Dear Beloved First Family

Dr. Darin Wood Senior Pastor

Grace and Peace in Christ our Lord! Thanks for your patience this past Sunday with our auditorium heater problems. We didn't know it was broken until Friday evening! In God's good graces, the problem should be resolved in time for next Sunday.

#### THE LORD'S SUPPER - SUNDAY FEB 23

It will be a pleasure to celebrate the Lord's Supper this Sunday morning! Celebrating Christ's sinless life, sacrificial death and his certain return is the core function of the Lord's Supper. Our unified participation in it signifies our shared present reality as the body of Christ and our shared future in eternity. See you Sunday!

### CHURCH CONFERENCE – THIS SUNDAY EVENING

This Sunday evening is our monthly stewardship meeting. We are eager to be wise in using the Lord's resources in a Christ-honoring manner and I know you'll want to share in that. Meet us at 5 PM in our chapel this Sunday evening!

# ASH WEDNESDAY • 4 MIDLAND COMMEMORATION MARCH 5 • FIRST PRESBYTERIAN AT 6 PM

It's still a couple of weeks until our event, but I wanted to invite you to get it on your schedule. Wednesday, March 5, at 6 PM, we'll join our three sister churches in commemorating Ash Wednesday at First Pres. This marks the beginning of the season of Lent, preparing us for Easter (April 20th this year). I hope you'll make plans to share this extraordinary evening with us. (By the way, if you're squeamish about having ashes imposed on your forehead, no one will require it of you.)

## **ACTIVITIES BUILDING CLOSURE • BEGINNING FEB 24TH**

At long last, the scheduled closure of the AB has arrived. Some of you may remember the Pipe project we did in our main building in 2015, replacing the HVAC system that had served us well for so many years. Now, it's time to do a similar project in the AB. Sadly, there's no way to do a project of this size and scale AND keep the building operational. Thus, we're going to close the building beginning Monday, Feb 24th. In God's mercy, we plan for the building to reopen at the end of March, but we'll have to see how it goes. Anyone who has done a renovation project knows you can't be sure what's in there until you start tearing things up to replace them. We'll keep you posted as the progress advances.

### **GARFIELD STREET**

Perhaps you've already noticed there's concrete going down on Cuthbert and Garfield! If you take a look at the far north reaches of our campus, you'll see the project taking shape. Continue to pray for their work and the men serving the Lord near our campus.

Your servant,

Darin



# STEWARDSHIP REPORT

FEBRUARY 16, 2025						
OFFERING		WEEKLY	VEEKLY YEAR TO DATE			
FBC Offering	\$	55,232	\$	3,606,088		
Budget Requirement	\$	134,566	\$	3,215,029		
Over/Under Budget	\$	-79,334	\$	391,058		
Hope 1:8	\$	0	\$	30,570		

# **WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23RD**

#### **SUNDAY**

8:30 AM	Worship Service* (Worship Center)
	Livestream/Over-flow Viewing (Chapel)

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service\* (Worship Center)

First Baptist en Español Service (Chapel)

International Bible Study (D100)

2:00 PM Grief Share (D106)

4:00 PM SWAT (Choir Room)

5:00 PM 5 @ 5 followed by Church Conference (Chapel)

Bible Drill: 4th - 6th Graders (A209)

**Equip Studies:** 

Grace Marriage (D101/103) Women's Bible Study (E102)

6:00 PM Family Night Upward Basketball Celebration

(Worship Center)

\* Extended care is available for Birth - PreK during worship services.

Worship Services are live streamed on our website at: <a href="fbc-midland.org">fbc-midland.org</a> as well as <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="YouTube">YouTube</a>, & <a href="YouTube">Vimeo</a>.

#### **MONDAY**

11:30 AM WMU Prayer Luncheon Plus (D101/102) 11:45 AM Brotherhood Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)

#### WEDNESDAY

4:45 PM Wednesday Family Meal (Fellowship Hall)

# MEAL IS \$7.00, THE FAMILY MEAL \$25.00, HAMBURGER \$5.00

Menu: Chicken & Dumplings, Peas & Carrots, Tossed Green Salad, Honey Wheat Roll, Strawberry Swirl Cheesecake Kids: Steak Fingers, French Fries, & Chocolate Chip Cookie

5:15 PM Preschool Pizza & Playground (A-Hall)

6:00 PM 3 yr-olds Music & Missions (A117)

PreK & Kinder Music (JAM Room)

1st Kidz Praise:

1-5th graders (D205)

**Equip Studies:** 

Authentic Manhood (E112) Grace Marriage (D101/103) Missional Motherhood (D218) People of the Word (E118)

Wed. Evening Bible Study & Prayer (E114)

Women's Bible Study (E102)

6:30 PM Adult Choir (Choir Room)

Orchestra (Worship Center)

**Equip Studies:** 

Moms of Prodigals (D100)

7:00 PM PreK & Kinder Missions (JAM Room)

1st-6th Grade Missions (2nd floor "A" Hallway)

# **THURSDAY**

6:30 AM Iron Men Book Study (D101/103) 9:00 AM Precept Upon Precepts (E102) 10:30 AM Joyful Sound Choir (D101/103) 12:00 PM Prayer Meeting (Prayer Room) 6:30 PM ESL (North entrance, follow signs)

**FRIDAY** 

6:30 AM Men's Prayer (Fellowship Hall)

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

FAMILY NIGHT: UPWARD BASKETBALL CELEBRATION

# FEBRUARY 23RD • 6:00 PM (WORSHIP CENTER)

Experience the ultimate display of loyalty and discipline at **Xtreme Obedience**, where extraordinary dogs showcase their jaw-dropping talents in listening and obeying their master with unwavering devotion. Through each incredible performance, their obedience becomes a powerful illustration of how we, too, are called to follow the voice of our Master—Jesus Christ—with trust and faith. Bring the whole family and invite friends for an inspiring night of fun, faith, and fourlegged friends that will leave you amazed and encouraged to walk in obedience to God's word!

#### HYGIENE DRIVE

#### FOR SENIOR DAY AT MIDLAND BAPTIST C.R.I.S.I.S. CENTER

Please pick up a bag from the Welcome Center and help support a hygiene drive for senior citizens! Simply fill it with the requested items listed on the enclosed instruction flyer and return it by March 2nd. Your generosity makes a difference!

# APRIL 5TH • 9 AM - 12 PM TOUCH-A-TRUCK STADIUM PARKING LOT

We are looking for people/businesses to participate in our event. If you have a cool old car, tractor, truck, or any type of vehicle that you think kids would enjoying looking at and/or getting to see up close please contact Allison Ashmore at <a href="mailto:ashmore@fbc-midland.org">ashmore@fbc-midland.org</a> or 432-683-0611

# OCT 2-4 (REGISTER BY FEB. 28) TRUE WOMEN CONFERENCE INDIANAPOLIS, IN

Hosted by Revive our Hearts and featuring some of the best Bible teachers today. The theme of this conference is The Word: Behold the Wonder. Come and find worship, refreshment, and renewal by seeking God in His Word!

## **COST PER PERSON:**

- \$800 for a two-person room
- \$1000 to room by yourself.

\$400 deposit due by February 28.

Register online at: fbcm.info/truewoman25

# **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

## **BEREAVEMENTS**

In this moment of profound loss, we wrap our arms around you with compassion, surrounding you with our deepest love, tender prayers, and unwavering support. Though words cannot heal the pain of grief, we stand beside you, honoring the memory of those who have been so deeply loved and so deeply missed.

Val Sparks in the loss of her father

#### **THANK YOU:**

We send our deep appreciation for your expressions of love and support with Bob's Graduation to Glory! Thank you for everything! Thank you for your continuing prayers. Bob is healed and whole and will live forever more with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Until we are reunited again, his spirit stays strong in my heart. May God Richly Bless You.

Rozann Taylor & Family







# **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

HELENA, MONTANA JUNE 21-27, 2025:

Deadline to register is March 31, 2025

SRI LANKA JULY 17-26, 2025:

Deadline to register is February 28, 2025.

TORONTO SEPTEMBER 18-24, 2025:

Deadline to register is May 31, 2025

Mexly Added:

WMU WOMEN'S BUILD, MISSION TX OCT. 19-24

Deadline to register is May 9th, 2025

Contact Bryan Pinson at <a href="mailto:bpinson@fbc-midland.org">bpinson@fbc-midland.org</a> for more details.

To find out more about events, visit our events page on our website! fbc-midland.org/events











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Preschool Ministry	683.0611				
Child Development Center	683.0638				
Children's Day Out	683.0632				
Student Ministry					
Family Ministry	683.0612				
55+ Ministry	683.0612				
Membership	683.0612				
Duplication Services					
Library	683.0625				

**Church Office Hours** 

Mon-Thurs, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Fri 8:30 AM to Noon

Sunday

Worship Services at 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM • Sunday School at 9:45 AM Worship Services Online

fbc-midland.org • facebook.com/fbcmidland youtube.com/fbcmidland • vimeo.com/fbcmidland

Sunday Service Televised at

7:00 a.m. on KOSA CBS 7 10:00 a.m. on CW Channel

Televised services are on a one-week tape delay





# **VASES NEEDED**

Our flower committee is in need of vases to beautifully display the floral arrangements donated for our Sunday morning services. If you have any gently used medium to large vases (no bud vases) that you'd like to donate, we would love to repurpose them for this special ministry. Please drop them off at our church office.

Thank you for helping us bring beauty to our worship services!



FBC Midland's smart phone app has been updated. If you haven't downloaded it, simply go to the Apple App Store or Google Play for Android users and search for "FBC Midland."