

# HIGHLIGHTS

## TODAY: NOVEMBER 30, 2014

- 7:00 AM**
  - Pastor/Men's Prayer Time (Conference Rm)
- 8:00 AM**
  - Pastor's Class (Webb 212)
- 9:00 AM**
  - Bible Drill (Webb 301)
- 9:25 AM**
  - Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 AM**
  - LOGOS Contemporary Worship (Chapel)
  - Bible Study (Core, Spanish, Int'l, Deaf)
  - New Member Orientation (Conference Rm)
- 11:00 AM**
  - Worship (Sanctuary)
  - Spanish Worship (Chapel)
  - Bible Study (Venture)
- 12:00 PM**
  - Hanging of the Greens Lunch (Fellowship Hall)
- 12:30 PM**
  - Orchestra Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 4:00 PM**
  - Chapel Singers Rehearsal
- 5:00 PM**
  - Deacon's Meeting (Kokernot 301)
  - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 PM**
  - Church Conference (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 PM**
  - Hanging of the Greens (Sanctuary)

## THIS WEEK: Dec. 1 - Dec. 7

- MONDAY Dec. 1**
- TUESDAY Dec. 2**
  - 12:00 AM FFA Advent Concert and Lunch (Unity Hall/Fellowship Hall)
  - 7:00 PM Heart2Heart Meetings Chamber Choir Rehearsal (Choir Suite)
- WEDNESDAY Dec. 3**
  - 9:00 AM Ceramics Classes (West Hall)
  - 11:00 AM MAP Lunch Meeting
  - 5:00 PM Wednesday Evening Meal
  - 5:45 PM First Kids Childcare
  - 6:00 PM Wednesday Night Services Children's Choir Orchestra at First (Sanctuary) Spanish Bible Study/Prayer (Kok 302)
  - 7:00 PM Prayer Groups Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Unity Hall) Bill Shaw Circle of Six
- THURSDAY Dec. 4**
  - 9:00 AM Friendship
  - 11:00 AM Prayer time with Pastor (Parlor)
- FRIDAY Dec. 5**
  - 6:30 PM Parents Night Out
- SATURDAY Dec. 6**
  - 9:00 AM Prayer Walk (Wolfson House)
  - 6:00 PM Logos Worship Service (Chapel)
- SUNDAY Dec. 7**
  - 11:00 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
  - 4:00 PM A.B.L.E. Handbell Rehearsal
  - 4:30 PM Chapel Singers Rehearsal (West Choir Rehearsal Room)
  - 5:00 PM Deacons' Meeting (Kok 301)
  - 6:00 PM Children's Christmas Concert (Sanctuary)

November 30, 2014



Imagine the sounds of guitar strings being strummed while a teacher sings along. The encouragement of an art teacher as her young students work intently on their projects. The echo of piano keys played by a child's hand, mirroring the instructor. Imagine the sounds of children laughing, exclamations of success, and adults giggling with surprise at their God-given talent. These are the sounds of IMAGO.

They have been wafting through West Hall every week this fall, growing stronger and more familiar. What was a dream in April became reality in August. IMAGO Arts Academy has students enrolled in a variety of music and art classes. God graced IMAGO with the people to teach them, and they have begun to feel like a family.

And, like families, IMAGO is growing. Did you know IMAGO has a Referral Appreciation Program, an Organist Assistant Program, and a Scholarship Program? The new Arts for Christmas Program provides a way to give the gift of music and art to friends and family.

To see for yourself what's happening here, come sit in the choir loft for the IMAGO Student Recital on Saturday, December 20th from 10:00-10:30 AM and enjoy the reception and art exhibits in Unity Hall until 11:00. You are also invited to attend the IMAGO Faculty Recital at 3:00 PM on Sunday, January 11th for an afternoon of collaborative music and art provided by our teachers.

IMAGO Arts Academy's spring semester begins on January 6th for new and returning private lesson students, and January 20th for new art & music classes. From ages 1 to adult, there is something for everyone at IMAGO. For information, contact Suzie Rocha, Coordinator, at 210-249-2505 or [suzie@fbcsa.org](mailto:suzie@fbcsa.org). To view class lists, pricing, and to register, visit [www.fbcsa.org/imago](http://www.fbcsa.org/imago).

*"IMAGO has been wonderful. From excellent and flexible teachers to professional administration, we could not be more pleased with our experience. I have loved watching our son connect music with worship, in addition to building a real friendship with Dan. Here are Price's own words, "I'm really having a great time learning percussion and talking with Dan. He's fun! I love it all!"*  
-Sarah Rushing

### MORNING WORSHIP

9:25 Early Traditional Worship  
**Bryan Richardson**  
"Reality Rediscovered:  
The God We Must Count On"  
2 Timothy 4:1-5

9:30 LOGOS Contemporary Worship  
**Danny Panter**  
"Preach: Trendy or Not"  
2 Timothy 2:1-7

11:00 Traditional Worship  
**Bryan Richardson**  
"Reality Rediscovered:  
The God We Must Count On"  
2 Timothy 4:1-5

### WEEKLY REPORT

As of Sunday, November 23, 2014

Weekly Attendance:			
Sunday School: 1,318    Worship: 1,537			
Offerings	Week	Year to Date (YTD)	YTD Budget Variance over (under)
Unrestricted	\$42,618	\$3,445,008	\$80,008
Television	\$2,021	351,909	10,909
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$44,639</b>	<b>\$3,796,917</b>	<b>\$90,917</b>



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
SAN ANTONIO

# HANGING OF THE GREENS

TONIGHT - 6:00 PM

## CHURCH CONFERENCE

TONIGHT, 5:30 PM

FELLOWSHIP HALL.

Please join us for our regular church conference business meeting.

## UKRAINE MISSION TEAM BLOGGING FROM KIEV

The Ukraine mission team has safely landed in Kiev and are doing as much as they can while they are there to help our friends set up supply lines for relief goods—food, clothing, coats, and blankets. Please pray for their safety as they are doing the Lord's work in this troubled area. You can keep up with them on the Missions Blog at [www.fbcsa.org/missionsblog](http://www.fbcsa.org/missionsblog).

## THEEVERYDAYPRAYER.COM ADVENT EDITION

FBCSA's blog [theeverydayprayer.com](http://theeverydayprayer.com) is getting some help this holiday season. Beginning November 30 and continuing through Christmas Day members of our staff as well as several members of the First Baptist family will contribute daily devotionals specifically for Advent. Need some encouragement this season? The selected scriptures will point to the manger and will focus our thoughts on the coming of the Christ child. If you have never visited our daily blog, this is a great time to hear the thoughts of our church as we prepare.

## CHRISTMAS AT FIRST TICKETS

We are grateful for the overwhelming response to the addition of the 3rd performance! If you have not secured your tickets, add your name to the waiting list in Great Hall or by calling the church office 226.0363 or email [barbie@fbcsa.org](mailto:barbie@fbcsa.org). Unused tickets may be returned to the church office or the Great Hall ticket table.

## SATURDAY NIGHT LOGOS

DEC 6, 6:00 PM

Nellie Wilson Chapel

The contemporary worship services (English) of FBCSA will meet on Saturday night, December 6, at 6 PM. The Rock 'n' Roll Marathon week gives us a special opportunity. Danny Panter will preach. You are invited.

## WORSHIP TOGETHER

DEC 7 - 11:00 WORSHIP ONLY

(No Sunday School)

When the city of San Antonio welcomes the Rock 'n' Roll Marathon (December 7), the church at the Center of the City (FBCSA), has an opportunity to worship together! Early and Traditional services meet together at 11 AM. No Sunday School.

## CHRISTMAS CARE

Accepting Donations through Sunday, December 7

FBCSA invites you to participate by donating the following food items.

### Canned Vegetables:

- green beans
- mixed vegetables
- beans
- corn
- potatoes

### Canned Meats:

- sardines
- tuna
- chicken
- chili
- Spam

### Staples:

- flour
- sugar
- cornmeal
- rice
- soups

### Meat Substitutes:

- macaroni & cheese
- dried beans
- peanut butter

### Other:

- canned fruits
- juices

Please bring ONLY items listed. Other foods cannot be utilized for this outreach ministry. To make a monetary donation, please visit [fbcsa.org/christmascare](http://fbcsa.org/christmascare)

Volunteers are still needed to help pack boxes on December 18 & 19.

Contact Rita at 210.226.0363 if you are available to help.

## HANGING OF THE GREENS

TONIGHT, 6 PM.

SANCTUARY

Annual tradition! Beginning of Advent Season. The service will culminate with a "Christmas Care Gift Processional" as we bring forward staple food items and financial offerings for those in need. Great teaching for young children. You are invited!

## NOON ADVENT SERIES BEGINS, TUESDAY

CONCERT AND LUNCH (1 HOUR).

Dec. 2 - Mark Cruz, guitar

Dec. 9 - South Texas Jazz

Dec. 16 - Avanti String Quartet

Dec. 23 - FBCSA Chamber Singers

## NEW WINTER SERMON SERIES

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN BELIEVE IN JESUS AND LIVE!

Begins Sunday, December 7

Bible study guides are available in your Sunday School Classes or at the ASK ME Booths. If you have any questions, please contact [Kappie@fbcsa.org](mailto:Kappie@fbcsa.org) or 210.226.0363.

## PARENTS NIGHT OUT

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

We offer Parents Night Out once a month to all members and non-members. The program is designed to provide a safe and loving atmosphere where you can leave your child in order to have a date night or just free time with friends. Parents Night Out is usually held on the first Friday of each month. There are occasions, because of other church activities, that the date must change.

Register at [fbcsa.org/pno](http://fbcsa.org/pno).

All registration payments must be received by the Wednesday prior to PNO each month (December 3).

# AVAILABLE JOBS

## FULL-TIME ADMIN ASSISTANT

Administration Operations

This individual reports to the Associate Pastor of Administration & Operations and works closely with the Director of Financial Services and Director of Facilities. Contact [application@fbcsa.org](mailto:application@fbcsa.org) or call 210.226.0363.

## PRESCHOOL CHILDCARE WORKER

The Kid's Ministry needs workers on Sunday morning and throughout the week to help with childcare needs to serve our church ministries and Bible studies. Hours vary from week to week based on church needs. Experience with children and CPR/First Aid preferred. Contact [jan@fbcsa.org](mailto:jan@fbcsa.org) or 210.226.0363.

To view the full job description, please visit [fbcsa.org/jobs](http://fbcsa.org/jobs).

## THE GIFT OF GENEROSITY

2014 YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS

This holiday season, we thank everyone who has supported FBCSA this past year with their time, talent and financial contributions and look forward to support from all of our members in the year ahead. If you need a convenient way to make regular offerings or if you plan to make an additional gift before the end of the year, we encourage you to look into our electronic giving options by visiting [fbcsa.org/giving](http://fbcsa.org/giving). Otherwise, all year end contributions (including electronic) must be received by the Business Office by noon, Wednesday December 31st or postmarked December 31st to be included in 2014 contributions. Thank you for your continued support in helping us build a church in the center of the city!

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## PRAYER WALK

PREPARE YE THE WAY

DEC 6, 9:00 AM

WOLFSON HOUSE

Prepare the Way for God's Presence.

Join us on the 1st Saturday of each month to Prayer Walk the area around our church. Make it a family affair!

## LESSONS AND CAROLS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

6 PM (SANCTUARY)

Come join the FBCSA Chamber Singers as they present an evening of Lessons and Carols. This beautiful service presents nine "lessons" from Holy Scripture which tell the story of Christmas from Eden to Bethlehem. Music will flow through the evening which helps to illustrate these lessons. Familiar carols and new anthems, God's Word, and FBCSA, sounds like a great place to be. Prior to the service there will be a handbell concert presented in Unity Hall at 5:30.

## CHRISTMAS EVE

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 24

4:45 PM - MEMORIAL SERVICE

5:30 PM - LORD'S SUPPER

SANCTUARY

# WOMEN'S MINISTRY

## FRESH GROUNDED FAITH CONFERENCE

JAN. 23-24, 2015, MIDLAND, TX

Cost \$100.00

(\$39.00 deposit due at sign up)

Speaker: Jennifer Rothschild, Ann Voskamp and music from Meredith Andrews. Contact Holly Guthrie ([pillowholly@aol.com](mailto:pillowholly@aol.com)) for details and sign up. Closing date will be January 5.

## SAVE THE DATE

Tuesday, January 6, 2015

Women's Tuesday Morning Bible study begins a study of 1 Corinthians. More details to come.

# I WANT TO SERVE

## CHRISTMAS AT FIRST VOLUNTEER TEAM

Christmas at First is just around the corner and now is the time to take care of all of the final details. This year, for the first time ever, we will be offering a performance on Saturday. We are very excited. With the potential of more than 4000 people coming through our doors, it is more important than ever that we have a good team of volunteers to help greet and welcome them to our beautiful church. Will you consider being a part of this grand tradition?

Contact [barbie@fbcsa.org](mailto:barbie@fbcsa.org) to volunteer.

## FIRST KIDS MINISTRY BABIES - 5TH GRADE

We need heroes in the First Kids ministry! Help us raise up the next generation to know and love God passionately! There are many ways that you can be a hero - help prep rooms for Sunday morning classes, distribute snacks for preschoolers, lead worship, help run a sound booth for the elementary large group gathering on Sundays, help kids learn about missions on Wednesdays, and the list goes on!

See Jimmy Gunn or contact the First Kids Ministry office at 210.226.0363 and we will help you find your perfect spot.

## INTERNATIONAL NEEDS

### Drivers Needed!

Drivers needed for the small bus on Sunday mornings to pick up the international families at Ingram Ranch apartments. Required license: (CDL-B)