



## Mark Your Calendar

- 3:9  
Prayer Meeting 5pm
- 3.10  
God's Gals 6pm
- 2.5.25-4.9.25  
Wednesday Night Live Classes 6:30pm
- 3.15  
River Bend Food Pantry at FBC 9:15am
- 3.20  
Refuge Students Winter Jam
- 3.22  
High School Bible Study 6pm
- 3.30  
Testimony & Donuts/No Sunday School 9am
- Baby Dedication Sunday  
Praise & Worship Night 6pm
- 4.4-4.6  
Men's Momentum Life Action Camp
- 4.12  
Women's Iron Sharpens Iron 8:30am

### Church Office Hours

New church office hours now in effect:  
Tuesdays through Fridays 9am-4:30pm.

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

Worship Song

Prayer & Announcements

Worship Set

Message

Invitation



March 9th, 2025  
10:15am Service

Today's Message

"Walking With Christ"

John

John 15:12-17

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 Winter/Spring '25**-All kids age 3 years old through the 5th grade are invited to join us on Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm from Feb. 5th-April 9th. Kids will have lots of fun with special theme nights & parties, yummy snacks, Bible stories, Bible memory challenges, & games. Registration can be found at [www.firstbaptistaledo.com](http://www.firstbaptistaledo.com) or contact Mollie at 309-371-6962. \*If your child attended in the fall, no need to register again.

**\*Kid's Church Camp Info Packets**-Packets are now available in the lobby under the TV. Please contact Mollie with questions.

## Refuge Ministry News

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

**God's Gals: Girls** in 6th- 12th grades are invited to join us on Mondays from 6-7 pm in the Enon Room. The current study is "The Gospel on the Ground Study Grit & Glory of the Early Church in Acts." Sign up at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com).

**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 Thursday at 7:15 am in room 210, Jr. High will meet every Friday at 7:30 am in room 23. All students are free to join; breakfast will be provided! We still need breakfast provided, and the meal train is still active. questions, see Andrew Hofer of Austin.

**Boomsisters**- Attention all girls 6th-12th grade Saturday, April 5th from 9 am to 2 pm we will be on mission to Faith Lutheran Church in Moline helping create fabric kits, hygiene kits, and tying quilts just like last fall. All the items created will be distributed throughout the United States and worldwide as needs arise. We will leave First Baptist at 8:15 am and return by 3 pm. Lunch will be provided. Sign up online today!

**High School Bible Study**- Attention high schoolers, join us on March 22nd at 6 pm as we study 1st Peter. 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.

**Winter Jam 2025** - All 9th- 12th-grade students are invited to join us Thursday, March 20th in Peoria for Winter Jam concert! Skillet, KB, Anne Wilson, New Song, and more will be performing live! The cost is \$15 and registration closes on March 15th. Students should bring extra money for food at the civic center. Sign up online today!

## Adult Ministry News

**Sunday Prayer Meeting**-Everyone is invited to join us tonight for prayer at 5pm. We gather in the Enon Room.

**Wednesday Night Live Winter/Spring '25**- WNL continues through April 9th each Wednesday from 6:30-8pm. There are 5 **classes for adults** to pick from and **Kids Club**: For kids ages 3 years thru 5th grade. **Nursery** for babies ages 0-2. **Refuge Student Ministry**-For Students grades 6th-12th grade at the YMCA. Jump in anytime.

**Volunteers Needed for River Bend Mobile Food Pantry**-FBC is hosting the River Bend Mobile Food Pantry on Saturday, March 15th. If you can volunteer, just show up at FBC around 8:30am. Registration begins at 9:15am and Food Distribution begins at 10am and typically runs for an hour to an hour and a half. The mobile food pantry will take place outside so please dress accordingly.

**Food Pantry Birthday Bags**-Boomsisters have learned that the MC Food Pantry supplies pantry families with birthday bags for their children. During the month of March, we are asking for donations of the following to restock these birthday blessings for children: Birthday bags large enough to hold a cake pan, foil cake pans, cake mix, Canned frosting, birthday candles, small paper plates, napkins & Forks. Please place donations in the Bushels of Love baskets located under the coat rack in the lobby.

**Testimony & Donut Sunday!**-We invite you to join us during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, March 30th, from 9-9:45am in the sanctuary. We'll hear from Joy Carter & Jill Holler about how the Lord has been working in their lives. We'll be serving Mercer Market donuts & coffee. All ages are invited. No Sunday School classes this Sunday. Nursery will be offered for kiddos age 3 & younger.

**Baby Dedication Sunday**-Sunday, March 30th is Baby Dedication Sunday. If you would like to dedicate your child to the Lord, please call the church office at 309-582-7812 or stop by the Welcome Desk and let Pam know.

**Praise & Worship Night** - Everyone is welcome to join us Sunday, March 30th at 6pm at First Baptist as we lift up our voices in song and prayer at our Night of Praise and Worship. No need to sign up, just show up.

**Men's Momentum Retreat-April 4th-6th in Buchanan, MI at Life Action Camp**-What is Momentum? Food, fellowship, and spiritual recharging mark these men's times together. Be challenged in your Christian walk and encouraged to lead your family with deliberate action. This retreat is for men ages 16 and older. The cost is \$225 per person which includes the conference, accommodations, and meals at the retreat. We are asking each participant to pay \$150 with the FBC Men's Ministry paying the balance. When you register online at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com) there will be two payment options \$150 and \$225, choose the best option for you.

**Women's Iron Sharpens Iron Conference**-All ladies 13 years old and up are invited to attend the Iron Sharpens Iron Conference held at Calvary Church in Moline Saturday, April 12th from 8:30am-4pm. First Baptist Women's ministry is covering the cost of this one-day event, which includes a boxed lunch. Join us for a great time of Biblical teaching, encouragement and fellowship with one another! Please register online at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com) by March 23rd.

**Buy Your Ticket & Reserve Your Room for True Woman TODAY**-The True Woman Conference is Oct. 2nd-4th, 2025 in Indianapolis, IN. If interested in attending, please purchase the ticket yourself at <http://www.reviveourhearts.com>. Tickets are currently \$209. After you purchase your ticket, sign up at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com) for lodging so we know to hold a shared hotel room for you. You will be responsible for your meals and transportation costs.

**The Life Action Team is coming to First Baptist May 18th-25th!**-Designed for the entire church family, the Life Action Summit provides a one-of-a-kind experience of reconnecting with God and transforming relationships. We need "host families" to house the young people on the LA Summit Team as well as needing other volunteers and resources such as vehicles for the team to drive. For more details about being a host home (May 16th-26th) call or text Laurie Louck at 309-236-9751. If you can spare a vehicle for the Life Action Team to drive while they are here during the Summit, call or text Austin Shields at 817-630-5522.

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_