

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

This coming weekend provides us a significant moment to pause and reflect upon sacrifice. Memorial Day began as a time when our nation stopped to remember those who died in the service of our nation, and it continues to offer that opportunity for us. In many ways, the day has a somber tone. Too many lives have been lost because of humanity's selfish ambitions, and too many families have suffered loss due to wars. However, Memorial Day carries with it an inherent sense of encouragement and responsibility as well. We should be encouraged as we think of the heroic efforts of others who gave their own lives for something greater than themselves. Indeed, they counted their own lives lost for the sake of freedom. And how we should embrace the responsibility of freedom we have inherited from their strife! Thanks to these men and women, you and I can worship, testify, and live freely! I encourage you to join with me this Monday especially as we honor those who paid the ultimate price for our liberty and as we recommit to the obligations freedom brings.

Of course, such a holiday always reminds me of the One who granted us spiritual freedom through His unique, ever-sufficient sacrifice. Jesus Christ came to earth, lived a sinless life, taught with authority, performed astonishing miracles, died on the cross, and rose the third day! He volunteered for this life-giving mission because He, too, was committed to a greater purpose . . . providing salvation to those who truly believed upon Him. What a Savior! What a hero! So, I challenge you to worship Him this weekend because He has done something that no other man or woman could do—He paid for your sins! Exalt His name and declare to others the saving message of Christ.

I so appreciate you as my Temple family. You consistently give honor to whom honor is due while magnifying our Lord and His deeds. Thank you for your commitment to making Christ known in your personal life and in your support for the Gospel. You are a remarkable people! And better yet, you are a loved people!

FROM THE RECORDS OF MAY 19, 2019

Worship Attendance		SS Attendance		'19	'18
9 a.m. Blended Worship Service	574	Adults	387	399	
9 a.m. the gathering Worship Service	134	Singles/Young Adults	138	109	
11:15 a.m. the gathering Worship Service	247	College	85	30	
The Springs Worship Service	45	Youth	75	67	
Combined Morning Total	1000	Children	111	91	
6 p.m. Evening Worship Service	NA	Preschool	105	95	
		Local	901	791	
		Off Campus	93	118	
		Total	994	909	

Sunday, May 19, 2019	
 Budget	\$44,544.95
Share the Light	\$1,620.00

Extended Session 5/26/19	
9 a.m. Worship —Bobby & Karen Sanders, Sam & Kelly Hodge, Jody & Emily Adams, Aubrey Wood, Bill & Laura Davis, Jordan Hearn	
11:15 a.m. Worship —Kathryn Martin, Lisa Barr, Leslie Bridges, Ann Marie Queen, Heather Meek	

College Connection

Casey Casady

Everywhere is a mission field. This simple phrase seems almost overused in our Christian culture. However, overuse does not negate its powerful truth. It appears that God was trying to remind us of this truth with back-to-back Sunday Morning services focused on being a missionary. One Sunday devoted to the calm after the Ruston tornado and the next celebrating the mission efforts of our church family this summer. Wow! God was unleashing His people to do His work at home and abroad. I hope that you picked up a Summer Missions Prayer Card from our youth and college students. These cards would look lovely on your refrigerator or in your Bible. Summer is coming, and in fact, it is here! Make this summer one of prayer and service to the Lord wherever He places you. Literally, everywhere is a mission field.

Orientation time! If you have a niece, nephew, cousin, friend of a friend, an enemy of an enemy, an acquaintance twice removed who is planning on attending Louisiana Tech this coming fall, let the college ministry know ASAP. We want to tell them about all the awesome things God is doing here at Temple Baptist Church. You can call 255-3745, or email Casey or Emma (casey@temple.life or emma@temple.life) with the student's name, cell phone number, and/or address. It does take a town to raise a Tech student!

Sunday School Promotion is Sunday, June 2

Parents of Preschoolers and children:
Check class lists outside of rooms on June 2
to be sure your child goes to the correct class.

Johnny's Pizza Discount Card!

Available in *The Journey Place* Office for \$10 (\$195 value).
Proceeds go to WinShape Scholarship Fund to help send a child to camp!

**DUE TO VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL,
THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER WILL BE CLOSED
ON JUNE 3-7 FROM 9 A.M.-12 P.M.**

LET'S CELEBRATE IN BRANSON

November 11-15

\$600/person for Double (\$750 for Single)

\$100 Non-refundable Deposit/person to reserve your spot

- 4 Nights at Hilton Convention Center
- 4 Buffet Breakfasts at the Hotel
- 3 Other meals (Famous Dave's, Landry's, + 1 other)
- 5 Shows (The Texas Tenors, All Hands On Deck, Andy Williams Ozark Mountain Christmas Show, The Duttons, The Haygoods)
 - Some Shopping
 - Bus Transportation

Registration forms are in the Church Office.

Astros Family Trip ~ Friday-Saturday, June 28-29

Astros vs. Mariners

Cost \$130/Family includes tickets, lodging,
and transportation

Please sign up by contacting the Church Office.
Limited number of tickets available.

Chain Saw Unit Training

Sunday, June 2 | 4-6 p.m. | Room 76

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

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

12 Days: May 26-June 6, 2020

Vistiting: Berlin • Dresden • Prague •

Český Krumlov • Vienna • Salzburg • Munich

Hosted by Dr. Reggie Bridges and Dale Oden
\$4549 from Houston

The highlight of the trip will be attending the presentation of the Passion Week of Christ. *Brochures 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

Church Offices Closed
in observance of Memorial Day
Monday, May 27



Our Newest Membership Candidates:



Josh Tannehill
(Watchcare)



Connor Gibbon

Youth Opportunities

Wednesday Night Worship

- Every week at 6 p.m.
- Look forward to some BIG and fun games this summer!

Lunch with John

- Entering Grades 7 & 8 on Tuesdays
- Entering Grades 9-12 on Thursdays
- Meet in the Family Life Center at 11:45 a.m. with cash to eat out then come back to play games until 2 p.m.
- Check out @templebcstudents on Instagram for where they are eating each week.



Policy for Announcements

All announcements to be considered for church-wide publications are due in the Church Office by noon on Thursday **prior** to the week of the next publication.

Thank You cards have been received from...

Beverly Johnson Beasley; Mandy Brown
(Located on the bulletin board in the Library window)



the family of **Lucile Holley**, mother of Anita Pumphrey; the family of **William Hanks**, father of Mike Hanks.

WinShape Camp for Communities



WinShape
Camps

July 8-12 ~ Completed Grades K-8

Register NOW! Cost: \$219

Sign up at winshape.temple.life

Grade 9-Senior Adults are needed to volunteer.
Register at www.winshapecamps.org/volunteer.

Scholarship envelopes are available in
The Journey Place and the Church Office.

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



Saturday, June 8 | 9:30 a.m.
Meet at Temple Parking Lot

Kick Stands up 10 a.m.
Members and Guests Welcome!
Destination: Backyard BBQ -
Magnolia, AR
(Dutch Treat)

Contact: *Trey Albritton* (318-331-0877)
or *Mike Jones* (318-243-1966)

From the Associate Minister of Music Zach Husser

"I will praise you with a sincere heart when I learn Your righteous judgements." - Psalm 119:7 (HCSB)

Scripture tells us that sincere worship flows from a firm knowledge of God's truth. Therefore, to worship God, we must know who He is. To know God, we must know His Word and what He is communicating through it.

This past week in worship, we celebrated our children who participated in Bible Drill throughout the semester. In only a few months, they memorized twenty-five Bible verses! That is twenty-five solid truths that are now implanted in their hearts that further their knowledge of who God is.

I was both encouraged and challenged by their diligence. As adults, we should also actively be seeking God and memorizing His Word so that we may praise Him with a sincere heart. Summer is certainly a time to refocus, so let's be intentional in re-engaging our hearts with Scripture and seeking to worship the Lord in spirit and truth!

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

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

Children entering Kindergarten-Grade 6

Theme: "In The Wild"

Register at vbs.temple.life



VBS Leadership Workday

Tuesday, May 28 & Thursday, May 30

9 a.m. - 12 p.m. | *The Journey Place*

Childcare Reservations due Sunday, May 26

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

Deacons of the Week—May 26-June 1

Charlie Alexander & Dwight Anderson

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Week-at-a-Glance

Youth Senior Mystery Trip ~ May 26-30

Sunday, May 26

9 a.m. - Blended Worship | Baptism | Parent/Child Dedications (Sanctuary);

the gathering Worship (GS)

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

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

12:30 p.m. - College Graduate Lunch (FH)

5 p.m. - The Springs Worship (The Springs)

6 p.m. - Evening Worship | East Asia Mission Team Commissioning (Chapel)

Monday, May 27

Church Offices Closed

Tuesday, May 28

9 a.m. - VBS Leadership Workday (JP)

11:45 a.m. - Jr. High Lunch with John (Meet in the Family Life Center)

1 p.m. - Jr. High Game Time (Youth Room)

Wednesday, May 29

9 a.m. - Quilting/Sewing (FH)

5 p.m. - Family Night Meal (FH; Menu: Balance Brought Forward; Cost: \$4/person, \$2/child under 8, \$12 max/family); The Springs Small Group (The Springs); East Asia Mission Team Meeting (Rm 76)

6 p.m. - Prayer Meeting/Bible Study (FH); GROW Visitation - ALL TEAM (FH); Youth Wednesday Night Worship (Youth Rm); *temple-tech* Summer Wednesday Night Bible Study (Rm 216)

6:45 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Rm); Orchestra Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, May 30

9 a.m. - VBS Leadership Workday (JP)

11:45 a.m. - High School Lunch with John (Meet in the Family Life Center)

1 p.m. - High School Game Time (Youth Room)

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)

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