



## Happy Birthday!

### April

03—Tom Jackson, Scott Oates  
05—Faye Creely  
06—Beba Brubeck, Steve Hastings,  
Remedios Rodriguez, Mary Shockley  
07—Linda Pyle  
08—Dawn Bissell, Eileen Storey  
11—Elsie Bell  
13—Mary Mitchell  
15—Berta Saldana, Phyllis Thedford  
17—Hilda Lee  
18—Clarence Chinn, Karen Gregory,  
Julie Kirkham, Helen Raulz,  
Debi Trammell  
19—Catherine Nickerson, Ron Stephens  
20—Kim Huling, Johnny Priour  
21—Matt Rogers  
22—Kitty Gauntt, Sarah Pitzer  
23—Michael Garrison  
24—Nancy Cameron, Naty Jane Espina,  
Robert Morales, Nancy Spencer,  
Trish Strobel  
26—MD McMillan, Liz Sanders  
27—Allan Potter  
28—Denise Smith, Lauren White  
29—Bette Adams  
30—Joyce Fleenor

### May birthdays before the next newsletter:

1—Billy Largin  
2—Dale Eiben, Rose Ray  
3—Bob Johnson, Joe Lewis, Earl Loomis  
4—Linda Gerland  
5—Albert Puebla, Victor Sepulveda  
6—Eisen Espina

### Happy Anniversary this month to:

Sim & Ruthie Reeves, 67 years on April 11

### EASTER SERVICES

**Easter Walk Through Experience** (for Children PreK—5th Grade)  
Saturday, April 13 . . . 2—4 PM . . . Grade School Bible Study Wing

**Palm Sunday Worship Services** (Childcare available: birth—PreK)  
Sunday, April 14 . . . 8:45 & 11:15 AM . . . Worship Center  
Children's Choir and Worship Choir  
Bible Study for all ages, 10:00 AM

**Maunder Thursday Seder Meal Experience** (Childcare available: birth—2nd grade)  
Thursday, April 18 . . . 5:00 PM & 6:30 PM . . . Elmore Hall  
Free Event . . . Ticket Required

**Good Friday Tenebrae Service** (Childcare available: birth—2nd grade)  
Friday, April 19 . . . 6:30 PM . . . Worship Center  
"It Is Finished" Presented by FBC Worship Choir

**Easter Celebration Services** (Childcare available: birth—PreK)  
Sunday, April 21 . . . 8:45 & 11:15 AM . . . Worship Center  
Bible Study for all ages, 10:00 AM

### MISSION MINDERS

Tuesday, April 9 . . . 11:30 AM . . . LL39  
New Life Refuge Ministries—giving hope and  
rescue to girls enslaved in human trafficking  
Cost \$7 . . . RSVP to Polly Frederick (903-721-7962)  
Mission Project: Donations of \$10 gift cards,  
paper goods, or feminine products

**CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE . . .** Family pictures in the  
church directory will be updated in April. If you would like to submit  
an updated picture, please email the image to [jen@firstcorpus.org](mailto:jen@firstcorpus.org)

New church directories will be available for \$5 in the church  
office beginning May 1 . . . the directory is FREE online  
(visit [www.members.instantchurchdirectory.com](http://www.members.instantchurchdirectory.com))



## Senior Adult Luncheon

Sunday ♦ May 5, 2019 ♦ 11:30 am

First Baptist Corpus Christi ♦ Elmore Hall

With musical guests DENIM & LACE (Acoustic vocal duo)

**Ticket Cost: \$5.00 per person**

Tickets available after early services on Sundays  
and Wednesday evenings from Mary Shockley  
or Trish Strobel or in the church or rec center office,  
Monday—Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

**Ticket Deadline: Sunday, April 28**

### **Agape Class—*Sandra Patterson***

We are blessed to have several new members in our class: Norm and Lois DeWeerd from Michigan and Flour Bluff, as well as Janet Henderson, a former teacher at Parkdale Baptist school and longtime member of FBC.

On March 30, Bob and Phyllis Scott celebrated their 63<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary. They have been blessed with three children, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. We at FBC and our community have been richly blessed by Bob and Phyllis over the years in numerous ways. Thank you and Happy Anniversary!

The wildflowers have been so beautiful after all the rain last year and a mild winter. We are grateful to Gaynell Torgerson and other volunteers for their many hours of labor planting over 90 rose bushes at the Botanical Gardens. When the wildflowers are gone, we can look forward to seeing the beautiful rose bushes—another manifestation of God's awesome creation.

Mentioning wildflowers, Tom Jackson reported they were especially beautiful north of Hallettsville on his drive via Hwy. 77 to Fort Worth to celebrate his brother's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. His oldest sister was also there, and she will be 99 in a couple of months. Tom said only one of his siblings is deceased and she was 89. Those Robstown kids inherited some wonderful genes and must have eaten a lot of good vegetables!

Many of you know Scotty Bailless, former 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher at Parkdale Baptist School. She has congestive heart failure and has been given six months to live. Betty Maroney has her address if you would like to send her a card.

Sally and Bert Terry had visits recently from their two daughters and their families during the week of Spring Break. Sarah came from Round Rock bringing her family—Devin, Noah and Ivan. Ivan cooked for them! Lacy and Ray visited from Laredo. They all took a side trip to Victoria to visit other relatives. Sally and Bert look forward to a visit from their nephew from San Diego, Drue.

### **Elmore Class—*Carolyn Blackmon***

We wish happy April birthdays to the following class members: Faye Creely, 4/5; Mary Shockley, 4/6; Mike Garrison, 4/23; Robert Morales, 4/24; and Trish Strobel, 4/24.

Don't forget the church directory will be updated this month. If you would like to submit a new, up-to-date photo, please send to [jen@firstcorpus.org](mailto:jen@firstcorpus.org). The new directories will be available for \$5 in the church office beginning May 1 and free online.

We send our thoughts and prayers to Sheri Stokley on the death of her husband William "WJ" Stokley on March 9; Barbara Wilson on the death of her husband John on March 19; and Judy Estes on the death of her husband John Estes, on March 20.

Prayers are requested for safe travels for Robert Morales, Jr., who has been on a job-related trip to China for the past three weeks.

Prayers are also requested for the following class members who are ill: Quinton Williams, Walt & Trish Strobel's son Pete, Mary Shockley, Sim & Ruthie Reeves, Pat Murphy, Marie Marshall, June Littlefield, Helen Lingo, Joe & Barbara Lewis, Alfred Hook, Jody Heymann, Helen Gaines' son Danny Dobbs, Dale & Ardis Eiben and their son, Kenny Eiben, Shirley Eads, Faye Creely, Joe Christina, Sybil Bruner, Janet Bobo, and Rich Bates. Prayers are also needed for our nation and military.

Thought for the Day: God should be our steering wheel, not our spare tire!

### **Carita Class—*DonEtta Beaty***

Kim is home now after spending several days in the hospital. Lila took her to the emergency room on Friday, March 29, for pain in her left arm that had gone on for a few days. From there, she was admitted to Doctors Regional. After a heart catheter, it was discovered there was blockage in an artery. Kim had surgery to have a stint inserted—the surgery went well and now both Kim and Lila are at home resting.

Faye Medina came down with pneumonia after gall bladder surgery and is recuperating at Brookdale. Chris Fuhrman will be having shoulder replacement surgery on April 16. Doretta's great-granddaughter is still waiting for a heart transplant. Doris just had the third shot in her knee—a "lubricant" that improves mobility.

We pray that God will continue to look over those with health issues and give them comfort and be with them and their caregivers as they heal.

There were 12 members at the class meeting last month—Mary Ann presented the devotional. Sunday nine were at Sunday School—with the norther coming in on Saturday, the rain kept some class members home safe and dry!

I took a mini vacation and traveled to several towns in central Texas exploring seven quilt shops in two days and then another day being a "tourist" visiting sites in San Antonio before attending a golfing event the last day. The wildflowers were in full bloom; the bluebonnets were in all God's glory making for a beautiful drive on IH37 and all around central Texas.

## **DÉJÀ VU CREW**

Game Days every Thursday at 9:30 AM

Join the rowdy group playing Mexican Train at the rec center.

Invite a friend or two who needs some fun and laughter!