



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: Holy Discontent

2024 has begun and we are in full swing with all the winter / spring programming and efforts. Sunday Night Discipleship (SND) is off to a great start. If you have not taken advantage of the opportunity to be involved in going deeper in your faith through the classes offered on Sunday nights, it is not too late. Start this Sunday!

There are plenty of things to be excited about when it comes to what God is doing in our church. By now, I am sure you have heard that the launch date for the Modern Service has been set. Plans are underway to, once again, offer a more contemporary and relaxed worship experience in our church. On April 7th, we will begin this new effort.

I want to remind each of us that we are doing this not for us – we are launching a new service for those we are not currently reaching. I recently attended the Texas Baptist Evangelism Conference in San Antonio. From the opening prayer, our focus was set on reaching our world with the Gospel of Jesus. A friend of mine, and pastor of the host church, Dr. Matt Homeyer prayed that God would give us a “holy discontent.”

Those words struck me with conviction. Since then, I have used those words in my own prayer for our church – that God would give us a “holy discontent” – that we would not be comfortable and content with how things are but rather that we would truly take up the Great Commission with renewed conviction. Our church exists to share the Good News of Jesus and make disciples. Each of us has a part to play in reaching our community for Jesus.

Each of us knows someone who does not know Jesus. Each one of us has influence or at least relationships with people outside of faith. May we not settle and become content with knowing that the people in our lives without Jesus will eventually die and spend an eternity in hell separated from the loving Savior. May we live with this holy discontent and may we allow it to compel us to make every effort to fulfill the Great Commission.

That is what our church is commissioned to do – that is what each of us is commissioned to do.

May it be on earth as it is in heaven!

Brian



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IT'S ABOUT THE MOMENTS

#EveryMomentMatters

In a moment I
only had God to
rely on ... I felt a
peace I have never
experienced before.
1 Peter 5:7

The moment I met someone
special, I knew God put her
in my path so we could share
many more moments ... and our
faith grew together. JC

2023 was our pruning year! Our struggle brought admiration from others for our faith. Although we did not lean into our faith for accolades, other saw God working in our lives. The people who then turned to God were our fruit. Or maybe, just the fruit that we watered some.

EVERY
MOMENT
MATTERS

firstcorpus.org/moments



WORSHIP CENTER FLOWERS

February 4
Given by Brittany and
Nick Soliz in memory of
their daughter,
Hadassah Jane

February 11
Given by Paul
Cameron in honor
of 43 years of marriage
to his wife, Nancy

February 18
Given by Cathy Kleine in
loving memory of her
mother, Mary Warden
Kleine

February 25
Given by
Mike & Jenny Lohan

BAPTISMS

Wyatt and Teddy Baker
baptized on
January 7, 2024



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



*Mark, Carrie, Kathleen,
and Colten Miller*



Braxton Cheek

MODERN WORSHIP



MODERN WORSHIP SERVICE

**LAUNCHING
SOON!**

APRIL 7, 2024

SCAN THE QR CODE IF YOU
ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING
IN ANY CAPACITY FOR THE
NEW SERVICE!



MISSIONS FOR LIFE

Join us in praying for the Pregnancy Center of the Coastal Bend as they begin work on their new building, which will serve and bless our community in so many ways.

If you are experienced in construction and able to help with painting, dry wall, flooring, etc, please contact Cathy Harwick.

cathy.harwick@ccpregnancy.org



ANNUAL MISSIONS OFFERING

Church family,

Thanks to your kindness, we exceeded our Annual Missions goal of \$45,000 for 2023. A grand total of \$50,345 was generously given. This offering helps support both our local and global mission efforts and mission agencies.

On behalf of all our mission partners, thank you for your generosity and willingness to give toward missions. As a Body of Believers who faithfully give towards missions, we impact our community, state, country, and world with the saving gospel of Jesus Christ.

2023 FBC Total: \$50,345

50% (\$25,172.50) FBC Missions

- 10% (\$5,034.50) Mission Trips
- 8% (\$4,027.60) Street Ministry
- 15% (\$7,551.75) Food Pantry
- 8% (\$4,027.60) Benevolence
- 4% (\$2,013.80) Hammer Slammers
- 5% (\$2,517.25) Texas/Mexico Missions

50% (\$25,172.50) Mission Agencies

- 20% (\$10,069) Lottie Moon
- 20% (\$10,069) Mary Hill Davis
- 10% (\$5,034.50) Annie Armstrong



UPCOMING EVENTS

DISCIPLE NOW 2024 • FEBRUARY 9-11

Act. Love. Walk MICAH 5:8

Register today @ firstcorpus.org/events

Women's Retreat

CLINGING TO *Hope*



March 1-3, 2024
Mustang Island Conference Center

A time of faith and fellowship at Mustang Island Conference Center.
Guest Speaker: Beverly Ross - Clinging to Hope

FULL CONFERENCE - Two nights lodging, meals, and all retreat activities:

- Single room - \$360 each
- 2 in a room - \$300 each
- 3 in a room - \$240 each
- 4 in a room - \$190 each

HALF CONFERENCE - Friday evening to Saturday at 4pm
OR Saturday at 4pm to Sunday at noon:

- Single room - \$180 each
- 2 in a room - \$150 each
- 3 in a room - \$120 each
- 4 in a room - \$95 each

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Sunday, February 18, 2024

REGISTER
HERE!



First Baptist Corpus Christi
3115 Ocean Drive
March 30, 2024 / 8:00 AM Start

Come enjoy this beautiful USTA certified course along Ocean Drive with bay views. Family-friendly event including post-run awards ceremony. Hosted and organized by First Baptist Church since 2004.

EARLY BIRD PRICING (received by 3/27/24)
\$20.00/adult
\$15.00/age 17 and under
\$25.00 late registration as of 3/28/24

AGE DIVISION AWARDS

Overall Male and Female
Top 3 Male & Female in age groups
Runners (Male & Female):
8 & under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-19, 20-24,
25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54,
55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70 & over

T-SHIRTS

Dri Fit T-shirts are guaranteed to all pre-registered participants. Not guaranteed for late registrants.

PACKET PICK-UP

Packet pick-up is Friday, March 29, 9 a.m. to 4 pm at the Frist Baptist Recreation Center located behind the church. (Late registration available at packet pick-up.)

DOOR PRIZES

Several door prizes will be given at the awards presentation. You must be present to win.

SCAN ME



Upcoming Golf Fellowship | March 2, 2024

8:00 am Tee time, please sign in by 7:45 am

Contact Billy or Jerry Jo Largin to register

For more info 361-737-1653 or jjlargin@yahoo.com

NO ENTRY FEE - Regular course greens fees and cart fees apply. Team Placement & Individual Proximity Prizes. Mulligan tickets available & Mulligan ticket drawing for a free round of golf.



2024 Dates
March 2, June 1, August 3, October 5



STAFF CELEBRATIONS



Welcome ♡ february

WEEKLY RECURRING EVENTS



MONDAYS

Flower Ministry • 8:30am-11am

Help to break down the worship center flowers and deliver to our members who are unable to attend services. To participate, contact Glenda Bailey @ 361-986-9793.

Pickleball • 9am-12pm

Ceramics • 9:30am-2:30pm

This is strictly ceramics – some molds and slip available. (No pottery wheels.) Beginners welcome!

TUESDAYS

Library Open • 9am-4pm

55+ Basketball • 11:30am-2pm

Open Basketball • 2pm-4:30pm

Bible Study Fellowship • 6:15pm-8:15pm

WEDNESDAYS

Preschool Play Day • 9:30am-11:30am

Free and open to children kindergarten and younger. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Pickleball • 11:30am-2pm

Choir Rehearsal • 6:45pm

This is the perfect time to see if music is a fit for you. All are welcome to attend our weekly rehearsals!

THURSDAYS

Déjà vu Crew • 9:30am

Come join the rowdy group playing Mexican Train at the Rec Center!

Sewing Ministry • 10am-12pm

55+ Basketball • 11:30am-2pm

Open Basketball • 2pm-4:30pm

Street Ministry • 7pm

To participate, contact Jeff Chilcoat @ 361-944-8952.

FRIDAYS

Food Pantry • 9am-11am

We are a distribution site for the Coastal Bend Food Bank. Help us serve our community.

To participate, contact Ed Cooke @ 361-991-8253.

Pickleball • 9am-2pm

SATURDAYS

55+ Basketball • 9am-11am

SUNDAYS

Bible Study • 9:30am

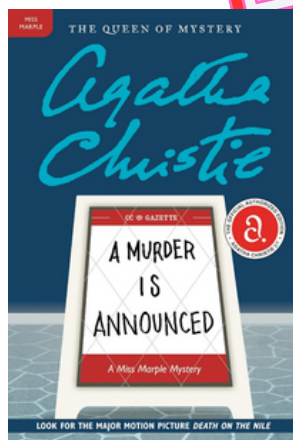
Worship Service • 10:45am

NEW THIS MONTH

- 2/9-11/24 Disciple Now Weekend
- 2/11/24 No SND
- 2/16/24 Parents' Night Out
- 2/18/24 Blood Drive
- 2/24/24 Last Upward Games



BOOK CLUB MEETING



The villagers of Chipping Cleghorn are agog with curiosity when the Gazette advertises "A murder is announced and will take place on Friday, October 29th, at Little Paddocks at 6.30 PM. "A childish practical joke? Or a spiteful hoax? Unable to resist the mysterious invitation, the locals arrive at Little Paddocks at the appointed time when, without warning, the lights go out and a gun is fired. When they come back on, a gruesome scene is revealed. An impossible crime? It's up to Miss Marple to get the scoop and make sure the killer doesn't bury the lead.



Senior Adult Newsletter

First Baptist Church Corpus Christi • February 2024



Elmore Class News

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Coralea Shaw, a long-time member of First Baptist Church, having joined upon moving to Corpus Christi in 1953. Her memorial service was held on Saturday, January 27, in the Chapel.

Volunteers are needed to assist with Upward Basketball on Saturdays in many different positions from referees to working in the snack bar. Upward Basketball may be the only time some of the children have any exposure to a church.

A Women's Retreat will be held from March 1-3 at the Mustang Island Conference Center featuring Beverly Ross. The theme of the conference is Clinging to Hope.

Thanks to Louann Huntsman and Johnny Glover for their beautiful rendition of Great is Thy Faithfulness on January 21.

Please continue your prayers for the following class members, their loved ones, and medical providers: Tillie Abrego and her brother Oscar Escamilla, Elaine Bates, DonEtta Beaty,

Lucile Biles and her son-in-law, Cedric Peters, Janet Bobo, Patsy Bucey, Dr. Joe and Carolyn Christina, Faye Creely, Barbara Dufraim, Ray Duvall, Shirley Eads, Helen Gaines, her son Danny Dobbs, and her sister, Linda Woods, Clydell Gilmore, Richard Guerra, Brenda Guerra and her daughter Aimee and grandchildren Annalee and Ethan, Peggy Hall, Jody Heymann, Kim Huling, Lila Huling, Helen Lingo, June Littlefield, JoMae London, Marie Marshall and her sons, Mary Ann McGregor, Mamie Medlin, Quince and Bettie Mitchell, Margaret Parks and her daughter Susan, Ellen Rossi and her friends Susie and Bonnie, Faye Smith and her son Don, and Pat Stewart.

Open Door Class News

Meet members, Claude and Terry Holley. From Terry: I was born in southern California and went to the same high school as my parents. I was the youngest of 4 and the only girl. My mother always talked to all of us about Jesus and I was very receptive to it and asked him into my life during my childhood. We didn't go to church so I say I was saved when Jesus died on the cross. I loved riding horses. My ambition was to be a horse trainer and marry a cattle rancher. Through many twists and turns, I ended up going to UT Pharmacy School.

Open Door Class News (continued)

I met Claude, my lab partner, in pharmacy school. We graduated in December 1982 and married in February 1983. In 1984, we had our first son Chris, then in 1985 our second son Frank, and in 1989, a daughter Rebecca. We moved to Corpus Christi in 1987. I put my career on hold to be a full-time wife and mother and homeschool our 3 kids. I went back to work after 18 years and retired last year.

From Claude: I was born in Tyler, the oldest of four boys. My parents also raised us in a Christian home. We always went to church when I was growing up, and I feel like I have always known Jesus. I was baptized in high school.

I learned to play guitar when I was about 10 and performed in a garage band. I played in band all the way through high school. I enjoy outdoor sports. I cannot remember not camping, fishing or hunting. I also learned to fly and had private, commercial, multiengine and instrument pilot ratings.

A series of events led me into Pharmacy School at the University of Texas where I met Terry.

Open Door Class News (continued)

I became a pharmacist and later earned a PharmD degree and am now a board certified oncology pharmacist.

We both are very involved in the music ministry. We love our church family and are very at home here. God has blessed us in so many ways and we owe all the glory to Him!

Happy Birthday

- 3 Margaret McGaffee, Brad Smith, Jay Wheless
- 4 Arthur Scott
- 9 Rick Hamilton
- 10 Carlos Garcia
- 12 Andranette Humphries, O.V. Morales
- 14 Chuck Kirkham
- 16 Dianne Fleming
- 17 Kathleen Bevill
- 20 Bettie Mitchell
- 21 Rita London
- 22 Debra Chapman, Lyn Stephens
- 27 Judee Schoene
- 28 Lulu Holloway, Sheri Roussel

Happy Anniversary

Jim & Beverly Naismith

February 2, 1957

Dick & Gina McAvoy

February 3, 1966

Edd & Linda Price

February 4, 1967

Arthur & Rebecca Scott

February 4, 2021

Claude & Terry Holley

February 5, 1983

Paul & Nancy Cameron

February 14, 1981

Buz & Janet Maxwell

February 14, 1981

Kevin & Dora Saunders

February 17, 1996

