

Children hunt eggs on the front lawn at the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4.



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From the Pastor...

Sunday is our final congregational meeting in our Visioning Process. We will have a report session in the fall, but this is the last “working session”. It is also our Colorado Mission Trip Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser. So come eat some spaghetti and stay for the visioning time.

Your input is important, whether or not you’ve been able to attend previous meetings. In this session, we will be writing our Future Story. This is a vision document to help us focus on the next three to five years. It will build on our enduring values, community needs and current assets.

In our first session, we discovered our enduring values. These included the importance of belonging to a community, growing in Christ, worshiping with music, and generously demonstrating love through mission.

In our second session, we determined the top community needs where our church could make a positive impact. These included support for at risk youth and families, connecting with one another, connecting folks to resources, improving mental health, promoting affordable housing and providing transportation.

We then looked at our many assets and came up with about forty potential ministry actions. Among these were youth services, poverty alleviation, disaster relief, community services and ministering to senior adults.

This Sunday, we will build on our work and bring it all together as we explore God’s future calling for First Baptist Church. You are vital to our congregation and your voice is important for our future. Please participate in this last opportunity to help set our course of ministry.

Schedule

Sunday, April 19

9:00 a.m. Breakfast

10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary & Live Stream

11:00 a.m. Visioning Session &

Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser

Monday, April 20

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

Wednesday, April 22

88:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

2:00 p.m. Wond. Wed. After School Program

5:15 p.m. Family Night Meal

6:00 p.m. Music & Missions & Youth on Mission

6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Practice

Thursday, April 23

1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet

Sunday, April 26

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary & Live Stream

Monday, April 27

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

Wednesday, April 29

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

2:00 p.m. Wond. Wed. After School Program

5:15 p.m. Family Night Meal

6:00 p.m. Music & Missions & Youth on Mission

6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Practice

Thursday, April 30

1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet

Friday, May 1

4:00 Missions Yard Sale

Saturday, May 2

9:00 a.m. Missions Yard Sale



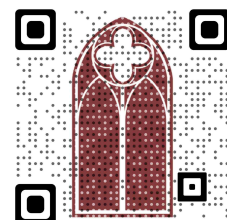
Spiritual Statistics

	4/5	4/12
In-Person	259	187
Online	26	25
Sunday School	n/a	100

Financial Statistics

	April	Year-to-Date
Giving Goal	72,895.00	638,349.00
Budget Receipts	33,828.00	537,859.00
Goals Not Met	(39,067.00)	(100,490.00)
Eddie Steele Fund	1,279.00	15,656.00
Designated	10,017.00	103,401.00

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Church Staff Directory

Dr. Nelson Granade.....Senior Minister
Mr. James Martin.....Minister of Music & Worship
Rev. Melissa Wilson.....Minister of Children & Youth
Mrs. Kristina Kyles.....Children's Ministry Associate / Preschool Director
Mrs. Elizabeth Kilby.....Minister of Young Families & Missions
Mr. Eddie Wiseman.....Accompanist / Music Assistant

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Announcements

Visioning Session: Writing Our Future Story

Sunday, April 19, 2026 - 11:00 a.m.

Join us for the last congregational meeting in our visioning session as we write First Baptist Church's Future Story. We will hear results on our core values, community needs, and asset mapping. We will use these to guide us in writing a future story.

A future story is a vision of where we want to be in the next three to five years is a way to visualize where God is calling us and how to get there.

Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser

Sunday, April 19, 2026

The Colorado Mission Team will serve a spaghetti lunch at the Visioning Session on Sunday, April 19. There will be gluten free options. Please plan to stay for lunch (and make a donation) and the visioning session

Missions Yard Sale

Friday, May 1, 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 2, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The Colorado Missions Team will host a yard sale to raise funds for their trip this summer. Donations will be accepted Sunday, April 26 - Friday, May 1. There will be two opportunities to shop - Friday, May 1, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Saturday, May 2, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Books Written by Church Members

Books written by current and former church members are on display in the breezeway. If you know of any church member that has published a book, please contact the church office so we can add it to our collection.

Clothes Closet Needs

The Clothes Closet in need to children's sized clothes hangers. Please bring your donations to the church office Monday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. or Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., or Sunday mornings.

Happy Birthday

May 1

Hannah May

May 2

Angie Eubanks
Charlotte Gordon
Chuck Heckel
James Johnson
Emily Leonard
Kaye Martin

May 4

Vickie Frazier
Ava Waugh

May 6

Jewel Travis

May 7

Jeannette Eller

May 8

Don Hawkins
Tom Stephens

May 9

Parker Gilliam
May 10

Debi Martin

May 11

Kristy Mitchell
Charlene Smith

May 12

Jenevecia Acosta
Lynn Deal
Hilda Lee
Brenda Wilson
Jan Wuertz

May 13

Debbie Elliott
Nina Waters

May 15

Mickey Robinette

May 17

Carl Bullabough
Lauren Milwood
Web Mitchell
Derek Osborne

May 18

Grace Ashley
Neill Pardue

May 19

Rachel Beale
Aiden Jones

May 20

David Deal

May 21

Daniel Mitchell

May 22

Jeanie Murdock

May 23

Tom Brandon
Suzanne Osborne

May 25

Carter Hinceman

May 27

Carolyn Dellinger
Melissa Wilson

May 30

Burwell Whittenton

Easter Egg Hunt - Saturday, April 4, 2026

