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First Southern Baptist Church Newsletter

Message from Pastor Brandon

“I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember your wonders of old.” — Psalm 77:11 ESV

It's easy to get caught up in our daily tasks and worries. Our to-do lists and the problems we face can often consume our thoughts, making us forget to reflect on God and His presence in our lives.

Yet, it is precisely during these challenging times that we should remember what God has done for us. His past deeds give us confidence that He will continue to protect and never abandon us. The psalmist found comfort in recalling God's mighty hand and how He has delivered us time and time again, trusting that He will surely do so again.

Let us never be too busy to remember the Lord.

Pastor Brandon

CHURCH SERVICES

Weekly Fellowship and ministry

Sunday School (all Ages)	Sunday	9:30 A.M
Morning Worship	Sunday	10:45 A.M
Evening Worship	Sunday	6:00 P.M.
Children Worship	Sunday	6:00 P.M.
Youth Group	Sunday	6:00 P.M.
Prayer Meeting	Sunday	6:30 P.M.
Men's Bible Study	Wednesday	7:00 P.M.
Women's Bible Study	Wednesday	6:00 P.M.



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Calendar and Announcements

October 2025

Oct 5, 2025 -Children's Church - Children's Church will be having a Pizza & Ice Cream Party. Kids age 4 (potty-trained) to 6th grade may attend.

Oct 31, 2025 -Trunk or Treat - Currently, we are collecting candy. Lots of candy.

OCC- collecting money for shipping. And all year, OCC needs shoe boxes.

Contact form-If you would like to receive the church emails and newsletter, please fill out the contact form on the website:

<https://www.fsbclajunta.com/contact-forms/>

In Need of: Evening Children's leader - Multiple people can volunteer and take turns with the classes. Contact Pastor Brandon.

November 2025

November 11, 2025 -Veterans Day

November 27, 2025 -Thanksgiving

This is the one-year anniversary of the newsletter. Started Nov 2024.

I will be taking a break from putting out the newsletter for the months of December 2025 and January 2026. To allow Bob & I to celebrate our 40th Anniversary with a trip. Check the church bulletin for information. See you February 2026 in the newsletter. Shirley Benz

Bible Trivia

Adding some Bible Trivia...

Who was the prophet who saw a vision of a flying scroll, and was told that it represented a curse on thieves and liars? (Zechariah 5:1-4)

(Zechariah)

2. Who was the prophet who was taken into heaven in a whirlwind, leaving behind his mantle for Elisha? (2 Kings 2:1-18)

(Elijah)

3. Who was the king who refused to let the Jews rebuild the temple in Jerusalem, until he was forced to by God? (Ezra 4:1-24)

(King Artaxerxes)

4. Who was the king who was given a vision of four beasts, and was told its interpretation by the angel Gabriel? (Daniel 7:1-28)

(Daniel)

5. Who was the prophet who saw a vision of a man with a measuring line, measuring the rebuilt walls of Jerusalem? (Zechariah 2:1-13)

(Zechariah)

A heartfelt shoutout to all who joined the Ice Cream Sundae Social on September 6, 2025, at FSBC! Our beloved annual gathering delighted with over 10 gallons of pure tastiness.

With a spectrum of ice cream flavors crowned with delectable toppings, everyone discovered their favorite treat.

Hits of the day included Cookies 'n Cream, Super Chunky Chocolate, Reese's Peanut Butter, Bunny Tracks, and Cherry Chocolate Crunch.

Looking ahead, we might spice things up with a sundae showdown! Who can design the most eye-catching sundae or the one adorned with the wildest array of toppings? Some creations were already in contention...😊

The thrill of crafting mirrored the bliss of savoring.

After our sweet adventures, the excitement continued with Bible Trivia, where calling a friend felt essential... truly, we have a friend in Jesus!

Congratulations to the winning team led by the Women's Bible Study leader, two church deacons, and a quick-witted young lady who got all the answers right. Meanwhile, three tables battled for the lead.

Pastor Brandon suggests kicking off a monthly trivia testing with 10 questions—I'm sure he is thinking this...LOL

If you missed out this time, know that we missed you too! Next year's festivities beckon, inviting everyone to dive into the sundae fun. See you then!

See photos on the next page



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SEE FOR YOURSELF ALL THE FUN... ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND BIBLE TRIVIA



FIRST SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH

Holds annual Trunk or Treat event with some of the best Baseball Players from Otero College and the FCA. (Fellowship of Christian Athletes)

Date: Oct 31, 2025

Conveniently located across the street from La Junta High School



Women's Morning of Inspiration

A cooler, pre-Fall Saturday morning greeted approximately 75 ladies who attended the 5th birthday celebration of the Women's Morning of Inspiration.

The Wednesday Women of the Word (WWOW) Bible Study gals hosted the event at the Valley Cowboy Church on September 13th, and food and fellowship were the first order of business as the guests arrived.

Pastor Craig Ortega of the Full Gospel Church in Rocky Ford, and his Mother, Cindy, provided country gospel worship music to get the morning off on a beautiful "musical" note.

The Mission Focus for the morning event was Sarah's Home/Daniel Academy – a Peyton, Colorado based nonprofit organization that provides rest, refuge, and restoration for teenage girls and boys rescued from sex trafficking. Jillian Winters, the Community Engagement Coordinator for the two facilities, shared with the group the goal of providing a safe haven for the girls at Sarah's Home, and for the boys at Daniel Academy.

The morning was capped off by the inspiring message of Rebecca Lavrenz, the J6 Praying Grandmother. Rebecca shared with those present how she sincerely felt the Lord encouraging her to drive the 25-hour trek to Washington D.C. to take part in the January 6, 2021 gathering at the nation's Capital. Rebecca reiterated that if the Lord is "nudging" you to do something – you need to acknowledge the nudge and do it.

The 5th birthday of the Women's Morning of Inspiration was celebrated with small gifts given to some lucky ladies in the audience. The next Women's Morning of Inspiration will be held on Saturday, November 1, 2025 at the West Assembly of God Church in Fowler.

How MANY WORDS CAN YOU MAKE FROM THE PHRASE “GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT”

1. **S H O P** 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____
7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____
10. _____ 11. _____ 12. _____
13. _____ 14. _____ 15. _____
16. _____ 17. _____ 18. _____
19. _____ 20. _____ 21. _____
22. _____ 23. _____ 24. _____
25. _____ 26. _____ 27. _____
28. _____ 29. _____ 30. _____

Using the letters in the phrase, scramble the letters to make a new word. Using each letter only once, unless the letter is in the phrase more than once.



POINTS VALUE

3 LETTER - 0 POINT	7 LETTER - 4 POINTS
4 LETTER - 1 POINT	8 LETTER - 5 POINTS
5 LETTER - 2 POINTS	9 LETTER - 6 POINTS
6 LETTER - 3 POINTS	10 LETTER - 7 POINTS

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God's Creatures

See if you can think of an animal, bird, insect or fish from A-Z. If you get stuck, ask your mom or dad for help.

A	_____	N	_____
B	_____	O	_____
C	_____	P	_____
D	_____	Q	_____
E	_____	R	_____
F	_____	S	_____
G	_____	T	_____
H	_____	U	_____
I	_____	V	_____
J	_____	W	_____
K	_____	X	_____
L	_____	Y	_____
M	_____	Z	_____



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On the Ark, Noah probably got milk from the cows.
What did he get from the ducks? Quackers

What's a dentist's favorite hymn?
Crown him with many crowns

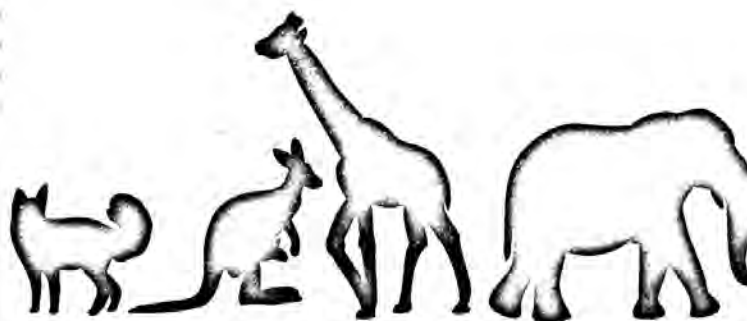
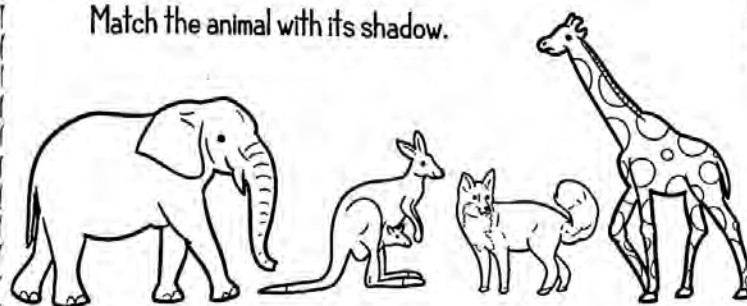
Who is the greatest baby-sitter mentioned in the Bible?
David. He rocked Goliath to sleep.

God Made the Animals

God said, "I command the earth to give life to all kinds of tame animals, wild animals, and reptiles."

Genesis 1:24

Match the animal with its shadow.



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