

Staff

Bro. Craig Forque
Music Minister &
Associate Pastor

Bro. Sean Slate
Interim Youth Minister

April Van Driver
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April Birthdays

- 1 – Sheri O’Neal
- 2 – Ethan Ghazanchian
- 3 – Suzette Endris
- 5 – Mark Skinner
- 6 – Jacob Suire
- 7 – Bonnie Hicks
Erin Hebert
- 8 – Jeremiah Fordd
- 9 – Anden Wilson
- 11 Robbie Bailes
Aidyn Hoffpaur
Allisa Manasco
Aaliyah Manasco
Autumn Bridges
- 14 – Cade Moore
- 17 – Loretta Poe
- 18 – Mellionee Flores
- 19 – Brycen Dowden
- 20 – Mitch Thompson
Cameron Endris
- 21 – LaVean Marze
- 23 – Karen Robertson
KayliCook
- 24 – Belinda Reed
Caleb Hurley
- 25 – Kayleigh Mayberry
Travis Brains
- 27 – Diane Barney
Kendra Moss
Leslie Moore
Baylor Dillon
- 30 – Esther Stephens
Kenzie Cryer

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Serving God - Loving People

Deacon on Call

April 4-10, 2021
Robert Pynes, Jr
337 238 1236 (h)
337 397 2930 (c)

April 11-17, 2021
Daniel Arnold
423 903 7972(c)

April 18-24, 2021
Kaplan Rolon
337 397 1007 (c)

April 25-May 1, 2021
Randall Smith
337 238 1558 (h)
337 375 7607 (c)

**Business
Meeting**

**April 25, 2021
6:00 PM**

In CLC

**WE ARE OPEN FOR
IN-HOUSE WORSHIP
SERVICES
Sunday**

Sunday School for all ages 9:45 AM
Worship Service 10:45 AM Sunday morning
Children’s Choir 5 PM Sundays
GA’s & RA’s 6 PM Sundays
Evening Worship Service @ 6 PM .

Wednesday

Awana 6 PM
Youth & Adult Bible Study in the CLC @ 6 PM
Adult Choir Practice @ 7 PM

FBC State of Affairs

2020 Monthly Budget Required \$41,780.00

Received March 7, 2021	10,949.20
Received March 14, 2021	6,356.37
Received March 21, 2021	6,222.44
Received March 28, 2021	5,119.45

Sunday School Report

	3/7	3/14	3/21	3/28
Members Present	65	74	66	80
Visitors	11	12	14	3
Worship Attendance	112		94	100

**The
mission
moves
forward**



**First Baptist Church Goal \$5,000.00
North American Missions/Please give generously!
Ingathering April 4, 2021**

Craig's Notes

Happy Easter everyone! As we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, we celebrate life, hope, forgiveness, grace, eternity, peace, freedom from captivity, overwhelming joy, and so much more. May your heart be filled with each, and may the testimony of our risen Savior overflow to everyone around.

Let me take this opportunity to thank those who have helped in our worship services in the month of March. To our sound, projector and television crews, thanks so much for all the work you put in, especially with the revival. Thanks to Elizabeth, Daniel, Sean, Grant, and Gracyn for leading worship and playing instruments in the month of March. Thanks to those who sang specials including Grant Blackwell, Elizabeth Cyr, Leslie Moore, Bro. Sean, and the Quarantine Quartet. Of course, thanks to our wonderful Adult Choir for their continued faithfulness. It was so good to have some back who haven't been able to sing with us in a while.

On March 28, the choir presented the 2021 Easter Musical "Our Living Hope." What a wonderful job they did. Thanks, choir for all your hard work. I also want to thank soloists Erica Arnold, Elizabeth Cyr, Grant Blackwell, Macel Howard, and Daniel Arnold for the wonderful singing. Narrator Baylor Dillon did a wonderful job as well as did David Summers on projector and Tim Cyr on sound. I also want to say a special thanks to Karter Arnold who has been doing sound for rehearsals. You are all appreciated beyond words.

It is good to see some of our ministries gearing back up. One of our essential ministries is homebound visitation. We will have our first homebound visitation of 2021 on Thursday April 8. Meet in the CLC at 9 AM prepared to go out and minister. (The DMA will be leaving for the Jubilee Conference on Sunday, April 18 after morning services. Plans are to begin our monthly DMA meeting again on May 27.)

The youth have several things going on during the next few weeks. Of course, there is the Jambalaya sell on April 9. Also, you may now start dropping off items for the Garage Sale which is May 1. In addition, on April 11, the youth will drive to Alexandria to attend the Toby Mac Drive in concert. See Bro. Sean or Rodney Blackwell for information on that.

If you have someone graduating high school or college please let the church office know by April 15. We will have graduate recognition on May 16. Also, if you have a baby or child you would like to be dedicated, please let the church know by April 15. We will have Baby Dedication on Mother's Day, May 9.

On Wednesday, April 7, we will have a fellowship meal at 5:45 PM. Everyone bring a covered dish. Then for our regular Bible Study time, we are going to look at doing evangelistic outreach in our community, beginning with planning a "Light the Night" event for May 15.

I realize that you may not receive your April Newsletter in the mail before Easter, but you will see it on-line. I am very glad that the church will be able to host the Easter Egg Hunt at 10:30 AM on Good Friday. There will be hot dogs and chips and fun for everyone. The Sunrise Service will be at 7 AM on Easter Sunday. Bring sweet breakfast treats and we will enjoy a time of fellowship afterwards. Then Easter Sunday School will be at 9:30 with worship at 10:45. The Ingathering for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions will be in the regular Easter Service. The goal is \$5,000.

Another thing that makes April an important month is the observance of "Administrative Professionals" or "Secretaries" Week. This year, it is the week of April 18, with the actual "Secretaries Day" being Wednesday, April 21. I want to thank our wonderful secretaries,, Gail Wagner, Deedee Slate, and Linda Brady and our substitute and regular volunteer secretary, Pat Totten for all they do for our church EVERY day. We all benefit from what they do. Let me encourage everyone to make efforts to show your love to them.

Finally, let me take this opportunity to offer condolences to Joyce Miller on the homegoing of her son, Clifford D. Miller who passed away on December 26, 2020. Also, to Bro. Sean and family on the homegoing of his grandfather Mel. C Slate of Washington, Oklahoma. In addition, Christian sympathy is offered to Kay Brown, Lee Brown, and family in the homegoing of one of our long-time members, Robert Brown. Please continue in prayer for these families in days to come.

May God bless you all more abundantly than you might hope or expect.



Youth Fund Raiser
Jambalaya Plate \$10.00
Pick up dinners April 9, 2021
10:00 AM to 1:00 PM in the CLC
See any youth for tickets

Love and condolences to:

Sean Slate & family in the death of his grandfather, Mel C. Slate.

And

Kay Brown & Family in the death of her husband, Robert Brown.

And

Leslie Moore in the death of her uncle, Dinks Lawrence

And

Parker Davis in the death of his uncle, Thurman Davis

"Thank You"

Beyond Words – Appreciate You

Thank you all- your efforts are so very appreciated. The lunch for our family and friends was delicious.

It gave us time to relax away from the funeral home.

Thank you, Syd Smith

Tapestry will meet
May 11, 2021 @ 6 PM



Memorial Service
For Don Holton
April 17, 2021
Visitation 10:00 AM
First Baptist Church, Leesville, LA
Memorial Service: 11:00 AM
First Baptist Church

Jubilee Conference
In Branson, Missouri
April 18-April 22, 2021

Thanks to all who had a part in organizing and working to make the Annual Easter Egg a success for the children. Good job ladies!

APRIL 15, 2021

DEADLINE

For turning in your pictures for graduate recognition on May 16th. And
for baby dedication on May 9th, Mother's Day

"Annual Youth Garage Sale"

May 1, 2021

7:00 AM – 2:00 PM

First Baptist Church Gym

(Begin dropping off your items April 12, 2021 in the gym)

