

2018 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

2018 contribution statements have been mailed out. If you have not received your statements or have any questions about your statement, please call the church office.

LIFESTYLE STEWARDSHIP CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

All members are encouraged to give toward the Lifestyle Stewardship Capital Campaign. Our goal is \$100,000, which is over and beyond your normal giving to the tithes and offerings. You may give your offering via the special "Lifestyle Stewardship Capital Campaign" Offering envelope (located in the Narthex) or in the regular offering envelopes under other and identifying your gift as "Lifestyle Stewardship Capital Campaign".

PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Pastoral Search Committee will be available to provide status updates and answer questions during the coffee fellowship time following the morning worship service. Please do not hesitate to ask questions of any PSC Member. PSC Members are: Gerald Gubatan, Chair; Zuleima Argumedo, Ann Brodie, Josh Kim, David McFadden, Shirley Parsley, Amy Shellmire.

SERMON NOTES:

Subject: _____

Scripture: _____

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THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

TODAY- MARCH 24, 2019

- 8:30 a.m. Pastoral Search Committee meeting in the Babcock room
- 9:15 a.m. Prayer Ministry in Moore Prayer Chapel.
- 9:30 a.m. FBC Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal in the Sanctuary.
- 9:30 a.m. CHURCH SCHOOL: "A Fellowship of Learning." For all ages, infant through adult.
- 10:40 a.m. PRAYER in the Sanctuary, led by the Women's Ministry.
- 11:00 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE in the Sanctuary.
- 12:30 p.m. All Church Coffee in the Robbins Dining hall.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

- 6:00 a.m. Tele-Prayer (from 6:00 a.m. to 6:21 a.m.) Call: 323-645-9525.
- 11:00 a.m. Ministry of Prayer in the Moore Chapel.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

- 8:30 a.m. Food Pantry open at 8th street door. (until 9:30 a.m.)

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

- 10:00 a.m. Christian ED Meeting in the Babcock Room.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2019

- 8:30 a.m. Cathedral Choir Rehearsal in the Music Room.
- 9:15 a.m. Prayer Ministry in Moore Prayer Chapel.
- 9:30 a.m. CHURCH SCHOOL: "A Fellowship of Learning." For all ages, infant through adult.
- 10:40 a.m. PRAYER in the Sanctuary, led by the Women's Ministry.
- 11:00 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE in the Sanctuary.
- 12:30 p.m. Friends & Family Luncheon in the Robbins Dining hall.
- 12:30 p.m. VBS Meeting in the Babcock Room.

PLEASE NOTE

BIBLES in English and Spanish are available in the narthex or from an usher for use during the service. Please return them to the cart in the narthex following worship.

BOOK OF MEMORY: The page illuminated today-*In Sacred Memory of Mr. William J. Thomas Sr. Faithful Member from February 1921 to December 1954.* You may see this lovely book displayed at the east end of the Sanctuary narthex.

PULPIT FLOWERS: Given *In Loving Memory of Tina Thomas Shott* by mother and sister **Bernice and Elda Thomas.**

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR: Ross Adams, Charles Aguirre, Mila Aguinaldo, Scott Cave, Maria Cubillo, Robert Culp, Holly Gardner, Michelle Glasker, Alice Gubatan, Francisco Guevara, Sara Guevara, Haydee Gutierrez, Flor Hernandez, Roselda Lack, Noah LaRosa, Angie Loaisiga, Aurora Martinez, Gustavo Martinez, Marcello Martinez, Kenneth Mercier, Nalis Mercier, Blanca Morales, Silvia Torres-Ramirez, Anabell Sanchez, Johsvie Santos, Amy Shellmire, D'andre Shellmire, Lavern-Yazzie Simon, Vance Smith, Greg Spruell. You may pick up the Prayer List in the narthex.

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

"Trusting God in the Transition" Proverbs 3:5-6

OUR CALL AS A CONGREGATION

We are called to be a community of faith, a welcome table, that celebrates the rich diversity of its membership as it serves and honors the diverse cultural and ethnic nature of Los Angeles and surrounding communities. We are called to be deeply grounded in the Word and Witness through the power of the Holy Spirit, being a prophetic voice for justice, healing and transformation. We are called to manifest the love of Christ as we share our various sources of capital with the community as well as being a witness to God's reign through celebrative worship and care for one another.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today. We invite you to complete the Connection card located in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate at the time of the offering.

INTERESTED IN JOINING FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH?

Near the end of worship, the pastor will invite anyone who wishes to become a member of this community of faith to the front of the sanctuary. Following this response, you will be introduced to our Membership Intake Ministry, who will guide you through the process of church membership and beyond.

THE LENTEN SEASON

As we start the second week of Lent, which is a journey that ends with resurrection, but by way of the desert and the cross. Anyone who takes it seriously quickly discovers the challenge of entering into this wilderness. It is not a casual shift—we must devote ourselves to it as a matter of the heart. Nor is it a sudden shift—we have to unravel the entangled habits of our bodies, and make ready our preoccupied minds. In these first few days, we have been trying to downshift slowly and thoughtfully from our normal routine into the rhythms of Lent. Please remember to pick up a **Lenten Devotional for March 25-March 30** in the narthex.

Congregational Conversations: The Way Forward

Please join us for our next series of conversations as we chart our way as a congregation forward on **April 6 and 7th**. The session on **Saturday, April 6 will be from 10am to 12 noon** and the session on **Sunday, April 7 will begin at 12:30 pm**. These conversation with couple our Coming to Terms with History and viewing it through the eyes of Christ and Reassessing Our Current Reality. We will revisit the exercises done in late 2014 to retell and celebrate the congregation's history, recognize a chapter "coming to a close", and deal with the feelings being generated by changes. With the data results and summary of where we are, we will also reassess where we are as a congregation in developing a game plan for a healthy church which will include the selection/call of the next pastor of the church.

FRIENDS & FAMILY SUNDAY

Each Fifth Sunday is Friends and Family Sunday at First Baptist. This is an opportunity for you to invite your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers to join you in worship and engage in fellowship. The next Friends and Family **Sunday is March 31**. Please invite a friend or family member to join us for worship and stay for a pot-luck lunch following worship.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

April 13- Men's Fellowship Breakfast

April 13- Sisters of Faith Women's Ministry

April 14- Palm Sunday

April 18- Maundy Thursday Service

April 20- Easter Eggstravaganza

April 21- Easter Sunday Breakfast, Easter Sunday Service