



April 5  
April 6  
April 8  
April 9

Ann Oglesby  
Brett Williford  
Steve VanWechel  
Tracy Williford

**VITAL SIGNS**

Budget Gifts Sunday .....\$2,989.00  
Budget Gifts to Date .....\$26,764.00  
Annie Armstrong to Date.....\$734.00



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**ONLINE SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

Sunday 11am and Wednesday 7pm

Join us at

[www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistChurchGardenCity](http://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistChurchGardenCity)

(Be sure to “Like” the church’s page so it’s easier to keep updated)

**HOW TO KEEP IN TOUCH**

- Call the church office 964-1448 (If we don’t answer, please leave message)
- Email us at [fbcgc@yahoo.com](mailto:fbcgc@yahoo.com)
- Send us a message on Facebook
- Contact your Deacon
- Share prayer request, physical needs and anything else you’d like to share, as we all go through this season together.

**HOW TO GIVE**

Here are some options for how to give to FBC Garden City during this time:

1. Give Online Anytime:  
<https://fbcgardencity.churchcenter.com>
2. Drop Off your Offering at the Church Office
3. Mail your Offering to the Church  
35 Nelson Ave, Garden City, GA 31408
4. Call the Office – (912) 964-1448 or your Deacon to Arrange a Pick-up

**Cancellation Notice:**

The Garden City Christian Men’s Fellowship has been cancelled for the month of April.



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912-964-1448 or [fbcgc@yahoo.com](mailto:fbcgc@yahoo.com)  
[www.fbcgc.net](http://www.fbcgc.net)

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## *Worship Online – A New Chapter*

The vast majority of us are quarantined, self-isolated, socially distanced or sheltered at home. This has resulted in some changes as to how we can gather together as a church and it's led to a powerful opportunity for us to continue worshipping together over the internet.

Online worship is different and requires some adjustment, but here are a few funny reasons I saw recently as to why some people are enjoying it:

- You don't have to worry about where to park
- You can refill your coffee any time
- You can join in from the couch, the porch or the pool deck
- No one cares if you can carry a tune (a personal favorite for me)
- Feel free to wear your pajamas!

Gathering as the church online – rather than in-person may feel like a whole new world, but it's just a new method for the church. The message of Jesus Christ has never and will never change, whether we're meeting in the building, in a park, or meeting digitally over the internet.

Here are some tips to make the most of our online worship opportunities:

- **Invite your friends, family, co-workers and neighbors to join us.**

Our nation's collective chaos, combined with the fact that people can "come to church" from anywhere there's internet, have provided us with a great opportunity to invite new people to join us for worship. It may be just what they need to connect with (or re-connect) with Jesus during this dark time.

- **Pray to invite the Holy Spirit's work during the gathering.**

God isn't bound by having us all physically in one place. He wants to work in your life regardless of whether we're in a full church building, in a Facebook watch party with friends, or if you're worshipping alone in your bedroom. Take a moment before the service begins to ask Him to make His presence known and to speak clearly to you today.

- **Take a moment to minimize distractions.**

For hundreds of years, worship facilities have been designed to inspire awe for the Lord and to minimize distractions during worship. This is tougher when you're sitting on the couch. Whether you're joining on a phone, tablet or computer, try to make sure that's the only audio and visual activity going on during the service. And remember, those chores will wait a few minutes.

- **Fully participate in the different aspects of worship.**

Though it may feel uncomfortable at first to sing along with the worship time by yourself, remember that we're actually in this together! So download and fill in the message notes we provide, sing along with the songs, use the comments to talk to your fellow worshippers, pray when we're praying, and continue to worship through your giving (online, mailed-in or dropped off at the office).

Throughout church history, challenging times have led to great breakthroughs in methodologies *and* in Kingdom results. My prayer is that God will continue to use this time to stretch us, teach us, use us, and transform many lives through Christ as we cooperate with Him!

In Christ,  
Tommy

*Celebrate*  
**E A S T E R**  
with FBC Garden City

Sunday, April 12

11:00 am

As we approach Resurrection Day, remember that no matter how we're meeting, this is the biggest day of the year for us as Christ followers. To that end, here are a few ways you can prepare for a powerful Easter:

- **PRAY FOR A BREAKTHROUGH**
- **PREPARE YOUR HEART**
- **PICK A FEW PEOPLE & INVITE THEM**
- **PARTICIPATE FULLY IN EASTER AT FBC**

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*"He is not here; for He is risen, as He said."*  
- Matthew 28:6

