



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

October 10, 2021

CHAD THOMPSON

LEAD PASTOR



Closing the Back door

Several families have visited First Baptist Church Skiatook over the last several weeks. Maybe they are checking out the new pastor or maybe they have been invited by one of you. When someone visits a church, we must ask the question: What will keep them coming back? In other words, when people come in the front door, how can we keep them from just going out the back door?

The answer is: **RELATIONSHIPS.**

People desire to feel like they are a part of something and loved. They will continue to come back to church and because of the relationships that they have built, NOT because of the music or even the preaching.

We can make sure that people are not falling through the cracks and leaving out the back door by dying to self and reaching out in love. I want to challenge you to commit to doing something different.

Will you seek to meet someone new each week?

Will you invite someone over to your house or out to lunch?

Will you commit to introducing yourself to someone that is our special guest at church this week (and each week after)?

The Lord is bringing people to us. Let's make sure they are loved well.

STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE

Numbers for October 3, 2021

Small Group Total: 300

Worship Total: 301 + 94 Online

	Oct 3	To Date 2021
Budget Projected	\$ 19,020.52	\$ 760,820.80
*Budget Received	\$ 22,911.16	\$ 641,867.77
Capital Campaign	\$ 1,305.00	\$ 32,508.00
Spent to Date		\$ 642,634.23

COOPERATIVE & WORLD MISSIONS TO DATE

BGCO To Date \$ 64,186.82

WOBA To Date \$ 12,837.34

(* Includes funds received in house, by USPS and through Easy Tithe online.)



Current Loan Balance
\$ 296,426.99

CHURCH PICNIC

October 17, 5PM
Chapman Ranch
CR 2100 off north Highway 11 towards Avant
Please bring a side item or dessert
and your lawn chair

SCOTT NEIGHBORS

EXECUTIVE PASTOR



READY TO HEAR, SEE & KNOW

In my office is my Dad's old baseball glove from his post-war, G.I. bill years playing for the Oklahoma A&M Aggies (now OSU Cowboys). I wasn't born then, but I know the glove because he was still using it on the church fast pitch softball team 30 years later when he and I were team mates in our 50's and 20's respectively. Fresh off my own collegiate baseball "career" (okay, a Fall & Spring at BWC) I'm sure I thought I had a leg up on him.

I came a couple of innings late to a game one night and overheard our bench crew admiring my Dad's prowess on the field. The whole time I was donning my cleats they were watching him and reacting with each pitch. Frankly, I didn't see him doing anything...not a single ball was hit to him at 3rd base. I soon realized they were watching how he "played" every pitch and reacted as if it would be hit to him. The aside comment made for my benefit was, "That's how a 50-year-old out plays a 20-year-old...he's always ready and on time."

I've used that glove and that story on numerous occasions to motivate athletic teams to a new or different level of excellence. I've also used it for spiritual illustration and was reminded of that this week in a meeting Chad and I attended, at which I quoted a line from Rich Mullin's "Here in America:" *"There's so much beauty around us but just to eyes to see. So everywhere I go, I'm looking."* Choose your spiritual application (and there are many more):

- The omni-presence of God: (Ps. 19:1-The heavens declare His glory...)
- The never ceasing work of God: (John 4:35-The fields are white unto harvest already...)
- The urgency the times: (John 9:4-Night is coming when no one can work...)
- The need of a witness: (1 Peter 3:15-be prepared to give a response...)
- The uncertainty of the hour: (Mt. 24:42-you know not the hour...)

Readiness is essential to the victorious Christian life. We must be ready to play every pitch as if it is coming our way. We must be looking everywhere to see God at work. We must be listening to hear and know our orders for everyday and every moment. After all, that's how a Christian outplays the devil...he's always ready and on time.



COFFEE

WITH A COP

8:30-9:30 AM

Monday, Oct 18

Get updates and answers from our local police and first responders.

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small groups

Leadership TRAINING

October 24 | 5 PM | SC

Last night we finished up a series with our students that went through the first 6 chapters of the book of Daniel. These first 6 chapters really help us to see what it looks like to live for Christ in a world that does not love Christ. Last night we walked through the famous story of Daniel & the lion's den in chapter 6. As I taught through this story, I had the students ask themselves 3 questions that would help them evaluate their walk with Christ and that would help them have faith in the face of opposition. I want to highlight one of those questions because it is a question we need to constantly ask ourselves as we walk with Jesus.

Where is my allegiance? In Daniel 6, Daniel has been promoted to a position of high authority in Persia's kingdom. The other leaders are jealous of Daniel and seek to try and find a way to get him out of the way. In verses 4-5, it says the ONLY way these men could sabotage Daniel was to make him choose between his loyalty to the king and his loyalty to his God. These men already knew that Daniel would choose his God over his loyalty to the king. This is what ended up paving the way for Daniel to be thrown into the den of lions.

What about you? Do people in your life know where your ultimate loyalty lies? Do they know that when it comes to your faith in Christ, you are unwilling to compromise? Does your loyalty to Jesus fall apart when your reputation is on the line? Does it fall apart when it comes to your job? Success? Pleasure? Ultimately, what we spend the most time doing or thinking about is a good indication of where our true loyalties lie. Does your ultimate allegiance reside with Christ? I challenge you to really think about this today.



DREW POSADA
STUDENT & WORSHIP PASTOR

SHEREE JORDAN

DIRECTOR OF PRESCHOOL



We need over 50,000 pieces of individually wrapped candy and 50 cars for Trunk-R-Treat this year. You may leave your donated bags of candy in the totes at the WRC lobby. **Please register your car at fbcskiatook.com/events.** Thank you for advancing the gospel in our community.



Last Sunday night First Kids hosted our first ever escape room designed for elementary kids. Sunday morning there were 11 kids enrolled for this event. Great! But I had a feeling there were more to come. I heard news that one kid invited his entire class!

When I came to set up that afternoon the enrollment number had already jumped to 36! WOW! We ended up with 39 kids and 8 leaders! I am blown away!! These kids are awesome! They are so smart and fun. While they enjoyed celebrating their victories with ice cream, I was able to talk to the kids about how sweet it is to walk with the Lord and some personal encounters I had with God when I was young like them, and then walked them through the gospel.

Each Sunday we purposefully review the gospel so that the kids are so familiar with it that they are equipped to share it with their friends. We host events like this to help strengthen friendships and point kids to Christ. Thank you church for your prayers over our kids ministry.



SUNDAYS at the 11:00 SERVICE

October 10

Kristy & Taryn Hubble

October 17

Samantha & Jeremy Stout
Stephen & Misty Cooper

CHILDREN

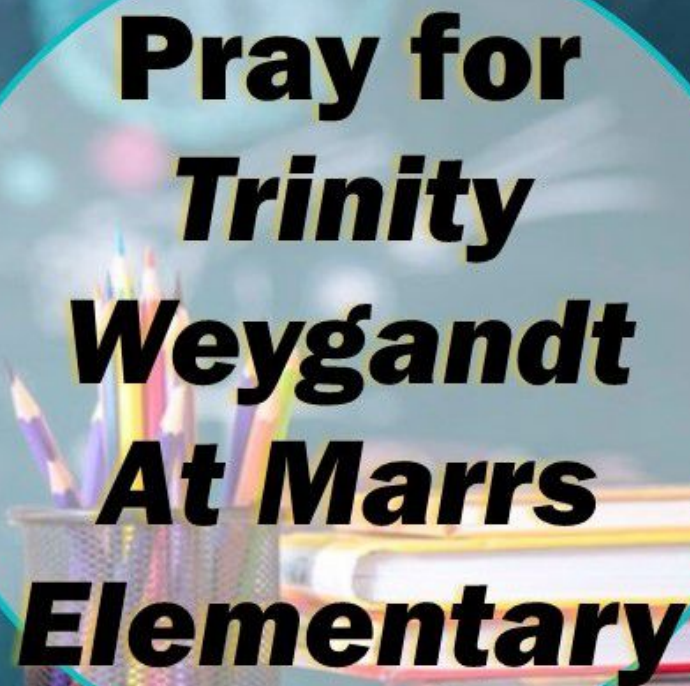
PRESCHOOL:

Sandy Taylor & Kerry Jordan



JANAE JORDAN

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN



**Pray for
Trinity
Weygandt
At Marrs
Elementary**

PRAISING
for our
Teachers



FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH SKIATOOK

FBC Schedule

WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00 AM & 11:00 AM (Live at West Rogers Campus)

Kid's Worship @ 11:00 service

Live streaming is still offered as an option



WEDNESDAYS: 6:30-8:00 PM

(South Campus)

Youth | Games, Food, Worship & Bible Study - Doors open at 5:45pm

Young Adult Small Group

BLUEPRINT | Preschool & Children

SMALL GROUPS

SUNDAYS: 9:30 -10:30 AM

Median & Senior Adult (West Rogers Campus)

Preschool, Children, Youth & Young Adults (South Campus)



TUESDAY @ 6:30AM & WEDNESDAY @ 6:30PM

Gather with us Tuesday mornings or Wednesday evenings at the West Rogers Campus.

FBC STAFF / OFFICE

CHAD THOMPSON	<i>Lead Pastor</i>
SCOTT NEIGHBORS	<i>Executive Pastor</i>
DREW POSADA	<i>Pastor of Students / Worship</i>
JANAE JORDAN	<i>Director of Children's Ministries</i>
SHEREE JORDAN	<i>Director of Preschool Ministries</i>
KELSEY LLOYD	<i>Lead Pastor Admin. Assistant / Media</i>
MARTHA HOFFMAN	<i>Financial / Membership Secretary</i>
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West Rogers Campus (Worship Center)

825 W. Rogers Blvd, Skiatook, OK

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am-4:30 pm



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THE WALLS AT THE BACK
OF THE SANCTUARY.**

Look for the Sign

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giving! Go to

fbcskiatook.com

and click the

Online Giving tab.

**If you need help setting up your online giving just call
the church office at 918-396-1565.**

NOTE: Donations to the church are deposited in the general operations account of the church. Contributions to existing designated accounts are welcome. The church is not bound to honor specific suggestions for that fund.

Should the church vote to close a fund, the remaining balance will be redistributed for ministry or church expenses at the discretion of the church or stewardship team.

Jared Basey
Mike Earp
Stephen Goodell
Dennis Harrison
Judd Jordan
Keni Kennedy
Kelly Maddoux
Michael McQuay

Mike Mullins
Micah Nix
Scott Robinson
Earl Rozell
Jeremy Stout
Gary Yarbrough

FBC DEACONS

LIST OF SMALL GROUPS

Young Adults Coed

- Arnold
- Goodell
- Butler
- Breeding
- Weygandt
- Kennedy

Ladies

- Paslay
- ## Weekdays
- Jordan
- Tuesday
Evenings

Median Adults Coed

- Maddoux
- Tindell/
Earp

Weekdays

- Weed
- Wednesday
Evenings
- Wilson
- Wednesday
Evenings

Ladies

- Trego
- Hoffman
- Rozell

Men

- Robinson
- Coody

Median/Senior Coed

- Harrison

Senior Adults Ladies

- Scharrer
- Edwards

*Pick up any Small Group's Flyer for location and more information about their group.

We invite you to visit as many groups as you would like to find your place.