

70th NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

2021 Theme:

“Lord Pour Out Your Love, Life and Liberty”

2021 Scripture Verse:

*Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where
the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.*
2 Corinthians 3:17

2021 Guest Speaker:

Belton Chief of Police, Robert Young

First Baptist Church will host a National Day of Prayer Community Worship Service at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Be sure to make plans to bring your family and friends to join in this service as we pray for America.

WORSHIP SEATING

The AMC has approved a plan to open the piano side of the sanctuary, the balcony **and the back half of the organ side to normal seating** without social distancing, but we still encourage the wearing of a mask. The front half of the organ side of the sanctuary will continue to practice social distancing and the wearing of a mask during our worship service. It is our desire for everyone to feel comfortable and safe as our worship attendance continues to increase.

NEW OFFICE HOURS

Beginning on Monday, May 3, 2021 our office will have new office hours. The church office will be open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

BOGO BAGS FUNDRAISER

BOGO Bags Fundraiser to raise money for duffle bags for foster children. Our goal is to help give some dignity to children that are removed from their home. Many times they only have a trash bag for their belongings. The unspoken message in that travesty is not ok. We can help!



FINANCIAL NEWS

Sunday Receipts (4-25-21)	\$	11,774.15
Year to Date Requirements	\$	243,845.11
Year to Date Receipts	\$	261,230.73

CHILDREN'S SPRING LINE-UP

May 5	Bike-A-Thon - Pizza
May 6	Dress Rehearsal for Children's Sunday Worship. (All children 1 st -5 th grade please come if possible. Call Jennifer if you need help with a ride.) 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the sanctuary
May 9	Children's Sunday & Parent/Child Dedication
May 12	End of Year Celebration- Chick-fil-A
June 6	VBS Kick-off with lunch on the grounds
June 7-9	VBS from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m.

YOUTH MAY CALENDAR

May 19	Joint Wednesday night worship with Neals Creek
May 26	Joint Wednesday night worship with Neals Creek
May 30	Graduate Breakfast & Recognition Service



HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!!

Sunday, May 30, we will celebrate our High School Graduates and families with breakfast at 9:00 a.m. in the FLC. We will also recognize our graduates during the morning worship service. Please contact the church office and let us know if you will be attending and give us your full name by **May 3rd**.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

First Baptist Church family welcomes Bill Thomson and Karen Farmer into the fellowship of our congregation. They joined on Sunday, April 25. We look forward to continuing worship and fellowship with Bill & Karen!!

SUNDAY, MAY 2

Sunday Safety Team	Rex Maynard, Buddy Dempsey Scott Jones & Thomas Bell
Deacon Worship Service Team	Russ Tysl, DuPre Keys Jennifer Wilson & Austin Finley
Counting Committee	Dawn Cothran, Terrie Lollis & Becky Lowe
Audio Visual Team	Jimmie Ouzts, Mike Bibb Matt Wurst & Nick Kirby
Extended Session Nursery	Whitney Gleaves, Lindsay Horton & Mary Ann Clinkscales
2's - 5's	Mattie & SaraKate Key
Sign Up Genius used by Extended Session:	
	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080A4AA8A823A7FF2-fall
Sunday, May 2	
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.	Middle School Boys to Wurst's House
Monday, May 3	
8:30 a.m.	WEE School
Tuesday, May 4	
5:30 a.m.	Group Fitness
8:30 a.m.	WEE School
7:00 p.m.	Properties & Space Meeting
Wednesday, May 5	
8:30 a.m.	WEE School
5:30 – 6:00 p.m.	Pizza Supper & Bake Sale
6:15 p.m.	Women's Bible Study/King's Daughters Class
6:15 p.m.	Bike-A-Thon
6:30 p.m.	Youth in the Youth Center
Thursday, May 6	
5:30 a.m.	Group Fitness
8:30 a.m.	WEE School
6:30 p.m.	<i>National Day of Prayer Community Worship Service</i>
Friday, May 7	
8:30 a.m.	WEE School

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

May 2, 2021		11:00 a.m.
Prelude/Processional		Patti Rowe
Hymn	<i>All Creatures of Our God and King</i>	
Welcome		T. Dale Lynch
Invocation		Nick Kirby
Choral Anthem	<i>Total Praise</i>	Sanctuary Choir
Hymn	<i>Leaning on the Everlasting Arms</i>	
Worship Chorus		<i>Sweet, Sweet Spirit</i>
Children's Message		Jennifer Wilson
Reading of Scripture	1 John 1	T. Dale Lynch
Pastoral Prayer		
Ministry in Song	<i>The Blessing</i>	Julia Gilreath
Sermon	<i>The Church, His Fellowship</i>	T. Dale Lynch
Hymn		<i>Trust and Obey</i>
Closing Chorus	<i>Edelweiss Benediction</i>	Congregation
Postlude		Patti Rowe

(Our worship is live-streamed at 11:00 a.m. so you can worship with us from any place and at any time.)

The links for the worship service are below:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCwPN9FRkGBzGNJFvMEFiug>

<https://www.facebook.com/BeltonFirstBaptistSC/>

<https://vimeo.com/event/112562>

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RESTED

“Take a rest; a field that is rested produces a beautiful crop.”

Roman poet Ovid

Farmers have done this for ages. They allow a field to go fallow; purposely letting it go unseeded for a season. This allows the soil to rest and generate minerals and other elements it needs to grow vital, productive crops.

The same is true for us. We need to let our mind and body rest so that we can produce a life that is full of meaning and purpose. We need to carve out time to let God regenerate and replenish the creative soil of our mind and body. Our work, our family and other things matter but if we don't take the time for needed rest, none of it will matter.

Christ sanctifies a person through the shedding of His blood. Sanctification is expressed in our life as a peaceful resting in God. When we are at rest with God we are one with Him; blameless in His sight producing a joyful noise.

~ Randy Fagg



**Puerto Rico Mission Trip
Special Offering will be
Received this Sunday, May 2**

GRADUATES OF HIGHER LEARNING

Please contact the church office with your full name and degree earned. We would like to put this information in the Bell Tower so the church can celebrate along with you and pray for you as you take your next steps.



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