

THE TIDINGS

GOD'S MISSION FOR TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH IS TO LOVE HIM FULLY AND FOLLOW HIM FAITHFULLY.

The Pastor's Perspective Dr. Reggie Bridges

“But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. . . . And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied” (1 Corinthians 5:13, 17-19 ESV). The Apostle was clear in his address to the Corinthian believers—the resurrection matters! Jesus’ bodily resurrection itself communicated His victory over death, hell, and the grave; and it also demonstrated His power to forgive sins and to bring life to the spiritual dead. Truly, it punctuated the good news story with the exclamation mark of triumph!

One of the brightest minds of today, William Lane Craig, echoes Paul’s sentiments when he writes, “Without the belief in the resurrection, the Christian faith could not have come into being. The disciples would have remained crushed and defeated men. Even had they continued to remember Jesus as their beloved teacher, His crucifixion would have forever silenced any hopes of His being the Messiah. The

cross would have remained the sad and shameful end of His career. The origin of Christianity therefore hinges on the belief of the early disciples that God had raised Jesus from the dead.” The resurrection changed/changes everything. Jesus is not only revered as the crucified Christ but also as the living Lord. Thus, we have hope, strength, and power through Him and His resurrection.

This Sunday, we celebrate our resurrected King as we gather as His family. No doubt, every Sunday is resurrection Sunday! Yet, this is the season when most churches intentionally focus their minds and energies upon this foundational aspect of our faith. I pray you are committed to be here this Sunday and you have invited someone else to join us. We will follow our regular schedule this week on our main campus, but The Springs will meet for worship at 10 a.m. It is going to be an awesome time of worship, study, and connection in all of our services! After all, He is the God of the living, not the dead! We are living people proclaiming our living Savior! I can’t wait! See you Sunday!

FROM THE RECORDS OF APRIL 14, 2019

Worship Attendance		SS Attendance		‘19	‘18
9 a.m. Blended Worship Service	612	Adults	406	437	
9 a.m. <i>the gathering</i> Worship Service	155	Singles/Young Adults	147	133	
11:15 a.m. <i>the gathering</i> Worship Service	286	College	96	93	
The Springs Worship Service	77	Youth	90	90	
Combined Morning Total	1130	Children	122	116	
6 p.m. Evening Worship Service	110	Preschool	114	82	
		Local	975	951	
		Off Campus	93	111	
		Total	1068	1062	

Sunday, April 14, 2019	
 Budget	\$48,050.38
Share the Light	\$1,270.00
Annie Armstrong Offering	\$64,344.84

Extended Session 4/21/19

9 a.m. Worship—Kay Church, Lou McWhorter, Sarah Kilpatrick, Alan & Paula Trammell, Suzanne Tyler, Joey & Jana Gullede,, Margaret Alexander, Susan Williams

11:15 a.m. Worship—Connie Eagles, Mike Barmore, Stephanie Griffin, Challys Williams, Stan & Johnna Cronk

MUSIC MINISTRY

Jeremy Asher

“Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen!” Luke 24:5-6, NKJV

There are so many reasons to celebrate what the Lord has done for us, for He has truly blessed us beyond measure. The greatest blessing He has given us is His only Son, Jesus, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. We had the opportunity this past Sunday to reflect on His sacrifice on the cross as we took communion together. Sharing the Lord’s Supper reminds us that Jesus willingly laid down His life. His body was broken and His precious blood was poured out for the forgiveness of sins. Hallelujah, what a Savior! And this coming Sunday, Resurrection Sunday, we will join together to celebrate the truth that death could not hold Him! He is Calvary’s Champion! He is the Victor! And He is our King! As we gather this Sunday to celebrate Jesus’ resurrection, I hope that you will rejoice with me that Jesus is alive! Come worship with us this Easter Sunday, and let us sing with great joy to the Risen Savior!

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

Children’s Ministry Bake Sale



May 5 | 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Hallways outside *The Journey Place* and Church Office

Be sure to stop by and purchase some delicious treats as we support our Children’s Ministry!

Chainsaw Unit Interest Meeting:

Wednesday, April 24 | 6:45 p.m. | Room 76

Contact: Ben Jernigan, ben@temple.life, 255-3745

Women’s Ministry Event “A Sweet Celebration”

Tuesday, April 30 | 6:30 p.m. | Youth Room

Inviting all women involved in Heartfelt groups or those interested in joining a group.

Sign up at heartfelt.temple.life

TEMPLE BAPTIST OPEN

Monday, May 13 | Squire Creek Country Club

Sign up for a Morning or Afternoon group.

Cost: \$85/player or \$340/team

(includes player gifts, golf fees, and lunch)

Contact: Jason Walsworth, jason@temple.life, 255-3745

TEACHER APPRECIATION AT OUR ADOPT-A-SCHOOLS

Two Opportunities to Serve:

Breakfast for staff at Glen View Elementary on Monday, April 29
or

Lunch for staff at Ruston Elementary on Wednesday, May 8

Volunteers Needed!

If you would be willing to provide food, drinks, or paper goods for one of these events, please contact Sally Hearn, Jessica Williams, or Patsy Plummer.

Vacation Bible School

June 3-7 | 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Children entering Kindergarten-Grade 6

Theme: “In The Wild”

Volunteers Needed!

T-Shirt Order envelopes are in *The Journey Place*.

Deadline to order: Sunday, April 28

Cost: \$10

Contact Sally, sally@temple.life, 255-3745



Temple WEEKday Summer Activities

Tiny Trekker Summer Camps—6 Months-completed Kindergarten

Camp is Tuesday-Thursday; \$50 per week

June 11-13, 18-20, 25-27, July 16-18, 23-25, & July 30-August 1

K Connect Readiness Camp—Entering/Completed Kindergarten

Monday-Thursday; \$100 per week

June 10-13 and June 17-20

Registration has begun. Forms are available in *The Journey Place* or online at weekday.temple.life.

SAVE THE DATE!

Children’s Ministry End of the Year Program
Sunday, May 5 | 6 p.m. | Sanctuary

Under Our Watchcare



Brooke Dies



GRADES 1-6 MOTHER/SON EVENT: NERF CHALLENGE

Friday, May 3 | 6 p.m. | Family Life Center

Cost: \$20 (includes dinner and ALL supplies)

Wear sneakers, comfortable clothes,
and join us for a fun time!

Envelopes to sign up are in *The Journey Place*.

Due: Wednesday, April 24

Thank You cards have been received from...

Ruston Elementary

(Located on the bulletin board in the Library window)



the family of Arthur Lee Hayden, brother
of Jaquatta Tubbs; the family of Jimmie
Mason, brother of Lynda Mills; the family
of Michael Taylor, brother of Chris Taylor.

Germany, Prague, & Austria featuring the Passion Play of Oberammergau

12 Days: May 26-June 6, 2020

visiting: Berlin • Dresden • Prague •

Český Krumlov • Vienna • Salzburg • Munich

Hosted by Dr. Reggie Bridges and Dale Oden

\$4549 from Houston

The highlight of the trip is attending the presentation
of the Passion Week of Christ. *Brochures are available
in the Church Office.* The earlier we get deposits in,
the better seats we can get for the performance!

Contact: Dale Oden, dale@temple.life, 255-3745

The Journey Place will be closed

Monday, April 22.

Grades 7-8 Mission Trip to Oxford, Alabama

Mission: Working with World Changers to do some
light construction work and community outreach,
build a wheelchair ramp, paint a house, and show
God's love to an amazing community of people.

Sign up at worldchangers.templebcstudents.org

Deadline to sign-up: May 2

temple-tech Hike-A-Thon Summer Missions Fundraiser

April 26-28 | Eagle Rock Loop, AR (28.2 mile)

Will you sponsor a college student per mile?

Contact: Casey Casady, casey@temple.life, 255-3745

College Connection Casey Casady

Have you ever looked at your feet? I am sure you have when you step on something or stub your toe in the middle of the night thinking it is most certainly broken. In Isaiah 52:7 we are reminded of the deliverance the “good news” brings to the hearts and minds of those who have been in captivity. It was true for the Jews being delivered from Babylon, and it is true today through the “Good News” of Jesus Christ. So as you and I go and share the “Good News,” our feet are considered blessed because they carry the “Good News.” This summer, over 45 students will be serving across the globe. They will be sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ. Before your Sunday School class begins on April 21, the College Ministry would love to share in a **five-minute testimony of God's works through summer missions.** **Contact Casey at casey@temple.life, and we will schedule a student to be in your class at 10:15 a.m. on April 21.** Glory to God for the deliverance He has given us. He is RISEN INDEED! Go and tell someone; but if you go at night, watch out and don't stub your toe.

Easter Egg Hunts Invite Your Friends!

Grades 4-6 Flashlight Egg Hunt & Cookout

Thursday, April 18 | 7-9 p.m. | Barr Home

Babies-Grade 3 Easter Egg Hunt

Friday, April 19 | 10 a.m.-12 p.m. | Neal Home

Church Office Closed

Friday, April 19, in Observance of Good Friday

Easter Sunday Schedule

9 a.m. Blended Worship; *the gathering* Worship

10 a.m. The Springs Worship

10:15 a.m. Bible Study for all ages

11:15 a.m. *the gathering* Worship

All afternoon and evening activities are canceled.

Deacons of the Week—April 21-27

Tom Thompson & Galen Turner III

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Week-at-a-Glance

temple-tech Hike-A-Thon, Eagle Rock Loop, AR ~ April 26-28

Sunday, April 21 (Easter Sunday)

9 a.m. - Blended Worship (Sanctuary);

the gathering Worship (GS)

10 a.m. - The Springs Worship (The Springs)

10:15 a.m. - Bible Study for all ages

11:15 a.m. - *the gathering* Worship (GS)

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Monday, April 22

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6 p.m. - GriefShare (Rm 76)

Tuesday, April 23

6:30 p.m. - State Bible Drill (JP)

Wednesday, April 24

9 a.m. - Friendship International (Rm 72); Quilting/Sewing (FH)

12 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Rm)

5 p.m. - Family Night Meal (FH); Menu: BBQ Sandwiches; Cost: \$4/person,
\$2/child under 8, \$12 max/family); The Springs Small Group (The Springs)

5:45 p.m. - Children's M³ (Missions, Music, & More!) (JP)

6 p.m. - Prayer Meeting/Bible Study (FH); GROW Visitation - WHITE TEAM

(FH); Youth Wednesday Night Worship (Youth Rm); *You & Me Forever*-Study
for Young Couples (Rm 49)

6:45 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Rm); Chainsaw Unit Interest
Meeting (Rm 76)

7 p.m. - CORPS Meeting (Rm 270); *temple-tech* Freshman Bible Study
(Rm 216)

8 p.m. - *temple-tech* Brinner (FH)

Thursday, April 25

6 p.m. - Adulting-Study for Singles/Young Professionals (Mission House)

Family Life Center Hours: Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday: 8 a.m.-7 p.m.; Wednesday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Friday: 8 a.m.-1 p.m.
The Journey Place Playscape Hours: Monday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday: 2:30-5 p.m.; Friday: 9 a.m.-12 a.m.
Media Center Hours: Sunday: 8:15-9 a.m.; 10:15-11 a.m.; Wednesday: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.; 1:30-5 p.m.
Broadcast: Sundays at 9 a.m. Channel 11 (KAQY)

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Vision:

To become authentic, loving followers of Jesus,
who are experiencing life transformation through God's Word,
For the purpose of impacting our world.



TEMPLE

BAPTIST CHURCH

COME GATHER AROUND THE WORD

Core Values:

Authoritative Truth • Strengthening Worship
Authentic Community • Intentional Transformation
Hands-On Missions • Relational Evangelism
Compassionate Servanthood