



Mark Your Calendar

4.13

Palm Sunday Kids Special Music 10:15am
Prayer Meeting 5pm

4.14

God's Gals 6pm

4.15

Tuesdays with Jesus 2pm

4.18

Annual Family Easter Event 10am
Good Friday Service 6pm

4.20

Happy Easter! Celebrate at 6:30am|8am|10:15am
No Prayer Meeting

4.22

Joy Circle 7pm
Church Council Meeting 7pm

4.26

Helping Hands Ministry 7:30am

4.27

Quarterly Business Meeting 11:40am

4.29

New Tuesdays With Jesus Study on Heaven 2pm

5.4

Trivia Night @ FBC 6pm

5.11

Great Goodbye Reception For the Dunn Family 9am
Graduation Recognition 10:15am

Order of Worship

Happy Palm Sunday!
Kids Sing!

Prayer & Announcements

Worship Set

Message

Invitation



April 13th, 2025
10:15am Service

Today's Message

“Walking with Christ”

Thomas

John 20:19-31

Pastor Luke Dunn

Church Office Hours

Church office hours are: 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

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.

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
- **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 6th 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 with a parent. Three-year-olds through 1st 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.

Family Easter Event (April 18th)-Our Annual Family Easter Event will be at FBC on Good Friday, April 18th at 10am. Families will enjoy an interactive story time, prize drawings, donuts, and an epic egg hunt. A big thank you for all the candy donations!

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 on Wednesdays from 6:00 pm (check-in) to 8:00 pm (pick-up). No Refuge May 21st, Life Action will be at our church so please join us that evening!

God's Gals-Girls in 6th- 12th grades are invited to join us on Mondays from 6-7 pm in the Enon Room. The new study is "Graffiti: Learning to See the Art in Ourselves" by Erin Davis and will begin May 5th. Sign up at firstbaptistaledo.com.

FCA—We are challenging all students to join us for Fellowship of Christian Athletes huddles at Mercer County High School and Jr. High. The high school will meet every Thursday at 7am in room 21 and the Jr. High will meet every Friday at 7am in room 23. All students are free to join; breakfast will be provided!

High School Bible Study- Attention high schoolers, join us on April 19th 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 12th St. Aledo.

High school Mission Trip—Current 9th-12th grade students are invited to join us this summer for our Week of Hope mission trip June 13th-20th in Cincinnati, Ohio. Cost is \$300 per student. We will first be visiting the Ark on June 14th, and then June 15th-20th, we are working with Group Mission Trips to serve the communities in Cincinnati. Please sign up online and fill out all forms by June 1st. Eight student spots are available; a deposit is required to reserve your spot. There will be a mandatory fundraiser on May 15th, and 30th. And a meeting on June 3rd that each student is required to attend.

Jr.High Camp-At Spring Valley Camp in Muscatine for students going into 6th-8th grade! 6th grade will be July 6th-11th and 7th-8th grade is July 13th-18th. Pastor Austin will be joining the 7th-8th graders at camp! Spring Valley Camp is a smaller, local, traditional camp. *Parents are responsible for getting their camper to and from camp. To register, visit their website at www.springvalleycamp.org, pick a camp week, and register online. *Please indicate that FBC will pay 50% of your child's camp fee. This discount can only be used for FBC families and regular FBC program attendees of Refuge. You're not finished! Make sure to register on the church's website underneath "FBC Camper Sign-up for Hidden Acres Camp & Spring Valley Camp Summer 2025" so your child is signed up with us and so we know to pay half of your camper's fee.

Adult Ministry News

Good Friday Service- Please join us on Good Friday, April 18th at 6pm in the sanctuary for a special service featuring the Refuge Student Ministry Worship Band.

Celebrate Easter on April 20th-Easter is a great time to invite your friends and family who do not have a church to join you. In addition, to our 8am & 10:15am services we will be having an Easter Sunrise Service at 6:30am. You will find Easter invite postcards at the Welcome Desk in the Lobby.

Helping Hands Volunteers Needed-We are excited to lend a helping hand to members of our church family and community on Sat., Apr. 26th from 7:30am-12pm. We need adult and youth volunteers to do various tasks from raking leaves to changing light bulbs. Sign up on our website or in the Church App before Tue., Apr. 22nd.

Quarterly Business Meeting-The FBC Church Council will meet Tuesday, April 22nd at 7pm. The FBC Quarterly Business Meeting is Sunday, April 27th at 11:40am.

PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE FBC Constitution to be voted on April 27th at FBC Quarterly Business Meeting-Change is in RED-"Section VI.1.1 Calling a Pastor: When it is necessary to call a Pastor, the Church Council shall select a representative Search Committee of a **minimum of five (5) members**. It shall be the duty of this committee to take necessary steps to secure a pastor. When a suitable person is found, the committee's recommendation to the Church shall be considered as a nomination."

Joy Circle-All ladies are invited to the J.O.Y. Circle Gathering on Tuesday, April 22nd at 7pm in the Enon Room. Come join us for fun, fellowship and a devotion.

New Tuesdays with Jesus Women's Study Begins April 29th at 2pm-Faith Becomes Sight Bible Study on Heaven by Jennifer Rothschild-In this video study, Rothschild explores the subject of Heaven from a biblical perspective. Study lead by Rhonda McKinley. If you are new to this study, please sign up online at firstbaptistaledo.com.

Do you have a 2025 Graduate?-If someone from your family is graduating from 8th Grade, High School or College, please complete today's Connect Card by Sunday, April 27th and leave it at the Welcome Desk so we can add them to the Grad Recognition list. Graduation Recognition at FBC is May 11th during the 10:15am service.

The FBC Men's Ministry Sponsors Trivia Night-Sunday, May 4th from 6-8 p.m. in the sanctuary. Form a team or join a team for trivia night. This is a free event for ages 13 and up. There will be ten rounds of ten questions with categories such as: The Bible (of course), Star Wars, Sports, Music, Literature, 80's, and more. We are looking for a maximum of 12 tables of 8. Bring your own snacks and have a blast with a team you form (no more than 8), or sign up and we will find a team for you. Registration is open now through April 28th.

Saying Goodbye to the Dunn Family-We are celebrating the Dunn family during the "Great Goodbye" Reception **Sunday, May 11th** at 9am in the FBC Sanctuary. We will serve coffee and donuts and gather to fondly remember the Dunns, thank them for their ministry and wish them well on their way to their new town & church family in Pennsylvania. In preparation for this day, we ask that you consider sharing a card of prayer and encouragement, a note sharing a story of how they have impacted your faith walk, or a memorable moment from their time at FBC. If you would prefer to leave a video message for the Dunns, please e-mail the church office at fbcaledo2@frontiernet.net and we will send you a link to share your video. Finally, if the Lord is placing it on your heart, we will be collecting a Love Offering for the Dunns. You may give your Love Offering via cash or a check made out directly to Luke or Mollie. All the cards, notes, letters and Love Offerings can be left in the card box located at the Welcome Desk in the church lobby. There will be no Sunday School this day. Questions, see Pam Ricke. Thanks for helping us celebrate the Dunn family!

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.

Life Action Ladies Luncheon-Ladies, mark your calendar for Thursday, May 22nd from 11:30am-1:00pm in FBC's Fellowship Hall. FREE to attend. Watch for a sign up.

Life Action Home Life Café Saturday, May 24th from 9am-1pm-Set in a relaxed atmosphere and designed for all adults—singles, newlyweds, parents, grandparents, single parents—the discussion will provide you with practical tools for experiencing God in every relationship in your home. We will also present content for teens and children 3 years and older. Nursery will be provided for kids 0-2 years old. Sign up coming soon!

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: _____

Easter Lily - If you would like to honor the memory of a loved one with an Easter Lily, please complete the info below. Cost is \$10.

From _____ In Memory of _____

Graduates – 8th Grade/High School & College

We have a graduate- Name _____

School graduating from _____