

Birthday

November 8	Karen Walea
November 9	Tyler Reagan
November 11	Grady Ward
November 11	Griffin Ward

Anniversaries

November 9	Mr. & Mrs. Howard Moore
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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

Steve Britton, Chairman
Joe Jackson,
Rob Mucha, Larry Olliff

Thanksgiving Meal

Unfortunately we will not be having our annual meal at the church due to COVID. We are still taking all necessary precautions to keep everyone safe.

November 11, 2020

Veterans Day
Thank you for serving!



10:00am

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Welcome!

Sunday, November 8

11:00am Morning Worship
“Budget Vote this Morning”
(in-person or at FBCGC.live)
Sunday School Fall Groups

VITAL SIGNS

Budget Gifts Sunday	\$6,301.00
Budget Gifts to Date	\$6,301.00

ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES

ONLINE GIVING

*You can now give online by going to the website (fbcgc.net) and clicking on the **ONLINE GIVING** tab
or **Text** the Amount You Want to Give to 84321

Budget Vote This Sunday

We will have an in-person Budget vote during the welcome time at our 11am Sunday Morning Worship on November 8th. If you are not comfortable coming to services yet, you will be able to come to the office during the week of November 2nd thru November 5th from 10:00am-2:00pm and cast your vote. If you have problems with these options, please contact the office (912-964-1448) or contact your Deacon.



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Who Am I?

This past Sunday, our message was about God and Government, and our role as Christians living in the United States. In case you missed it, you can go and watch/listen at FBCGC.live. A recurring theme in this message (and a couple of others recently) was the idea of identity – allowing my identity as a follower of Jesus to define you, your thoughts, and your actions.

Here's why this is so important: If I see myself as a Republican or Democrat who happens to be a Christian, my priorities flow out of what's best for "the party," rather than what is best for the Kingdom of God. On the contrary, if I see myself as a Christian first, I can prayerfully discern how to vote and whom to support based on how they align with God's Word.

The same is true for every other identifier we choose to place before Christ in our lives, whether it is race, gender, occupation, socioeconomic status, geographic identity, or anything else... If any of these are the primary way you see yourself, whether you realize it or not, it is affecting your thoughts, words, and actions.

In fact, Jesus gives us clear instructions what our priorities should be if we claim to follow Him:

"Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need." – Matthew 6:33 (NLT)

Notice the two non-negotiables when it comes to Christ-ordained priorities: 1) *Seek God's Kingdom first and foremost*, and 2) *Live righteously*. And the conditional result of this verse is equally impactful because He says if we'll do that – focus our attention on these first priorities – *He will provide everything else we need*. What a great promise!

The Christian walk is (and has always been) a counter-cultural way of life. The idea that you and I will identify ourselves as followers of Jesus first – above all the other identifiers that could be applied – and allow that identity to inform all of our steps is, for lack of a better word, *weird*. And that's OK. I'd much rather be weird in the world's eyes and pleasing in God's eyes than the other way around.

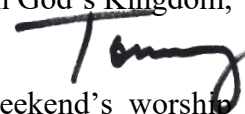
The Apostle Peter describes for us this counter-cultural identity, comparing how those who reject Jesus' message ("they") live to how those of us who follow Christ ("you") are to live:

"They stumble because they do not obey God's word, and so they meet the fate that was planned for them.

But you are not like that, for you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light." – 1 Peter 2:8-9 (NLT)

When you and I step into our role as royal priests, a holy nation, and God's own possession, He will use us to show others His goodness!

Your Fellow Citizen in God's Kingdom,



P.S. I hope you will make this weekend's worship service a priority in your life, as we're kicking off a brand new teaching series about how to live a thankful life, regardless of the craziness going on in our world.

It's a timely series as we move toward celebrating a unique, 2020 Thanksgiving. Join us (and invite a friend) this Sunday at 11:00am, either In-Person or at FBCGC.live. See you there!

Thanks-Living: The Power of a Grateful Life

The most powerful two words in the English language are "Thank You." In this brand-new teaching series, we will discover how learning to be thankful every day leads to greater fulfillment, joy, peace and a deeper connection with God.

- Sunday, November 8: The Power of Thank You
- Sunday, November 15: Being Thankful During the Tough Times
- Sunday, November 22: Unleashing A Life of Gratitude
- Sunday, November 29: Thank You!



Who Can You Invite?

FBC MOVIE NIGHT

Join us for another exciting community activity - Movie Night @ FBC- on Sunday, November 15, at 6pm. We'll stay outdoors (weather permitting) and spaced out to enjoy a fun, family movie together!

Steve Carell in **DESPICABLE ME**

COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHT @ FBC
Sunday, November 15 - 6:00pm

We'll Provide the Outdoor Movie
Bring Your Own Blankets or Lawn Chairs
Bring a Friend or Neighbor or Two
Come for Fellowship and Fun!