



## A Note From Pastor Troy

Springtime is a reminder of renewal, of new life, of fresh starts and new beginnings. I've been reading in Deuteronomy recently as Moses is preparing the people to enter into the promised land. God was preparing His people for something new. He was preparing them for a place that was unknown. They were going to have a fresh start and a new beginning in a new land. Moses reminds the people of their need to know and do the commands of the Lord. As I reflected upon this, I have been reminded of how much we are in need of renewal. Spring is the reminder of renewal in the natural world. God uses it as a reminder, I think, of the renewal that should take place in us spiritually. I've found myself praying for this renewal much more in recent days. I am asking the Lord to renew me. I am asking the Lord to renew our church. I am asking the Lord to bring revival to our land. I am asking the Lord to awaken the world to His good news. I have found that the more I pray this way, the more I am renewed by Him. Would you join me? Would you begin to ask the Lord to start or continue a new work in you? Would you ask the Lord to stir our church by His Holy Spirit and awaken us to His work? Would you ask the Lord to bring spiritual awakening through His people to our neighbors and the nations?

Spring is also a time for spring cleaning. I read earlier this week about some 'spring cleaning hacks'. Need to clean your ceiling fan blades? Slip a pillowcase over the blade and use it to clean the blade. All of the dust is captured inside the pillow case. Water spots on your shower glass? Apparently shaving cream will remove the spots. Need to deep clean your dishwasher? Use a mixture of vinegar and baking soda on the high heat cycle. It cleans and disinfects. These are great suggestions, but what about spring cleaning in your life? Are there some things that you have been holding on to but really don't need any more? Things like regret, sorrow, anxiety, pain, or negative self-talk? I've been thinking much about Jesus' words in Matthew 11:28. Jesus says to bring our labors and burdens to Him and He will exchange them for rest. There are likely things that all of us are unnecessarily carrying. Jesus' invitation is open. Maybe in this season, you need to come to Jesus and find rest in Him. Maybe you need to 'unload' some of the things that you have been carrying around. Would you let Jesus take them and carry them?

As we enter the season of celebrating Jesus' resurrection, we have much to celebrate as Christians. We often think of Christmas as the 'most wonderful' time of the year. However, for believers it is this season. In this season our hope is renewed, our faith is restored, our joy is multiplied. I wonder, who can you invite to join you for worship in the coming weeks? This Sunday I will be starting a new series called "Magnify" that will take us through Easter. We are called to magnify, to make much of Jesus. What we observe from the life of Jesus is that He has given us every reason and evidence to magnify His great name. Let me encourage you to invite your friends and neighbors to join you starting this Sunday or at any time during the Easter season.

## Prayer List

Jim Anderson; Cynthia Armstrong; Sandy Barwick; Emaline Clark; Jen Colkin; Don and Nancy Cumbie; Mary Dixon; Martha Nell Evans; Lisa Gilmore; Linda Grant; The Family of Earlene Hall; The Family of Vicki Hamilton; Austin Hodge; Bill Hyer; Leonor Johnson; Bill Kimmey; Eddie Lockett; LaNelle McCulley; Ted Odom; Janice Reeves; David and Norma Rowland; Walt Schuster; **Aubree Sexton**; Bob Smith; Roy Smith; Karen Steele; Bill Strawn; Kelly Thompson; Ide Trotter; Beverly Watson; Steve Watson; Nathan Whited; Helen Whittington; Michelle Williams; Wilma Youngblood; Hung Chi & Jeanne Yu;

Our Ministers & their Families; Office & Building Staff & their Families; FBC Worship Services, Ministries & Activities; Law Enforcement, First Responders, Our Military & their Families; Our Country & Leadership

Names in bold are new additions. If you need to add someone to the prayer list or remove someone, please contact the office at 979-696-7000 or email [info@fbccollegestation.com](mailto:info@fbccollegestation.com).

## Budget Report

Financial Stats	Month	Year
Budget Needs	\$146,831	\$1,890,143
Budget Receipts	\$151,121	\$544,149
Over/Under	\$4,289	(\$1,345,994)

Grace and Peace,



## Adult Discipleship

Alex Garza

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Getting connected for the purpose of Christ:

Psalm 133 starts out like this: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to live together in unity!"

For a while now, I've been involved in a Thursday night men's Bible study. It's one of the things I look forward to all week. Some of the men I've known for a long while and others I've just recently met. During last night's study, I had a deeper understanding of why I love going so much.

There are a lot of things about God's Word that I love to examine deeply. Besides my wife, there are very few people whom I could openly and comfortably share those thoughts with. This along with how I feel and the challenges I face in life are topics I tend to reserve for those I am closest to and trust the most. What I love about being connected to a group of men in this way is the ability to be able to openly share my thoughts on Scripture even if it comes out wrong, being able to share my challenges in life no matter how deep, and the sharing and learning from each other as we grow together in Christ. We don't have to agree on everything, either at the table or away from it, but we are committed to grow together as Christ grows in us through His Word. We are learning and experiencing that just as Christ loves us, so too should we love each other and others.

Another thing that I learned was how the Lord has grown my son in the Word. Recently he was able to attend this Thursday group and share what the Lord had placed on his heart. It was our first "Men's" study together, and I was blessed by the experience. It was a moment that I had looked forward to for so long. My prayer for him is that he will have that same connection with the men God surrounds him with that I have had with those the Lord has surrounded me with. That is my prayer for all of us! We take note of the faithful followers that the Lord has placed in our lives and then take full advantage of nurturing this group to "live together in unity."

This is what it means to me when I read, "how good and pleasant it is for brothers to live together in unity!" The unity is in Christ as we grow together in His Word. The exclamation mark shows how excited the Psalmist is right there in the verse! I could go on all day on this topic but let me just finish with this. I want to encourage you to seek to get connected with a small group. We have many to choose from or you can work to create one! I would love to help if I can. Contact me anytime at [discipleship@fbccollegestation.com](mailto:discipleship@fbccollegestation.com).

Col. 3:14, Acts 2:44, Eph. 4:3 & 12, 2 Cor. 13:11, Rom. 15:16



## Minister to Children

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-Ken and Kyla Buckley by

Transfer of Letter

-Brenna Hromas by Baptism

Our Palm Sunday Picnic is returning this year on April 10! We are super excited that this fun, favorite church-wide fellowship is back! The picnic will start immediately following the 11:00 worship service. The church is providing fried chicken, but we need everyone to bring breads, side dishes, and/or desserts to share. There will be some tables and chairs set up for seating, but feel free to bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit out on the lawn.

Vacation Bible School 2022 is coming soon! This year, our VBS is going to be on Saturday, June 4th, here at FBC! We are going to run a giant one-day event that will end with FAM JAM! Fam Jam is a special worship service for kids and their parents that will also include a special guest. Stay tuned for more details about this incredible event, which will feature our favorite VBS things – Bible Study, crafts, recreation, music, plus a free lunch for everyone!

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## College Ministry Associate

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### Sunday Morning Schedule:

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| 8:30am  | Traditional Worship          |
| 11:00am | Contemporary/Blended Worship |
| 11:00am | Livestream                   |

College ministry has had some awesome things happening lately! To begin, during the midst of change, we have seen many students step up and help tremendously. We have had students apply for leadership roles, and we will have a whole new leadership team in the near future!

Also, we have a new person joining our team! Lacy Dunn has been an active student at our church since her freshman year in college. She is joyful, hardworking, and loves the Lord! Lacy is stepping in and taking on the role of College Associate as I step out and transition to life in Dallas with my husband. She is the perfect person for this job because she loves our ministry and wants to see it grow and flourish. Everyone, take some time to introduce yourself to Lacy if you see her around!



### Tall Truths Talk Radio

The WAM Choir presentation will be on Sunday, May 15 at 6pm!  
Meet our special guests and learn about Jesus' parables.

## College Ministry Intern

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## Interim Minister of Music

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**Registration now open for First Kids and Youth Summer Camps in Realm!**

It's April, and Easter is coming! April will be an exciting month here at FBC. Pastor Troy has a new sermon series this month entitled "Magnify". 10 April is Palm Sunday with our joint College and Sanctuary Choirs in both morning services. 14 April is our Maundy Thursday service at 7pm in the Sanctuary as we remember our Lord's journey through Holy Week. AND 17 April is EASTER! Come celebrate our Risen Savior at FBC in our 0830 service or our 1100 service.

As Pastor Troy preaches through "Magnify", let's be reminded that our Almighty God IS on His throne and IS all powerful! He is worthy to be glorified, praised and exalted all the days of our lives. We often get wrapped up in the details of everyday life and neglect to take moments each day to see His perfect plan and His big picture. He is in control; He loves YOU deeply and cares about the details and the big "things" in your life. Let's challenge ourselves during the month of April to daily take a moment to pause, reflect on His numerous and awesome works in our lives, and truly MAGNIFY HIM! He is ever faithful! To God be the glory forever!





# FBC NEWS & EVENTS

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## Church-wide Picnic

on the grounds after late worship  
**Sunday, April 10**

Fried chicken provided. Bring a side or dessert to share!



*Maundy  
Service  
April 14th  
7 pm*



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*Christ Is  
Risen*

**EASTER SUNDAY  
-APRIL 17, 2022-**

Worship at 8:30 and 11:00am

**HAPPY EASTER**

**HE IS RISEN!**

"He is not here; he has risen!"

Luke 24:6-7

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### OUR WEEKLY SCHEDULE | ALSO ON REALM

#### SUNDAYS

Traditional Worship.....	8:30am
Sunday School for All Ages.....	9:45
Brown Memorial Library Open.....	9:45 & 10:40
Contemporary/Blended Worship.....	11:00
Youth Bible Drill.....	5:30pm
W.A.M. (ages 3-6th grade).....	6:00
Youth Bible Study.....	6:00
Adult Bible Study.....	6:00

#### MONDAYS

Men's Prayer Time (open to all) .....	6:30am
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#### TUESDAYS

Ladies' Exercise Class.....	9:15am
Quilt-n-Peace .....	9:30
Food Pantry (volunteers @ 9am).....	10:00
Praise Team Rehearsal .....	6:30pm
Ladies' Evening Prayer Group.....	7:00

#### WEDNESDAYS

FSM (First Student Ministry) .....	5:45pm
Adult Bible Study.....	6:30
Mission Friends (Birth-K) .....	6:30
Bible Buddies (1st-3rd) .....	6:30
Bible Drill (4th-6th) .....	6:30
Sanctuary Choir (adults) .....	6:30

#### THURSDAYS

Ladies' Exercise Class.....	9:15am
Tender Warriors Day (Men's Bible Study).....	Noon
Men's Evening Bible Study (Harvey Washbanger).....	7:30pm

#### UPCOMING FIRST LIGHT DEADLINE:

**April 25th, @ 5:00PM**

(covers May 1 through 31, 2022)

Please bring information to the office  
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