



## UPcoming EVENTS

### PRIMETIME TRIP

10:30 am Tuesday, February 11

### SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, February 9

### BABY/CHILD DEDICATION SERVICE

10 am Sunday, February 9

### MID-WEEK EVENTS

Wednesdays, February 5, 12, 19, 26

3:30 pm M.S. Crossfire Youth

5 pm Family Dinner

6 pm Men's Bible Study

6 pm H.S. Crossfire Youth

7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

### CROSSFIRE YOUTH MINISTRIES

5 pm Sunday, Girls Small Group, Feb. 2, 16, 23

7 pm Monday, H.S. Guys, Feb. 3, 10, 24

3:30 pm every Wednesday, M.S. Crossfire Youth

6 pm every Wednesday, H.S. Crossfire Youth

### CHICKEN & DUMPLING FUND-RAISER

11:15 am Sunday, February 23

### BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR

1:30 pm Thursday, February 6, 13, 20, 27

### PRESIDENTS DAY

Monday, February 17

Church Office Closed

### 3 ON 3 YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Saturday, March 21

# FBC MURPHY

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## FEBRUARY 2020 BAPTIES NEWSLETTER

### THE HOLY SPIRIT ADVANTAGE

*"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" 2 Corinthians 5:17*

Why do you think countless number of believers are so powerless in a world which needs what we have in Jesus Christ? Why are churches not making an impact with their messages? It is because we are not making use of the Holy Spirit which was given to us to help. Maybe we are not ready to have a relationship with the Holy Spirit? Several people I talk to want to do great things for God. Maybe you are one of them. The greatness comes through a relationship with Jesus Christ. Then a personal relationship with the Holy Spirit. As we read in John 14, the disciples were concerned when Jesus said He was leaving, but He assured them that He will not leave them as orphans. John 14:16-19 says, *"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know*

*him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live."*

For a Christian, faith is not asking for what we do not have but to make use of what we have. We have the Holy Spirit.

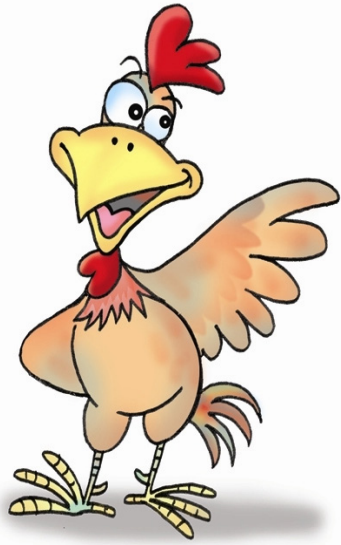
*Therefore, if anyone is in*  
**CHRIST**  
*he is a new*  
**CREATION**  
*the old has gone, the new has*  
**COME!**  
*Christ*  
**2 Corinthians 5:17**

The Bible says we are a new creation. 2 Corinthians 5:17 says, *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"* Our sins have been forgiven, we have a new spiritual life, a new relationship with God—all this is available through the HOLY SPIRIT. Jesus said it is an advantage to you when I leave. You

will receive the helper. *"But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you."* (John 16:7)

The power of the Holy Spirit is for everyone not just for the spiritual giants, pastors or teachers. The spirit is given to all who recognize the need and seek

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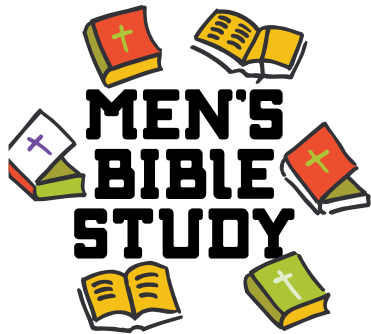


# CHICKEN & DUMPLING DINNER FUNDRAISER

**SUNDAY, February 23**  
**11:30 AM - 1 PM**  
**FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Everyone is invited to get their fill of FBC's finest chicken and dumplings. (Baptists are known for making the best.) It's all you can eat for a donation, any donation, pay what you think they are worth. Your generosity will help with the expenses on the summer mission trip. Be sure to show some of that Baptist hospitality and invite your family, friends and neighbors.

## A CHANGE IN THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES



### A BIBLE STUDY FOR MEN

Calling all men! A men's Bible study has been started on **Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm**. The men are meeting in the **fellowship hall**. The Family Dinner is still being served at 5:00 pm so bring the family and enjoy the meal.

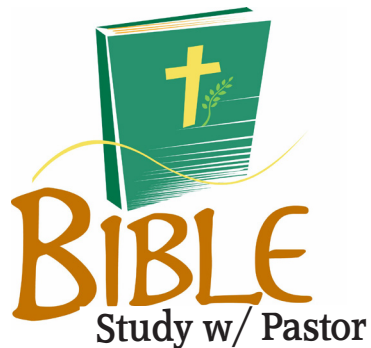
The men are studying the Book of John. It is being led by Steve Wilkerson with help from Ron McLaughlin. All men are welcome, so invite your friends and family.

### BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR MOVES TO THURSDAY

Due to weather conditions and some having difficulty driving after dark, the Wednesday night Bible Study with Pastor is being moved to **Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm** in the **fellowship hall**.

Pastor Shaker will be doing an in-depth look and study of the Book of Romans.

Everyone is welcome and hopefully more convenient and safer for some of our family of faith members.



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God's help. This is true to all. Paul says in Romans 8:11, *"And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you."* The Holy Spirit is found in every believer, and the measure in which we walk in the spirit's fullness and power is the measure in which our lives will impact the world around us. In Zechariah 4:6 we read, "So he said to me, *"This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the Lord Almighty."*

We often ask what is my spiritual gift. The answer is, the HOLY SPIRIT is the gift. The spirit is God's full provision for your life. Our God has given everything we need. Hudson Taylor, missionary said, "I use to ask God to help me. Then I asked if I might help Him. I ended up by asking Him to do His work through me."

All of us complain about not having any talent or skill to offer God. It may be true but what does it have to do with the Holy Spirit. When HE is present, it does not matter what you can or you cannot do. We need to be thankful. He is because then we become God's perfect vessel to be used by Him to show His power through your willingness, obedience and availability. His promise is 2 Corinthians 12:9, "But he said to me, *"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."* Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me." You are the person God can do His best work, for He will get all the glory. It is our weakness-- His tool to work with.

We need to be asking what is the Holy Spirit impressing upon us? And then respond to it. Are you seeking your own to do good things for God or do you allow God? This moment will be an encounter with God, that you have been seeking.

When we allow the spirit to work through us, we will make an impact in our individual lives, in the church, in the community, in our work place. So God will get the GLORY.

My prayer is we will seek a relationship with Jesus and then the helper the Holy Spirit will make changes in the world around us.

This article was gleamed from one of the books by Henry and Mel Blackaby, What's So Spiritual About Your Gifts.

Heavenly Father, I realize that I've neglected the person of the Holy Spirit in my life.

I repent, asking You to forgive me for relegating Him to a position much less than He deserves.

May I know and experience the gift of the Holy Spirit in all His fullness.

I open my life for Him to teach me, lead me, and work through me.

Amen

God Bless,  
Pastor Shaker



PSALM 116:16

## DECEMBER LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES

Meeting opened with prayer.

Devotional: Chapter 8 of the book by Thom S. Rainer, "I Will, Nine Traits of the Outwardly Focused Christian."

November 19, 2019 minutes were approved by consensus.

November 2019 Financial Report was approved by consensus.

Deacon's Report: The Deacons met on December 9 to prepare Christmas bags for shut ins.

Ministry Team Reports:

Outreach and Evangelism: Birthday party for Jesus was on 12/4. All seemed to have a good time.

Missions: Andrew Bailey visited on 12/15. The team is considering funding for Key Club.

Youth Discipleship: The youth will be starting a series on conflict resolution. Groups will not meet during the holiday break. Winter Jam is on Feb. 9.

Children's Discipleship: The Christmas Program and Dinner was on December 15. Sue Lynn Johnson and Andrea Waddington are new helpers for Sunday School.

Staff Relations: There was a staff meeting on December 9. Steve Wilkerson has asked that his position be split into two. The Leadership Council decided by consensus on Christmas bonuses (closed session).

Finance and Stewardship: Starting an internal audit this week.

Building and Grounds: Handrails are being manufactured. Chuck Grammer has the men's restroom doors ready to install. First steps of the Youth House repair have been completed.

Special Events: There was an all-church

Christmas Luncheon served on Dec. 15.

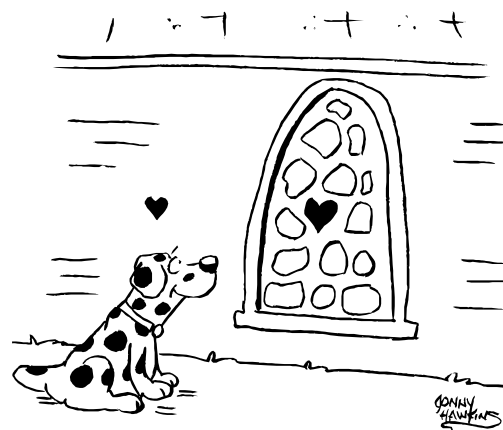
Worship and Ministry Team: The choir will perform a Christmas presentation next Sunday. David Brooks obtained a quote \$5500 for purchasing Roland electronic drum kit. It was decided by consensus to use the Regions business savings account for the purchase. There has been positive feedback on the slides showing the order of the service.

Tech Report: Training new volunteers for slides, lighting, and sound is ongoing. Tech team has been live-streaming Sunday services. Dave Brooks is getting firewall protection estimates. Share Faith subscription (graphics) is up for renewal.

Pastor's Report: During the winter months, there will be an alternative Bible Study on Thursdays at 1:00 p.m., starting in January. Steve Wilkerson and Ron McLaughlin will continue to lead the Wednesday night group.

Family Pastor's Report: Jake Hahnemann has been meeting with FCA at the Middle School.

The next Leadership Council meeting (retreat) will be January 19.



## COMMUNION SUNDAY IS FAMILY SUNDAY

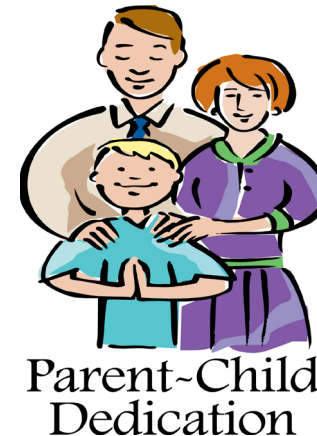
The FBC Family of Faith love to see the children in the Sunday Morning Worship Services. The Leadership Council has decided that the first Sunday of each month (Communion Service) will also be Family Sunday. This will enable the FBC Kids to be included in the worship service. It will also encourage our families to sit and worship together. FYI...there will be little extras included on some Sundays like Children's Sermons. The Children's Sermons were also enjoyed by kids and adults alike.

Remember... On the **1st Sunday of each month**, FBC Kids Sunday School is from 9-10:00 am but there will be NO FBC Kids Worship at 10:00.

## BABY/CHILD DEDICATION SUNDAY BEING PLANNED

A special service is being planned for **Sunday, February 9th**, during the morning worship at **10:00 am**. There are families that have indicated that they would like to have their children and babies dedicated. They wish to make the commitment to teach and instruct their children in the teachings of Jesus Christ. Praise God!! This will be a wonderful service filled with joyous celebration.

If you would like to have your baby, child, children or grandchildren dedicated, please contact Pastor Shaker so you and your family can be included in the celebration.



## SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING

There will be a Special Business Meeting on **Sunday, February 9th** immediately following the worship service at approximately **11:15 am**. Nominating Team will present Patty Koenig to serve a term on the Leadership Council and Vicki Ardrey as the church Treasurer. Please plan to attend.







### THE GOLDEN CORRAL FOR PRIMETIME

The PrimeTime seniors will be off for a leisurely lunch at Golden Corral in Carbondale for a leisurely lunch on **Tuesday, February 11th**. The bus will leave the church at **10:30 am**. Lunch will be dutch treat. If you would like to go, the sign up sheet is available on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. All active senior adults are welcome...invite your friends!!!

# Crossfire

STUDENT MINISTRIES

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



**Sunday, February 9, 1 pm**

*Family Arena, St. Louis, Missouri*

**Cost: \$20 + Dinner**

**Leave Church at 11:30 am ... Back around Midnight**  
**GOT QUESTIONS, text or call Pastor Jake at 697-1491**



Got Questions?  
Contact Kevin Kelley  
at 967-3411



CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED  
FOR PRESIDENTS DAY HOLIDAY

The church office will be closed **Monday, February 17th**, so the staff may spend the Presidents Day holiday with their families. In case of an emergency, please contact Pastor Shaker or Pastor Jake. Have a wonderful and safe holiday!!

### USED DRYER NEEDED

The church's old dryer (the one in the youth house basement) has over heated. If you know of someone who would like to donate a gently used clothes dryer for our cleaning rags, please contact Steve Wilkerson or the church office. Thank you.



**February 2**

Scott & Tina Evans

**February 9**

Ed & Terri Miller

**February 16**

Lou Polsgrove & Lou Bigler

**February 23**

Matt & Elaine Hardwig

If you are unable to help, please  
contact Cindy Stamm at 319-0781.

**COFFEE HOUR HOSTS**

**February 2**

Ed & Terri Miller

**February 9**

Matt & Elaine Hardwig

**February 16**

J. Goforth, K. Dunning, G. Hunziker

**February 23**

Leah Rowe

If you are unable to help, please  
contact the church office.



**IT'S LEAP YEAR!**

**MEALS ON WHEELS**

**February 24 -28**

**Monday**

Lou Polsgrove & Mary Leady  
Gayle Gillmore

**Tuesday**

Ron McLaughlin & Frank Aldridge  
Lou Polsgrove & Mary Leady

**Wednesday**

Jane Beese & Alice Berry  
Lou Polsgrove & Mary Leady

**Thursday**

Jane Beese & Alice Berry  
Lou Polsgrove & Mary Leady

**Friday**

Jane Beese & Alice Berry  
Lou Polsgrove & Mary Leady



POST THIS ON YOUR  
REFRIGERATOR!

**HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS!**

|    |                        |    |                  |
|----|------------------------|----|------------------|
| 5  | Cathy Blaise           | 22 | Tina Evans       |
| 5  | Carole Ebersohl        | 22 | Kasey Schwarz    |
| 6  | Brittany Hanson        | 23 | Bill Boudet      |
| 6  | Adam Reiman            | 24 | Rachel Burroughs |
| 9  | Shirley Dougan         | 26 | Audra McBride    |
| 9  | Stephanie Dillow       | 27 | Janet Caraway    |
| 9  | Lou Bigler             | 28 | Jarrold Echols   |
| 11 | Brett Doerr            | 28 | Alaina Dillow    |
| 13 | Judy Raines            |    |                  |
| 14 | Julie McGinnis         |    |                  |
| 15 | Patti Boudet           |    |                  |
| 16 | Harry & Gayle Gillmore |    |                  |
| 18 | Eddie Reiman           |    |                  |
| 21 | David Blaise           |    |                  |



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2 Corinthians 5:17

**WELCOME CENTER**

**February 2**

Ed or Terri Miller

**February 9**

Murl & Sue Lynn Johnson

**February 16**

Judy Raines

**February 23**

Jeff & Linda Wright

**VOLUNTEERS**

Thanks to our many



## FEBRUARY 2020

| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday  |
|---|--|---|--|---|---|-----------|
| <b>26</b><br><b>8:30 AM</b> Coffee Hour<br><b>8:30 AM</b> Praise Team Rehearsal<br><b>8:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>9:00 AM</b> FBC Kids' Bible Study<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Sunday School & Life Groups<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Worship w/ Baptism<br><b>5:00 PM</b> Girls Small Group  | <b>27</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Ladies Exercise Class<br><b>7:00 PM</b> H.S. Guys Group                 | <b>28</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study                           | <b>29</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Ladies Exercise Class<br><b>3:30 PM</b> M.S. Crossfire Youth<br><b>5:00 PM</b> Family Dinner<br><b>6:00 PM</b> H.S. Crossfire Youth<br><b>7:15 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                                     | <b>30</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>1:30 PM</b> Bible Study w/ Pastor | <b>31</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study | <b>1</b>  |
| <b>2</b><br><b>8:30 AM</b> Coffee Hour<br><b>8:30 AM</b> Praise Team Rehearsal<br><b>8:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>9:00 AM</b> FBC Kids' Bible Study<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Sunday School & Life Groups<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Worship w/ Communion<br><b>5:00 PM</b> Girls Small Group   | <b>3</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Ladies Exercise Class<br><b>7:00 PM</b> H.S. Guys Group                                     | <b>4</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>10:30 AM</b> PrimeTime                  | <b>5</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Ladies Exercise Class<br><b>3:30 PM</b> M.S. Crossfire Youth<br><b>5:00 PM</b> Family Dinner<br><b>6:00 PM</b> H.S. Crossfire Youth<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Men's Bible Study<br><b>7:15 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                     | <b>6</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>1:30 PM</b> Bible Study w/ Pastor                     | <b>7</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study                     | <b>8</b>  |
| <b>9</b><br><b>8:30 AM</b> Coffee Hour<br><b>8:30 AM</b> Praise Team Rehearsal<br><b>8:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>9:00 AM</b> FBC Kids' Worship<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Sunday School & Life Groups<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Worship w/ Baby Dedication<br><b>11:15 AM</b> Special Business Meeting<br><b>12:00 PM</b> Youth Winter Jam | <b>10</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Deacon Care Team<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Ladies Exercise Class<br><b>7:00 PM</b> H.S. Guys Group | <b>11</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study  | <b>12</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Ladies Exercise Class<br><b>3:30 PM</b> M.S. Crossfire Youth<br><b>5:00 PM</b> Family Dinner<br><b>6:00 PM</b> H.S. Crossfire Youth<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Men's Bible Study<br><b>7:15 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                    | <b>13</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>1:30 PM</b> Bible Study w/ Pastor                    | <b>14</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study                    | <b>15</b> |
| <b>16</b><br><b>8:30 AM</b> Coffee Hour<br><b>8:30 AM</b> Praise Team Rehearsal<br><b>8:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>9:00 AM</b> FBC Kids' Worship<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Sunday School & Life Groups<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Worship<br><b>5:00 PM</b> Girls Small Group   | <b>17</b><br>Church Office Closed<br>President's Day<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Ladies Exercise Class  | <b>18</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>6:00 PM</b> Leadership Council Meeting | <b>19</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Ladies Exercise Class<br><b>3:30 PM</b> M.S. Crossfire Youth<br><b>5:00 PM</b> Family Dinner<br><b>6:00 PM</b> H.S. Crossfire Youth<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Men's Bible Study<br><b>7:15 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                    | <b>20</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study<br><b>1:30 PM</b> Bible Study w/ Pastor                    | <b>21</b><br><b>7:30 AM</b> Prayer in Pastor's Study                    | <b>22</b> |
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