

pastor's perspective



One of the greatest privileges I've had during these past 10 months as your Interim Pastor has been the chance to talk about our church. Whether I'm visiting with prospective members, chatting with people in our community, or simply sharing with friends and colleagues, I love getting to brag about

what makes FBC so special. I've spoken about our worship... blended, meaningful, and intentional. I love stepping into the sanctuary each Sunday and seeing children race to the front for the children's message, adults laughing and shaking hands, youth lifting their hands in worship, and our whole congregation gathering as a family united in love.

I've also shared about the heart of our church shown through our many events and ministries. Just a few weeks ago, we celebrated our 9th (and arguably best) **Love Lufkin** yet! Over 20 service projects, more than 200 volunteers, and a Sunday morning spent loving God by loving our neighbors. It was a beautiful sight to see faith lived out beyond our sanctuary walls.

And then there's our fellowship. Our **Fall Bingo Night** brought out over 200 people for a night full of laughter, friendly competition, and the best picture of what our church family looks like...kids, youth, parents, grandparents, long-time members, and first-timers all enjoying life together. These moments remind me that church isn't just something we attend...it's something we belong to.

But some of my favorite moments of the year are still ahead. **We Give Thanks**, our annual Thanksgiving meal, is happening **November 23** right after worship in the FLC. We'll gather around the table to share ham, green beans, mashed potatoes, and the best side dish of all—fellowship! It's more than a meal...it's a time to reflect, give thanks, and be together as a church family. Bring your appetites!

And then, as we turn our eyes toward Advent, our **Advent Guide**, written entirely by members of our congregation, blesses us in such meaningful ways. These daily reflections help us slow down, breathe deeply, and prepare for Christmas with intentionality and wonder. They are heartfelt, honest, and rooted in faith and I have a feeling this year's may be the best yet!

There is so much to celebrate, so much to join in on, and so much to be grateful for. God is moving in our church in beautiful ways. We're seeing new faces, deeper connections, and a growing sense of community. Fun days are ahead... exciting days and I am grateful to be on this journey with you, and so thankful for each and every one of you.

Walker of William

Interim Pastor/ Minister of Missions



2026 PROPOSED CHURCH BUDGET

Available Sunday, Nov. 16 at the Welcome Desk

Budget Adoption/Church Conference
Wednesday, Nov. 19
6:15PM // FLC



new members



Bob & Rachel
Garner



Deb Medford

memorials

Memorial Gifts have been given to the following Funds & Ministries of FBC:

Building Fund
In Memory of:
Bubba Wood
Tillie Kidwell
John Henry Tatum
Franklin Spruiell
Bill Gibbs
Tom Willis
Jeannene Courtney
Sarah Rich

Music Ministry
In Memory of:
Tillie Kidwell

Organ Repair Fund
In Memory of:
Bubba Wood
Tillie Kidwell
June Clement

Van Fund
In Memory of:
Bubba Wood

Kids Kamp Scholarship
In Memory of:
Bubba Wood

Deacons for the month of November

Caleb Beames
936-404-4802(cell)

Ed Domingue:
936-635-1123 (cell)

Bob Little:
936-465-6083 (cell)

Pat Nicholson:
936-635-8202 (cell)

(936) 634-3386 / www.fbclufkin.org



We Give

THANKS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Thanksgiving Worship Service

followed by

Church-wide lunch & Communion around the table

in the FLC

Wednesday
Dinner Menu

October 29
Pot Roast

November 5
Firecracker Casserole

November 12
Breakfast for Dinner

November 19
Spaghetti & Meatballs

Sympathy to

Steve and Jamie Zayler in
the loss of his sister,
Peggy Harraid.

Sheila Wood and family
in the loss of her husband,
Bubba Wood.

Lacey and Chase Luce
and family in the loss of her
father, Gip Friesen.

Susan and Dan Martin
in the loss of her mother,
Wanda Cozad.

Church Office Hours

M - Th: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Closed during the lunch hour
(12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.)
Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Financial Report
Year to Date

Budget	\$1,458,414.30
Budget Receipts	\$1,275,528.02
Building Fund	\$151,069.00
Other Designations	\$90,735.89
Other Receipts	\$103,542.13

Staff

Walker McWilliams,
Interim Pastor/ Minister of Missions

Katie Baker,
Minister to Preschool & Children

Truett Newton,
Minister to Students