Welcome Guests!

We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us today. Please come by *The Welcome Center* after worship to receive a free gift on behalf of our church family. It is located on the first floor near the Kidville entrance. It can also be accessed from the main parking lot through the double doors marked Welcome.

First time with us? Please fill out a guest card in the pew and place it in the offertory plate or scan the QR Code.

There are children's activity bags for you in the back of the sanctuary and in the welcome center.



We are excited to have you join us today!

Sermon Notes

CHILDren & Youth News:

Graduation Sunday!

Sunday, June 1
Scholarship application is on the website!

Youth Explosion!

June 16-20 Cost: \$20

Save the Date! Vacation Bible School Dates: July 13-17 June 1, 2025 Graduation Sunday Dr. Scott Kellum

Deacon of the Week: Jerry Richardson Jerry's Deacon Families:

Mike Carroll; Kristy Turner Castleberry; Garnet Harper; Bethany Lillis; Martha Ramsey; Frank, Leslie, & Colton Ramsey; Joy Strickland; Melissa Taylor; Jon Thompson; Debbie Turner; Jonathan, Suzanne & James Walker

Ushers for May: Kirby Carpenter, Jon Thompson, Cee Todd, Jonathan Walker

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The Worship of God May 25, 2025

Prelude Mark Hayes "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Call to Worship Orella, Mayberry, Duncan "Lead on Good Shepherd"

Welcome and Announcements

Worship Song, Hymn No. 227 Allen, Crosby "Praise Him. Praise Him"

Worship Song, Hymn No. 60 Byrne, Hull "Be Thou My Vision"

Children's Message Jennifer Spencer

Special Music Duren, Barfoot "I Will Sing"

Offertory Prayer

Message Jonathan Walker

"The Transforming Power of God's Word" Nehemiah 8:1-12

Invitation Song Habershon, Merker

"He Will Hold Me Fast"

Closing Prayer Gary Strickland

Postlude

Prayer Team Ministry

Be sure to stop and check out our prayer ministry resources located on the bookcase across from the elevator on the second floor. There are prayer guides, books, gospel tracts and other resources for children and more.

PRAYERS

Ginger Griffin, recovering at home following May14th back surgery

Keith Davis' mother in declining health at home

Claudette Bass, hospice

Jean Raper, at home following hospital stay

The Hilliard Family

Our Church as we prayerfully seek God's plan for our leadership

EXPECTING

Will and Brianna Hamilton, baby boy due in August

WEEKLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION Week of 05/11 - 05/17

	Actual	Budget
Contributions YTD	\$ 196,939.92	\$ 211,545.12
Expenses Year to Date	\$ 187,795.28	\$ 211,545.12
Weekly Donations	\$ 6,023.15	

Baptist Hospitals: \$800 Contributions to Date: \$50

FTF Money Market = \$60,576.42; FTF CD = \$51,868.36

Sunday, May 18: Life Group Attendance – 145 Sunday, May 18: Worship Attendance – 274

Mission Spotlight:

Kitchen/ Felllowship Team

Our kitchen team are the hands that feed us! The kitchen team helps with church fellowship events by cooking and serving everyone!

Contact: Vicki Curtis

Graduate Sunday Information

This is the information Pastor Gary needs for each graduate:
Full Name Diploma or Degree
Name of School Future plans

Plus a cap and gown picture, a senior photo and a baby or picture from when they were younger.

This includes both high school and college graduates!

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025

8:30 a.m. -Prayer Time in the Chapel

9:15 a.m. -Life Group Classes

10:30 a.m. -Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. -Hispanic Worship Service, Large Fellowship Hall

3:00 p.m. -Bible Study led by David Hodges, Room 106

5:00 p.m. -Youth Praise Band Practice

MONDAY, MAY 26, 2025, Memorial Day

Church Office Closed

3:30-5:30 p.m. -Food Pantry Available in the Small Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY. MAY 28, 2025

6:30 p.m. -Adult Bible Studies

6:30 p.m. -Youth, Children, GA's, and RA's Activities

7:30 p.m. -Choir Rehearsal

8:45 p.m. -Worship Team Rehearsal

FRIDAY, MAY 30, 2025

6:30 a.m. -Men's Bible Study, Small Fellowship Hall

BIBLE STUDIES

Sunday Afternoon Study:

The book of Jeremiah & Lamentations, including John MacArthur's book on Jeremiah on Sunday afternoons at 3:00 PM

Wednesday Night Studies

Adult Bible Study- at 6:30 PM in Large Fellowship Hall

The book of Galatians including Timothy Keller's *Galatians For You* commentary led by David Hodges in Classroom 106

Hispanic Study Bible Wednesday evenings led by Pastor Edwin Euceda

WBC Preschool is hiring!

We are looking for a teacher for the 2-year-olds and a teacher for the 3-year-old class! If you know someone who may be interested, please contact Jenny Price, WBC Preschool Director, at wendellbaptistpreschool 1@amail.com

Dear Church Family,

Wow! We cannot say thank you enough for all of the love and support shown to us this past week at the ALS walk, we held in Mark's honor! You all showed up and/or donated, loved and supported us! Thank you for all of the donations to the GoFundMe as well! In case you have not heard, we got a van! All of you helped and are helping to make that possible. Every one of you are so deeply special to us and we love and appreciate you! Thank you for all

that you continue to do!

Love, Mark and Tracey UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Operation Christmas Child through the year!

We are excited to be collecting items throughout the year for

Operation Christmas Child! These will be used for our packing parties with the Youth and the Children. For the month of May, we will be collecting pens, mechanical pencils, pencil sharpeners, and pencils. We have a box for the items by the Welcome Center. Scan the QR Code to see the Amazon wish list to have items sent to the church. Items range from \$6-\$18.



Youth Xplosion

Are you ready for the best week of the year? Youth Xplosion is just that, an explosion of fun, food, fellowship and WORSHIP. There will be a meal each night Monday-Thursday. We will end the week with a lock-in (pizza included). Each night will have a theme with a costume contest. The best dressed will receive a prize. You don't want to miss out on this week! Cost is \$20 to help cover the cost of food. Take a look at the schedule below:

6/16 - "MOVIE MANIA" Come dressed as your favorite movie character.

6/17 - "TRIPLE THREAT" Pick yourself and 2 other partners and dress as a famous group of three. (Creativity is encouraged!!!)

6/18 - "SAFARI SURPRISE" Come dressed like you are ready to go on a safari in the Amazon rain forest. (Creativity is encouraged!!!)

6/19 - "HISTORICAL HILARITY" Come dressed like a Bible character reinvented in today's society. (aka, what Noah might look like today, etc...)

6/20 - "NEON NIGHTMARE" Come dressed in your most outrageous neon outfit. (Creativity is encouraged!!!)

Each day you will need to bring a change of clothes and a towel. You never know when you may get messy! Also, make sure that all clothing is modest and appropriate. When considering cartoon characters, make sure they are appropriate. If you have any questions, please email Pastor Gary at garywilliamring@gmail.com or text/call at 919-333-5734.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS