

Welcome to worship this morning!
Thanks for turning off, or silencing, your cell phones.
Please, no food or beverages in the sanctuary during the service –
and it is a gift to others if you wait until later to enjoy them.

You may use a Connections Card to communicate something to Pastor Cory or for office attention; look for a card in the pocket on the back of a chair in front of you. You may put your card in an offering box or leave it on the desk in the church office.

TODAY

10:10 am **Coffee Time** in the fellowship hall
10:30 am **Santisuk in Thailand** with **Steve & Nopaluck Cable**
6:00 pm Remnants of Grace in concert

Offerings for September 7 include

- ~ **General Fund** (our “core ministries”) – \$3,740
- ~ **Operation Christmas Child** – \$500
- ~ **Helping Hand Fund** – \$433
- ~ **Wish List** – \$10

September’s newsletter is available in the lobby.

If you would like to be added to the e-newsletter list, please let us know.
(The best way is to send us an e-mail with that request.)

THE BIBLE. SERIOUSLY.

In order to become the people of Christ our Lord intends
and to meet the challenges of future ministry,
we covenant together
to pray,
to teach and preach the Word,
and to trust in the sovereignty of God.

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CORY DAHL, PASTOR

WE HELP EACH OTHER WORSHIP, KNOW, AND PROCLAIM GOD



Worship Service
September 14, 2025

Preparation for Worship

Ellen Muench, piano

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Cory Dahl

Scripture

from Ephesians 1

Song

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; open the eyes of my heart!
I want to see you – I want to see you!

To see you high and lifted up – shining in the light of your glory!
Pour out your power and love as we sing, “Holy, holy, holy!”

Holy, holy, holy! Holy, holy, holy!
Holy, holy, holy – I want to see you!

Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

hymnbook, #382

Hymn

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

hymnbook, #2

Scripture

Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
“For who has known the mind of the Lord,
or who has been his counselor?”
“Or who has given a gift to him
that he might be repaid?”

For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.

Song

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow: Blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness: Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord -- Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord -- Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me
 When the world's all as it should be: Blessed be Your name
 Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering
 Though there's pain in the offering: Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
 And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say
 Blessed be the name of the Lord -- Blessed be Your name
 Blessed be the name of the Lord -- Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away; You give and take away
 My heart will choose to say: Lord blessed be Your name
 You give and take away; You give and take away
 My heart will choose to say: Lord blessed be Your name

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 And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say
 Blessed be the name of the Lord -- Blessed be Your name
 Blessed be the name of the Lord -- Blessed be Your glorious name

Hymn **Softly and Tenderly** hymnbook, #326

Moment for Prayer and Reflection

(Children age 3 through Grade 1 will be dismissed for Children's Church)

Sermon **Stand in the Gap** Steve Cable
 Ezekiel 22:30

Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
 Praise him, all creatures here below!
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host!
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
 Amen!

Piano Praise

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Scripture is from **The Holy Bible, English Standard Version (or ESV)**

Fighter Verse for September 15-21

Jeremiah 32:40 (English Standard Version)

I will make with them an everlasting covenant, that I will not
 turn away from doing good to them. And I will put the fear of me in
 their hearts, that they may not turn from me.



We don't "pass the plate" during the service.
There are lots of ways to give...

You may put your **offering in a box** anytime,
 give **online through CCB** or **PushPay**,
 send a check, drop off your offering for the safe,
 use the **First Baptist app!**
Many ways to "worship through giving"...

PRAYER REMINDERS

Church Family Gene Alberts
 Scott & Heidi Bader
 Jon & Nancy Bauman

Ministry Partners Santisuk English School (Bangkok)

Missionary Friends Please pray for Tom Steller (Training
 Leaders International) as he spends time this month in Cameroon
 teaching at the Bethlehem Seminary in Yaoundé. His pancreatic cancer
 has been cooperating enough to allow him to get back for the first time in
 almost two years. Thank God for his grace to Tom (and family, and
 Bethlehem, and his students) for the glory of Jesus' Name.

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	9/21	Gene Alberts, Sandra Greenfeldt
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Greeters		Sally Teich and Mary Wetak

“Wednesday Night @ FBC” is back!

So much excitement surrounding these opportunities for food, fun, fellowship, and faith-building. What is planned is for everyone – from the babies through those in their 90s – and older! (One of our “regulars”, Agnes Lemmens, turned 103 in August!)

The basics:

Simple supper is served at 5:50. RSVP by Monday noon each week for that week. No cost; donations accepted and appreciated, and you can give online, too. Sign up poster is at church, and you can sign up on the FBC website.

Following supper, there is time for “recreation” – it could be ping-pong / foosball / cornhole / basketball / air hockey or puzzles or coffee-and-conversation or “STEAM” activities; there will be variety, and always more than just one thing to choose from (and there’s always coffee and a place to sit and chat).

And time for building our faith in Jesus Christ. There is a study for middle school through adults. There are education opportunities for kids through Grade 5. Occasionally, we anticipate everyone of all ages will be all together.

A person can come for any or all of the three “sections”. In other words, you can come enjoy supper with others and then leave. You can arrive after supper and be part of the “activities” or just to hang out, and then stay for the “education” too. Or you can just get to church in time for the learning or prayer time. You pick and choose what works for you, even week by week. You can bring friends (of course). RSVPs for dinner are appreciated by Monday each week, but if you invite someone on Tuesday or Wednesday and you didn’t RSVP for them, they should come anyway. The food team always makes extra...

We thank God for this refreshing weekly evening intended to honor Jesus and encourage people.

An addition this year: Prayer Time at 5pm, led by Nancy Stults.

September 14, 2025

THIS WEEK

Tuesday	5:30 pm	PraiseMoves (see ann’t)
Wednesday	10 am	Women’s Bible Study (Café Lounge) (Coffee Time at 9:45)
	5:00 pm	Wednesday Prayer Time Wednesday Night @ FBC
	5:50 pm	Supper (<u>RSVP by Mon Noon</u> , please)
	6:15 pm – 7:20	Activities and “Recreation” / Education / Spiritual Formation
	7:20 pm	Evening concludes
Thursday	6:30 am	Men’s Prayer (‘til 7; Café Lounge)
Friday	6:00 pm	Women’s Grace Group (see ann’t)

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CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK –

9/15	Cathy Osborn
9/16	Ricky Hembel
9/17	Carol Hackett
9/19	Kurt Kluge

Have we missed you? Let us know, *please*.

And if you think we might not have your birthday info, please let us know.



Operation Christmas Child is here before we know it! Time to get ready...

Back to School shopping time is also a great time to pick up school supplies for Operation Christmas Child – and be on the lookout for clearance sales! Items such as erasers, pens, scissors, colored pencils, glue sticks, and notebooks are great donations. Please note: **NO** soap (it's now a prohibited item). Clothing items such as t-shirts and socks are also needed. We appreciate any and all items that a kid would love to receive. You can bring items/donations to church starting “now” – place them in the OCC collection box in the fellowship hall through early October.

Packing Parties!

Saturday, Oct 11 from 9-Noon

Sunday, October 12 and Sunday October 26 from Noon to 3
at Dan and Linda Phillips' farm at 1128 Brussels Road in Brussels.

Much more info on the bulletin board outside the church office.

Men's Retreat ~ Fri Sept 26 thru Sun morning Sept 28 Silver Birch Ranch in White Lake, Wisconsin

For much more information,

go to their website (where you can also register):

<https://www.silverbirchran.org/campretreat/mens-fall-retreat>

If you have questions or need more information,
please contact Jon Sowl; call or text 920-493-5667
(and leave a message if he doesn't answer your call).

Grace Groups are forming!

Grace Groups are small groups (up to about 12 people) that meet to share life on a deeper level than we get to on Sunday mornings. They exist to help us get to know each other and, more importantly, to know God.

One new group for women is starting Friday, Sept 19. It will be led by Joyce Baltz & Faylene Quinn and meet at Joyce's apartment at Big Hill (500 N 9th Court in Sturgeon Bay). Meets once a month for fellowship, prayer, and Bible study. For more info, contact Joyce (920-495-5850) or Faylene (920-559-0199).

For more info about Grace Groups, and when they meet and where and what they are going to study, contact Jon Sowl (920-493-5667).

From Jarrod Parks, FBC Board Moderator:

We want to share an important update regarding the sale of the parsonage. On Wednesday this past week, Pastor Cory wrote to the board: *“With the strong desire and prayerful hope that a greater sense of peace and optimism will prevail going forward, Darla and I would like the motion taken off the table and not considered in October and the subject considered closed.”*

The board will honor this request. The motion to sell the parsonage to the Dahls has been withdrawn, and we consider the matter closed.

We are grateful to Pastor Cory and Darla for their faithful leadership and dedicated service. As we move forward, may we all seek a renewed spirit of peace and optimism, trusting that God is at work in and through our church. Let's continue to celebrate His goodness and pursue unity in love.

And all of us should be reminded: **“Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.”** Ephesians 4:3

If you enjoy yoga or Pilates, then you may love

PraiseMoves! (a Christian alternative to yoga)

Tuesdays* at FBC ~ 5:30-6:30 pm ~ FBC fellowship hall

Bring: Exercise mat or towel, bottle of water (and a friend, too!)

Wear: Lightweight, comfortable, “moveable” clothes

Women and Men are Welcome!

***Contact Nancy Stults** (text or call - 920-455-9170) with questions and to get your name on her notification list so she can let you know about any cancellations or updates

“Women in the Word” Bible Study

(non-denominational and multi-church)

Meets at First Baptist Church in the Café Lounge

Studying the Old Testament Book of Deuteronomy

Using Deuteronomy: A 12 Week Study

By Matthew H. Patton (Knowing the Bible series)

Dig into this amazing record of God's faithfulness!

The new study just began last week.

Wednesdays thru Dec 10 from 10-11:30 am (Coffee / Tea at 9:45)

Contact Faylene Quinn to register (and so the leaders know how many to expect) and for information about ordering the book:

phone, text or email: 920-559-0199 qfaylene@yahoo.com