

Sermon Series: The Real Thing

We begin our Summer Sunday morning series today. "The Real Thing" is a teaching series on the book of James that will help us realize what authentic Christianity is all about. Join us this entire summer on Sunday mornings as we preach through this amazingly practical book.

Prayer. Simple. Powerful.

A 5-week series continues this Wednesday night which focuses on the purpose and power of prayer. We invite you to come and experience what God asks of us in prayer and what God can accomplish when His people seek His face and pray. Our fellowship meal begins on Wednesday evenings at 5:00, and Prayer Gathering begins at 6:15. We gather in the Fellowship Hall.

Mother's Day Gift

Looking for a great Mother's day gift? Purchase a gift certificate for the Women's Retreat in October. Pick up this special gift in the Hub today.

Women's Retreat

Ladies.....Save the Date for the 2009 Women's Retreat "Extreme Makeover: Heart Edition," October 2 & 3 at the Embassy Suites at Outdoor World in Grapevine. Speaker: Margaret Kennedy, founder and president of Threads of Hope ministries and Lifeway Ministry Multiplier for the LifeWay Foundation. Contact: Stacie Smith at sdsmith1999@verizon.net or Sheila Cox at sheilaanncox@hotmail.com, for any questions you have.

Meet The Staff Luncheon

Next Sunday, May 17, at 12:30 p.m. there will be a free lunch provided for guests and new members of First Baptist. This is a casual and informal time for the staff of First Baptist to meet you and answer any questions you may have about the church. A complimentary lunch will be provided for adults and older children. Free childcare and a meal will be provided for children 3rd grade and younger. To ensure sufficient food is available, we do ask that you make a reservation by registering in The Hub, calling the church office and asking for Michelle Stanphill, or by e-mailing mstanphill@fbcirving.org.

Special Mother's Day Announcement

Make sure to enjoy a few notes to Moms from our own FBC children included in the slide show before and after service.

Kids Day Out

KDO is a 2-day a week program for children 6m-5yrs that meets on Monday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. We are currently enrolling for the Fall '09 session. For more information please contact Shanon Kuykendall at skuykendall@fbcirving.org or call 972-822-9034.

Congratulations Seniors

Congratulations to our graduating high school seniors: Garye Crews, Caitlyn Gleicher, Stephanie Hatcher, Gumaro Martinez, Franklin Montoya, Joseph Morrel, Lacy Parrish and Alyssa Torres.

We are so proud of your hard work and grateful that First Irving has been a part of your life!

Student Ministries Summer Missions

There are two great opportunities for middle school and high school students this summer:

Mission Decatur (Rookie Trip):

June 14-17

Cost: \$100 (full amount is due as a deposit to reserve your place on the team)

Purpose: Backyard Bible Club, clothes closet, light construction, food pantry.

Training Dates: May 31, June 7

St. Louis Project (previous mission experience required):

July 9-18

Cost: \$300 (\$100 deposit required)

Purpose: mission training, VBS, evangelism and evening services at an inner city church

Training Dates: May 31, June 7, June 21, June 28, July 5

The deposit is \$150, if you would like to serve on both teams.

Congratulations College Seniors

Congratulations to our graduating college seniors: Anthony Ball, Sara Boyd, Melanie Chadwick, Sarah Dodge, Jonathan Galvan, Danielle Gunnels, Colin Hairston, Josh Hemby, Chris Hendricks, Chris Holloway, Jessica Howell, Jonathan Mak, Megan Marshall, Israel Martinez, Kurt McWhorter, Ariel Myers. We are so proud of you!

Airhogs Game

Men, join us Sunday, June 14, to watch the Grand Prairie Airhogs play the Pensacola Pelicans. Tickets are \$8 and the game starts at 6:05 p.m. Email Jason Hatch at jasonhatch7@gmail.com, or you may purchase your ticket in The Hub.

Sudan Mission Trip 2009

There are still a few openings on First Irving's trip to The Sudan in late summer 2009. If you are interested in this trip, please email Missions Pastor Vernon Burger at vburger@fbcirving.org. This mission trip's focus is ministering to orphans and widows and building relationships with Believers in The Sudan.

Worship Center Initiatives

We ask all worshippers to turn off cell phones and pagers as well as not to bring drinks and food into the Worship Center. We also ask that if you must leave the Worship Center, please exit the back doors (Main Street) and return to a seat in the back or in the balcony. This helps in the spirit of worship and with our focus. We also ask that you go to the middle of the aisle as you enter into the row. This provides maximum seating for everyone.

Wednesday Fellowship Meal
<i>May 13, 2009</i>
<i>Chicken Fried Chicken w/ gravy</i>
<i>Tomato Basil Chicken w/ fettuccine</i>
<i>Asparagus</i>
<i>Baked Potatoes</i>
<i>Green Beans</i>
<i>Salad</i>
<i>Rolls</i>
<i>Chocolate Cake</i>
<i>Mississippi Mud Cake</i>
Serving from 5:00 - 6:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
Adults - \$4.50
6th - College - \$3.50
Kindergarten - 5th Grade - \$2.50
4 Yrs and under - Free
<i>Prayer Gathering at 6:15 p.m.</i>

Weekly Planner

SUNDAY	05.10.09
8:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Time
8:45 a.m.	Mother's Day Tea
MONDAY	05.11.09
9:00 a.m.	Kid's Day Out
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS
6:15 p.m.	First Place
7:00 p.m.	Moms In Touch
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
TUESDAY	05.12.09
11:30 a.m.	Evergreen
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS
WEDNESDAY	05.13.09
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS
5:00 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
5:30 p.m.	Handbell Practice
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choir
6:15 p.m.	Prayer Gathering
6:30 p.m.	Preschool Teacher Meeting
7:00 p.m.	MSX/Mad House
7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir
7:00 p.m.	Women's Retreat Planning Meeting
THURSDAY	05.14.09
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS
FRIDAY	05.15.09
9:00 a.m.	Kid's Day Out
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS
SATURDAY	05.16.09
9:00 p.m.	Ladies Prayer Time

STEWARDSHIP:	May 3, 2009
Tithes & Offerings	\$ 42,076
Designated	\$ 836
FaithWorks	\$ 4,592
Budget YTD	\$ 1,011,909
Weekly Budget	\$ 34,792
Budget YTD (under)	(\$66,642)
ATTENDANCE:	May 3, 2009
Bible Study	688
Worship	774
ADDITIONS:	May 3, 2009
Letter	7
Statement	1
Baptism	1



Welcome to First Irving

Jennifer and I are leading a group from First Baptist Irving to Israel. As we are away today, please know that I am praying for you as you gather to worship. I am praying for Jason Hatch, our Men's and College Minister, as he begins a 3-month series today from the book of James. I am honored to serve as your pastor. Happy Mother's Day to all of our mothers.

Welcome Center Reception

Our Ministers and I would like to meet you at the conclusion of the 9:30 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. Worship Service. Please stop by the Welcome Center at 10:45 a.m. or 12:15 p.m. for refreshments and the opportunity to get acquainted with some new friends. Exit through the double doors by the piano to the Welcome Center.

May 10, 2009