

Calendar of Events

April 2	8:30a	Foundation Service
	9:30a	Bible Study Groups
	10:45a	Formation Service
	5:00p	Easter Musical Rehearsal
	6:00p	Bible Drill/ Bible Buddies
April 5	6:30p	Youth Bible Study (@Birtmans)
	6:00p	Stewardship Committee
	6:00p	Adult Bible Study
	6:00p	Coach's Wives Study
	6:00p	Children's Activities
April 8	6:00p	Youth Core
	7:30p	Worship Team Rehearsal
	TBA	Easter Musical Rehearsal
	April 9	HIGH ATTENDANCE SUNDAY
	8:30a	Foundation Service
April 9	9:30a	Bible Study Groups
	10:45a	Formation Service
	5:00p	Deacon's Meeting
	6:00p	Easter Musical Performance
	6:00p	Quarterly Conference
April 12	6:00p	Adult Bible Study
	6:00p	Coach's Wives Study
	6:00p	Children's Activities
	6:00p	Youth Core
	7:30p	Worship Team Rehearsal
April 16	8:30a	Foundation Service
	9:30a	Bible Study Groups
	10:45a	Formation Service
April 19	6:00p	Adult Bible Study
	6:00p	Coach's Wives Study
	6:00p	Children's Activities
	6:00p	Youth Core
	7:30p	Worship Team Rehearsal
April 20	6:00p	Quilt Group
April 21-22	Girls of Grace	
April 23	8:30a	Foundation Service
	9:30a	Bible Study Groups
	10:45a	Formation Service
	5:00p	Easter Musical Rehearsal
	6:00p	Bible Drill/ Bible Buddies
April 26	6:30p	Youth Bible Study (@Birtman's)
	6:00p	Adult Bible Study
	6:00p	Coach's Wives Study
	6:00p	Children's Activities
	6:00p	Youth Core
April 30	7:30p	Worship Team Rehearsal
	8:30a	Foundation Service
	9:30a	Bible Study Groups
	10:45a	Formation Service
	5:00p	Easter Musical Rehearsal
	6:00p	Bible Drill/ Bible Buddies
	6:30p	Youth Bible Study (@Birtman's)



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CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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From the Pastor Search Committee

7 men + 70 resumes = 1 Pastoral position

There are 7 men on your Pastor Search Committee. They have reviewed over 70 resumes for the 1 Pastoral position that FBC Palestine currently has open.

7 + 70 = 1 The math just doesn't work—But, just as you would suspect, there is an intangible at work here and that is the intangible hand of GOD.

If we were doing this selection process by ourselves, we would end up with a candidate hand picked by 7 men. Period.

Our call is greater than that and you have a right to expect more than that.

As your Pastor Search Committee we will continue to watch for, listen to and seek GOD's hand. We are progressing well, but want to stay on HIS timetable and seek HIS choice servant.

Giving Report for March as of March 28th

Ministry Budget Offering:
\$28,478.00

Designated Funds Offering:
\$19,853.37

Ministry Budget Offering YTD:
\$102,487.01

Ministry Budget Exp. YTD:
\$84,624.64

Received over expenses YTD:
+\$17,862.37

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Some Seasonal Thoughts

We are coming close to those days of contemplation and celebration. The days are near when we all should consider again the horrific and absolutely necessary sacrifice Jesus made for each one of us on Calvary's cross. Then we will celebrate again the truth of his resurrection, his victory over sin and death.

At sermon time on Sunday, April 2nd we will look at an act of Jesus which welded the hatred of the religious leaders for Jesus into a treacherous organized effort to get rid of him once and for all. (Warning: Sundays' sermon begins with a pig story.) On April 9 (High Attendance Day in Sunday School) the sermon will focus on Jesus' all-important atoning death for us. We will observe the Lord's supper together, remembering he took our sin and sorrow and made them his very own. On Easter Sunday, April 16 we will celebrate this glorious fact: We serve a risen savior.

Allow me to encourage you regarding high attendance day in Sunday School, April 9. I believe Sunday School is at the heart of everything we do at First Baptist Church of Palestine. The best Bible teaching, outreach, and ministry take place in and among those groups each Sunday and throughout the week. Without Sunday School we would be a herd of people muddling through our service to the Lord. With Sunday School we are a church organized to do the work Jesus left us to do. I highly recommend everyone find your class and attend faithfully. Let's make Sunday, April 9 a day to recommit ourselves to great teaching, outreach, and ministry through Sunday School.

I look forward to sharing these days of contemplation and celebration with you.

In His Love...**Bro. Jack**

Quilt Group meets April 20

6:00pm

**And the 3rd Thursday
of every month.**



This month please bring:

Stuffed Animals

**Please drop your items in the collection box located
in the Narthex**



Upcoming Events

Youth Student Life Camp: June 19-23 at San Angelo State University (\$350)
Youth Super Summer: July 10-14 at Hardin Simmons University (\$280)
(registrations and deposits due April 2)

Easter Musical Performance April 9th at 6:00pm