Church Office Hours:
MONDAY-THURSDAY 9:00AM-4:00PM
FRIDAY 9:00AM-1:00PM

/e are happy to see you!

information about the church

September 1, 2024

SUNDAY CLASSES AVAILABLE

September 1, 2024

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

In the Beginning ---

Mr. Sandy Whetherholt Room 407 - (Navigators)

Explore the Bible: Acts 13-28

Mr. Phil Green & Mr. Wayne Voltz

Room 203- (Bereans)

A Love Worth Giving

Mrs. Barbara Granger Room 103 (Ladies Class)

One³
Rev. Jim Farr
Room 107 (Couples)

The Life of David

Rev. Mike Melone

Room 109 (Family Builders)

College and Career
Josh & Lora Irish
Caleb & Lauren Jones
Room 108 (Ages 18-24)

Nursery & Preschool 9:30 am & 10:30 am Preschool Building

Dig In K5 – 2nd Grade 9:30 am – Room 106

Dig Deeper 3rd-5th Grade 9:30 am – Room 107

Jr. Worship K5- 5th Grade 10:30 am - Room 406

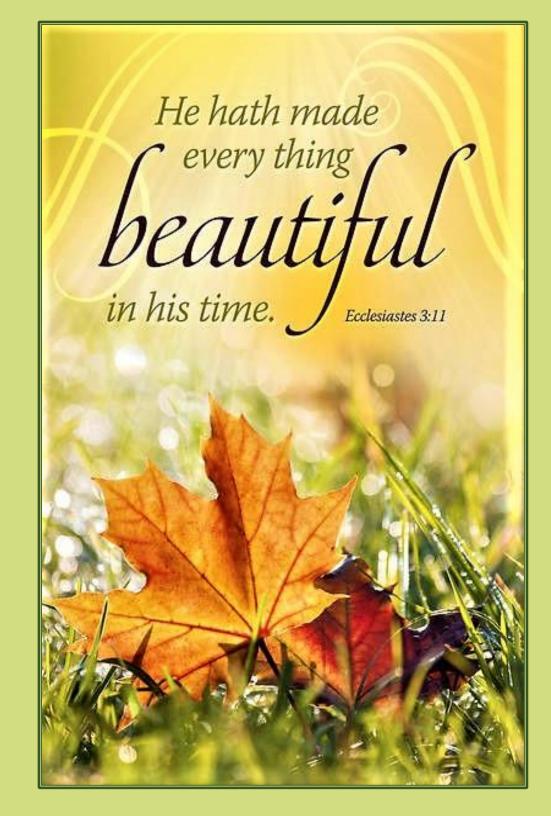
TEENS "THE EDGE" Grades 6th-12th 9:30 am - Room 406

MINISTRY STAFF

Dr. Barry V. Rumsey | Senior PastorRev. Jim Farr | Assistant PastorVicki Rumsey | Children's MinistryRobert O'Neill | Music DirectorBro. Josh Cortez | Youth DirectorMike Melone | RCS Administrator

PHONE | 813-645-6439 WEBSITE | www.fbcruskin.org

Listen Online | Past sermons are available at www.fbcruskin.org/youtube



OUR MISSION Many of today's churches always seem to be following the current trends. At First Baptist Church of Ruskin, we believe that God wants us to present ageless truth, not the latest trends. We don't want to be old -fashioned but rather we want to present the ageless story of God's love and grace to us through His son, Jesus Christ. We are so glad you have joined us today as we study God's precious Word.

ERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday

7:30 am - Men's Prayer Meeting

9:30 am - Bible Classes

10:30 am - Worship

5:00 pm - Worship

Wednesday - 7 PM

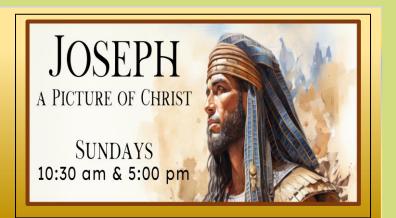
Adult Bible Study

Teen Bible Studies

Awana (Sept-May)

Kid's Quest (May-Aug)

Nursery Provided for ALL Services



EVERYONE IS INVITED

After the morning service today, we are having a Labor Day picnic in the gym. We will be having fried chicken, barbeque pulled pork, and all the fixins'. After you eat, you can play games in the gym or just relax and fellowship with friends. The kids are going to love the water slide, bounce house, and rock-climbing wall. There will be NO EVENING SERVICE. We want everyone to thank the Lord for a great day and finally...take a nap!

IT'S AWANA TIME!

On this Wednesday night, September 4th, a new year of AWANA begins. As always, our goal is to help kids to BELONG to a body of BELIEVERS where we can lead them to a saving knowledge of Christ. Then we can disciple them to BECOME Christ-like. We have AWANA clubs starting at age 2 through high school. The fun starts at 7 PM and ends at 8:30 PM. Children need this opportunity to learn more about God's Word.

SONSHINERS' BRUNCH

On Tuesday, September 10th, our adult Sonshiners' group will be kicking off their 2024-25 year with a Brunch at 10 AM in the gym. Everyone can bring their favorite "Brunch type" goodies. The order of the day is for everyone to greet an old friend and meet a new one! We will talk about all the exciting activities planned for the coming year so everyone can make sure their calendars are marked "SAVE THAT DATE!"

SONSHINERS' TRIP

On Thursday, September 19th, the Sonshiners will be traveling to Sarasota to the Jungle Gardens whose biggest attraction is the free-roaming flamingos. You can walk with them and even hand-feed them. There are also many opportunities for up close interactive experiences with reptiles, parrots, butterflies, and other mammals. The gardens offer daily entertaining and educational shows. MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THIS ONE!

Prayer Request
Submitted By
Submitted by



September 1st, 2024 PRAYER REQUESTS

JIM BALLARD- (member) Having finished his radiation therapy treatments, Jim has been on an immunotherapy program. Pray for relief of pain and good results from all his treatments.

JENNIFER MELONE- (member) Jennifer is back at her desk at Ruskin Christian School after a week-long stay in the hospital. Tests revealed a rare autoimmune syndrome causing severe kidney problems. She has begun a course of chemotherapy, and we need to continue to pray this treatment successfully deals with this issue without any side effects.

DREAMA HAGER- (member) Dreama was moved to the ICU unit at South Shore Hospital last Tuesday. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.

JESSICA ADAMS- Jessica teaches first grade at Ruskin Christian School. She is expecting in December, and she is having a very difficult pregnancy. Pray that there will be no complications these last few months.

DORIS BUZBEE-(member) Doris has been a faithful member of this church for many, many years. She has been unable to attend for several months because of balance problems as well as heart issues. We need to pray for strength for her. We also need to pray for her daughter Kay, whose husband, Dr. Fred Taylor, went to be with the Lord last week.

OUR AWANA PROGRAM- This week FBC will begin another year of our AWANA programs. Pray that God will do a mighty work in the hearts of these young people as we teach them God's Word and how to apply it to their hearts.

Members with Health Concerns

Betty Ballard Shirley Ruthven
Sharon Davis Allen Scheffler
Dreama Hager Jim & Amella Short
Paul Harget Jerry & Jane Smith

Helen Holstein Les Taylor
Gail Letzring Betty Wears

Larry & Linda Mostello Ron & Donna Welsh

Members Battling Cancer

Terry Horton Tim Way Ron Welsh David Zurlinden Ken Thompson Jim Ballard

SERVING THE USA

Bob Bryant	Michael Lipford	Garrett Rushing
C.J. Cartwright	Andy Meyrahn	Maggie Russell
Charles Clerc	Christ Oliver	Jonathan
Jen DuBois	Audrey Penny	Schweinshaupt
Elijah Gulotta	Remiah Reza	Nathan Thomas
Zachary Kennedy	Andrew	Amanda Unruh
Riley Kennedy	Richardson	Mike Williams
Amber Kennedy	Josh Rumsey	Levi Wynn
Max Lipford	,	•

^{*}FBC Members are in blue italics.

Moses spent forty years thinking he was somebody; forty years learning he was nobody, and forty years discovering what God can do with a nobody.

THE DYKES FAMILY OUR MISSIONARIES IN AFRICA

Dear Praying friends,

In Ethiopia, we had a great team this year with two churches assisting us. We held our 3rd Vacation Bible School at VICKtory School for the Deaf, and God showed up and moved in a mighty way with over two-thirds of the student body accepting Christ as their Savior!

The new early intervention building is about 87% complete. Due to the cost of materials we had to cut some things from the contract, but it will be operational in a few months.

Inflation has hit Ethiopia extremely hard. The government has devalued the Ethiopian currency, but this has yet to impact goods and services. Many in Ethiopia have had their income cut almost in half overnight, including the teachers and staff at VICKtory School. The school needs more support as it must adjust to this inflation situation to retain current teachers and recruit new teachers who are desperately needed.

This problem has also impacted our work here. Our family has a great need to raise additional support to adjust for inflation in Ethiopia and Botswana, equivalent to 72% for most people in Ethiopia and 36% in Botswana.

In Botswana, we laid the groundwork for a new church plant in Francis Town where Pastor Tshenolo will be taking the lead. Pray for him as he reaches an area that we have been praying about for almost 20 years. I have wanted to see a Deaf church in Francis Town since my first visit to Botswana in 2002, and now God has opened that door with a great group of young Deaf believers whose zeal and desire to make disciples is unmatched.

We thank you for your continued support and prayers.
-The Travis Dykes Family-