



MAY 8, 2025

Offering a seat at God's table for an adventurous life with Christ.

1 THESSALONIANS 1:3



WE REMEMBER BEFORE OUR GOD AND FATHER
**YOUR WORK PRODUCED BY FAITH,
YOUR LABOR PROMPTED BY LOVE, AND
YOUR ENDURANCE INSPIRED BY HOPE**
IN OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST



**SERMON THEME:
1 Thessalonians**

**Sermon scripture for May 11:
1 Thessalonians 3:1-13**

THANK YOU, RYAN!

We also said goodbye to Ryan Evans on Sunday. Ryan came to us as Interim Worship Leader in January of 2024, expecting to stay until the parking lot sold in October. As we all know, that sale fell through and Ryan stayed on with us until the new sale was finalized just last month.

We thanked Ryan and his family for his outstanding service through those trying days with a trip to the Happiest Place on Earth!
Have wonderful time, Ryan!



A MONTH IN THE LIFE OF FBCScottsdale

From your Elder Board

We are introducing a new column, called “A Month in the Life of FBCScottsdale”, highlighting life around the church during the last month. In this first installment we want to recognize the sacrificial giving of their talents and time of Ryan Evans and the outgoing Elders.

Ryan filled in leading worship for the last 15 months. We thank him and wish him the best as he continues to share his musical talents at his home church. Going forward, we will be having people fill in while we search for a permanent full-time worship leader.

Cheryl Martinet served as our moderator for the last 2 years, and we want to thank her for the love she has shown for FBCScottsdale, her fellow elders, and the congregants of the church.

Dean Duncan was filling in as treasurer and helped bring to light the financial needs of the church so we can be better prepared for the future. Thank you, Dean!

We welcome to the Elder Board, Shawn Crosier as the Moderator and Paul Malin as Treasurer. We look forward to your contributions on the journey to revitalize FBCS.

The selling of the lot across the street and the “burning of the mortgage” were major highlights over the last month along with the vote of the Elder Board to support a 5-year plan to revitalize the church. FBCScottsdale’s future is looking bright, and we ask for your support as we follow the leading of the Holy Spirit.

A final thanks to those church members who provided and installed the new carpet in the children’s area. We are also grateful to a member who stepped up and fixed the wall power strip in C1 so we could have additional needed power for the annual meeting and luncheon.

We are truly blessed by the countless number of people at FBCScottsdale who continue to give sacrificially of their time and financial resources.

Until next month,
Gary Tannenbaum



WELCOME
To the Faith Family At



FBCSCOTTSDALE

We welcomed Sara Combs and Amie Stacks and offered them the right hand of fellowship during our service on Sunday, May 4th. Both are longtime attenders who have chosen to join FBCScottsdale as new members.

NONAVAILABILITY OF C-2 (FIRESIDE ROOM)

Over the past few years, Staff and the Elders have tried to maximize our campus to help pay the bills of ministry. We share our property often and with many. The construction company that will turn the Olive Garden property into an assisted living residence contacted us in late 2023 about using a portion of the south parking lot for storage of their equipment. We have provided this before so no big deal. Then, they asked if they could utilize space on our campus to serve as their office for the 22 months of construction. The Elders voted last year to allow the construction company to take up residence in the Fireside Room, C-2, during construction.

Here we are in May 2025, and the construction company is ready to take up residence in C-2 and begin working on new neighbors for us. So, **as of Monday, May 19**, we won't be using C-2. It means several groups will relocate from the Fireside Room to another area on campus. It means we will have some guests who we will get to know and to whom we will offer hospitality.

Staff and the Elders view this both as a gift from our Lord and a sacrifice of our congregation. Keep this in prayer please.

NEW SUMMER GROW GROUP OFFERINGS

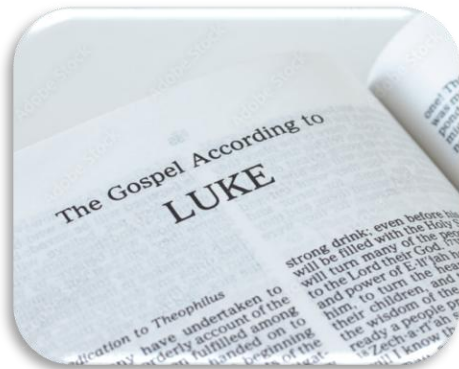
Begin Sunday, May 18 through Sunday, August 17

9:15a – 10:15a

From Darla Holmes, Director of Grow Groups

Summer 2025 is heating up and so are the Grow Group class offerings at FBCScottsdale. Starting May 18th and running through August 17th, we will be offering some excellent ways to grow closer with our FBCScottsdale family and our Lord. We know it is summer, and you may take vacation. Our teachers understand and are prepared to keep you up to date with the class if you choose.

Here are the exciting choices. We pray you will choose one to attend:



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE

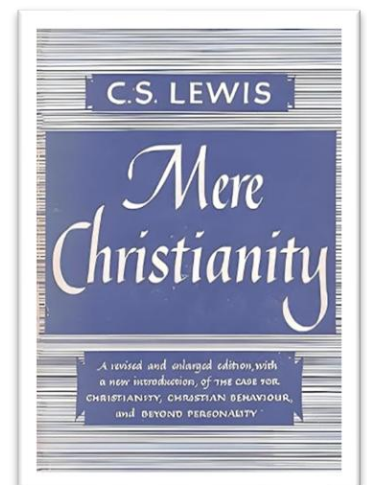
In E-2 (Behind Winfield's)

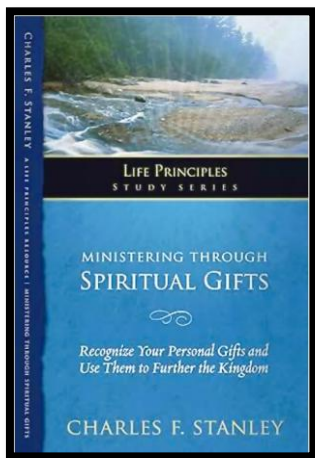
Brad Mannix will be traveling through Luke with the Desert Disciples class. If you want to build relationships with a spirit-led group of adults, you will want to join Brad on this adventure. If you would like to learn more about Jesus' life, birth, ministry, and His journey to Jerusalem, with detail not found in any other Gospel books, here is your class. Brad and the Desert Disciples will meet in E-2.

MERE CHRISTIANITY

In Winfield's

Shawn Crosier, Angela Mansfield, and Darla Holmes will be whetting your appetite with this classic from C.S. Lewis. Dive deep into the core of Christianity to those who want to hear the truth and build their understanding of living in faith, regardless of denominational differences. It is very much the fundamental aspect of the Christian faith. Share great conversation and dialog in this roundtable discussion or sit back and take it all in as you learn and grow in Christ. The class will meet in Winfield's.





MINISTERING THROUGH SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Recognize Your Personal Gifts and Use Them to Further the Kingdom In the Gallery

Linda and Kevin Olsen are taking a deep dive into this study by Charles Stanley. The class will include other authors, as you are encouraged to pinpoint your God-given strengths by exploring the gifts in Romans 12. God asks us to bring Him glory, and this thought-provoking study will bless our community as we grow and serve together at FBCScottsdale. Linda and Kevin will be teaching in the Gallery.

WEEKLY PRAYER

In Fellowship Hall

We know how the Holy Spirit leads at FBCScottsdale, and the importance of continued Prayer is at the heart of our church. *Weekly Prayer* will be led by **Lesley Johnson and Yolanda Evans** each week in Fellowship Hall. The class is designed to support and promote community prayer as we walk by faith. Come every week or stop by and enjoy the time with God. Matthew 18:20 says *"For where two or three gather in my name, there I am with them."*



As FBCScottsdale continues to grow and strengthen in Christ, we pray you will find a class and a community to build relationships with, as you develop a stronger bond in your personal journey. Enjoy your summer cooling off in the comfort of knowledge with Christ.

If you have any questions, please contact Darla Holmes, Director of Grow Groups, at:
dholmes@fbcsccottsdale.org.

Giving of our tithes and offerings to God is part of worship and discipleship.

To do this in faith, and to support God's ministry at FBCScottsdale, you may use any of the following ways:

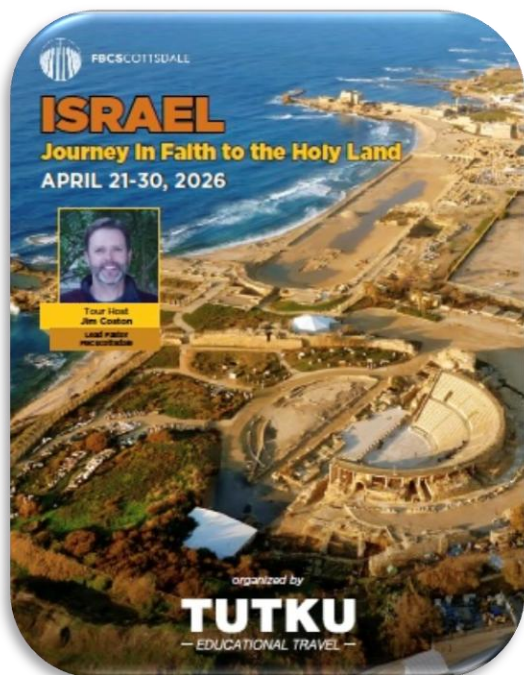
- In person using a Giving Envelope in the back of the pews
- Through the Church Center app
- Use QR code on screen or on back of Giving Envelopes
- Online at: <https://fbcs.churchcenter.com/giving>
- You may also mail checks to:

FBCScottsdale
7025 E Osborn Rd
Scottsdale, AZ 85251

Blessings!

Tithes and Offerings received thus far in May: \$8,826

Tithes and Offerings Budgeted for May: \$44,220



2026 JOURNEY IN FAITH TO THE HOLY LAND! INTEREST MEETING Sunday, June 8 11:45a In the Gallery

Pastor Jim will hold an interest meeting on Sunday, June 8, at 11:45a in the Gallery, regarding the 2026 Holy Land trip, scheduled for **April 21 through April 30, 2026**.

Spots are limited as we have two other churches interested in sending people. Come to hear about the trip, its itinerary, cost, and see some of the sites we will visit.

**If you cannot attend but have interest, see Jim.
If you just want a copy of the tour brochure, email Jim.**

IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR YOUTH SUMMER CAMPS!

Here are some details to help you decide.

Got questions? Contact youth@fbcscottsdale.org to get answers.

Jr. High Summer
CAMP 2025

JUNE 30 - JULY 2

*Oak Creek Canyon
Sedona, AZ*

Price: \$60 AND...

TWO DAYS OF FUNDRAISING AT CHURCH.

SIGN UP BY MAY 31, LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE. CHECKS CAN BE MADE OUT TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SCOTTSDALE.

QUESTIONS? EMAIL
YOUTH@FBCSCOTTSDALE.ORG

CIY HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP 2025

IN BETWEEN

July 7-12

2 M O V E 5

NAU Campus
Flagstaff, AZ

PRICE: \$75 BY MAY 31ST (CHECKS MADE OUT TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SCOTTSDALE) **AND** TWO DAYS OF FUNDRAISING. LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE.

Questions? Email Youth@fbcscottsdale.org



CHANENI HOUSE REPORT – EMPTY SHELVES!



About 120 people came to Chaneni House in four days last week. Then on Monday we were off to another record-breaking week with 36 clients coming. We praise God that we were able to help. Of course, that means we now need donations of everything—all clothing, household items, toys, and groceries. Still most critical is the shortage of men's underwear and socks as well as toys.

Do we have anybody who still sews?

Volunteers make cloth bags for the hygiene items for the homeless. For the first time we are sending out a request for cloth. Do you have remnants? We need a piece about 12x20 inches for each bag.

Keeping the grocery bags filled is another ongoing task. If you can pick up an item or two when you shop, items that are problems include boxed cereal, 16 oz. peanut butter, and 15 oz. canned fruit. Any monetary donations designated for Chaneni House are used for groceries or for repairs such as the door we are currently needing to replace.

**Thank you for all our wonderful donors and for all our hardworking volunteers—
you make this ministry possible.**

UPCOMING EVENTS



JOYCE REED MISSION CIRCLE

Monday, May 12

9:30a

In C-2 (Fireside Room)

It is the goal of this Women's group to minister not only to global servants (aka missionaries), David and Joyce, but also to other global servants. Each meeting includes a devotion, updates on the missionaries the Circle helps to support, and work on various service-oriented projects!

**COME JOIN US TO LEARN WHAT WE DO.
LADIES OF ALL AGES ARE INVITED.**

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Dianne Brouwer at: 602-614-5703.

SENIOR MINISTRY PRESENTS VINTAGE BREAKFAST CLUB

In Fellowship Hall

Cost – \$5.00

Every quarter, the Senior Ministry holds a Vintage Breakfast.

For \$5, seniors get a chance to gather on a Tuesday morning to eat a great church-cooked meal, share updates, enjoy fellowship, and sing a few hymns.



LAST NIGHT OF MIDWEEK WEDNESDAY CLASSES UNTIL FALL

Wednesday, May 14

**Children's, Youth, and Adult Classes will be on hiatus until fall
with the exception of Women's Yoga, which continues through the summer.**



MEN'S POKER NIGHT

Friday, May 16

7p

In Winfield's

All men are welcome to join us!

The buy-in is \$10.

We're building friendships and nurturing faith as we play cards.

Regardless of whether you are an avid poker player or someone who just enjoys casually playing cards, this is a night of fellowship and fun.

P.O.W.W.O.W.

Saturday, May 24

7:00-10:00a

**Up to 70 lbs. of fresh produce
for just \$15!!**

**Invite your friends!
Share with your neighbors!**



HOW TO RECEIVE THE LANTERN IN YOUR INBOX

Did you receive this copy of The Lantern from a friend?

Did you pick it up in the lobby after the service?

Would you like to receive it every Thursday in your inbox?

To sign up, simply email us at office@fbcscottsdale.org.

SUNDAYS AT FBCScottsdale

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

In the Children's Building — 9-10:15a and 10:15-11:45a

This week the preschoolers are learning about Peter's great escape, and the elementary age kiddos are studying the Great Commission.

YOUTH MINISTRY

In the Youth Rooms — 9:00-10:15a

On Sunday mornings the youth are discussing the meaning of Joy in Philippians.

ADULT GROW GROUP CLASSES

9:15a-10:15a

NEW GROW GROUPS WILL BEGIN ON SUNDAY, MAY 18.

See details above on pages 3 and 4.

Desert Disciples, led by Brad Mannix, continues without a hiatus. They have begun a study on the Gospel of Luke. The Gospel of Luke, a key book in the New Testament, focuses on the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus, often seen as a universal gospel emphasizing God's compassion and the inclusion of all people in his Kingdom.

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30a-11:30a in the Sanctuary

MIDWEEK AT FBCScottsdale

MONDAY NIGHTS

YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE STUDY – 7p

**Regular weekly meetings end on Monday, May 26,
with random events scheduled during summer.**

MIDWEEK WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

ENDS THIS YEAR ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

WOMEN'S YOGA – 5:00-6:00p in the Dance Room (Continues through summer!)

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (1st-5th Grade) – 6:00-6:45p in the Choir Room

YOUTH MIDWEEK – 6:00-8:00p in the Youth Building

CHILDREN'S MIDWEEK – 6:30-8:00p in the Children's Rooms

ADULT CLASS – GENESIS: In the Beginning – 6:30-8:00p in C-2 (Fireside Room)

THURSDAY MORNINGS

THURSDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

6:45a-7:45a in Winfield's

On hiatus until mid-fall.

THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

9:30a-noon

On hiatus until September 4.

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