



## Mark Your Calendar

**11.17**  
Special Business Meeting 11:40am  
Return Your Operation Christmas Child Box!  
Prayer Meeting 5pm  
**11.18**  
God's Gals 6pm  
**11.19**  
Women's Tuesdays with Jesus 2pm  
High School Bible Study 6pm  
**11.18-11.25**  
OCC Regional Collection Center at FBC  
**11.20**  
Youthsgiving @ YMCA 6pm  
**11.24-12.17**  
Christmas Gifts for the Nursing Home  
**11.28**  
Community Thanksgiving Meal 11am  
**12.1**  
Communion/Food Pantry Sunday  
**12.8**  
Sunday School Kids Christmas Sing 10:15am  
Baby Dedication Sunday  
**12.3**  
J.O.Y. Circle Christmas Party 6pm  
**12.24**  
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 7pm

### Church Office Hours

Tuesday through Friday 8:30am-4pm.  
Pastor Seth is available by appointment  
on Mondays. Call 309-582-7812 to set  
up an appointment.

Website: [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com)

## Order of Worship

Opening Song

Kids Dismissal

Prayer &  
Announcements

Worship Set

Message

Invitation

November 17th, 2024  
10:15am Service

## Today's Message

"Intercession:  
Praying For Others"

1st Timothy 2:1-5

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).

## 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

**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 with a parent. Three-year-olds through first grade go straight to Kids Worship while 2nd-5th grade worship upstairs then are dismissed during the worship set. 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.

**Kids Club-**Kids Club is taking a break for the holidays & starts up again on Feb. 5th. Kids Club is for kids ages 3-5th grade on Wednesdays 6:30-8:00pm. New friends can join anytime. Register at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com). The winter/spring session starts Feb. 5th.

## Refuge Student Ministry News

**Refuge at the Y!**- all 6th-12th grade students join us at the YMCA in Aledo for Refuge youth group! Games, small groups, snacks and more will be provided from 6:00pm (check-in) to 8:00pm (pick up).

**God's Gals-**Girls in 6th-12th grades are invited to join us Mondays from 6-7pm in the Enon Room. We just began “The Gospel on the Ground Study- The Grit & Glory of the Early Church in Acts.” This study is open to all girls Middle School through High School. Sign up at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com).

**High School Bible Study-**Attention high schoolers, our study dates for November are Nov. 2nd, 16th & 30th at 6pm. Join us as we study 1st Peter and learn what it looks like to walk as a Christian in our current world. We are continuing to grow in GOD's love and be rooted in His word. Please be sure to bring your Bible. Dinner is provided and free to attend. This study meets at Nick & Justina Abbadusky's home-408 NE 12<sup>th</sup> St. Aledo.

**FCA-**Calling all students to join us for Fellowship of Christian Athletes huddles at Mercer county high school and Jr. High! High school will meet every Wednesday morning at 7:15am in room 210, Jr. High will meet every Friday at 7:30am in room 23. All students are free to join; breakfast will be provided!

**FCA Meal Train-**FCA is looking for families to help out with breakfast at the Jr. High and High School. If you can cook and want to serve these students, please sign up online using the QR code on the slide or go to the Refuge Facebook page. If you have any questions, contact Andrew Hofer or Austin Shields.

**Youths-Giving-**6th-12th grade students are invited to join us Nov. 20th from 6-8pm for Youthsgiving at the YMCA. Games, Thanksgiving day food & more!

**Open Gym-**On Wednesday, November 27th all students are invited to join us at the YMCA aux gym for open gym time! It will be from 12:30-4:30pm, there will be no refuge in the evening on this day. No need to sign up just show up and tell the front desk you are here for the open gym with Refuge.

## Adult Ministry News

**Special Business Meeting-**Today is the Special Business Meeting at 11:40am. Everyone is invited to attend.

**Sunday Prayer Meeting-**Join us tonight at 5pm in the Enon Room for a time of prayer.

**Operation Christmas Child-**OCC boxes need to be returned today along with \$7 for shipping cost (check payable to Samaritan's Purse). If you forgot your box, you may still bring it to the church no later than Nov. 24th.

**Deacon Fund/FBC Apparel Fund Raiser-**We are currently taking orders for FBC Tee Shirts and Sweatshirts with the FBC logo on the front and the words “Jesus Loves You” on the back as a fund raiser for the FBC Deacon Fund. We are accepting orders through Sunday, Nov. 24th. Regular sizes are \$20 for a t-shirt & \$30 for a Sweatshirt, with plus sizes being \$3 more. After we cover the cost of the shirt the additional proceeds will go towards the FBC deacon fund! Purchase your FBC apparel at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com) or we have paper forms at the Welcome Desk. Ordered items must be prepaid.

**Women's Tuesdays With Jesus Study-** We are going through Kristi McLelland's “Luke In The Land” study. This class is led by Rhonda McKinley and meets on Tuesdays at 2pm in the Enon Room. Sign up online or jump in any time!

**Wednesday Night Live has concluded for this session-**The Winter Session is Feb. 5th-April 9th each Wednesday from 6:30-8pm.

**OCC Collection Week At FBC-**FBC is excited to be a Regional Collection Site for Operation Christmas Child. We are the place where individuals, churches and organizations can bring all the shoeboxes that they have filled. National Collection Week is Nov. 18th-25th. If you volunteered, we look forward to seeing you soon!

**Christmas gifts for Nursing Home Residents-**Each year the local churches collect gifts for the local nursing home residents. Your unwrapped gifts may be placed in the boxes marked NURSING HOME GIFTS in our lobby from Nov. 24th through Dec. 17th at 10am. The residents love small fleece blankets, small stuffed animals, adult coloring books with markers, chocolate candy, sugar free candy, metal tins of cookies, and slipper socks with grips. Please feel free to take a list of gift ideas from the front of the tote. Your help is also appreciated for sorting and packing the gifts on Tuesday, **December 17th at 10am** in the church lobby.

**Community Thanksgiving Service-**Sunday, Nov. 24th at St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Aledo at 6pm. Everyone is invited to attend.

**Thanksgiving Meal-**First Baptist Church Aledo is once again sponsoring free Thanksgiving meals on Thursday, Nov. 28th to our community. We will offer meal pick up at FBC from 11:00-11:30am, delivery to those who are homebound starting at 11:00am, and dine-in at the Senior Center (137 W Main St, Aledo) with doors opening at 11:00am. Please RSVP early to get your meal reservations. RSVP by calling the Church office at (309)582-7812 or by going to [Firstbaptistaledo.com](http://Firstbaptistaledo.com) and clicking on Signups.

**Thanksgiving Community Meal Volunteers-**We are looking for volunteers to serve as Set Up Crew, Food Servers, Food Delivery, and Clean Up Crew for our free community Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, November 28th. Please sign up on our website or in the Church App before Mon., Nov. 25th.

**Communion/Food Pantry Sunday-**Dec. 1st is Communion Sunday and this is also the Sunday Boomsisters, Bushels of Love will be on mission collecting items for the Mercer County Food Pantry. Items needed include canned corn, green beans, tomatoes, potatoes, carrots, chili beans, peas, pork-n-beans, peaches, fruit cocktail, tuna, soups, as well as spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, mac & cheese, cake mix, brownie mix. Bath soap, toilet paper, shampoo, & toothpaste.

**J.O.Y. Circle Christmas Party-**Ladies please join us at FBC on Tuesday, Dec. 3rd at 6pm for our Christmas Party. Please bring a \$5 - \$10 grab bag gift.

**Baby Dedication-**Sunday, Dec. 8th is Baby Dedication Sunday. If you are interested in dedicating your baby to the Lord, please fill out today's Connect Card.

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service-**Celebrate Christmas at FBC on Tuesday, Dec. 24th at 7pm for our special Christmas Eve Candlelight service. This is always a beautiful and moving service and a great time of year to invite a friend, neighbor or family member to join you at church.

## Connect Card - Sign Up & Tear Off!

**We would love to connect with you!**

**Please complete and tear off this Connect Card and leave it 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: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Baby Dedication.** Yes, we would like to dedicate our baby to the Lord.