

## Mark Your Calendar

1.21

FBC Annual Business Meeting 11:45am  
YMCA Everybody's B-day Family Night  
5pm

No Refuge instead go to YMCA 5pm  
Sunday Prayer Night 5pm

1.24-3.20

Wednesday Night Live 6:30pm

1.25

Grief Share Begins 6-8pm

1.28

Refuge 6pm

1.31

Wednesday Night Live 6:30pm

2.2

Men's Bags Tournament 6pm

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Vision Sunday 8am & 10:15am

2.10

New High School Bible Study 6pm

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Refuge Super Bowl Party 6-8pm

## Order of Worship

Opening Song

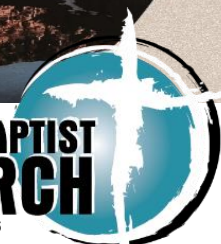
Prayer & Announcements

Worship Set

Message

Invitation

**FIRST BAPTIST  
CHURCH**  
ALEDO, ILLINOIS



January 21st, 2024

## Today's Message

“Lesser Known Stories:  
Worthy, But Not  
Called”

1 Samuel 23:15-18

Pastor Luke Dunn

**Welcome!** It's great to have you here! Wherever you are on your faith journey, we would love to help you take your next steps. **First time here?** Please pick up a *welcome* bag at the Welcome Desk in the lobby following today's service. Have questions or want to register for a class or event? Following today's service Pam will be in the lobby to answer questions or you can call the office any time during the week at 309-582-7812. More info at [www.firstbaptistaledo.com](http://www.firstbaptistaledo.com) for more information.

## Church Office Hours

Tuesday through Friday 8:30am-4pm.  
The office is closed on Mondays. Pastor  
Seth is available by appointment.  
**Website:** [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com)

## Ways To Give Your Offering

*We no longer pass the offering plate during our services. Instead, we invite you to give in one of these 4 ways:*

- **OFFERING BOX** - You may leave your offering in the white offering box in the lobby or at the sanctuary door exits.
- **GIVE ONLINE** - Visit our website [firstbaptistaledo.com/give](http://firstbaptistaledo.com/give)
- **TEXT GIVING** - Text the amount of your donation to 84321. When you initiate your first Text2Give donation, you will need to tap the setup link to complete the one-time registration.
- **MAIL** - You may write a check and mail it to First Baptist Church – 800 NE 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. Aledo, IL 61231

## Kids Ministry News

**Welcome Families with Young Children**-During the 10:15am service, we offer a nursery for infant-2 years old and Kids Worship for kids ages 3 years old - 5th grade. Kids check-in downstairs and go directly to Kids Worship. Pick-up is in the Fellowship Hall area right after service. A cry room with the live service is available at the end of the upstairs hallway; last door on the right.

\*Change\* Kids Check-In has moved downstairs to the Fellowship Hall. Sunday School Check-In will be 9-9:15am and Kids Worship Check-In will be 10:05-10:15am. Sunday School kids will be taken to Kids Worship & all other kids can check-in and go straight to Kids Worship downstairs in the youth room.

**Everybody's Birthday Party**-TODAY from 5-8pm: All ages are invited to join us at the Aledo Y for this free event to celebrate EVERYBODY'S birthday. The pool and gyms will be open, pizza & cupcakes will be served, TJ the QC Magician will perform at 6:30. Everyone can spin the b-day wheel!

**Kids Club**-The new session of Kids Club starts this week from January 24th-March 20th. All kids age 3 years old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us on Wednesday 6:30-8:05pm. Joining us for the first time? Find info & register at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com).

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## Refuge Student Ministry News

**Refuge Student Ministry**-Refuge is for students grades 6th-12th, and we meet on Sundays from 6-8pm. No Refuge tonight, January 21st, join us at the YMCA for family night!

**God's Gals**-Girls in 6th-12th grades are invited to join us Mondays from 6-7pm in the Enon Room for God's Gals Small Group Study. Our current study is called Jesus & Women. If you're new, join the group at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com).

**WNL**-Student from 6th-12th grade, need somewhere to go on Wednesday nights? Come hang out downstairs in the women's small group room starting January 24th-March 20th! We are starting a new series taught by D.A. Horton on *Control*, do we have it? Should we want it?

**Refuge Super Bowl Party**-On February 11th we are having our refuge Super Bowl party! Starting at 6:00-8:00pm, we will be watching the big game, eating food, playing games and having a great time! All students are invited to come, no sign up just show up.

**New High School Bible Study**-We are introducing a new Bible study class starting on Sat., Feb. 10th. We will be diving into the Bible so we can continue to be grounded in GOD's truth and growing in His love. We will review the Covenant and then transition into studying 1 Peter, 2 Peter, and Ephesians. We will meet every other Saturday night, 6pm-8pm at Justina Abbadusky's home and dinner will be provided. Free to attend sign-up today at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com)!

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## Adult Ministry News

**FBC Annual Meeting 2024**-The FBC Annual Business Meeting is today following the 10:15am Service. All are welcome to attend the Business Meeting.

**YMCA Family Night**-All ages are invited to celebrate EVERYBODY'S birthday on Sunday, Jan. 21st from 5-8pm at the Aledo YMCA. The pool & gyms will be open, we'll have pizza and cupcakes and TJ the Quad City Magician will be performing. Invite your friends to join us!

**Sunday Prayer Nights**-The FBC prayer team invites you to join them in the Enon Room on Sunday Nights for prayer beginning at 5pm.

**Women's Tuesdays with Jesus Study**-We meet Tuesdays at 2pm in the Enon room for "When You Pray" study. All ladies are welcome to jump in any time.

**Women's In Home Tuesday Studies**-Verse by Verse Study of Matthew Taught by Sheri Olson at Sheri's Home-720 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Aledo Tuesdays from 10-11:30am & a Daniel Study, taught by Renee Diesch Tuesdays from Noon -1:30pm also at Sheri Olson's home.

**Women's In-Home Wednesday Bible Study**-Britni Ewing is hosting a verse-by-verse study of 1 Peter at her home. The class will be on Wednesdays at 1 pm beginning Jan. 10th. Handouts provided, bring your Bible and a notebook! Contact Britni 309-224-4184 for more details or directions to her home outside of Seaton.

**Wednesday Night Live**-Join us Jan. 24th-March 20th each Wed. from 6:30-8pm for WNL. There are classes for the whole family designed to help grow your faith and deepen your fellowship with others! **Adult Classes: Believer Basics**-Taught by Pastor Seth, **The Doctrines that Divide**-Taught By Steve Struble & a **Women's Verse By Verse Study of Matthew**-Taught by Sheri Olson. There will be 1 class called "**Control**" by DA Horton-Taught by Pastor Austin for Refuge Students grades 6th-12<sup>th</sup>, Kids Club for kids ages 3 years old thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade and Nursery for babies 0-2 years old. Details and sign up at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com) and at the Welcome Desk.

**Grief Share Class at FBC**-Grief Share is a caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. This 13-week class is taught by Joe and Kathy Olson and held on Thursdays starting Jan. 25th-April 18th from 6-8pm at FBC in the Enon Room. Sign up at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com).

**Men's Bags Tournament**-Men's Ministry is hosting a bags tournament for men 13 years old and up. Friday, Feb. 2nd at 6pm in the sanctuary. Double elimination style tournament. Pizza and soda provided. Men are encouraged to bring chips and/or cookies to share. Bring a partner, or one will be assigned to you at random.

**Vision Sunday**-The reason First Baptist exists is to see two things happen in Mercer County. To see lost people saved, and saved people grow. Join us at either the 8am or 10:15am service when we will be hosting Vision Sunday as part of our morning worship services. Vision Sunday will be an opportunity to share with the church family many details about the potential building project as well as details about the fund raising component of the project. Topics to be presented include: What was the process? What is the project? Why this project & why now? How much does it cost? How will we pay for it? We hope you will plan to attend 1 of the 2 services so you can get a vision of the future for First Baptist Aledo.

**Iron Sharpens Iron Event**-Sat. March 2nd FBC will be taking a group to the Men's Iron Sharpens Iron at Coram Deo Church in Davenport. ISI is a one-day event. We will carpool to Davenport and return around 5pm that evening. Cost, including lunch, for early bird registration (by Feb. 18th) is \$59 for adults and \$43 for students-13-22. On Feb. 18th, the price for adults increases to \$79.

## Connect Card - Sign Up & Tear Off!

**We would love to connect with you! Please complete and tear off this Connect Card and leave it with Pam at the Welcome Desk in the lobby following today's service.**

If you aren't receiving the FBC Newsletter but would like to, please fill in the information below.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**OR** to receive our newsletter via e-mail leave your e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_