

# WELCOME

We are happy to see you!

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm  
Friday 9:00am-1:00pm  
813-645-6439

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information about the  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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August 31, 2025

## 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)

KID'S QUEST (MAY-AUG)

## STAFF

DR. BARRY RUMSEY | SENIOR PASTOR

REV. JIM FARR | ASSISTANT PASTOR

BRO. MARK GOOD | MINISTRY ADMINISTRATOR

MRS. VICKI RUMSEY | CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

BRO. JOSH CORTEZ | YOUTH DIRECTOR

BRO. ROBERT O'NEILL | MUSIC DIRECTOR

## RCS

MRS. JENNIFER DESANTO | SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

MRS. KRISTY TALLON | ELEMENTARY/PRE-SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

MRS. LISA HEERDT | PRE-SCHOOL SUPERVISOR

RCS - AGES 2 THROUGH 12TH GRADE

First Baptist Church of Ruskin

PAST SERMONS ARE AVAILABLE AT  
[WWW.FBCRUSKIN.ORG](http://WWW.FBCRUSKIN.ORG)

LISTEN ONLINE



*"For God has not given us a  
spirit of fear, but of power and  
of love and of a sound mind."*

*2 Timothy 1:7.*



**SUNDAY CLASSES AVAILABLE**

# August 31, 2025

# ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

## The Generations of the Heavens and the Earth

**Mr. Sandy Whetherholt**  
**Room 407 (Navigators)**

**Character Counts**  
**Mr.Phil Green & Mr.Wayne Voltz**  
**Room 203 (Bereans)**

**Foolproofing your Life**  
**Mrs. Barbara Grainger**  
**Room 103 (Ladies Class**

**Biblical Meditations**  
**Mr. Joshua Cortez**  
**Room 109**

One<sup>3</sup>  
Rev. Jim Farr  
Room 107 (Couples)

**College and Career**  
**Mr. Robert Lucas**  
**Room 108 (Ages 18-24)**

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

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

**Dig Deeper**  
**3rd – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**  
**9:30 am – Room 105**

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

**TEENS “Grow”**  
**Grades 6th-12<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:30 am - Room 406**

## SONSHINERS' WELCOME BACK BRUNCH

On Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, our adult Sonshiners' group will be kicking off their 2025-26 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!"**

## Upcoming Events

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

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# HOLIDAY SCHEDULING

**Because this is a holiday weekend, there will be no PM service tonight. Also because Monday is a National Holiday, the FBC and RCS office will be closed.**

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# AWANA BEGINS

**This Wednesday night at 7 PM, AWANA begins again! We have clubs starting at 2 years old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. It's going to be an awesome year so be sure to have your kids in their clubs!**



# RUSKIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

**On Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> from 6 AM (breakfast) to 9 PM (that covers lunch, dinner, or late-night snack), the Chic-Fil-A on Big Bend Road right off Hwy. 301 is donating 10% of sales **placed on your phone** for either dine-in or to go orders. Go to the Chic-Fil-A app and opt in to “Support Community Care Event” when prompted. Then enter the Organizational Code “Warriors”. All funds will help buy new musical instruments for our school.**



## Lord's calories don't count



## Prayer Requests

Submitted By:

**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.**



AUGUST 31st, 2025  
PRAYER REQUESTS

**DENNIS BROWN**- This is Ann Wilson’s son who had surgery for prostate cancer last week. Pray for his recovery and wisdom for the proper treatment plans.

**RON WELSH**- (member) Ron had a fall last week and is bruised and very sore. His ankle is swollen, and he has experienced some difficulty in getting up and down. Pray these problems go away quickly and his pain is relieved.

**DAVE STILES**- This is the father of Heather Zachara and Christine Davis, one of our RCS teachers. His latest PET scan revealed a marked growth in his tumor. Pray for proper treatment and pain relief.

**EMERSON CARNEY**- (member) Emerson has been a faithful member of FBC for over twenty of his 96 years. Over a week ago he had a hard fall resulting in aches, pain, and bruises. Pray for complete recovery for this dear man.

**JANET McCLURE**- Janet is back at Palm Gardens and needs our continued prayers for a proper diagnosis and treatment.

**NEW EVENING LADIES’ BIBLE STUDY**  
Beginning Tuesday evening September 16<sup>th</sup>, Mrs. Liz Rollin will be teaching an awesome Bible study on Cynthia Heald’s book, “**Becoming a Woman of Strength**”. This will be an 11-week course meeting each Tuesday night from 6:30 until 8 PM in the Choir Room on the right side of the auditorium. Everyone needs to park in the parking lot nearest to the daycare building. There is a ramp there for easy access directly into the Choir Room. This will be a great opportunity for spiritual growth with personal interaction during each evening. Ladies of all ages are invited to meet for this time of teaching and discussion among the group.

Members with Health Concerns

Betty Ballard	Allen Scheffler
Sharon Davis	Jim & Amella Short
Helen Holstein	Jane Smith
Larry & Linda Mostello	Betty Wears
Shirley Ruthven	Ron & Donna Welsh

Members Battling Cancer

Terry Horton	Tim Way	Ron Welsh	David Zurlinden
	Ken Thompson		

SERVING THE USA

Bob Bryant	Michael Lipford	<i>Garrett Rushing</i>
<i>C.J. Cartwright</i>	<i>Josiah Lucas</i>	Maggie Russell
Charles Clerc	Andy Meyrahn	Jonathan
Jen DuBois	Christ Oliver	Schweinsaupt
Elijah Gulotta	Remiah Reza	Nathan Thomas
Zachary	Andrew	Amanda Unruh
Kennedy	Richardson	Mike Williams
Riley Kennedy	<i>Josh Rumsey</i>	<i>Levi Wynn</i>
Max Lipford		

\*FBC Members are in blue italics.

Spiritual maturity is not  
reached by the passing of  
the years but by obedience  
to the will of God.

JONELL AND AMBER GONZALES  
OUR MISSIONARIES TO THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Dear Praying friends,

We are praising the Lord for an amazing start to our children’s outreach and feeding program. For our first week, we had 33 children in attendance. We are so thankful for our volunteers who have helped us with activity time and the cooking. We have already noticed several children who always come hungry. Pray we can continue to help them through the feeding program. We are thankful for this ministry as it gives us insight into our future orphanage.

We continue to look for property for the orphanage. We were told of 3 lots equaling 1,500 square meters next to the church that might be available for sale. However, after more investigation, we were told they were only selling one of the lots (500 square meters) at this time. This property would be a great start for the orphanage, large enough to house 10 to 15 orphans, especially since it is connected to our church property. Please join us in praying the owners will change their minds and make all the property for sale.

Please continue to pray for our visas. Pray that God will guide us to the right officials, and in His perfect timing we will be granted our visas so we can return to the United States for our furlough.

Pray for our church (Bantayan First Baptist Church) as we prepare for our annual Thanksgiving service. We voted last week to install air conditioning in our church for this year’s project. Our church has agreed to make pledges for this need. Pray for God’s provision and installment before October.

We are so thankful God continues to answer our prayers for provision, spiritual growth, and protection as we seek to give Hope to the Hopeless in the Philippines. Thank you for your love, prayers, and support.

Jonell and Amber Gonzales