



# First Words

March 22, 2026

# WELCOME

We're glad you're with us!

## Small Groups

Small groups meet Sundays at **8:00, 9:15 and 10:45 AM**. For help finding a small group, visit the Welcome Center, or contact [hopeg@fbctrussville.org](mailto:hopeg@fbctrussville.org).

## Worship

**9:15 AM** (Traditional) • **10:45 AM** (Contemporary)

## Other Helpful Info

**Restrooms** are conveniently located just outside the Worship Center.

**Offering bins** are located at the exits as you leave the Worship Center.

**Listening devices** are available by request; see an usher to inquire.

**FBCT Library** is located near the Events Center and open today 8:00 AM-12:30 PM, Tuesday 9:00 AM-5:00 PM and Wednesdays 4:00 PM-7:30 PM.

Inquire or register for any FBCT event at the **Event Center**.

For assistance, please see an usher or visit the Welcome Center.

## First-Time Guests

**WE HAVE A GIFT FOR YOU!**

Bring your completed tear-off to the Welcome Center or visit [fbctrussville.org/next-steps](http://fbctrussville.org/next-steps) and let us know that you were with us today!

# THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

That You May Believe

## Prayer

Let us pray for you. Share your prayer requests by visiting [fbctrussville.org/prayer-requests](http://fbctrussville.org/prayer-requests), or by scanning this QR code. ▶▶▶



## Reading the Bible Through in 2026!

### MARCH

THIS WEEK:

- Mar 22 Joshua 11-13
- Mar 23 Joshua 14-15; Luke 1
- Mar 24 Joshua 16-18; Luke 2
- Mar 25 Joshua 19-21
- Mar 26 Joshua 22-24; Luke 3
- Mar 27 Judges 1-3; Luke 4
- Mar 28 Judges 4-6

## MISSIONS



### Alaska Mission Trip

August 14-23 • Valdez, AK • \$2,500

You can help support FBC Valdez with needed construction and repair projects and serve their local community all while experiencing the beauty of Alaska! Interested in joining us? Sign up on the Events page or the Missions page!

### Helper Helper App

Helper Helper provides you with ways to get more involved in being the hands and feet of Jesus. Sign up today to receive updates on service opportunities here at FBCT!

Helper Helper ▼



# Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

OUR GOAL: **\$115,000**  
GIVEN SO FAR: \$40,134

# Surrendered

## The Gospel of John

John 18  
Buddy Champion  
March 22, 2026

### The Obedience

When He had finished praying, Jesus left with His disciples and crossed the Kidron Valley. On the other side there was an olive grove, and He and His disciples went into it. John 18:1 (NIV)

- Kidron Valley
  - “kidron”
- Olive Grove
- Notice Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and His disciples followed Him. Luke 22:39 (NIV)

### The Reaction

Now Judas, who betrayed Him, knew the place, because Jesus had often met there with His disciples. So Judas came to the grove, guiding a detachment of soldiers and some officials from the chief priests and Pharisees. They were carrying torches, lanterns and weapons. Jesus, knowing all that was going to happen to Him, went out and asked them, “Who is it you want?” “Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “I am He,” Jesus said. (And Judas the traitor was standing there with them.) When Jesus said, “I am He,” they drew back and fell to the ground. Again He asked them, “Who is it you want?” And they said, “Jesus of Nazareth.” “I told you that I am He,” Jesus answered. “If you are looking for Me, then let these men go.” This happened so that the words He had spoken would be fulfilled: “I have not lost one of those you gave Me.” John 18:2-9 (NIV)

- Judas

Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: “The One I kiss is the man; arrest Him and lead Him away under guard.” Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, “Rabbi!” and kissed Him. Mark 14:44-45 (NIV)

- Detachment
- Officials/Pharisees
- Notice the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus

### The Response

Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it and struck the high priest’s servant, cutting off his right ear. (The servant’s name was Malchus.) Jesus commanded Peter, “Put your sword away! Shall I not drink the cup the Father has given Me?” John 18:10-11 (NIV)

- Simon Peter
- Malchus
- “drink the cup”
- Notice the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus

But Jesus answered, “No more of this!” And He touched the man’s ear and healed him. Luke 22:51 (NIV)

### The Trial

Then the detachment of soldiers with its commander and the Jewish officials arrested Jesus. They bound Him and brought Him first to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it would be good if one man died for the people. Simon Peter and another disciple were following Jesus. Because this disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the high priest’s courtyard, but Peter had to wait outside at the door. The other disciple, who was known to the high priest, came back, spoke to the girl on duty there and brought Peter in. John 18:12-16 (NIV)

- Annas – former high priest
- Caiaphas – “the high priest”
- “another disciple”
- Notice the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus

The next day the rulers, elders and teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and the other men of the high priest’s family. Acts 4:5-6 (NIV)

# COMING UP...

## Easter 2026

Sunday, April 5

Join us this Easter as we celebrate the life-changing truth: HE IS RISEN! Service times are 8am, 9:30am, and 11am. Both blended and contemporary services will be offered at each time. The blended

service will meet in the Sanctuary and the contemporary service will meet in the High School Space (A200). Small groups will not meet on Easter Sunday. For more information, visit [fbctrussville.org/easter](http://fbctrussville.org/easter).



## Prayer Walking Your Neighborhood

Spend time over the next couple of weeks intentionally praying over your street and neighbors. Use the included perforated invitation cards to personally invite any neighbor you get a chance to speak with face to face.



## Good Friday Service

April 3 • 6pm • Sanctuary

A somber service – featuring our string ensemble, congregational singing, Scripture reading, a message by Pastor Buddy and the Lord's supper – to remember and reflect on Jesus' crucifixion on the cross for our sins.

## Good Friday Day of Fasting

Starting at midnight on Good Friday, spend the day fasting, praying, and reflecting on the day of sacrifice Christ offered for us. The fast will end at the conclusion of our Good Friday Service.

Reminder: We will not have regular evening activities on our campus this Wednesday, March 25 with the exception of Choir and Orchestra which will rehearse at their normal times.

## Numbers From Last Sunday - March 15, 2026

Budget Receipts:	\$ 182,598	Small Groups:	1,863
Budget Received YTD:	\$ 1,838,808	Worship Services:	
NEXT YTD:	\$ 7,214	On Campus - 2,029	Online - 268
MVMT Together YTD:	\$ 315,650	Total:	2,297

## THIS WEEK

### SAM Luncheon\*

March 26 • 10:30am • Gym

Seasoned adults, join us for SAM Luncheon on Thursday, March 26 at 10:30 am in the Gym. Our special guest will be David Briley. We hope to see you there!

## COMING UP

### Trecho Via Dolorosa

March 28 • 8am • Magnolia Mall

Join us at the Via Dolorosa Cross Carry Run and Ruck! We will walk, jog, or run a 3 mile loop and then carry a cross the same distance as the Via Dolorosa Road as a reflection of what Christ did on Good Friday.

### American Ninja Squad Wars

April 1 • 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Graders • 4:30pm

Jared Greer, from Overcoming Obstacles, will challenge and encourage our students with a powerful message. Along with the message, their team will bring an American Ninja Warrior-style obstacle course for students to test their strength, agility, and perseverance.

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### Rain Down Ministries Trail Race\*

April 18 • 7:25am • 504 Cherokee Dr.

Come spend a morning with us enjoying God's creation! We will have a 5K and a 5 mile option. Both races begin at 7:25am. Packet pickup begins at 6:45am on race day.

### Scholarship Opportunities

Deadline May 4

Two scholarship opportunities exist for deserving FBCT seniors – The Valerie Edwards Memorial Scholarship and the FBCT Student Ministry Scholarship. To apply, please contact Amy Blount in the FBCT financial office at [amyb@fbctrussville.org](mailto:amyb@fbctrussville.org).

### Graduation Sunday\*

May 17 • 4pm • Worship Center

Celebrating the Class of 2026! This will be a day for our church to show our support for your student and family as you each begin a new journey. Register on the Events page.

### VBS 2026\*

June 1-4 • 9am-12pm • K5-5th Grade

Join us for an unforgettable adventure! VBS is packed with engaging small groups, exciting lessons, and fun games. Together, we'll explore how Jesus' love reaches every corner of the globe!

### Fine Arts Camp\*

June 8-11 • 8:30am-2:30pm • 1st-6th Gr.

Come explore all the music & art the Conservatory offers in a fun theme! Come discover what it means to be truly Lost and Found in Jesus!

### Princess Dance Camp\*

June 15-18 & 22-25 • 9am-12pm

Girls ages 3-7 • \$140

Your little girl will have so much fun as she learns to dance and see her true identity as a daughter of the King! Choose between June 15-18 or 22-25.

### Kids Art Camp\*

June 15-18 & 22-25 • 1-5pm

1st-7th Graders • \$225

Come discover the world that God made and build your imaginative world through various art projects! Cost includes all materials. Choose between June 15-18 or June 22-25.

\*Registration: [fbctrussville.org/events](http://fbctrussville.org/events)

# WELCOME!

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[fbctrussville.org/  
guest-tear-off](http://fbctrussville.org/guest-tear-off)

We'd love to connect with you! By sharing a little about yourself, we're better able to know and care for you. Scan the QR or drop this in the offering bins as you leave!

SCAN HERE ▼



## Help Us Get To Know You:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, my spouse attends with me.

Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

I'm here today because \_\_\_\_\_ invited me.

I'm a member of another church attending today for a special occasion.

I'd like to be added to the e-newsletter list.

I'd like to join FBC Trussville!

The best way to reach me is:

Phone  Text

Email  Mail

## Prayer Requests

Join our text message prayer chain!  
Just text "Prayer" to 205-898-6920

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Going through a difficult time? Reach out for help. [stephenministry@fbctrussville.org](mailto:stephenministry@fbctrussville.org)

## Easter Flowers

Flowers can be placed in the Worship Center this Easter season in honor/memory of your loved one. Place this tab with \$12 in an offering envelope, leaving it in an offering bin as you leave today. Make checks payable to FBC Trussville.

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor...  In memory...

...of: \_\_\_\_\_

## Our Place Special Needs Ministry Volunteers

Volunteers needed on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I can serve during the:

Sunday 9:15 Hour  Sunday 10:45 Hour

Wednesdays 6:00PM

## Pray This Week For:

- Families on Spring Break – pray for safety and opportunities to share Jesus.
- Pray for the more than 6,500 missionaries and chaplains across the U.S., Canada, and U.S. territories.

[fbctrussville.org/  
prayer-requests](http://fbctrussville.org/prayer-requests)