

WHEN A PHONE CALL CHANGES EVERYTHING



Mark Your Calendar

8.2

Communion/Food Pantry Sunday
Ed & Mary Schrock's Anniversary Party 2pm
Prayer Meeting - Come to pray or be prayed for 5pm
High School Bible Study 5pm

8.3

God's Gals 6pm

8.4

Tuesdays with Jesus Women's Study 2pm

8.5

NO Refuge tonight! See you on Aug. 12th!
Women's Better Together 6:30pm
Wednesday Night Men's Bible Study 6:30pm

8.12

Refuge Back to School Bash @YMCA 6pm

8.23

FBC Safety Team Meeting 11:30am

8.25

J.O.Y. Circle 7pm

8.30

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

9.16-11.4

Wednesday Night Live 6:30-8pm

Order of Worship

Welcome

Prayer & Announcements

Worship Set

But God Moment

Sermon

Communion

Invitation Song

Closing Prayer



August 2nd, 2026
8am & 10:15am

Today's Message

"When A Phone Call
Changes Everything"
2 Corinthians 5:1, 4
Pastor Steven Stern

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 at 9am. During the 10:15AM service, Kids Worship is offered for ages 3 years–5th grade: Pre-K–1st grade go directly from check-in to 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).

Kids Club Sign Up Coming Soon-Mark your calendars as Wednesday Night Live and Kids Club begins Sept. 16th and continues through Nov. 4th each Wednesday from 6:30pm-8pm. Kids Club is for kids ages 3 years old through 5th grade. Kids Club provides a fun, safe, and engaging place where children learn about God’s love through Bible stories, games, worship, and hands-on activities. Watch for sign up coming soon!

REFUGE STUDENT MINISTRY NEWS

Refuge at the YMCA is back!-All 6th-12th-grade students join us August 12th back at the YMCA in Aledo for the Refuge Youth Group on Wednesday nights! Games, snacks, and more will be provided on Wednesdays from 6 pm (check-in) to 8 pm (pick-up). **NO REFUGE this Wednesday, Aug. 5th.

Back To School Bash-All students are invited to join us Wednesday, August 12th from 6-8pm at the YMCA for our back-to-school bash! We will be playing games, praying for the school year, and eating pizza!!

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. A new study will begin on Aug. 24th - Abide by Jen Wilken.

ADULT MINISTRY NEWS

Communion/Food Pantry Sunday-Today 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.

Celebrating the Schrock-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 317 Maple St. Seaton today from 2pm-4pm. Happy 75th Anniversary Ed & Mary!

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.

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.

FBC Safety Team Meeting-All Safety Team Volunteers are asked to attend a Safety Team Meeting on Sunday, August 23rd following the 10:15am service in the Enon room. We will be talking about Praise In The Park safety details.

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 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, & local schools. No snacks—just meaningful conversation. We can’t wait to connect with you!

Wednesday Night Live Classes & Programs!-Wednesday Night Live will be kicking off for the Fall Session on Sept. 16th and run through Nov. 4th, 2026. We’ll meet each Wednesday from 6:30-8pm at FBC. Adult classes include a study called **Rooted-Connect With God, The Church, Your Purpose** for all adults is lead by Pastor Steven, A Marriage Study called **No More Perfect Marriages by Mark and Jill Savage** & lead by Pastor Seth & Denise, a Men’s Study on the **Book of James** lead by Troy Riddell, and a Women’s Study on **Philippians called Fighting With Faith** lead by Karyn Smith. We also have Kids Club for kids 3 years old through 5th grade & Refuge at the Aledo YMCA for student 6th-12th grade. A nursery is also provided for babies through 2 years old. Sign up today at firstbaptistaledo.com.

Men’s Momentum-Men’s Momentum Retreat | October 23–25. Men ages 16+ are invited to a weekend of biblical teaching, worship, fellowship, and encouragement at the Momentum Retreat. Come be refreshed, strengthened in your faith, and equipped to lead with Christ-centered purpose. Cost is \$225, which includes lodging, meals, and the conference. Register online at firstbaptistaledo.com by September 20 for the Early Bird rate of \$150, with the FBC Men’s Ministry covering the remaining balance.

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!

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Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

** E-mail Address: _____

_____ Yes, sign me up for the FREE Bible Video 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.