

# NEXT GENERATION

## Mark Your Calendar

5.4

Prayer Meeting 5pm  
Trivia Night @ FBC 6pm

5.5

\*New Study Begins-God's Gals-Graffiti 6pm

5.6

Tuesdays With Jesus-Study on Heaven 2pm

5.7

Refuge @ YMCA 6pm

5.10

Boomsisters 10am

5.11

Happy Mother's Day  
Great Goodbye Reception For the Dunn Family 9am  
Graduation Recognition 10:15am

5.14

24 Hour Prayer Vigil Kicks Off 6:30pm

5.18-5.25

Life Action Summit – 6:30pm weeknights/6pm Sundays

5.18-2 Worship Services at 8am & 10:15am

5.25-1 Combined Worship Service at 10:15am, NO 8am

5.22-Ladies Lunch 11:30am|5.24-Home Life Café 9am

5.25-Men's Breakfast 7am

5.30-5.31

Church Basement Sale/Mission Trip Fund Raiser

## 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](http://firstbaptistaledo.com)

## Order of Worship

Worship Song

Prayer & Announcements

Worship Set

Message

Invitation



May 4th, 2025  
10:15am Service

**Today's Message**

**"The Next Generation"**

Timothy

Acts 16:1-5

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 3 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)
- **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 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Kids check-in downstairs with a parent. Three-year-olds through 1<sup>st</sup> grade go straight to Kids Worship while 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Boys Winner's Party**- Kids Club & Sunday Kids Worship boys & friends are invited to a fun party on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> from 3-5pm at the Y. Visit [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com) for sign up!

**Last Day of School Fun**-The FBC bus will be out in the community on the last days of school for the Mercer County Early Learning Center and New Boston & Apollo Elementary Schools. Come pick up a popsicle, summer fun bag, and enjoy some time with friends! We'll be at Joy Park on May 20<sup>th</sup> from 11am-12pm and 3pm-4pm. We'll be at New Boston Ball Diamond on May 27<sup>th</sup> from 10am-11am and Northside Park in Aledo on May 27<sup>th</sup> from 2pm-3pm. Homeschool and private school kiddos are invited to join us.

**Promotion Sunday**-Pre-K - 5<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School classes will have their promotion party in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. The following kiddos will be promoting to the next class: those going in to K, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> grades. Students going in to 6<sup>th</sup> grade can stay with us for the party and then Mrs. Denise will take them into the Jr. High Sunday School Class with Pastor Austin. Kids Worship kiddos going into 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will promote into the 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom with Mrs. Nancy, so on June 1<sup>st</sup> they will worship upstairs with parents and then come downstairs when dismissed during the worship set. Our 5<sup>th</sup> grade graduates may continue to attend Kids Worship through Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Vacation Bible School**- VBS is June 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> from 9am-11:30am. Kids ages 3 years old through those going into 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us on the ultimate Alaskan adventure where kids will learn how to trust Jesus in a wild world. Jesus is our True North!! Please sign-up at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com).

## Refuge Ministry News

**Refuge at the Y!**-All 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup>, Life Action will be at our church, so please join us that evening!

**God's Gals**-Girls in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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" and it begins May 5<sup>th</sup>.

**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!

**Boomsisters**-Girls in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us here at the church on Sat., May 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-11:30am for Boomsisters. We will be making gifts for the Life Action Crew.

**High School Bible Study**-Join us on May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm as we study 1<sup>st</sup> Peter at the Abbadosky's-408 NE 12th St. Aledo. Please be sure to bring your Bible. Dinner is provided and free to attend.

**High School Mission Trip**-Students who have completed 9<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us this summer for our Week of Hope mission trip, June 13<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> in Cincinnati, Ohio. Cost is \$300 per student. We will be visiting the Ark on June 14<sup>th</sup>, and then June 15<sup>th</sup>- 20<sup>th</sup>, we are working with Group Mission Trips to serve the communities in Cincinnati. Sign up online and fill out all forms by June 1<sup>st</sup>. 8 student spots are available; a deposit is required to reserve your spot. There will be a mandatory fundraiser on May 30<sup>th</sup> & a meeting on June 3<sup>rd</sup> that each student is required to attend.

**Jr. High Camp**-At Spring Valley Camp in Muscatine for students going into 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade! 6<sup>th</sup> grade will be July 6<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade is July 13<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Austin will be joining the 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders at camp! This is a smaller, local, traditional camp. \*Parents are responsible for getting their camper to and from camp. Register at [www.springvalleycamp.org](http://www.springvalleycamp.org), pick a camp week. \*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! Next 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 so we know to pay half of your camper's fee.

**Mission Trip Fundraiser** - On May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>, Kady Hofer and the Refuge Mission Trip Team will be hosting a church basement sale. As you spring clean your closets, cupboards, basement, attic, or garage, please consider donating your unwanted items to the sale. We will be sharing drop-off dates in upcoming announcements. Questions: contact Kady Hofer or Rhonda McKinley.

**Promotion Sunday**-Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, students in 5<sup>th</sup> grade can be promoted to Jr. High Sunday school with pastor Austin in the back Refuge room, they will start out that day in the fellowship hall with Mrs. Denise. 8<sup>th</sup> graders may be promoted to Mrs. Kim's high school class and will start in the Berean room that day. These students are also invited to join us on Wednesday nights, starting June 4<sup>th</sup>, for Refuge. Seniors can stay in Refuge until August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## Adult Ministry News

**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 Duns, 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 for the Duns also, if the Lord is placing it on your heart, we are collecting a Love Offering for them. You may give your Love Offering via cash or a check made out to Luke or Mollie and leave it in the card box at the Welcome Desk. No Sunday school this day.

**Graduation Recognition Sunday**-We are honoring 2025 FBC Graduates during the 10:15am service on May 11<sup>th</sup>. Call the church office at 309-582-7812 so we can add your grad!

**Volunteers for the Last Day of School Fun Days**-We're looking for volunteers to help with the Last Day of School Fun Days. We need volunteers to help fill the Summer Fun Bags on Tue., May 13<sup>th</sup> from 4-5pm (sit down job) & help hand out popsicles & fun bags during one of the four events (stand up job). Sign up at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com) if you can help.

**24 Hour Prayer Vigil May 14th-15th**-The Life Action team visit is quickly approaching. One of the best ways we can prepare our hearts and minds is to spend time in prayer. FBC will host a prayer night on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Plan to join us as we seek the Lord for Revival and ask Him to move in mighty ways during our time with Life Action. Nursery will be provided. In addition, a 24-hour prayer vigil will kick off at the close of the prayer night. Please plan to sign up at the Welcome desk for a 15 minute (or longer) time slot to pause and pray wherever you are for God's will to be done during this crucial week in the life of our church.

**Grad Party for Lucy Dunn**-The church family is invited to Lucy's High School Graduation Party Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 1-3pm at the Aledo YMCA.

**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. Please clear your calendars as we will have worship events for the whole family on the weeknights at 6:30pm and Sundays at 6pm. If you can spare a vehicle for the Life Action Team to drive while they are here during the Summit, call Austin Shields at 817-630-5522.

**Life Action Ladies Luncheon**-Join us Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11:30am-1pm in FBC's Fellowship Hall. We will have lunch and a special message from the Life Action women's ministry. Free to attend. A nursery available for children 4 years old and younger. For those with home-schooled children, you may bring them and a Life Action Team Member will monitor them in a room designated as a Study Hall. A sack lunch needs to be brought for the home-schooled and nursery age children. During registration, please include all children that will be coming with you and make sure your medical notes are updated to include any food allergies. Sign up at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com).

**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. You will register for this event with the Life Action Team.

**Life Action Adult Sunday School**- During the Life Action Summit, there will be 1 combined group adult Sunday School class in the sanctuary at 9am on May 18<sup>th</sup> and May 25<sup>th</sup>. All adults are encouraged to attend this group Sunday School Class.

**Sunday Worship at Life Action Summit**-On May 18<sup>th</sup> there will be 2 regular church services at 8am & 10:15am but on May 25<sup>th</sup> we will have just 1 combined service at 10:15am.

**Life Action Men's Breakfast**-All Men are invited to Men's Breakfast on Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7am. The menu will be bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs, hash browns, Danish, milk, juice, and coffee. Please sign up by May 21<sup>st</sup> at [firstbaptistaledo.com](http://firstbaptistaledo.com).

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

## Next Sunday is Graduation Recognition Sunday - Graduates – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade/High School & College

We have a graduate- Name \_\_\_\_\_

School graduating from \_\_\_\_\_