

WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE



**OUR FOCUS IS TO INCREASE OUR
COMMITMENT TO JESUS CHRIST AND
INTRODUCE HIM TO OTHERS.**

MAY 3, 2026

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026**

***GATHERING SONG**

A PRAISE SONG

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

DON ALSEPT

OPENING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

***GREETING TIME**

***PRAISE SONGS**

**I SING PRAISES
JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE**

CHILDREN'S PARABLE

**JACKEE NEAL
JESUS IS THE WAY TO FATHER
JOHN 14:6 (SM. 896; LG. 1661)**

MORNING OFFERING

PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES

MORNING PRAYER

THE MESSAGE

**PASTOR ANDREW SHIELDS
FOLLOWING JESUS' EXAMPLE
JOHN 13:12-17 (SM. 895; LG. 1660)**

INVITATION AND PRAYER

COMMUNION SONG

COME SHARE THE LORD

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

***SENDING SONG
ARMS**

LEANING ON THE EVERLASTING

***BLESSING**

****PLEASE STAND IF ABLE***

P Our Church
Chair of the Official Board
R Our Daycare and Preschool
Miss Katrina
A Our World
Y Brothers and sisters in Christ affected by
war and conflict
Our Mission Outreach
F Our Fellowship Fund
Our Shut-in of the Week
O Betty Hook
The Blake
R 2498 Three Lakes Pkwy, Apt #247
Tyler, Texas 75703

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MAY 5TH: Primary Election Day
5:00pm Diaconate Board

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH
6:15pm Adult Bible Study
6:15pm EPIC Youth and Kids

THURSDAY, MAY 7TH: NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
1:00pm Primetimers

FRIDAY, MAY 8TH
10:00am Ruth Whitney Ministry

SUNDAY, MAY 10TH: MOTHER'S DAY
Graduate Recognition Sunday

Our Prayer Requests & Praises

Susan Pirtle - Pray for Susan and her family, especially her sister-in-law, Bonnie. Her brother Thomas Snyder passed away 4/25.

Pastor Andrew Shields - Pray for Stephanie, who is home from the hospital, but still needs prayers for pain relief and healing.

Bridget Kennedy - Praise for a good week. Pray for her sister Shirley and niece Heather. Pray her move goes well.

Don Alsept - Praise the Gideons were able to pass out Bibles in Delphos Jefferson high school.

Mindy Alsept - Pray for Kathy, Josh Hittle's mom's recovery from surgery. Pray for Bella and Adam's dad's dad who had open heart surgery.

Keith Bledsoe - His nephew Joe and ex-wife Linda both passed away. Pray for Keith and his family, especially his daughter, Rita Taylor, and her family.

Robert Hutchinson - Pray for his brother Harold who is having trouble with his breathing and for Harold's wife Tammy whose parents are having medical issues.

Dianne Sneary - Pray for her daughter and her grandson to find good housing solutions for their families.

Chuck Murray - Pray for his sister Jodi and her family. Pray for guidance and understanding. Pray for his brother's wife Laurel who needs surgery.

Ann Schroeder - Pray that the side effects from medication related to Mike D.'s liver transplant will minimize. Pray for Deb Pitson who is starting treatment for pancreatic cancer. Pray for Heather Stelzer, a teacher at Perry, who is undergoing tests to find out why she is jaundice.

Our Prayer Requests & Praises

Pray for Sally Goodwin who is in rehab to regain strength.

Bill and Laurel - Pray for healing after a fall.

Pray for Audrey Violet who has a broken ankle.

Kay Moeller - Pray for her recovery from a Watchman insertion.

Olivia Shields - Pray for strength for her mom, Stephanie. Pray for her friends Delaney and Addie. Pray for her.

Jim Hefner - Pray for his daughter Amy's recovery after knee replacement surgery. Please continue to pray for his brother's wife, Laurel, who is recovering from a nasty fall.

Rick Gleason - Praise that Jean was able to get a skin graft for her foot. Continue to pray for her continued recovery.

Chuck Murray - Pray for Renay Andrews and her family after the passing of her uncle, Mark Meadows.

Jackee Neal - Pray for her son Matt, whose dog passed away

John Music - Pray for his family following the death of his father.

Addie Gbadegeshin - Praise and thanks for their church family that prayed for them in the recent loss of their niece.

Olivia Shields - Pray for her teacher's nephew to recover fully from a bad motorcycle accident.

Ed Elchert - Pray for his sister, Nancy VonAlmen, and her health.

Rob (Online) - Many prayer requests. God knows the details.

Marlene Hefner - Her brother-in-law Don Lohr has gone to be with the Lord. Pray for peace and comfort for his family. Pray for her son-in-law Don Smiley who had back surgery.

Anonymous (Online) - Pray for God to restore their eye health and strengthen their vision which is affected by glaucoma.

Please continue to pray for those on our prayer list with cancer or other ongoing concerns:

- Karol L., cancer
- Josh Vasquez, leukemia (Garcia)
- Stanley Sanders (Bridget)
- Kris and Lizzy Downey (Warden)
- Lynda Rice (Nancy Davenport)
- Mary in Phila (C&J Gummel)
- David Elwood (L. Hawkins)
- Sheila and Ron Schindler, cancer (Honegger)
- Dick Kuzemchak (J. Hefner)
- Sean Sanderfer (Norma Benanzer)
- Marjorie Shaw
- Jim Miller (J. Hefner)
- Emily Hall (Tobi and Dara's teacher)
- Tom and Beck Dickinson
- Cathy (Bridget's niece)
- Sarah Fish (Tim Willoughby)
- Pat Wilson (Tim Willoughby)
- Teresa, cancer (L Hawkins)
- Angel Music
- Nancy Von Almen
- David Trost, cancer (Shields)
- Carolyn Willoughby, leukemia

If you have any updates about anyone listed above, please write them on your Get Connected slip, contact Pastor Andrew, or contact the office.

PRAY

WITHOUT CEASING

1 Thessalonians 5:17

FBC Spotlight: Olivia Shields



Starting this week, we are shining the spotlight on our Youth, beginning with our graduating seniors. Olivia Shields will graduate from Lima Senior on May 23rd. She is planning to stay in Lima, at least for the short term, as she learns what options are available and what great adventures can be found. She has a growing bucket list of fun places to visit in the future.

Olivia loves media, movies, productions, and all things Hollywood and Disney. She enjoys concerts and meeting stars of her favorite videos. Be sure to say hello to Olivia today!

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: Each Sunday at 9:30, the Adult Bible Review meets :
: in the Parlor to discuss the previous week's :
: sermon and scripture. It is another chance to :
: reflect on the Word of God and apply it to our lives. :
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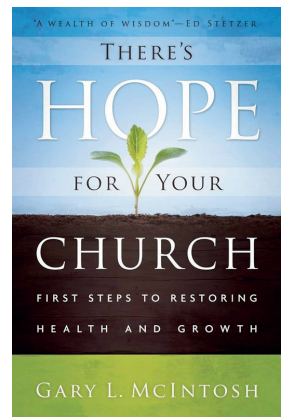
On the first Sunday of each month, we emphasize the Fellowship Fund. This offering is for the needs of church and community member as they arise. To contribute to this offering, designate an amount for the Fellowship Fund on your envelope or put cash in the offering plate on the first Sunday of each month.

Let's join together to Read, Reflect, Respond, and Revitalize God's direction for FBC!

On Monday, May 11th from 7 to 8:15pm, Diaconate will kick off a three session book study on “There’s Hope for Your Church” by Gary McIntosh. Recommended for us by Regional Minister Mark Eaton at our church retreat, this book can begin to spark the excitement of identifying a vision for our church’s future.

Please plan to participate by ordering a copy of the book or contacting the church office for availability. Skim or read chapters 1-5. Sue Siesel will facilitate the book study on the 11th. If you have any questions, call the church office.

“Hope begins in our hearts and minds, affects our attitudes and actions... it can make our enthusiasm contagious for Christ and our church!”



**The Churches United Pantry (CUP)
focus for May is lotion.**



>May 10th: Mother's Day and Graduate Recognition Sunday

>May 11th @7pm: Sue Siesel will host a book study of the first five chapters from "There's Hope for Your Church" by Gary McIntosh. The book is available to order online or you can contact the church office. Please plan to participate!

>May 21st at 6:30pm: Daycare PreK Graduation

>May 23rd from 9am - noon: Everyone is invited to the Church Spring Workday. We'll be sprucing up the church by planting, cleaning, mulching, painting, and more. Pray for good weather and plan to be there! Come at 8:30 for coffee and donuts!

>May 24th: The Shields family invites you to stay after church and help celebrate Olivia who graduates from Lima Senior on May 23rd.

>May 26th: Summer Office Hours begin! Tuesday - Thursday, 10a - 2p

>May 30th: Dan and Jeanice Whitaker are celebrating their 50th anniversary with a vow renewal at 1:30pm and with food and fellowship to follow in the Fellowship Hall. Kindly contact Jeanice to RSVP. They request no gifts, please.

>June 24th - 26th: Vacation Bible School! Come have fun and learn about David and Goliath!

WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST - If you are a first-time visitor, we especially welcome you: we've been expecting you! When you see the offering plate in the middle of the service, we do not expect you to contribute; the financial support of the church is a responsibility we've taken on as a congregation. However, we do expect everyone (members, friends, and visitors) to place a Get Connected slip in the offering plate. Thanks for doing so!

CHILDREN AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Children are important to us. They are welcome to stay with their parents. The Cuddle Cove is available to infants and toddlers. **B.L.A.S.T.:** Ages 2-4 are in **The Big Room**. Ages 5-10 are in **Class Room #12**. Ages 11-14 are in the **Youth Room**. (They are taken to those locations after the Children's Parable). Not every BLAST class is available every week. See an usher if you have questions.

AN INVITATION TO PRAYER AND COMMITMENT - When the Holy Spirit stirs within you, we encourage you to listen and respond! If you have been moved spiritually and want to talk to the pastor or deacons, please let us know and we would be delighted to talk with you after the service.

DISCLAIMER - Services at First Baptist Church may be recorded or live streamed online. By entering these services or events you consent to the possibility of being recorded or live streamed.

MISSIONS OFFERING - If you would like to give to missions, please designate it on your envelope. This is the only way we receive funds for our missions budget.

THE FLOWERS ADORNING THE SANCTUARY TODAY ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY JIM & MARLENE HEFNER, IN LOVING MEMORY OF JIM JR. (JIM'S SON), CAROL (JIM JR'S MOTHER) AND IN HONOR OF DAUGHTER IN LAW, LARA.

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WEEKLY OFFERING

Total Expense Budget for 2026 is \$246,181

Weekly General Fund Offering Needed* is \$2,608

***adjusted for advanced giving and Daycare**

Last week's offering received:

General Fund \$1,272

Missions \$100

Last week's attendance: 75

Our Website QR Code:

