

April 2022

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Joanne Wells, Editor

## A Message from the Pastor

Spring! Finally! Or, as it is often referred to here in Texas, "The Pollening!"

There are so many events that mark the end of winter and the beginning of Spring here at church. Most notably, of course, is Easter! I am looking forward to the precious time we spend together each year as we commemorate His Triumphal Entry on Palm Sunday. The sight of all the children entering the Sanctuary with palm fronds is sure to bring a smile to your face. This year, Palm Sunday will also feature the kids serving as the Welcome Committee for the day!

The celebration slows on Good Friday. We pause and remember the Lord's Passion through a special service beginning at 7:00 pm. "Were you there when they laid him in the tomb" are the last words we sing as we depart the sanctuary and wait for sunrise on the third day!

As the dark begins to turn to light, we gather here outdoors and begin our Resurrection Sunday celebration with a Sunrise Service! The youth will have been in church all night for a lock-in and will have the coffee, pastries and perhaps a little more ready for us as we arrive! We will have our two regular services, 9:30 and 11:00 am, on Easter Sunday as well!

Beyond the religious events that signify the start of Spring, we have some fun events as well! The annual Chili Cook-Off was held in March and was a great time! Congratulations to all the winners! We will also host the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Resurrection Eggstravaganza on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. This community event was well attended last year and features games, food, and Easter Egg hunts! Everyone is invited!

New to this year's schedule is the Gumbo Cook-Off. On April 25<sup>th</sup> chefs from the church and the community will submit their gumbo to the judges to determine who cuisine reigns supreme! The rest of us will then get to sample them all! If this is anything like the Chili Cook-Off, it is going to be awesome!

There is so much going on it would be easy to miss the promise of Spring, the promise of the Resurrection.

"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know—Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death; whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it" (Acts 2:22-24).

He is Risen! He is Risen, indeed!

God bless,  
Pastor Rob

## April Calendar

### Friday, April 01

- VBS Registration open to all

### Sunday, April 03

- Lord's Supper Services

### Wednesday, April 06

- Special Guest Speaker Tim Howe

### Saturday, April 09

- Resurrection Eggstravaganza

### Sunday, April 10

- Palm Sunday Services
- Children's Church Service Project

### Wednesday, April 13

- Church Council Information Deadline

### Friday, April 15

- Good Friday Service at 7 pm
- Church Office Closed

### Saturday, April 16

- Youth Lock-In

### Sunday, April 17

- Easter Sunrise Service at 7 am
- Easter Celebration Services at 9:30 & 11:00 am

### Wednesday, April 20

- May Newsletter Deadline

### Saturday, April 23

- Community Garden Workday

### Monday, April 25

- Gumbo Cook-Off

# Weekly Schedule

## Sunday

8:15 am.....	Adult Bible Study.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:15 — 9:30 am.....	1 <sup>st</sup> Adult Coffee Fellowship.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am.....	1 <sup>st</sup> Nursery.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am.....	Children's Church.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:30 — 10:30 am.....	Berean Adult Fellowship.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:30 — 10:30 am.....	Youth Bible Study.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:30 — 10:30 am.....	Women's Sunday School.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:30 — 10:30 am.....	1 <sup>st</sup> Worship Service.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 — 11:00 am.....	2 <sup>nd</sup> Adult Coffee Fellowship.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm.....	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nursery.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm.....	Children's Church/Pre-K Church.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
11:00 am — 12:00 pm.....	2 <sup>nd</sup> Worship Service.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)

## Monday

6:30 pm.....	Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
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## Wednesday

6:30 — 7:30 pm.....	Kid's Club (PreK—6 <sup>th</sup> grade).....	1506 Bayport Blvd. (Hwy 146)
6:30 — 7:30 pm.....	Youth Discipleship (6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grades).....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
6:30 — 7:30 pm.....	Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study.....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)



**Church Office will be closed on Good Friday  
April 15, 2022.**

**Regular Office Hours**  
Tuesday - Friday  
9:30 AM—1:30 PM

The Church office is open Tuesday through Friday, from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm. The main office phone number is 281-474-3281. If you call while the office is closed or after hours please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible.

## April 2022 Tellers

**Apr. 03.....**John & Cheryl Harrison and Mike & Cindy Treece

**Apr. 10.....** Mary Johnson, Kathy Slater & Pat Smartt

**Apr. 17.....**John & Cheryl Harrison

## Tithes & Offering

***A look at the church finances...***

### General Funds

February 2022 Contributions..... \$22,982.39

### Building Fund

February 2022 Contributions ..... \$646.00

### Missions Fund

February 2022 Contributions..... \$2,170.00

*Thank  
you for  
your  
faithful  
giving!*





# Birthdays

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Mark Fancher  
Colleen Thomas  
Ashley Pettyjohn  
Avery Deadwyler  
Lee Rodriguez  
Juliet Wall  
Sally Williams  
Luke Kerry  
Finn McBride  
Mike Treece  
Mary Lyon  
Michael Stephens  
Gayle Ellison  
Michael Clark  
John Streeter  
Colleen Jackson  
Cairyn Thomas  
Louise Abernathy  
John Mayes  
Ellen Snow

## Special Guest Speaker Tim Howe

Church Planting Catalyst with the  
Northwest Baptist Convention

**Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 6:30 pm**

Tim will speak at FBC Seabrook about identifying, assessing and mobilizing church planters, and mobilizing existing churches into multiplication partnerships..



SAVE THE DATE ~ APRIL 9, 2022 ~ 2:00-4:00 PM

*Resurrection Eggstravaganza*

Bring your Easter baskets for our "Come-and-Go" Easter egg hunt. We will also have a petting zoo, bounce houses, crafts, cotton candy, carnival games, giant resurrection eggs, a cake walk, and so much more! Kona Ice and El Taco Nato food trucks will be on-site too!!

PRAYER  
that WORKS



## Men's Monday Night Ministry Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship Meets Every Monday

**6:30 pm ~ Snacks, 7:00 pm ~ Bible Study**  
*Dinner and fellowship immediately following bible study.*

**Sunday, April 3, 2022**

OBSERVANCE OF  
**THE LORD'S  
SUPPER**

**9:30 & 11:00 AM Service**



## Children's Church Ministry Service Project



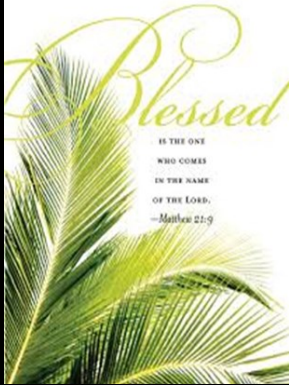
The children are forming a "Welcome Committee" to welcome and serve cookies and punch to arriving family and friends on **Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 — 11:00 am** (before the second service). All Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to participate.



Hey Parents!

- ◆ At this time, we ask if parents can donate cookies (baked or bought).
- ◆ Bring the cookie donations the day of the event.
- ◆ Arrive by 10:30 am if your child wishes to participate.

## 2022 Easter Services at FBCS



### Palm Sunday Celebration Services

April 10<sup>th</sup>  
9:30 & 11:00 am

### Good Friday Service April 15<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM



### Easter Sunrise Service April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 AM



### Easter Celebration Services April 17<sup>th</sup> 9:30 & 11:00 AM



### CALENDAR INFORMATION DEADLINE Wednesday, April 13, 2022

The Church Council will be planning for the busy months of May, June and July. It is imperative the servant leaders, administrative staff and all Ministry/Committee Leads and Directors take the time to plan for these months. Please email [fbcseabrook@yahoo.com](mailto:fbcseabrook@yahoo.com) on or before the deadline..



### YOUTH LOCK-IN

Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 pm thru Sunday after  
Easter Sunrise Service. Sign-up today!



Deadline  
for May 2022

### Newsletter Submissions

Wednesday,  
April 20



### Community Garden Ministry

Workday - April 23, 2022 at 9:00 am  
VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED







## Gumbo Cook-Off

Monday, April 25, 2022  
6:30 pm

### Gumbo Cook-Off Rules

1. You must sign up to enter the 1<sup>st</sup> ever FBC Seabrook Gumbo Cook-Off.
2. There is no entry fee and ALL entries are welcome.
3. Gumbo must be prepared from scratch, including the roux!
4. Gumbo must be at the church by 6:15 pm.
5. Gumbo can be a variety of seafood, chicken, duck, sausage, etc.
6. Judges will decide 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place based on the following:
  - a. Aroma
  - b. Color
  - c. Consistency
  - d. Taste
  - e. Aftertaste
7. There will be a "People's Choice Award".



## Vacation Bible School 2022

June 13 — 17, 2022

Register Today!

VBS registration is open to all kids going into Kindergarten through the 6<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2022-2023 school year. We are also accepting youth volunteers (7<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> graders) to assist the teachers and leaders.

Please register your children as soon as possible because the classes fill up fast! Registration forms are available in the foyer and online at [fbcseabrook.org](http://fbcseabrook.org).

We need VOLUNTEERS to sign-up as soon as possible. We always need teachers and assistants for all class levels as well as all the different ministries such as recreation, lunch crew, music, missions, etc. We also need a team dedicated to sanitizing and cleaning routinely throughout the day. Please sign-up to volunteer on the bulletin board in the hallway outside of the Children's Church room.

For more information please contact Ashley VanDerbeck at 281-844-4546 or email her at [fbcseabrookvbs@yahoo.com](mailto:fbcseabrookvbs@yahoo.com)

## Easter Words of Forgiveness

*From PowerPoint Today — March 24, 2022 — Pastor Jack Graham*

*Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do." --Luke 23:34*

As we all know, words are powerful... especially dying words. And as we near Easter Sunday, it's important that each of us remembers just exactly what Jesus had to say right before His earthly life ended.

One of the last things Jesus said while hanging from the cross were words of forgiveness.

Today I want to ask you, if Christ could pray a prayer of forgiveness for those who were putting Him to death, can you pray a prayer of forgiveness for those in your life who mistreat you?

Despite what you may be going through today, can you look past your own "junk" and extend forgiveness to others?

Jesus' dying words on the cross are a powerful example of how you and I ought to treat those who mistreat us. Are you willing to follow His perfect example in every area of your life today? Will you extend forgiveness to those who don't deserve it?

I challenge you to pick up your cross today... and live out the life of forgiveness Christ has given you!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Regular Sunday Services</b> 8:15–9:15 AM .....Adult Bible Study 9:15–9:30 AM .....1st Adult Coffee Fellowship 9:15–10:30 AM .....1st Nursery & Children's Church 9:30–10:30 AM .....Berean Adult Fellowship 9:30–10:30 AM .....Women's Sunday School Class 9:30–10:30 AM .....Youth Sunday School 9:30–10:30 AM .....1st Worship Service 10:45–11:00 AM .....2nd Adult Coffee Fellowship 10:45 AM–NOON ...2nd Nursery / Children's Church / Pre-K Church					1	2
3  <b>9:30 &amp; 11:00 am</b> Lord's Supper Services	4  <b>6:30 PM</b> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	5	6 <b>6:30–7:30 PM</b> Special Guest Speaker Tim Howe <i>"Church Planting"</i>	7	8	9  <b>2:00 – 4:00 PM</b> Resurrection Eggstravaganza
10  <b>Palm Sunday</b> Children's Church Service Project	11  <b>6:30 PM</b> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	12 <b>DEADLINE TOMORROW 04-13-2022</b> <b>Church Council Calendar Information Due</b> (May/Jun/Jul)	13 <b>6:30–7:30 PM</b> Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study Youth Group Bible Study (6-12 <sup>th</sup> grade) Kid's Club (PK4 - 6 <sup>th</sup> grade)	14	15 <b>7:00 PM</b>  Good Friday Service <i>Church Office Closed</i>	16  <b>YOUTH LOCK-IN</b> <i>"THE SLEEPLESS SLEEP OVER"</i> <b>6:30 pm until after Easter Sunrise Service</b>
17 <b>7:00 AM</b> Easter Sunrise Service <b>9:30 &amp; 11:00AM</b> Celebrate Easter Services	18  <b>6:30 PM</b> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	19 <b>DEADLINE TOMORROW 04-20-2022</b> <b>May Newsletter Information Due</b>	20 <b>6:30–7:30 PM</b> Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study Youth Group Bible Study (6-12 <sup>th</sup> grade) Kid's Club (PK4 - 6 <sup>th</sup> grade)	21	22	23 <b>9:00 AM</b> Community Garden Workday  <i>*Volunteers Needed*</i>
24	25  <b>Gumbo Cook-Off @ 6:30 pm</b>	26	27 <b>6:30–7:30 PM</b> Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study Youth Group Bible Study (6-12 <sup>th</sup> grade) Kid's Club (PK4 - 6 <sup>th</sup> grade)	28	29	30