

## Serving Our Church This Sunday

### Ushers

*(Ushers, please arrive 20 minutes before service)*

Steve Britton, Gerald Ethridge,  
Chris Long, Rob Mucha, Warren Oglesby,  
Robert Riley, Ed Schaffer. A. J. Tovar,  
Luis Tovar, Tommy Triplett

### Counters

Zim Nixon, Chmn., Terry Nappier,  
Warren Oglesby, Jay Walea

### Birthdays

August 23	Dot Newman
August 25	Jo Cole
August 25	Jeanette Collins
August 25	Carol Durkin
August 26	Kristy Ward

### Anniversaries

August 28	Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Ethridge
August 29	Mr. & Mrs. Rob Mucha

### ONLINE OPPORTUNTIES

Sunday 11am and Wednesday 7pm

Join us at [fbcgc.live](http://fbcgc.live)

### Online Giving

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or **Text** the Amount You Want to Give to 84321



## OPPORTUNTIES OF THE WEEK

*Welcome!*

**Sunday, August 23**  
11:00am Morning Worship

### VITAL SIGNS

Budget Gifts Sunday .....	\$7,647.95
Budget Gifts to Date .....	\$22,491.06

*Welcome*

**The Duke Family**  
*Tommy, Amber, TJ & Koty*  
as we begin a new chapter  
in the life of  
**First Baptist Church Garden City**




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## A NEW SEASON

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the new pastor of FBC Garden City. My family and I are humbled and excited by the opportunity to serve and can't wait to see all that God has in store for this new season!

Although I've been sharing with you on Sundays and in the Beams for a while, it seems like a good time to share a bit of an introduction...

My name is Tommy Duke and I am your new pastor. My wife, Amber, and I have been married for 16 years and have two sons, TJ (14) and Koty (11). Amber is a midwesterner by birth (North Dakota) and I'm originally from Louisiana, but we met and married in this area and have lived and ministered in Georgia, Pennsylvania, Florida, Alabama, and Georgia again!

Over the past 16 years, I have served as a student pastor, associate pastor, church planter, and lead pastor in various local churches. In addition, I've been privileged to train, coach, and consult with over 1,000 churches and church leaders around the country.

Now, I am pumped about the opportunity to help shepherd this church into a new season. I believe God has a bright future for our church as we do whatever it takes to reach lost people and make disciples for Christ!

I believe this church can be a beacon in Garden City and the surrounding communities, loving God, loving people, and lighting the way forward. To this end I have a few prayer requests to share as we move into this new season of life and ministry together:

- Pray for God to align our hearts with His, shaping our desires as individuals and as a church.

*"Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you your heart's desires."* – Psalm 37:4 (NLT)

- Pray for us to be driven to reach out to our neighbors with radical love and with the life-changing message of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

*"This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him."* – 2 Corinthians 5:17-18 (NLT)

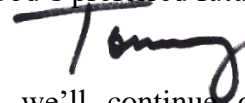
- Pray that we will love one another with the same love that Christ demonstrated for us on the cross, knowing this love is what sets us apart in this world.

*"So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."* – John 13:34-35 (NLT)

- Pray that God will bring about a transformation and a new energy in and through our church that has never been seen before, all for His glory!

*"Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think."* – Ephesians 3:20 (NLT)

Praying with you for God's preferred future,



P.S. This Sunday, August 23, we'll continue our "DAILY" message series at 11am (in-person and at FBCGC.live). We're looking at the ancient practice of fasting and what the Bible teaches about it. Invite a friend to join us or start a Watch Party on Facebook!

You are invited to a  
*Miscellaneous Bridal Shower*

in honor of

**Kayman Read**

Sunday, August 30

2:00-3:30 p.m. (Drop-in)

First Baptist Church of Garden City

Fellowship Hall

(Registered at

Target - Bed, Bath, & Beyond - Amazon)

## SYMPATHY

As a church family, we express our deepest Christian sympathy to Maria Ragan & family in the loss of her father who passed away last week. Please keep Maria & her family in your prayers.

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## BIBLE DRILL

We will be starting Bible Drill in the next few weeks. If you have a child or teenager interested in participating please let us know as soon as possible. You can contact Randall in the office or you can contact the leaders directly. (For children please contact Allie Moore. For teenagers please contact Patricia Frantz.)

## YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

We will have a youth fellowship on August 30<sup>th</sup> after the morning worship service. It will be lunch and an outdoor swim party at the Frantz home. Contact Randall for more information.