

IT WAS A GREAT WEEKEND...

I'm writing this on Sunday afternoon, April 10, and what a great day it has been! Actually, "Praise God!" and "Woohoo!" sum up my feelings for the whole weekend spent with our new Senior Pastor, Dr. Craig Curry, and his family.

The ministers and our spouses had the opportunity to share a long lunch with Craig and Fallon on Friday. I was impressed by the way Craig initiated conversations with each person. He was so intent on drawing out people and listening to their stories.

That evening some of us from church were blessed to participate in an *Act Beyond* dinner with Dr. Kent and Erika Parks, our First Baptist Plano Missionaries in Residence. We saw an inspirational and convicting video presentation about disciple making and heard ways we can support this.

Saturday morning included senior adults, median age adults and students in an "I Love My Church" work day. We got to know each other better as we spread mulch, pulled weeds, caulked windows, and helped with various maintenance projects.

Being in a packed sanctuary last Sunday morning and worshipping together was such a blessing! As Julie Sunnucks said before voicing her prayer, "You can just feel the Holy Spirit." The music and message were so uplifting. It is exciting to think of how God will use the Currys and our church in the future. We look forward to Dr. Curry's first Sunday on May 8.

I know that I speak for many, many others in expressing my appreciation to the Pastor Search Committee. They generously sacrificed their time. They are to be commended for the hours they invested in research and most of all in prayer. We as a church are blessed because of their service.

Serving with you in Christ,



Joan Ross
Minster to Children

WOMEN'S LUNCHEON SATURDAY, APRIL 23 11:00 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

\$15 tickets are available in the Church Office, Crosswalk and at fbcplano.org

Come hear special guest speaker and artist, Debbie Skinner. Her water media paintings and presentation of **Women of Excellence: A Family Portrait** will inspire women to savor, study, and share God's word with people they love.

This event is sponsored by the combined women's ministries of the 1300 congregations. Today is the deadline to reserve childcare by emailing Cathy at cathyh@fbcplano.org.

Welcome New Members

Jerry & Deanna Durham, Madelyn and Grant – *Transfer of Letter*

Arizona Mission Trip Giving Wall

Pre-printed envelopes are available on the Giving Walls outside the Sanctuary and Great Hall. **Today** is the deadline to choose an envelope, fill it with the denomination requested and return it to the Church Office. Proceeds will benefit the Student Ministry Arizona Mission Trip.

Recharge ...Use Your Gift

Christians are given spiritual gifts to be used by the Holy Spirit. Joan Ross will lead the second part of this spiritual gift series on Wednesday, **April 20** in B216 at 6:15 p.m. Join us as we look at specific areas of service for each gift.

Spring Musical - BIG SHOT

...*Facing down giants and looking up to God*
Make plans to come and hear our K-6th grade children at 6:00 p.m. next Sunday, **April 24**, in the Sanctuary.

Friendship Club

Join us for a BBQ sausage and chicken lunch at Noon, in the Great Hall, on **April 26**. Worship through the music artistry of pianist, Andrea Russo, and the First Baptist Plano *Sunshine Singers*. Choral selections include "Goliath," "Standing on the Solid Rock," and "Jesus Is My Shepherd."

Spaghetti Dinner & Dessert Auction

Purchase \$6 dinner tickets from any FBP student. The dinner begins at 5:00 p.m., on **May 1**, in the Great Hall. The dessert auction begins at 6:00 p.m. Proceeds from the dinner and auction benefit Student Ministry summer trip expenses.

First Plano Night @ the Roughriders

Join us at Dr Pepper Ballpark on Friday, **May 20**, for family fun as the Frisco RoughRiders take on the San Antonio Missions at 7:05 p.m. Enjoy all-you-can-eat hotdogs, chips, peanuts and Dr Pepper products for \$20 per person (under 3 yrs FREE). Tickets are available today in the Church Office and Crosswalk.

Granbury Outing

Enjoy a day of shopping and the afternoon performance of *Hello Dolly* at the Granbury Opera House on Saturday, **June 11**. Cost is \$59 plus lunch-on-your-own. We will depart the church at 8:30 a.m. and return around 6:00 p.m. Deadline for paid reservations in the Church Office is May 2.

Rent-a-Student

Need a set of extra hands? We can help you while your donation helps a student with their summer missions trip costs. Put us to work! We specialize in babysitting, yard work, pet sitting, washing cars, etc. Contact Jeff Howard at 972-424-8551 or email jeffh@fbcplano.org to schedule your student today! (*Rent-a-Student is not a charitable contribution.*)

Men's Ministry Golf League

Tee time is 4:00 p.m. at Pecan Hollow Golf Course on Tuesdays (no shotgun start). Cost includes 9 holes and cart, and will be \$24/person each time you play. Register at 972-424-8551, or email/text Tommy at tommys@fbcplano.org / 972-741-1096.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Parent's Night Out

...**April 29 / 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.**

Information and forms are available at fbcplano.org and are due by **April 24**.

Vacation Bible School / June 20-24

Gear up for an over-the-top underground adventure at *Cave Quest!* VBS is for kids 4 yrs (by June 1, 2016) - 5th grade.

CentriKid, July 18-22

A second and last installment of \$130 is due for each registrant by Wednesday, **April 27**. You may also include an additional \$17 for traveling meals which will be due at the Parent and Camper Meeting on Sunday, June 26.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Spaghetti Supper/Dessert Auction

Students should bring their dessert(s) to the Great Hall by 5:00 p.m. on **May 1**. Limit 2 desserts per student.

APRIL 17, 2016

SUNDAY, APRIL 17

9:30 a.m. Bible Study (All Ages)
10:45 a.m. Traditional Service, Sanctuary; Contemporary Service, Great Hall
11:00 a.m. Arabic Baptist Church of Dallas, Chapel
Agape Baptist Christian Fellowship, B219
Forest Community Church, The Refuge
5th & 6th Grade Parent Meeting, Gathering Hall
3:30 p.m. Missions Committee, B212
4:00 p.m. Stewardship/Finance Committee, Conference Room
Behold Your God, B102
4:30 p.m. Adult Handbells, Handbell Room
5:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting, B202
6:00 p.m. Student Life Groups, The Refuge
Business Meeting, Great Hall

MONDAY, APRIL 18

6:00 p.m. *Behold Your God*, Offsite

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, *Poor Richard's Café*
9:00 a.m. Parent's Day Out
11:00 a.m. Sunshine Singers, Choir Room

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

4:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Meal, Great Hall
6:15 p.m. Bible Study, Great Hall
CrossWalk for Children, C211 and D122
Recharge, B216
6:45 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. **Journey**, The Refuge
UPG Ministry Team, B102
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

7:00 a.m. Waco Outing Departs
9:00 a.m. Parent's Day Out
9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study, B201

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

6:00 p.m. Waco Outing
Children's Musical Rehearsal, Sanctuary

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

11:00 a.m. Women's Luncheon, Great Hall

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9:30 a.m. Bible Study (All Ages)
10:45 a.m. Traditional Service, Sanctuary; Contemporary Service, Great Hall
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3:00 p.m. Missions Committee/Leadership Council, B216
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6:00 p.m. **BIG SHOT** Children's Musical, Sanctuary

CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORT

Planned giving through April 10: \$621,550 Actual giving through April 10: \$610,182 (2%)

VIEW THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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