes. Sign up with Mollie at 309-371-6962 or on Planning Center by noon on August 5th.

## SAVE-THE-DATE EVENTS

### Praise-in-the-Park

Mark your calendar for Sunday, August 27th for another fun time at Central Park including worship, music, food, & lots of fun for for the whole family.

### Kids Club

All kids ages 3 years old-5th grade are invited to join us for Kids Club on Wednesdays this fall from 6:30-8:10pm starting September 6th - November 15th. Registration will open in August.

## SCHOOL SUPPLY SHOP

FBC hosted a FREE School Supply Shop on Saturday, July 29th. Thanks to our VBS kiddos' mission project and many generous donors, we were able to purchase over \$2,700 worth of school supplies for students and teachers in our area. A group of 8 people had the privilege of purchasing supplies from our Aledo Wal-Mart. Then a crew of 13 helped families shop on Saturday. We invited teachers in our community to come shop after families were done, so they could add needed items to their classrooms.

*Thank you, Church Family, for supporting this outreach!*





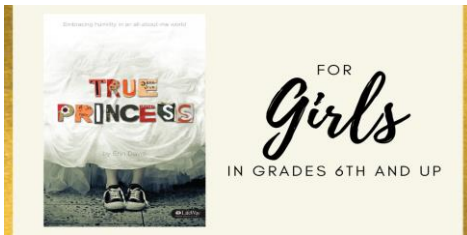
# Refuge Student Ministry

## REFUGE STUDENT MINISTRY

**High School Refuge**-High School students meet Sunday nights for Refuge, doors open at 5:30pm Refuge starts at 6pm. No high school refuge August 27th.

**Jr. High Refuge**-Junior High students (6th-8th grade) meet on Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00pm, doors open at 6:15pm. We will not be meeting on August 16th due to FUSE.

**FUSE**-FUSE is all of Refuge coming together to worship the Lord! We will be going through a series on unification of Christ while being set apart from the world. The next Fuse event is August 13th from 6-8pm. Doors open at 5:30pm. For 6th-12th grades! No need to sign up just come & invite your friends.



**Refuge Girls' Study** - Girls in grades 6<sup>th</sup> and up are invited to join us Mondays from 6-7pm in the Enon Room for a small group study. Join at any time.



**Boom Sisters** – All girls ages 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up are invited to come watch the movie “I’m Not Ashamed”-The Rachel Joy Scott Columbine Story Saturday, Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> from 10am-Noon in the Enon Room. Please sign up online and complete your parent waiver as the movie is PG-13 and deals with difficult topics.



**Praise In The Park Family Fest** - Sunday, Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm in Aledo's Central Park – Students join us following lunch as we play games in the Park. We'll have 9 Square in the Air and Frisbee Toss! Bonus! We'll also have snow cones and cotton candy! Invite your friends to join you! It's going to be a great day!

# Flourish Women's Ministry



All ladies High School age and up are invited to an evening in the sunflower field at Dandee Flowers in Aledo on Monday, August 14th at 6:30pm!

Cost is \$25 and includes making a sunflower bouquet to take home. Dandee Flowers is located at 1566 Route 17 Aledo. Please register on the church website by August 9th.

## Greeting Card Ministry

Do you have card making supplies just sitting around not getting used? Would you enjoy making cards to share with others? Talk to Britni Ewing about helping with the card ministry!



### J.O.Y. Circle

Meets Tuesday,  
August 22nd at  
7pm in the  
Enon Room.

All ladies are  
welcome to  
attend.



Held at Life Action Camp-Buchanan, MI

### JOURNEY Mother/Daughter Retreat Sept. 15th-17th

Recommended for daughters age 7-13.

Cost is \$100 per Mom

\$50 per daughter

Deadline to register Sept. 1st



### THRIVE Women's Retreat

October 20th-22nd

Cost is \$100 per person.

Deadline to register Oct. 6th

**JOURNEY Mother/Daughter Retreat** at Life Action Camp in Buchanan Michigan is September 15th-17th. This is a super-fun and impactful weekend to spend quality time learning from God's Word and growing together! This is recommended for daughters age 7-13. Please register with the church, then housing and transportation will be coordinated by Crystal Clark. Deadline for registration is September 1st. Cost is \$100 per Mom and \$50 per Daughter.

**THRIVE Women's Retreat** at Life Action Camp in Buchanan, Michigan is October 20th-22nd. Are you ready to be refreshed by the Truth of God in your life and spend some amazing time with your sisters in Christ? Then make plans to join us at THRIVE! Please register on the church website, then housing and transportation will be coordinated. Deadline for registration is October 6. Cost is \$100 per woman.



# Thank You/Wed Night Live



We wanted to thank our church family for generously blessing us with our sabbatical and a special gift. We also wanted to say a special thank you to every single person who stepped up during our time away to serve a little extra in our place. We thoroughly enjoyed our time away and are looking forward to being back with you in August. We can't wait to catch up with everyone.

Love, The Dunns

Dear Sweet People,

Thank you all for the "free" yard sale! Our son recently got out of the Navy after 8 years on a Nuke on a sub. He got accepted to the U of Iowa and is renting his first apartment without roommates. His GI doesn't kick in until August. Thanks to your generous donations – Billy has a couch, table, kitchen supplies, bathroom supplies and more. He's overly grateful for everything! His birthday was July 13<sup>th</sup> and with him being so close we were able to take him to dinner for his birthday for the first time in 8 years (: I also picked some adorable shoes and clothes for myself and some toys for my grandkids. Thank you for making Billy's apartment a home and for all you do! This card was also in the donations. The gifts keep giving.

Thank you for spreading kindness!

The Plumlee Family

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!



*Classes & programs to grow your faith.*

*Fall Session - Sept. 6th-Nov. 8th*

*Wednesday Nights 6:30-8pm*

*Sign up coming soon at*

*firstbaptistaledo.com*

Register Online: [registerhow.itworld.com](https://registerhow.itworld.com) Tour Code: **L202401**

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**Holy Land**  
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Pastor Lukas Dunn  
and Rick McGough

Traveling  
**OCTOBER 30 - NOVEMBER 8, 2024**  
Departure  
**\$4,687 FROM CHICAGO, IL**

**PRICE INCLUDES:**  
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\$50 off if your payment is received by 01/30/24

Additional departure cities  
available upon request.

For full travel information, please contact:  
Pastor Lukas Dunn, First Baptist Church-Alledo  
and Rick McGough, Local Church Representative  
(309) 582-7812  
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**VISIT THE HOLY  
LAND WITH  
PASTOR LUKE  
IN 2024!**

**OCT. 30 - NOV. 8, 2024**  
**BROCHURES AT THE  
WELCOME DESK**

## Tour the Holy Land in 2024!

See the Bible in living color. There is nowhere else on earth we could go that makes the Bible come alive like Israel. From the Sea of Galilee to the Temple Mount and so many places in between, we will explore places where Abraham, King David, Elijah, Hezekiah, Peter and the Apostles, and our Lord Jesus walked and lived. You are invited to join Pastor Luke and Rick McGough as they lead our group on a tour of the Holy Land. We will spend 10 days visiting places where Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal, David hid from Saul, where the Disciples were called, Jesus preached the sermon on the mount, and walked on water, and where He was crucified and rose again. Our tour guide will share fascinating insights and information wherever we go, and Rick and Luke will open God's Word while we marvel at what took place on that spot 2,000 or 3,000 years ago. If you'd like to learn more about this trip which will take place Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>-Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and how to join us, you can get a full itinerary and registration at the welcome desk. If you have any questions, you can call Pastor Luke at (309)582-7812.

# FBC Men's Ministry



## **Men's Momentum at Life Action Camp!** **Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>** **Buchanan, MI**

Food, fellowship, and spiritual recharging mark this men's time together at Men's Momentum at Life Action Camp. Men are challenged and encouraged to lead their families with deliberate action, resisting the role of passive onlooker.

Please join us on October 27th - October 29th in Buchanan, MI. We will leave FBC Friday morning and return Sunday evening. Cost is \$100 which includes the conference, accommodations, and meals at the retreat. The actual cost for Momentum is \$150, so if you can pay the full amount it helps with the Men's Ministry budget. Tom Harmon is the speaker and spaces will fill up quickly.

Sign up at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com). Housing and transportation will be coordinated after registration. This retreat is designed for men ages 16 and older. For more information about Momentum, please visit the Life Action Camp website or contact Kevin Ricke or Troy Riddell.



## **Father Son Quest Event** **Sept. 29th-Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>** **Life Action Camp** **Buchanan, MI**

Father's and Sons are invited on Sep. 29th - Oct. 1st to Life Action Camp in Buchanan, MI for a Quest adventure!

Quest is a fun filled weekend for dads and their sons! These father-and-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.

Sons should be at least 6 years old. Cost is \$100 per dad and \$50 per son. Deadline to register & last payment due Sep. 15th. Please register with the church, then housing and transportation will be coordinated.





# More Upcoming Events



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## Coming In August! FBC Praise In The Park

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## Raised to New Life! Baptism Sunday are scheduled for Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

If you have accepted Jesus and in a step of obedience want to be baptized, please see Pastor Seth Bowker for more information or call the church office at 309-582-7812 to set up an appointment to talk about your baptism.



## New Sunday School topic begins Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>

Ron Moffit's Forward For Christ Sunday School Class will be finishing up the book of Revelation in the next few weeks. Then, beginning Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> they will be starting a new study on the Book of Mark. This class meets on Sundays at 9am on the main level in the Enon Room, just down the hallway from the sanctuary. The Forward For Christ Class is open to all adults and you can jump in any time. No need to sign up.

## The Dewey's Anniversary Party is Cancelled

Marc and Dori Dewey have decided, due to Marc recovering from a recent surgery, to cancel their 45<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Party scheduled for August 15<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to send a card to the Deweys, their address is: 504-5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Sherrard, IL 61281. Happy 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Marc & Dori!



**Baby Dedication Sundays!**  
SUNDAY, SEPT. 3RD AT 8AM & 10:15AM  
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DEDICATE YOUR CHILD TO THE LORD, CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
800 NE 6<sup>TH</sup> AVE.  
ALEDO, IL 61231

PHONE: 309.582.7812  
E-MAIL: [FBCALED02@FRONTIERNET.NET](mailto:FBCALED02@FRONTIERNET.NET)  
[WWW.FIRSTBAPTISTALED0.COM](http://WWW.FIRSTBAPTISTALED0.COM)

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# Stay Connected!

- We offer worship at 8am & 10:15am. Sunday School for all ages is at 9am along with a nursery for 0-2 years old. We have Kids Worship at the 10:15am service as well as a nursery for babies 0-2 years.
- For all the details about our upcoming events and live streaming Visit [FirstBaptistAledo.com](http://FirstBaptistAledo.com).
- Listen to WRMJ 102.3 at 10:30am each Sunday.
- Download the "Church Center App" from the App Store or Google Play and choose "First Baptist Church, Aledo, IL" to easily sign up for church events, check our church calendar, give online, watch sermons and receive important church notifications.
- Find Us On Facebook.
- Call the Church Office at 309.582.7812.



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Love Others.  
Think Biblically.***

