

## MINISTERIAL STAFF

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Pastor, Iglesia Bautista Buenas Nuevas

August 17 - August 23

Sunday

9:00am Sunday School  
10:30am Worship (Facebook LIVE)  
Extended babies - Ks  
Kids Church 1st - 2nd  
6:00pm Students-Boys & Girls Bible Study

Monday

6:00pm GROW Visitation  
6:00pm Pickleball

Tuesday

6:00pm 1828 at the Stark's  
6:00pm Young Married Fellowship  
6:30pm Ladies Bible Study (Gospels)

Wednesday

4:45pm Supper  
5:45pm Children/Preschool Movie Night  
6:00pm Bible Study/Prayer Meeting  
6:00pm Cultivate - Student Ctr  
7:00pm Adult Choir

Thursday

9:30am Ladies Bible Study (Ezekiel)  
6:00pm Pickleball

Friday

Saturday

**FOR FULL CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
VISIT [fbcslidell.org/calendar](http://fbcslidell.org/calendar)**

## WEDNESDAY SUPPER

August 20

CHICKEN WINGS, POTATO SALAD,  
BAKED BEANS, SALAD BAR,  
ROLLS, & DESSERT  
**Children's Menu:** HOT DOGS, FRIES,  
FRUIT CUP, & DESSERT  
\$5 - Adults; \$2 - Children 3-12  
Children under 3 Free; Family max \$15  
(Reservations Required By Monday)

**Our Kitchen Crew is looking  
for help with prep and dishes  
Wednesdays 3-6pm.  
Contact the office if  
you are interested.**

## Worship Decisions

Carlos & Maurina Bruno  
Joining by statement

**Iglesia Bautista Buenas Nuevas**

**Sunday Activities in the Student Center**

9:30am Sunday School  
10:45am Worship/Bible Study

**Wednesday Activities**

6:00pm Prayer Meeting Rm 240



FIRST BAPTIST  
SLIDELL

August 17, 2025

# WELCOME

Exalt ↑ Evangelize → Equip ← Engage



## Attendance

August 10

Worship	392	Sunday School	(including Zoom)
Facebook Live	68	Adults	281
ETC & CC	33	Students	43
Total	493	Children	48
		Preschool	21
		Total	393

## Generosity of FBC

Fiscal year to date  
(Oct 1, 2024-Sept 30, 2025)

Generosity to date: 85.74%  
Generosity goal to date: 86.66%

**2 WAYS TO GIVE  
TITHES & OFFERINGS**

**IN-PERSON** **ONLINE**  
During Worship [fbcslidell.org](http://fbcslidell.org)  
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# WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE

PLEASE FILL OUT A WELCOME CARD IN THE CHAIR BACKIN FRONT OF YOU.

YOU'RE NOT HERE BY ACCIDENT. GOD LOVES YOU. HE WANTS YOU TO HAVE A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM THROUGH JESUS, HIS SON. THERE IS JUST ONE THING THAT SEPARATES YOU FROM GOD. THAT ONE THING IS SIN.

**"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23**

People tend to divide themselves into groups - good people and bad people. But God says that every person who has ever lived is a sinner, and that any sin separates us from God. No matter how we might classify ourselves, this includes you and me. We are all sinners.

**"God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8**

For you to come to God you have to get rid of your sin problem. But, in our own strength, not one of us can do this! You can't make yourself right with God by being a better person. Only God can rescue us from our sins.

**"He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy." Titus 3:5**

For you to come to God, the penalty for your sin must be paid. God's gift to you is His son, Jesus, who paid the debt for you when He died on the Cross.

**"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23**

Jesus paid the price for your sin and mine by giving His life on a cross at a place called Calvary. God brought Jesus back from the dead. He provided the way for you to have a personal relationship with Him through Jesus. To admit we are sinners means turning away from our sin and selfishness and turning to follow Jesus. The Bible word for this is "repentance" - to change our thinking.

**"If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved." Romans 10:9-10**

God says that if you believe in His son, Jesus, you can live forever with Him in glory. Are you ready to accept the gift of eternal life that Jesus is offering?

Welcome

Announcements

Baptisms

**"Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King"**

Catechism #44  
Scripture Reading  
Prayer

**"How Firm A Foundation"**  
Worship Choir  
and Orchestra

**"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**

Offertory Prayer  
Offertory  
**"Were It Not For Grace"**  
Doni Williams

Message  
Dr. Casey Stark

Invitation  
**"Change My Heart, O God"**

Benediction

If you are interested in making a decision, such as becoming a member of FBC, come talk to one of the pastors near the end of the service, during the invitation time. For more info on our ministries, stop by our kiosk in the foyer.

**Find your place to serve**



**CONNECT • GROW • SERVE**  
**August 17th & 24th**

We are looking for Christmas photos of you, our church family, to include in a slideshow for Carols by Candlelight. Please send your Christmas family photos or Christmas church family photos to [debbie.maehler@fbcslidell.org](mailto:debbie.maehler@fbcslidell.org)



**FBC Kids**  
Slidell

**Wednesdays**  
**5:45pm-7pm**  
**Age 2 - 6th grade**



Scripture memory, prizes, theme nights, fun, and friends!

Come celebrate Carolyn Cronk's 50th Anniversary Today, August 17th, in the gym following the morning service.

**55+ August 29th 12 noon**  
FBC SLIDELL PLUS  
All Adults 55 & over are invited for lunch & fellowship  
**RSVP by Aug 25**



**WHEN FAITH BECOMES SIGHT**

**Starts Sept 4th**  
**Thurs at 9:30am**  
**Room 150**  
**Book is \$20**

Sign up at Ladies Ministry table

**ReNew**

Our Clothing Ministry is looking for someone to assist with clothing ministry tasks. Contact Eric Hammond if you are interested.

**What is baptism?**

Baptism is the washing with water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; it signifies and seals our adoption into Christ, our cleansing from sin, and our commitment to belong to the Lord and to his church..

**Q 44**

