

# First Baptist Church of Ruskin

## OUR MISSION

MANY OF TODAY'S CHURCHES ALWAYS SEEM TO BE FOLLOWING THE CURRENT TRENDS. AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF RUSKIN, WE BELIEVE THAT GOD WANTS US TO PRESENT AGELESS TRUTH, NOT THE LATEST TRENDS. WE DON'T WANT TO BE OLD-FASHIONED, BUT RATHER WE WANT TO PRESENT THE AGELESS STORY OF GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE TO US THROUGH HIS SON, JESUS CHRIST. WE ARE SO GLAD YOU HAVE JOINED US TODAY AS WE STUDY GOD'S PRECIOUS WORD.

## SERVICES

### SUNDAY

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING - 7:30 AM

BIBLE CLASSES - 9:30 AM

WORSHIP - 10:30 AM

WORSHIP - 5:00 PM

### WEDNESDAY - 7:00 PM

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

TEEN BIBLE STUDY

AWANA (SEPT-MAY)

## STAFF

DR. BARRY RUMSEY | SENIOR PASTOR

REV. JIM FARR | ASSISTANT PASTOR

MRS. VICKI RUMSEY | CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

BRO. JOSH CORTEZ | YOUTH DIRECTOR

REV. MIKE MELONE | RCS ADMINISTRATOR

MR. ROBERT O'NEILL | MUSIC DIRECTOR

## RCS

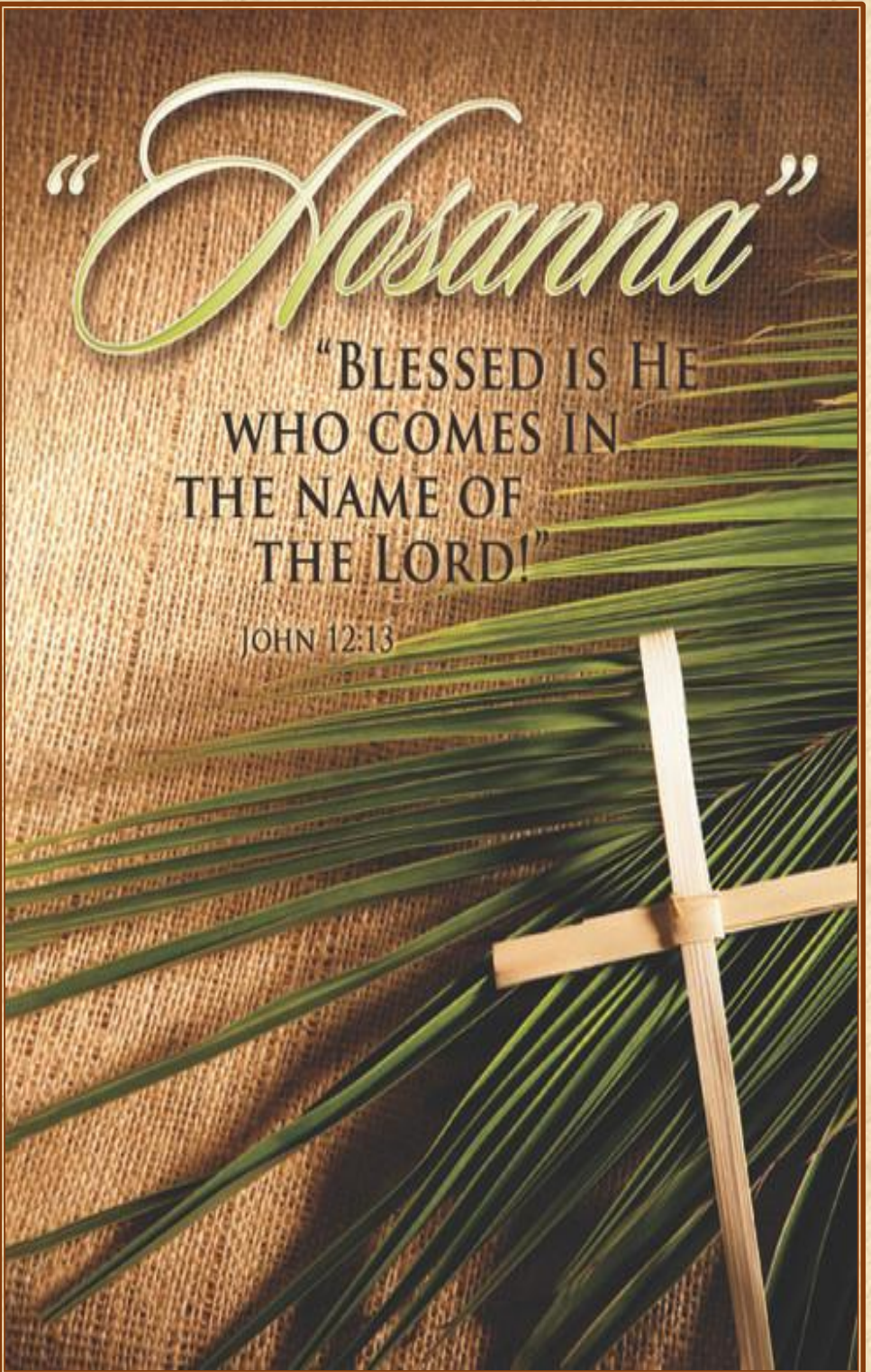
MRS. JENNIFER DESANTO | ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

MRS. LISA HEERDT | PRE-SCHOOL SUPERVISOR

RCS - AGES 2 THROUGH 12TH GRADE

## LISTEN ONLINE

PAST SERMONS ARE AVAILABLE AT  
[WWW.FBCRUSKIN.ORG](http://WWW.FBCRUSKIN.ORG)



# WELCOME

We are happy to see you!

## Church Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm

Friday 9:00am-1:00pm

813-645-6439

I would like more information about your church

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

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

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

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March 24, 2024

## SUNDAY CLASSES AVAILABLE

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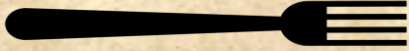
<b>ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> <u>The Destinies of Men</u> Mr. Sandy Whetherholt Room 407 (Navigators)  <u>It's All About Jesus</u> Mr. Phil Green & Mr. Wayne Voltz Room 203  <u>The Three Marys of Easter</u> Mrs. Barbara Grainger Room 103  <u>The Life of David</u> Rev. Mike Melone Room 109 (Family Builders)  <u>One<sup>3</sup></u> Rev. Jim Farr Room 107 (Couples)  <u>College and Career</u> Josh & Lora Irish/ Caleb & Lauren Jones Room 108 (Ages 18-24)	Nursery & Preschool 9:30 am & 10:30 am Preschool Building  <div style="text-align: center;"><b>Dig In</b></div> K5 - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade 9:30 am - Room 106  <div style="text-align: center;"><b>Dig Deeper</b></div> 4 <sup>th</sup> - 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade 9:30 am - Room 107  <div style="text-align: center;"><b>Jr. Worship</b></div> K5- 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade 10:30 am - Room 406  <div style="text-align: center;"><b>TEENS "THE EDGE"</b></div> Grades 7 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> 9:30 am - Room 406  <div style="text-align: center;"><b>JAIA</b></div> Special Needs Class 9:30 am & 10:30 am Room 108
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**WEDNESDAY NIGHT CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**  
**NURSERY & PRE-SCHOOL AGE-** Preschool building  
 AWANA Clubs (K-5 thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade)  
 L.I.F.T. (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade) Room 423  
 "THE EDGE" (Grades 9<sup>th</sup>-12) Room 406

**TUESDAY, APRIL 2nd SONSHINERS MEETING**

At 10:30 A.M. on this date our meeting will begin in the auditorium with wonderful songs that glorify our Lord sung by another one of First Baptist Church Sonshiner favorites, Jason Runnels. Jason has performed in every major Gospel Music event in the United States, including three Gaither Homecoming Videos and Concerts. Mark your calendars so you don't miss this time of fun and fellowship!

## Upcoming Events



### The Fork

On Thursday March 28<sup>th</sup>, we are having a Ladies' dinner in the gym beginning at 6 PM. As usual, the ladies bring things like vegetables, salads or desserts, and the church provides the meat, bread, and drinks. The theme for our dinner will be "The Fork." Which fork, you ask? The dessert fork, the dinner fork, the salad fork? Or is it the fork in the road? The famous baseball player Yogi Berra once said, "When you come to the fork in the road, take it." Come to this dinner and find out! The sign-up sheets are at the Welcome Center. You don't want to miss out on the fun!

3.27

### Grandparents Day

**This Wednesday night** is Grandparents Night in AWANA. Please plan on visiting them in their clubs and support their learning more about the Lord and His precious Word.

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### Easter Schedule

**Next Sunday** is Easter Sunday. We will have our morning schedule as usual, but there will be **NO EVENING SERVICE** so our folks can visit with family on this special day.

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### BOX CAR MOVIE NIGHT

The first Saturday night in April we are having our FAMOUS BOX CAR MOVIE NIGHT for kids of all ages! We are serving hot dogs, popcorn, and popsicles. There will be LOTS OF PRIZES...and it's all free! The fun starts at 6PM and ends at 8PM. Be there! **If you don't have a box car, remember to bring a comfy chair.**

## Prayer Request

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Submitted By \_\_\_\_\_

Did we miss your offering or prayer request? There is an offering envelope located in one of the seat backs, and you can tear the prayer request panel from this bulletin. Place them in the little black offering box on the right side of the center doors of the auditorium as you exit.



March 24th, 2024

PRAYER REQUESTS

**ED PRATT-** (member) Ed had successful knee replacement surgery last Monday. There was a tremendous amount of inflammation in his knee. The surgeon was able to clean out all the inflamed tissue. Continue to pray for his recovery and rehab.

**DAVE ALBERTSON-** (member) Dave plays the trombone in our orchestra. His last blood work showed some type of infection in his body. Additional blood work-up is scheduled. Pray these tests will reveal the problem that can be addressed as soon as possible.

**DAVID BLOCK-** (member) David has an issue with his heart that requires annual treatment with a very special piece of equipment. His long-time doctor no longer has that equipment. He has found a source, but he could not get an appointment until April 24<sup>th</sup> for the initial evaluation, not the actual treatment. Pray that he can meet with the doctor sooner because this is a critical issue.

**VERDA FOSTER-** (member) Ninety-four-year-old Verda has not been able to attend services for some time. She has been lovingly cared for by her daughter, Cheryl Emules, and her husband Dave in their home. However, her condition now necessitates her being moved to an outside facility. Pray they can find a place to care for her soon.

**JERRY SMITH-** (member) Jerry is a retired pastor who along with his wife Jane were formerly FBC faithful snowbirds. They have now made Sun City Center their permanent residence. Sadly, Jerry's health is not good, and he is confined to his bed. Pray for this precious couple as they journey through this difficult part of life's journey.

**DORIS BUZBEE-** (member) Keep praying for this sweet lady as she continues to heal from the fractured vertebrae in her back.

Members with Health Concerns

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| Jim & Betty Ballard    | Shirley Ruthven    |
| Sharon Davis           | Allen Scheffler    |
| Dreama Hager           | Jim & Amella Short |
| Paul Harget            | Jerry & Jane Smith |
| Helen Holstein         | Les Taylor         |
| Gail Letzring          | Betty Wears        |
| Larry & Linda Mostello | Ron & Donna Welsh  |

Members Battling Cancer

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| Terry Horton | Tim Way | Ron Welsh    | David Zurlinden |
|              |         | Ken Thompson |                 |

SERVING THE USA

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|------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| Bob Bryant             | Michael Lipford    | <i>Garrett Rushing</i> |
| <i>C.J. Cartwright</i> | Andy Meyrahn       | Maggie Russell         |
| Charles Clerc          | Christ Oliver      | Jonathan               |
| Jen DuBois             | Audrey Penny       | Schweinsaupt           |
| Elijah Gulotta         | Remiah Reza        | Nathan Thomas          |
| Zachary Kennedy        | Andrew             | Amanda Unruh           |
| Riley Kennedy          | Richardson         | Mike Williams          |
| Amber Kennedy          | <i>Josh Rumsey</i> | <i>Levi Wynn</i>       |
| Max Lipford            |                    |                        |

\*FBC Members are in blue italics.

**GOD'S WILL FOR YOU IS NOT A ROADMAP; IT IS A RELATIONSHIP.**



**FRAN LINGO  
OUR MISSIONARY IN  
COLOMBIA**

Dear Pastor and Church Family,

I am looking forward to teaching my class in the Training and Discipleship School this month. It is always a joy to think maybe God can use me to make a difference in some student's life. God has formed a good group this semester and I know "God is able to do far more than we could ever ask or imagine." Ephesians 3:20

The last Saturday of January we invited all our volunteers to meet for an encouraging time with Pastor Nestor. **It humbles me to see hearts that want to serve Jesus. Some serve in kids/nursery ministry, others are greeters, some disciple new believers, some teach in different age Bible classes, and on and on. Through the years, God had to teach my late husband Craig and me the value of volunteers. Volunteers are worth GOLD!!!** We celebrate them as much as we can.

It has certainly been a busy start of this new year. God has been encouraging me in the midst of my eye exams. No cataract surgery YET, but I do have the beginnings of some macular degeneration. We have a good eye clinic here in Bogota, and I feel very confident being cared for here. I must drive with glasses and avoid night driving. YUCK! I ask that you pray for the new reality with my eyes.

Please consider helping with the purchase of new tires here in Colombia. I will, in the next couple of months, have to replace them. The total cost will probably be around \$500 to \$600 for the four tires.

Happy Easter to everyone,  
*Fran Lingo*