



Dr. Matt Richard, Pastor

2/21/25



## **Current Sermon Series:**

## Ezekiel: God's Glory, Judgement and Restoration

This series explore key passages from the book of Ezekiel, focusing on God's call to His people,
His promises of restoration, and the empowering work of the Spirit.

The Glory of the Lord—Ezekiel 1:1-12
The Watchman's Call—Ezekiel 3:16-23
The Departure of God's Glory—Ezekiel 10:15-22
A New Heart and Spirit—Ezekiel 36:23-32
The Valley of Dry Bones—Ezekiel 37:1-15
The Shepherd King—Ezekiel 34:11-19
The River of Life—Ezekiel 47:1-9

#### From Pastor Matt

Our previous sermon series focused on growing through the various seasons of life. Maybe you are tired of hearing about growth. But here's the thing – a commitment to growing in the Lord NECESSARILY leads to us being involved in showing and sharing God's love through our actions and conversations in everyday life.

One of our Bible study leaders has been intentionally reaching out to a couple who live in our church's vicinity. He helps them with yard work, and has coffee with them regularly. Recently, their conversation turned toward Jesus, and the future of humanity. This leader was able to recommend a book that helped enlighten him and his class on this subject, and it has resulted in Gospel conversations that we are praying will help lead our neighbors to faith in the Lord.

The above scenario would NOT have happened if this leader was not committed to his own, continual growth in the Lord. It is out of this that he has been able to share God's love in an enlightened way that connected with people.

As we commit to **showing** God's love, **sharing** God's love, and **growing** in God's love – these efforts feed into, and affect one another. How is God growing you?

Pastor Matt

## SMBS & Giving Reports

Sunday Morning Bible Study Report	
120	
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\$171,947.12	
\$ 34,225.95	
\$ 68,321.89	
\$137,851.18	
\$ 57,981.00	
\$ 58,722.77	
\$ 741.77	

## **Hospitality Team Members Needed**

Susan Dumas our Church Hostess would love additional members on the hospitality team. This team mainly serves four times a year during the quarterly covered dish lunch and as needed throughout the year for any additional church meals. A main job of team members is to greet those bringing in food, place items in the warmer or refrigerator as needed, and to slice desserts or servings of the items brought.

Team Members are not expected to bring more than any other church member, but mainly to come and help. They do wrap and decorate the tables typically a few days before the event and clean up dishes after the meal. It's super easy and fun! Also, help is needed before class and before church on those potluck Sundays to help older adults with bringing in food. Any help is VERY WELCOME and greatly appreciated.!!!

Please contact Church Hostess, Susan Dumas or the church office to volunteer.

#### Children's Church:

Sundays @ 11:00 am March 9 & March 30 All kids Age 4—4th Grade

## February Business Meeting Report

- 1. Approved Business Meeting Minutes & Finance Statement.
- 2. Reports from Bette Sue Hoy, Brother's Keeper Team Leader and Shannon Franklin, Repair & Maintenance.

## Wednesday Night Schedule

Wednesday Meal: 5:30 pm, FBC Gym
Kids 4 Christ (PreK-6th Grade): 6:15 pm, #B101
Youth (7th-12th Grade): 6:15 pm, #B205
Ladies Bible Study: Beth Moore Study,
Living Beyond Yourself, 6:15 pm, #A108
Co-Ed Bible Study: New Study on Wednesday,
February 26 — Jesus's Farewell Message by
Francisca Chan based on John chapters 13-17,
at 6:30 pm, #A107.

Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm, #A110

## **March Business Meeting**

Sunday, March 9 (following Worship) Agenda items due Wednesday, March 5.

## Wednesday Night Meal Menu

February 26 (Team #4): Enchiladas March 5 (Team #5): Grilled Chicken March 12 (Team #1): Meatloaf March 19: Meal Dismissed-Spring Break

## Wednesday Meal & Activities Dismissed: Wednesday, March 19 for Spring Break

#### **Service Photos**

Catch someone serving on camera?

Take a picture at a church function or event?

Send to fbcllanopictures@gmail.com.

## **Brother's Keeper Offering**

Sunday, March 30

The last Sunday in March e will emphasize an offering for our Brother's Keeper Fund.

Designate your check or envelope "Brother's Keeper to help those less fortunate in our community.

## Brotherhood Breakfast

Wednesday, March 5, 7:00 am @ Gym

#### **Men's Retreat**

March 28-29 @ Highland Lakes Camp

# Children's Choir Easter Program RESTORED: Old, But Gold

Sunday, April 13, 11:00 am (during Worship)
All children are invited to participate.
Practice Schedule:

Sunday, March 9: 1:30-2:30 pm Sunday, March 23: 1:30-2:30 pm Sunday, March 30: 5:00-6:00 pm Sunday, April 13: Practice 10:00 am

Practice 10:00 am Program 11:00am



# From Our Family Ministry Leader Church Family.

I've experienced one of the greatest joys any Christian parent can experience. My son, made a decision to accept Jesus as his Savior and to follow Him in obedience by getting baptized.

At 8 years old this is a huge decision. But what amazes me is his confidence and competence of God's truth. He's been in our church since before he was a year old. I would love to say that all he's seen and heard in our home is perfect love, grace, and Jesus' salvation, but that would be a lie. His walk with the Lord is not simply a by product of a "perfect Christian home". We fall short at home often. Thank God for His grace, right?

However, just as all of us, his faith in Jesus has been instilled in him by years of discipling in our church AND in our home. He's been poured into by countless Bible Study teachers, VBS workers, school teachers, worship leaders, family & friends, and members of our church and community. His faith is a by product of the countless people investing in his spiritual life and it is all made possible through Jesus Christ's sacrifice. And this is just the beginning of God's story in His life.

As a parent, I'm so glad I don't have to raise my kids in a Christ by myself. I know that I've got other believers to partner with. As a leader in our church, I'm so proud that YOU are the kind of church that chooses to make God famous by discipling young believers. May we, as a church, never grow tired of discipling new believers.

Thank you for faithfully serving, teaching, and loving Jesus! Let's keep making Him famous.

## Rick Berry

**Family Ministry Leader** 

## Thank You Notes:

Thank you Pastor Matt for your special prayer after Sandra's fall. Also, thank you to the church body for their prayers and concern for Sandra's well being. I hope God gives a special blessing to Donny Carpenter, Shannon Franklin, Lynn Hoy and others who helped out.

I love you all and so does Sandra. Lynn & Sandra Parker