



Time Change Sunday

Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday, March 9 to be on time for Connection Hour and worship on March 10.



2024 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions

CHURCH GOAL: \$8,000

This offering supports the work of over 2,900 missionaries in the United States and Canada to reach 281 million lost people through church planting, evangelism and compassion ministries, sending and leadership and missions education. We will receive this offering through the month of March! Pray about what God would have you to do to support this work in North America!



We need a volunteer!

One of our van drivers will be relocating the first of April and we are in need of a volunteer who would be willing to pick up riders prior to Connection Hour and take them back home following the worship service. If you would be interested in serving in this way contact Libbey McKee.

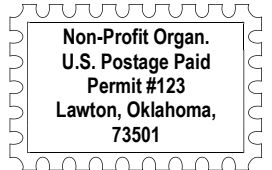
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OUR SERVICES

Sundays
9:00 a.m.: Connection Hour
10:30 a.m.: Worship

Wednesdays
5:00 p.m.: Meal Service
6:00 p.m.: Power Up/Power Up Friends
6:00 p.m.: Adult Discipleship
6:15 p.m.: Adult Choir
6:30 p.m.: Wednesday Live (The Bunker opens at 6 p.m.)



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

A New Event for 18-24 Year Olds At FBE In The Bunker!

March 7 & 28, 6 to 9 p.m.

This is open to anyone in this age group and their friends!



Students

Hey Church Family!

February went by so fast! This month on Wednesday nights we looked at relationships and how we can honor God in our relationships with parents, dating, and friendships. I think it was a great series to cover for our group. This month we will be looking at the final week of Jesus' life leading up to our Good Friday service on March 29th.

United Weekend is coming up March 15-17th. We are excited for this event and are looking forward to a great weekend building bonds with different age groups and deepening their spiritual walk! Please be in prayer for this event for our church and the other churches that will be participating this weekend.

We will not be having Wednesday Night Live on March 20th due to Spring Break. March 20th is an all church night at the Thunder game. Tickets are \$15 each. Hurry and contact the church office or sign up in the Bunker to secure your tickets soon. We will have transportation for those who need it.

Thank you for your support in this important ministry!
Justin Smart, Student Pastor



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CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS,
HIS COMMUNITY, AND HIS MISSION!

3302 SE Lee Blvd., Lawton, OK 73501

March 1, 2024

Children & Families

What's happening?

We had a great February. We are going to an OKC Thunder game on March 20th.

Be on the lookout for announcements about VBS and CrossTimbers in the next couple of months. I can't wait to see you on Sundays and Wednesdays!

Libbey McKee, Children's Director



•Power Up is happening on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm. This is for children grades Kindergarten through 5th grade.

•Connection hour starts at 9:00 am on Sundays. I would love to see you there!

•Children's church is for Kindergarten through 3rd graders during service.



<https://www.facebook.com/FirstEastChildren/>
https://twitter.com/FBE_Children

Celebrating Easter At First Baptist East!

Good Friday Service
March 29, 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday
Connection Hour at 9 a.m.
Worship & The Lord's Supper, 10:30 a.m.



From the Pastor

This year Easter is in March. Easter is a great time to invite someone to church. It is a day that people are more willing to be in church than any other day. This year we will be doing what we started last year. On Friday, March 29, we will celebrate a Good Friday service. That service will be about the crucifixion. We will have songs, scripture reading and the sermon will all be related to the death of Jesus. Then we will come back on Easter Sunday and celebrate the resurrection. I hope you will make plans to be here for both services, Good Friday at 7 p.m. and Easter Sunday

at 9 a.m. for Connection Hour and 10:30 a.m. for our worship time.

This month we will be taking our offering for state and North American Mission offerings. Every penny goes to start new churches and support our work in Oklahoma and North America. It is called the Annie Armstrong offering.

We are looking for people who would like to serve on our media team. This team will be responsible for our video on Sunday mornings. We will train those interested.

We have to have enough so you don't have to work every week.

We are also looking for someone who is willing to learn how to set everything up during the week. This would be a paid position for about 10 hours a week. If you are interested, let one of our staff know.

—Bro. Doug



DOUG PASSMORE
LEAD PASTOR

Education

A Great Time To Invite!

Any Sunday is a great time to invite people to First Baptist East, but there is a particular date this month that is one of two times during the year that lost people are open to an invitation to church!

Easter Sunday has proven to be one of the best times to invite lost people to church and I would urge you to consider right now thinking of someone you could invite on March 31 to Connection Hour and worship. As you get their name in mind, begin to pray for them and then ask them to come as your guest on that day!

We will have special music that day and a message from our pastor as well as taking the Lord's Supper. In Connection Hour on that Sunday, adults will take a break from Genesis to study the Easter story! Invite anyone anytime, but especially on Easter Sunday!

All-Church Visitation

Coming Tuesday,
March 12
6:30 p.m.

We will gather at the church to make visits, write cards and send messages to both prospects and members in our Connection Hour. This is one of only two nights for this during the spring.

Age-Group Connection Hour Meetings

Adult Leaders
March 6, 7:30 p.m.
Room 124

Youth Leaders
March 13, 7:30 p.m.
Room 124

Both meetings are for all teachers and directors to encourage and hold us accountable for our work.



TREY SMART
MINISTER OF EDUCATION

Connection Hour is a strategy to connect people to Jesus, His truth, His mission and His community.

For Your Information

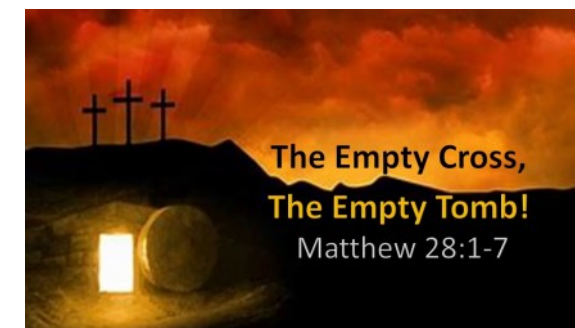


Music

CELEBRATE JESUS ON GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER AT FIRST BAPTIST EAST!

Plan now to attend our Good Friday service, March 29 @ 7:00 p.m. and our Easter Celebration on Sunday morning, March 31! These

services celebrate two of the most significant events on the Christian calendar: Christ's death and resurrection. We urge you to attend and remember again Christ's sacrifice and triumph. In addition, the Easter service will conclude with the Lord's Supper. Don't miss these special times of inspiration, encouragement, and renewal!



The Empty Cross,
The Empty Tomb!
Matthew 28:1-7

Good Friday Service March 29, 7 p.m.

Join us for this special service that will help us focus on the activities surrounding the cross! Child care provided.

Easter Sunday March 31, 9 a.m.

Invite someone to Connection Hour and worship on Easter! In the worship service we will observe the Lord's Supper!

Monthly Recap

Average Attendance (February)	
Connection Hour Average Attendance	259
Monthly Giving (February)	\$ 78,294
Monthly Budget Requirements	\$ 107,533
Year to Date Budget Receipts	\$ 153,247
BFHG (February)	\$ 1,460
BFHG Year to date	\$ 2,555
Additions (February)	4
By Baptism	2
By Letter	2
By Watchcare/Statement	0



Volunteers Needed

We are always looking for more volunteers to serve in ETC. See Linda Dillingham if you are interested.

In Sympathy...

The pastor and church family extend Christian sympathy to **Lola & Danny McCuiston** on the death of her sister and his aunt; to the family of **Russ Cozad** on his death; to the family of **Gene Simmons** on his death; to **Tommy Witten** on the death of his sister-in-law; to **Vanessa Griner** on the death of her grandmother



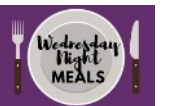
Memorial Contributions

A memorial contribution to the Ann Beadles Falls Creek Fund has been made in memory of **Tommy Witten's** sister-in-law; in memory of **Danny McCuiston's** aunt and in memory of **Gene Simmons**; from Dr. Michael Jones and Mr. & Mrs. Ervin Randle in memory of **Ken Hawkins**.

Thank you...

A thank you note has been received from the family of Mark Bearden, the family of Gene Simmons and the family of Ken Hawkins.

Wednesday Night Meals



Adults: \$5 Children: \$3
(no more than \$25 per Household.)
Reservations can be made week by week or permanently by texting: Holly Wells at 580-695-2595.

Serving from 5 to 5:45 p.m.
March 6: Baked Potatoes
March 13: Baked Chicken Breast
March 20: No Meal
March 27: Spaghetti

March Magazines

Pick up copies of our monthly magazines (Home Life, Parent Life) in the south foyer near the entry to the auditorium, the west entry or the church office during office hours.

A Reminder About Social Media

When you see a post on the church social media pages about coming events or Sunday activities, be sure to share it on your page to help us get the word out!



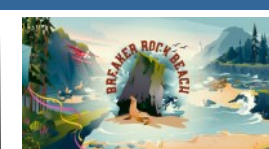
For Your Information



This mission trip will be working with a church with a Hispanic ministry. We will do a VBS and other activities. We'll work through another church to minister at a senior living community. See Trey Smart if you're interested. If you missed giving to this trip at the Soup-er Bowl, you can use any envelope and mark it Kansas City.



Join us for great food and fellowship for all men of First Baptist East. This month's meeting will feature our first cornhole tournament to determine the best cornhole player among the men of FBE! It will be single elimination and the winner will receive a prize! Come and invite a friend whether you play cornhole or not to enjoy the fellowship!



VBS 2024

June 3-7
9 a.m.-12 noon

Directors/Rotation Leader's Meeting
Sunday, March 3, 11:30 a.m., Room 151

Throughout the rest of March we will be recruiting leaders to serve in every area of our VBS. We still need one music rotation leader for kids and a couple of recreation leaders for preschool! There is a place for everyone to serve in this year's VBS!

Not able to serve this year? Would you commit to pray for this year's event?