



Welcome to FBC!

May 8, 2022

**We are so glad you chose to worship with us today!**

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FBC exists to CONNECT people to God by faith in Jesus and to unite us to each other as we GROW together in faith and maturity in Christ, leading us to SERVE like Jesus in our church, our city, and the nations.

### Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are placed in memory of Miriam K. Bullion by her children Naomi Vee Bullion Morrow, Peggy Bullion, and Larry Bullion Jr.

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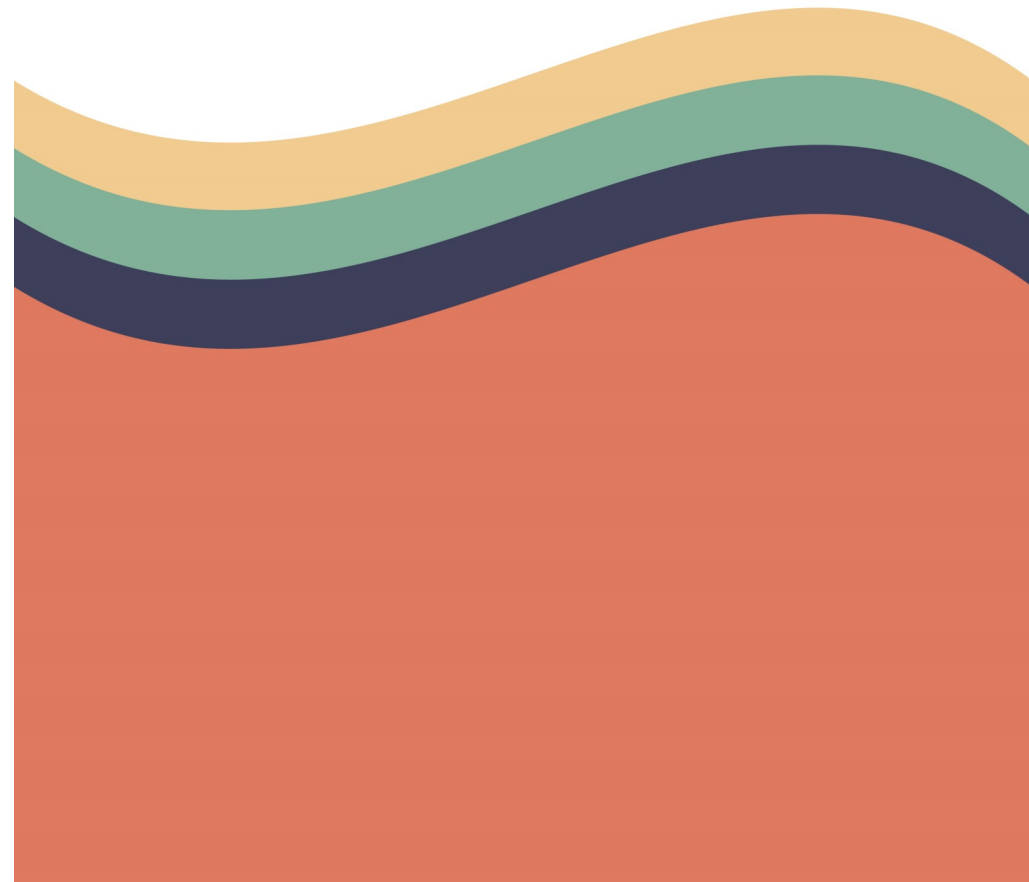
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# Neighbors & Friends & Family

GOSPEL FELLOWSHIP  
for GOSPEL PEOPLE



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# Announcements

## Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, May 10 at 11:30 am

Menu: *chicken salad on croissant, potato wedges, apple and cheese plate, old-time jelly cake*

Mrs. Kay Hawthorne Presents: Bells Jubilate

*Program includes a setting of James Weldon Johnson's poem "The Creation" with handbells and narration.*

## Deacons Banquet

Sunday, May 15 at 6:00 pm

Please email Zac Shawhan if you plan to attend. (ztshawhan@gmail.com)

## Calling All College Graduates!

We will be recognizing our graduating seniors on Sunday, May 15. Please contact Larkin if you are graduating from college or if you have a family member graduating.

## Give Meaning to Your Spring Cleaning!

We are hosting a clothing donation drive for the Christian Outreach Center and their thrift store, The Purple Cow, on Friday, May 13 from 11 am to 3 pm. All proceeds from Purple Cow stores support the ministry of the COC to homeless and low-income persons in the Baton Rouge area. Drop off your clothing donations and receive free boiled crawfish while supplies last!

*Volunteers are needed during the event to sort donations as they come in. Please let Pastor Dave know if you are able to volunteer.*

## Wednesday Night

Fellowship Meal: 5:00 pm

Prayer Meeting: 5:30 pm

Menu: *cole slaw, baked catfish with crawfish topping, rice, broccoli, garlic bread, chocolate cream pie*

*No one has ever seen God. If we love one another, God remains in us and his love is made complete in us.*

1 John 4:12

### 476 // Be Strong in the Lord

Be strong in the Lord, and be of good courage;  
Your mighty Defender is always the same.  
Mount up with wings, as the eagle ascending;  
Vict'ry is sure when you call on His name.

#### Refrain

Be strong, be strong, be strong in the Lord;  
And be of good courage, for He is your guide.  
Be strong, be strong, be strong in the Lord,  
And rejoice, for the vict'ry is yours.

So put on the armour the Lord has provided;  
And place your defense in His unfailing care.  
Trust Him, for He will be with you in battle,  
Lighting your path to avoid ev'ry snare.

#### Refrain

Be strong in the Lord, and be of good courage;  
Your mighty Commander will vanquish the foe.  
Fear not the battle, for the vict'ry is always His;  
He will protect you wherever you go.

#### Refrain

### 504 // God, Give Us Christian Homes

God, give us Christian homes!  
Homes where the Bible is loved and taught,  
Homes where the Master's will is sought,  
Homes crowned with beauty Your love has wrought;  
God, give us Christian homes;  
God, give us Christian homes!

God, give us Christian homes!  
Homes where the father is true and strong,  
Homes that are free from the blight of wrong,  
Homes that are joyous with love and song;  
God, give us Christian homes;  
God, give us Christian homes!

God, give us Christian homes!  
Homes where the mother, in caring quest,  
Strives to show others Your way is best,  
Homes where the Lord is an honored guest;  
God, give us Christian homes;  
God, give us Christian homes!

God, give us Christian homes!  
Homes where the children are led to know  
Christ in His beauty who loves them so,  
Homes where the altar fires burn and glow;  
God, give us Christian homes;  
God, give us Christian homes!

### 458 // Nearer, My God, to Thee

Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee!  
E'en tho' it be a cross That raiseth me;  
Still all my song shall be, Nearer, my God, to Thee!  
Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee!

There let the way appear, Steps unto heav'n;  
All that Thou sendest me, In mercy giv'n;  
Angels to beckon me Nearer, my God, to Thee!  
Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee!

Then with my waking tho'ts Bright with Thy praise,  
Out of my stony griefs Bethel I'll raise;  
So by my woes to be Nearer, my God, to Thee!  
Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee!

### 550 // I'd Rather Have Jesus

I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold;  
I'd rather be His than have riches untold;  
I'd rather have Jesus than houses or lands.  
I'd rather be led by His nail-pierced hand

Refrain

Than to be the king of a vast domain  
Or be held in sin's dread sway.  
I'd rather have Jesus than anything  
This world affords today.

I'd rather have Jesus than men's applause;  
I'd rather be faithful to His dear cause;  
I'd rather have Jesus than worldwide fame.  
I'd rather be true to His holy name

Refrain

He's fairer than lilies of rarest bloom;  
He's sweeter than honey from out the comb;  
He's all that my hungering spirit needs.  
I'd rather have Jesus and let Him lead

Refrain

### 345 // Now I Belong to Jesus

Jesus, my Lord, will love me forever,  
From Him no pow'r of evil can sever,  
He gave His life to ransom my soul,  
Now I belong to Him;

Refrain:

Now I belong to Jesus,  
Jesus belongs to me,  
Not for the years of time alone,  
But for eternity.

Once I was lost in sin's degradation,  
Jesus came down to bring me salvation,  
Lifted me up from sorrow and shame,  
Now I belong to Him;

Refrain

Joy floods my soul, for Jesus has saved me,  
Freed me from sin that long had enslaved me,  
His precious blood He gave to redeem,  
Now I belong to Him;

Refrain

### 153 // My Tribute

How can I say thanks  
for the things You have done for me —  
Things so undeserved,  
yet You give to prove Your love for me?  
The voices of a million angels  
could not express my gratitude —  
All that I am and ever hope to be,  
I owe it all to Thee.

To God be the glory, to God be the glory!  
To God be the glory for the things He has done.  
With His blood He has saved me,  
With His pow'r He has raised me;  
To God be the glory for the things He has done.