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# **First Baptist Church of Ruskin**

# **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.

# **SERVICES**

**SUNDAY MEN'S PRAYER MEETING - 7:30 AM BIBLE CLASSES - 9:30 AM** WORSHIP - 10:30 AM WORSHIP - 5:00 PM WEDNESDAY - 7:00 PM

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY** 

**TEEN BIBLE STUDY** 

AWANA (SEPT-MAY)

# **STAFF**

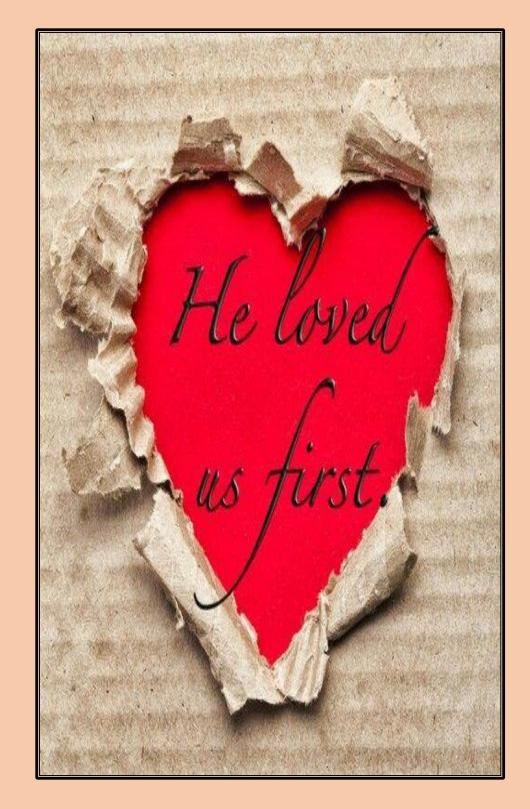
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PAST SERMONS ARE AVAILABLE AT WWW.FBCRUSKIN.ORG



## SUNDAY CLASSES AVAILABLE

#### February 9, 2025

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL The Doctrine of God Mr. Sandy Whetherholt Room 407 - (Navigators) Dig In Finding Calm in the Storm Mrs. Barbara Granger Room 103 (Ladies Class) The Heart of Worship Mr. Phil Green & Mr. Wayne Voltz Room 203 (Bereans) The Life of David 10:30 am - Room 406 **Rev. Mike Melone** Room 109 (Young Adults) One<sup>3</sup> **Rev. Jim Farr** Room 107 (Couples) College and Career Josh & Lora Irish

Caleb & Lauren Jones Room 108 (Ages 18-24) **Nursery & Preschool** 9:30 am & 10:30 am **Preschool Building** 

K5 – 2nd Grade 9:30 am – Room 106

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

> Jr. Worship K5- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

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

Wednesday Night **Children's Ministry** Nursery & Preschool Age -Preschool building AWANA (K5 thru 5<sup>th</sup>grade) Grow (Grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12) JAIA (Room 108)

Tonight in the evening service we will hear from Missionary Chris Luppino who is the Director of Missionary Care at Gospel **Furthering Fellowship.** 

This Wednesday in AWANA is SUPER SPORTS NIGHT. All clubbers can show their team spirit by wearing their favorite team's colors. On February 12<sup>th</sup>, they can cheer louder than ever and let their team colors be seen at our super fun sports-themed event! This event starts at 7 PM so make sure your clubbers are ready for all the fun!

## **Upcoming Events**

For any additional information about any event, just call the church office at 813.645.6439.



**On Sunday night, February 16<sup>th</sup>, after the evening service** we are having our annual Baked Potato Fundraiser to help send our young people to The Wilds Christian Camp this summer. HOWEVER...this year it isn't just about baked potatoes because this year WE ARE ADDING A DESSERT **COMPETITION WHERE OUR KIDS BAKE THE GOODIES!** 

Their desserts will be judged in two age groups: 5 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade and 6<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. First, second, and third place winners will be awarded gift cards.

**BUT WAIT FOR IT...more importantly, the third-place** winner will also be awarded the bronze spoon, the secondplace winner will be awarded the silver spoon, and the first-place winner will win the COVETED "GOLDEN SPOON".

To sign-up, go to https://www.fbcruskin.org/calendar, then click on the Kid's and Teen's Bake-off event or sign the sign-up sheet at the welcome center in the lobby.

Mark your calendars today for next Sunday's big event. Forget Wendy's, Taco Bell, McDonald's, or Burger King because their food will beat all those places!!!

Prayer Request



Did we miss your offering or prayer request? There is an offering envelope located in one of the seat backs, and you can tear the prayer request panel from this bulletin. Place them in the little black offering box on the right side of the center doors of the auditorium as you exit.



### FEBRUARY 9th, 2025 **PRAYER REQUESTS**

JERRY SMITH- (member) Jerry is not doing well. He is not eating and continues to lose weight. Keep this dear saint and his precious wife Jane in your prayers as they seek God's will and His strength.

**DeLYTE DELONG-** (member) DeLyte continues her physical therapy for her broken knee. She was fitted for an adjustable brace this week so she might be able to bend her knee when necessary. Hopefully, this will enable her to be back in church with us soon.

DONNA WELSH- (member) Donna has been having some serious stomach issues. Pray for proper treatment and relief of her discomfort.

MATT TALLEY- This is the Whetherholt's son who is dealing with extreme pain from a herniated cervical disc that is impinging on a nerve. He had another nerve block this week. Pray for this procedure to give lasting relief of pain and much-needed sleep.

**TERRY HORTON-** (member) Terry is on a new medication for his cancer treatment and is experiencing some side effects. Pray for these problems to cease as soon as possible.

WILBERT "WILLIE" GIRARD- This dear man has been unable to be at First Baptist for several months because of big problems with his blood sugar. Please keep him in your prayers that God might stabilize this situation so that he can return to fellowship with us very soon.

**ANGIE STARK-** This is Mary Lynn's daughter who has one mass inside and one outside her pancreas. She has a fever, high blood pressure, and nausea such that she can't eat. Please continue to lift her up before the Throne for proper treatment and relief of pain.

#### **Members with Health Concerns**

**Betty Ballard** Sharon Davis Paul Harget Helen Holstein Gail Letzring Larry & Linda Mostello **Shirley Ruthven** Allen Scheffler Jim & Amella Short Jerry & Jane Smith **Betty Wears** Ron & Donna Welsh

**Garrett Rushing** 

Maggie Russell

Schweinshaupt

Nathan Thomas

Amanda Unruh **Mike Williams** 

**Travis Smith** 

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#### **Members Battling Cancer**

Terry Horton Tim Way Ron Welsh David Zurlinden Ken Thompson

#### SERVING THE USA

**Bob Bryant** C.J. Cartwriaht **Charles Clerc** Jen DuBois Eliiah Gulotta Zachary Kennedy **Riley Kennedy** Amber Kennedy Max Lipford

Michael Lipford Andv Mevrahn **Christ Oliver** Audrey Penny **Remiah Reza** Andrew Richardson Josh Rumsey

\*FBC Members are in blue italics.

Seeking to perpetuate one's name on earth is like writing on the sand by the seashore; to be perpetual it must be written on eternal shores.

### THE SYKES FAMILY **OUR MISSIONARIES TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

#### **CHAPEL CHURCH PLANT**

Every week, 20 young baseball players, all aspiring to sign professional contracts, join us for a Bible study with our new church plant. It's one of the highlights of my week! I am continually amazed by their attentiveness as we walk systematically through the Book of John. It is incredible to see the Holy Spirit at work in their lives! SAYING HARD GOODBYES

While there is so much to be excited about in ministry, we faced the bittersweet reality of soon saying goodbye to our oldest son Sam. He will be leaving home to begin an internship in PA. We are thrilled about the job training, ministry opportunities, and spiritual mentorship he will receive there, and we are confident this is God's leading. At the same time, saying goodbye is never easy. The dynamic of our home will forever change, yet we couldn't be more proud of Sam and what God is doing in his life!

#### **UNIVERSITY STUDENT MINISTRY**

We have witnessed some amazing things in our university student small group. Our core members have been actively inviting others, and over the past month, we have welcomed two new young ladies, Maria and Natasha. Both are avid readers with a passion for diving deep into subject like philosophy. While I'm not yet sure about their salvation, one thing is clear- the Holy Spirit is undeniably at work in their lives! Please pray that these young women will soon surrender their lives to Christ. **THANK YOU!** 

A heartfelt thank you to all of you and to our Lord for an incredible year of ministry. People often ask if we miss home. The honest answer is, "Yes, we do." But we also wouldn't trade the front-row seat we have to witness God transforming lives. Thank you for being a part of this journey through your prayers and financial support. The Sykes Family