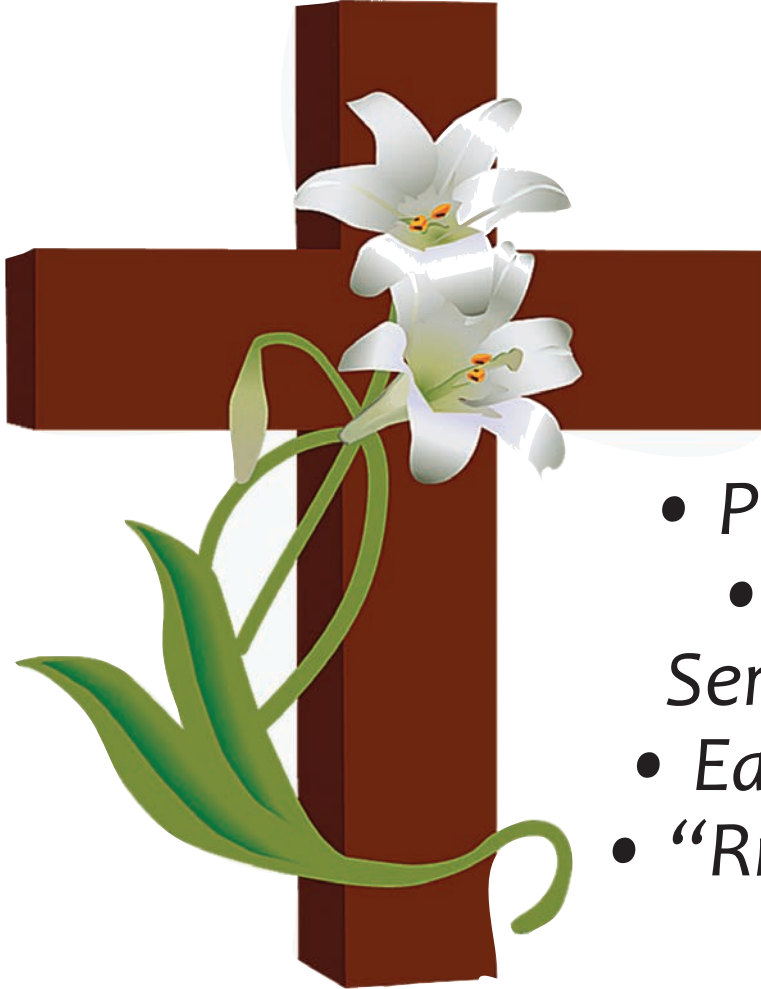


FBC  
High Point

THE HERALD  
WORKING WITH GOD'S BLUEPRINTS



He is  
**RISEN**

- Palm Sunday March 24
- Maundy Thursday  
Service 7 p.m. March 28
- Easter Sunday March 31
- “Risen This Day” Cantata  
April 14

## Children’s Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.

**NEW!**

The Children’s Committee along with Sunday School Director, Wayne Perdue, would like to announce beginning March 3, Children’s Sunday School will begin again! Located in Room 225, across from the flags, the new Children’s Sunday School is open to any school-aged children in grades K-5. If you have grandchildren, nieces and nephews or friends with school-age children,

please invite them to this exciting adventure of First Baptist Church. All are welcome and the more the merrier.

Also, if you would like to be a part of this, the Children’s Committee is asking for more volunteers to help on a monthly rotation. Please contact Alisha Hunnicutt or Wayne Perdue if you would be available to help. Thank you!

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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336-883-0178

[www.fbchighpoint.org](http://www.fbchighpoint.org) – [www.facebook.com/firstbaptisthighpoint](https://www.facebook.com/firstbaptisthighpoint)

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship at 11 a.m. in person in the sanctuary or via Facebook Live.

## Offering and Income

### January 28, 2023

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,786.37
Total Budget Receipts	\$4,793.59
Budget Needs to Date	\$4,793.59
Budget Receipts to Date	\$27,145.48
	\$12,903.59

### February 4, 2024

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,464.00
Total Budget Receipts	\$1,850.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$1,850.00
Budget Receipts to Date	\$33,931.85
	\$14,753.59

### February 11, 2024

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,786.37
Total Budget Receipts	\$1,184.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$1,184.00
Budget Receipts to Date	\$40,718.22
	\$15,937.59

### February 18, 2024

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,786.37
Total Budget Receipts	\$4,365.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$4,365.00
Budget Receipts to Date	\$47,504.59
	\$20,302.59

There are several ways you can support FBC with your monetary gifts.

Online, go to [www.fbchighpoint.org](http://www.fbchighpoint.org), and click on the word "GIVE" in the blue bar. Instructions will appear for giving online with credit and debit cards using Tithe.ly. There are also instructions for setting up an automatic bank draft.

You can still mail checks to 405 N. Main St.

The next time you are headed to the Gathering Room from the Reception area, look at the door of Room 225 and take a peek inside. (It's the first door in the hallway across from the mission-field national flags.) It's now a Children's Sunday School room, a labor of love prepared by Alisha Hunnicutt and Pam Myers.

In the fall of 2022, the Children's Committee launched an initiative to bring children and young families back to Sunday School and worship for the Christmas season. Committee members prepared materials in self-contained units to pull out and use as they were needed. In design and implementation, "educator superpowers" were on display.

The result of the initiative? In spite of invitations extended by phone and email, one child came one Sunday morning. It was disappointing, and the idea of offering children's Sunday School went dormant. Then recently, a child and her parents expressed interest in Sunday School and FBCers who had been part of the conversation back in 2022 sprang into action. Within two weeks, a room was identified and redecorated, a teaching plan put in place, and Sunday School happened.

In biblical terms, it's about "the fullness of time" (Galatians 4:4; Mark 1:15), God's time. In 2022, teachers prepared ground that lay fallow for a year and a half. It was ready to be "broken up" and planted (Hosea 10:12) when the

## Gathering together



right time came in 2024. God works that way sometimes. Our ideas, conversations, plans, and aspirations don't always pan out the way we want when we want. But that doesn't mean God isn't using them to prepare us for when God's time arrives. "You are God's field," says 1 Corinthians 3:9, sometimes fallow and other times in "seed-time and harvest" (Genesis 8:22). "So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up" (Galatians 6:9).

– Jeff Rogers, interim minister

## Scripture readings for March worship planning

March 3

Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

March 10

Numbers 21:4-9; John 3:14-21 (John Adamcik preaching)

March 17 Psalm 51:1-12; John 12:20-33

March 24 (Palm Sunday)

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; John 12:12-16

March 28 (Maundy Thursday)

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

March 31 (Easter)

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; John 20:1-18

## Sympathy

- ... to Patricia Clinard in the death of her sister.
- ... to the Godfrey family.
- ... to the family of former church member Bill Cox.
- ... to the family of former church member Tim Ingram.

## Pastoral Care Line 881-6480

**Deadline for information for the APRIL Herald is March 22. Please email your information to Carol Brooks at [cab1@northstate.net](mailto:cab1@northstate.net).**

## Thank you

### Special thanks from the Godfrey family

The family of Jo Godfrey wishes to express heartfelt appreciation for the many ways in which the First Baptist family has offered condolences since she passed away January 31. The many kind words, the compassionate hugs, the thoughtful cards have nourished our spirits.

Our bodies were likewise nourished by the food provided by individuals and Sunday School classes. The weekend with family was made easier by your generosity and support.

The family was especially moved by the attendance at her memorial service. It was so great to see friends and family, and to hear some of the special stories that were a part of Jo's life and her character. She will be missed.

## Staff

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## Missions

Our Souper Bowl of Caring offering was a huge success with \$623 raised for the Open Door Ministry's Emergency Food program! We are thankful for each donation dropped in the plate to help put food on someone's table.

In March we will be collecting new gallon size Ziploc bags for the United Way/Salvation Army backpack program. Ziploc bags are filled with non-perishable food and placed in the backpacks of children who may not have enough food at home. Please place your donation of new gallon size boxes of Ziploc bags in one of the bins in the recreation lobby.

And please continue to support our ongoing food collection by filling a green Simple Gestures bag.

Linda Winslow, Missions Chair



## Online Giving

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**NEW TIME!**

**Join us Wednesday nights !**

**Delicious meals. Great Bible study.  
Fellowship. 5:30 p.m.**

Terry Eddinger will continue leading the Bible study.

Reservations must be made by phone to the church before the 12 noon deadline on the Monday before the Wednesday meal. All cancellations must also be made by 12 noon on Monday.

If you were unable to make a dinner reservation, you can still come to Bible Study and there may be meals available for purchase.



## Musical talents

The Music Committee would like to know your musical interests and talents. A survey has been mailed out to members. If you did not receive a survey, please contact Heather Absher at 336-883-0178 or [heather@fbchighpoint.org](mailto:heather@fbchighpoint.org).

The questions include: *Do you own or play an instrument? Do you have any interest in sharing your ability and/or instruments with the church? Would you be willing to play for worship if asked on occasion? Do you read music? Would you be interested in participating with the music ministry of this church in any way? (helping with music, singing, learning to play music, other) What is your name and preferred method of contact?*

## Do you like to sew?

John's Totes is looking for a few good sewers. We will soon be receiving some new machines and the existing ones are all in working order.

On Tuesdays at 9 a.m. a group meets at FBC in the sewing machine room to make tote bags for patients that are being discharged from High Point Regional Hospital. Patients receive a bag with an encouraging note to assist in their discharge.

If you don't know where the sewing machine room is, ask the receptionist they will be glad to assist you.

## Prayer Needs

Email [heather@fbchighpoint.org](mailto:heather@fbchighpoint.org) or call Heather Absher at 336-883-0178 when you or someone in your immediate family is in the hospital and/or is in need of prayer. Please provide their address so we may mail the prayer sheet to them. Please get permission to publish their names on our prayer chain and email notifications. Also please let us know when it is time to remove their name from the list.

## Tell Us About Your Time at FBC

If you grew up in the church or have been a long-time member, tell us something about it. If you're new to First Baptist, what drew you to the church? Maybe your family has been in the church for many years. Email [cab1@northstate.net](mailto:cab1@northstate.net) with your stories and we will publish them in *The Herald*.

Remember, our 200th anniversary is coming up in 2025 and we will be moving to a new location in several years. After 164 years at 405 N. Main St. (as of now), we have to be full of memories.

# A Simple Gesture



## Greeters

March 3

Terry & Cynthia Eddinger

March 10

David & Abby Williams

March 17

Libby & Mike McGaha

March 24

Lib & Bud Blackwell

March 31

Wayne & Maxine Perdue

## Deacons on Call

March 3

Cynthia Eddinger, Shirley Garis

March 10

Linda Causby, Rob Fincher

March 17

Brian Garis, Janet Odum

March 24

Jeanneen Adamcik,  
Alisha Hunnicutt

March 31

Diania Baum, Donna Willis

Please remember to pick up a Simple Gesture bag, fill it with non-perishable food items and return it to the Recreation Lobby. Hunger is real in the High Point area and your “simple gesture” can make a difference in many lives. Empty bags may be picked up in the RMC lobby. Full bags may be returned to the same location. Put the pickup dates on your calendar.

### Drop-off dates for 2024 are:

**March 24, April 28, May 19, June 23, July 28, August 25, September 29, October 27, November 17 and December 15.**

A recent article in the *High Point Enterprise* said 2023 was a record year for A Simple Gesture, with 110,835 lbs. of nonperishable food collected by High Point partner organizations, of which First Baptist is a member. The collected food is valued at over \$190,000 and is equivalent to 138,543 child-size meals.

To learn more, visit <https://asimplegesturegso.org>.



Chip Harris	March 6	Molly Murrow	March 19
Otis Blackwell	March 7	Collins Anderson	March 23
Brielle Spires	March 7	Craig Chastain	March 26
Betsy Hines	March 9	Patricia Clinard	March 26
Harrison C. Kelley	March 12	Jan Overman	March 26
Cali Harris	March 14	Christopher Reddeck	March 27
Lily Murrow	March 18	Shirley Garis	March 29

**Sunday Worship  
Live Stream Every  
Sunday**

**at 11:00 a.m. on**



**The Lobby Desk hours are now  
Monday, Tuesday and Thursday  
from  
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**