



Mark Your Calendar

7.19

Quarterly Church Business Meeting 11:40am
Prayer Meeting - Come to pray or be prayed for 5pm
High School Bible Study 5pm

7.20

God’s Gals 6pm

7.21

Tuesdays with Jesus Women’s Study 2pm

7.22

Refuge in the Field 6pm
Wednesday Night Men’s Bible Study 6:30pm

7.23

Women’s Through the Word Study 3:30pm

7.26

Baptism Sunday!
Laryssa Russell’s Graduation Party 2pm

7.28

J.O.Y. Circle 7pm

8.1

School Supply Shop @FBC 10am
Janice Duncan’s B-Day Celebration 2pm

8.2

Communion Sunday/Food Pantry Sunday
Ed & Mary Schrock’s Anniversary Party 2pm

8.5

Women’s Better Together 6:30pm

8.30

Praise In The Park Family Fest-Aledo Central Park 10am

Order of Worship

Welcome & Prayer
Announcements
Worship Set
Generosity Focus
Sermon
Invitation Song
Prayer



July 19th, 2026
8am & 10:15am

Today’s Message

“You’ve Got The
Wrong Person”
Luke 5:1-10
Pastor Seth Bowker

Church Office Hours

Tuesdays through Thursdays 9am-4:30pm
Fridays 9am-Noon
Pastor Steven Stern & Pastor Seth Bowker are
available by appointment on Mondays.
Call 309-582-7812 to set up an appointment.
Website: firstbaptistaledo.com

Welcome! It’s great to have you here! Wherever you are on your faith journey, we would love to help you take your next steps. First time here? Please pick up a Welcome bag at the Welcome Desk in the lobby following today’s service. Have questions or want to register for a class or event? Following today’s service Administrative Assistant - Pam Ricke will be in the lobby at the Welcome Desk to answer questions or you can call the office any time during the week at 309-582-7812. More info at www.firstbaptistaledo.com.

Ways To Give Your Tithes and Offerings

Thank you for your continued generosity and faithfulness to the ministry of First Baptist Church. Your giving helps support the work God is doing in and through our church.



We invite you to give your offering in one of these three ways:

- GIVE ONLINE - Visit our website firstbaptistaledo.com/give
- OFFERING BOX - You may leave your offering in the white offering box in the lobby or at the sanctuary door exits.
- MAIL - You may write a check and mail it to First Baptist Church – 800 NE 6th Ave. Aledo, IL 61231

KIDS MINISTRY

Welcome, Families with Young Children! Our 8AM Kids Ministry has launched! Nursery (infants–2 years) and Kids Worship (ages 3 years–5th grade) are available during the 8AM service. Children 3 years–5th grade check in at the Nursery, begin worship with their families in the sanctuary, and are dismissed after the first song. Pick-up is in the Fellowship Hall. A nursery is available on the main level during 9AM Sunday School and the 10:15AM service. Sunday School classes for ages 3 years–5th grade meet on the lower level. During the 10:15AM service, Kids Worship is offered for ages 3 years–5th grade: Pre-K–1st grade go directly from check-in in the Fellowship Hall, while 2nd–5th graders worship with their families before dismissal. All children are picked up in the Fellowship Hall; parents should keep and present their security label. A cry room with a live video feed is available at the end of the upstairs hallway (last door on the right).

FBC Free School Supply Shop August 1st–Mark your calendars for our Free School Supply Shop on Saturday, Aug. 1st from 10am–11:30am at First Baptist Aledo! This community event is open to everyone and is a wonderful opportunity for families to receive school supplies as they prepare for the upcoming school year. We look forward to serving our community and helping students start the year ready to learn. **Thank you for the generous donation of backpacks! We now have plenty!**

REFUGE STUDENT MINISTRY NEWS

Refuge at the YMCA HAS MOVED!– In June and July, we are having Refuge at the Church for "Refuge in the Field."

Refuge in the Field- All students, 6th–12th grade, on Wednesdays: July 8th, 22nd, 29th. Refuge will be held at FBC Aledo (800 NE 6th Ave, Aledo) from 6–8 pm! We will be having games, a fire pit, devotions, and summer FUN.

High School Bible Study-We are studying the book of Ephesians so that we can be strengthened and deeply rooted as we learn to fulfill the purpose and calling GOD has given. We meet Sundays from 5–7 pm in the church basement. Dinner is provided.

God's Gals-Girls 6th–12th grades are invited to join us on Mondays from 6–7 pm in the Enon Room. Current Study: Jude. Contending for the faith.

End Of Summer Party-All students 6–12th grades are invited on Wednesday, July 29th to the FBC Aledo field from 6–8pm for our End of the Summer Party! Come for the fire pit volleyball tournament, Ultimate frisbee and more! Dinner is provided.

ADULT MINISTRY NEWS

Quarterly Business Meeting-Everyone is welcome at the Quarterly Church Business Meeting today at 11:40am.

Prayer Nights-The FBC Prayer Team hosts prayer every Sunday night at 5pm in the Enon Room. Please come join us in prayer or be prayed over.

You are Invited!–Laryssa Russell's family invites you to join them in celebrating Laryssa's High School Graduation on Sun., July 26th from 2–4pm in the sanctuary overflow at FBC!

Support the 1830 Ministry with Sight & Sound-Jesus movie at Aledo Opera House-God is doing something exciting here at First Baptist! 1830 Ministries is thrilled to share that 11 young adults have signed up to attend the Passion conference. That's an incredible blessing! As part of helping make that possible, 1830 Ministries is excited to invite you to a very special community event featuring Sight & Sound's Jesus at the Aledo Opera House on Monday, July 27, at 6:00 p.m. This is more than just a movie; it's an opportunity to invite your family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers to experience the life, hope, and love of Jesus through this inspiring theatrical production while helping invest in the next generation of young adults. Main Floor tickets are \$25, and Supporter Mezzanine tickets are \$50. If you're unable to attend, donations are also gratefully accepted through the church offering list 1830 Ministry in the memo. Please see Lauryn Russell after either service today to reserve your seats. You'll find her in the lobby at the Welcome Desk or you can purchase tickets directly on the Aledo Opera House website aledooperahouse.com. We hope you'll join us!

J.O.Y. Circle Gathering-All ladies are invited to the J.O.Y. Circle on Tues., July 28th at 7pm in the Enon Room #9. Join us for fun, fellowship and a devotion.

FBC Praise In The Park Family Fest Coming in August!–Mark your calendar, and invite your friends, family and neighbors to join us in Aledo's Central Park on Sunday, August 30th from 10am–2pm for a day of worship, lunch, live music and family fun! We'll have a Kids Fun Zone–Water & Bounce Inflatables (kids bring your swimsuit, towel and sunscreen), 9 Square In The Air & Joust. Bring your lawn chair or a blanket. It's free to attend! No Sunday School or 8am service this day.

Women's Thrive Retreat-Thrive, a women's retreat happening Oct. 2–4 at Life Action Camp in Buchanan, MI. Thrive is a weekend of encouragement, worship, fellowship, fun, and great food designed to help women grow closer to Jesus. If you're interested, register online at firstbaptistaledo.com. Cost is \$150 and includes lodging, conference sessions, and meals. Spots are limited, only 8 remain, deadline to register is August 1st. Questions, see Karyn Smith or Crystal Clark.

Card Shower for the Sponslers-Mike and Kathy Sponsler celebrated 50 years of marriage on July 17th, 2026. If you would like to send an anniversary card to Mike and Kathy, here is their address P.O. Box 124 Pitkin, CO 81241.

Birthday Open House for Janice Duncan-The church family is warmly invited to an Open House to celebrate Janice Duncan's 95th (and a half!) birthday. The celebration will take place on Saturday, August 1st from 2PM to 3PM at the Aledo Fairgrounds in the Merchants Building. Your presence and shared memories are the greatest blessings, so please, no gifts. We hope you will join us to share some birthday cheer! Happy Birthday Janice!

Communion/Food Pantry Sunday-Sunday August 2nd is the Sunday Boomsisters emphasizes bringing nonperishable food items for the Mercer County Food Pantry and/or the FBC Blessing Box. Items can be left any time in the wooden crates in the church lobby. Thank you for blessing those in need in our community.

Bushels of Love Boomsisters-We are collecting donations for the Eagle's Nest Closet at MCHS from August 1st–23rd. Items can be placed in baskets outside Austin's office, with requested goods including gently used clothing, socks, Tide pods and easy foods. A full list of items will be printed in the August FBC Newsletter. Cash donations for shoes and underwear can be given directly to Rhonda McKinley, Pastor Austin or Pam Ricke. Questions, text Rhonda at 309-235-5054.

Celebrating the Schrock's-The church family is invited to a celebration of Ed & Mary Schrock's 75th Wedding Anniversary. The celebration will take place at the Seaton Fire Department on Sunday, August 2nd at 2pm. Congratulations and Happy 75th Anniversary Ed & Mary!

Women's Better Together Gathering-All ladies are invited to a simple evening of connection and encouragement on Wednesday, Aug. 5th at FBC from 6:30–8:30pm in the Refuge Room #25 (downstairs). We'll hear from special guests from Moms In Prayer. They will provide practical resources, biblical guidance, and heartfelt encouragement to help you confidently pray for your kids, grandkids, and local schools. No snacks—just meaningful conversation. We can't wait to connect with you!

Baptism Sunday-One Sunday each month we offer Baptism Sunday. If you've made the all-important decision to follow Jesus and in a step of obedience want to be baptized, please fill out the Connect Card below and leave it at the Welcome Desk in the lobby, in an Offering Box, or call the church office at 309-582-7812.



SCAN ME

Connect Card - We'd love to connect with you! Sign Up & Tear Off or Scan the QR Code!

If you'd like to stay connected with the FBC family, we encourage you to either scan the QR Code or stop by the Welcome Desk in the lobby or in an Offering Box after today's service.

Our newsletter is now sent electronically, so please include your email address if possible.

Printed copies are also available in the lobby We are so glad you are here!

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

** E-mail Address: _____

____ Yes, sign me up for the FREE Resource - RightNow Media at the e-mail address listed above.

____ Yes, I have made the decision to follow Jesus and would like to be baptized. Please contact me at the number above.