

**Sermon Series: The Grace Favored Life
(Book of Ephesians)
Today's Sermon**

**“Grace Brings Peace”
Ephesians 2:11 - 22**

1. Peace is a _____ God gives to those who believe Jesus.
(Ephesians 2:13, Romans 5:1)
2. Peace with _____.
(Ephesians 2:15-16, John 14:27)
3. Peace with _____.
(Ephesians 2:14, Hebrews 12:4)

Kids Worship Begins @ 10:45 AM

Kid's Church (1st - 6th Grade)
Kid's Church Jr. (3 Years - Kindergarten)
Two Year Olds
Babies - 23 Months

First Steps

Membership is open to anyone who has 1) placed their faith in Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and 2) has been baptized by immersion by a body of believers of like faith and practice. We will be happy to assist you with these spiritual decisions. Text FIRST to (409) 215-0332 to be contacted or meet one of our Ministers near the platform after the service to discuss your spiritual decision.



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Christ FIRST
in Life, Love and
Actions**

February 17, 2019



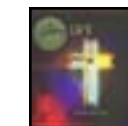
Song: All the Earth Will Sing Your Praises
Artist: Paul Baloche



Song: Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King
Artist: Gateway Worship



Song: It Is Well With My Soul
Artist: Various Artists



Song: Cornerstone
Artist: Hillsong Live



Song: Who You Say I Am
Artist: Hillsong Worship

Message

Dr. Robert Miller

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Deacon of the Week

James Barger

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This Week @ FBCTC

February 17 - 23

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Band/Tech Rehearsal
- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study
- 10:45 a.m. Worship Service
- 3:30 p.m. Deacons Meeting
- 4:00 p.m. Prayer School

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

- 5:00 p.m. Burgers, Etc. Bunch - Whataburger
- 5:15 p.m. Transitions - Joy in Christ Ladies Classroom
- 5:30 p.m. Finance Committee Mtg. - Encouragers Room
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise
- 6:30 p.m. **JAM** - Youth
- 6:30 p.m. **AWANA** - Children
- 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

- 10:00 a.m. Elmcroft Senior Living Service

Friday

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday

Ministry Staff

Dr. Robert R. Miller, Pastor
 John Talley, Associate Pastor, Worship & Administration
 Dennis Johns, Associate Pastor, Families
 Meschel Hara, Children's Minister



Worship services are streamed live on the internet each week from our website. Recent services are also available short term. Click on the livestream.

A Message from Robert Miller

MAKING ADJUSTMENTS

I watched the Super Bowl between the New England Patriots and the Los Angeles Rams. It was a surprising game in this era of NFL football when the rules have been made to favor the offenses and to have high scoring games. However, the defenses were ruling the day at this Super Bowl. Both defenses were so well prepared that they recognized every play and were shutting down each other's offense. The game was tied 3 to 3 in the fourth quarter, and neither offense had been able to move the ball. But in the 4th quarter, the offensive coordinator for the Patriots drew up a play that his team had never run before. It caught the Rams off guard. They ran that same play three consecutive times and scored a touchdown. It was the difference in the game. The Patriots adjusted while the Rams did not.

I was thinking about that when it comes to life. I have always been a planner and believed in long-range planning for my life as well as for the churches I have served. I plan out on paper how it ought to go. Problem is life happens, and I have to make adjustments to my plans. I believe in being prepared, and planning, but the ability to adjust is just as important if not more so than making plans. We don't plan for sickness, death, unexpected expenses, etc. Our church has undoubtedly had to adjust in the past few years in our move to the mall. The Southern Baptist Convention in light of the Houston Chronicles comprehensive report on how poorly our Convention and churches have handled sexual abuse of minors in our churches need to make some radical adjustments.

It is significant for us to make adjustments. However, our adjustments need to be made after much prayer, listening to the wisdom of the Scriptures, and learning from those who are experienced in handling those areas. In 1985, a staff member of a church I was serving at the time was accused of inappropriately touching a couple of our youth at camp. I did what I thought was best at the time. I called the kid's parents, brought the staff member before the deacons, and requested that he resign. Afterward, I didn't feel good about how it was handled. I sought out counsel from a policeman, an assistant district attorney, and a counselor who specialized in sex offenders. After that experience, I made sure extensive background checks were done on any future staff members I was in charge of hiring. Also, I determined that if it ever happened again, my first call would be to the police. Thank God, I have never had an accusation of sexual abuse of a minor made in any of the churches I have served since that time.

Plan, prepare and work your plan, but be willing to make adjustments. God will give you the wisdom, strength, and flexibility if you stay close to Him.

Attendance for February 10, 2019

Sunday School	184
Legacy Ministry Visits	23
Worship	409

Financial gifts for February 10, 2019

	Week	To Date
Financial Plan	21,021.78	967,001.90
Financial Receipt	16,967.81	926,173.50
World Missions	145.00	8,210.00
Glass Memorial Baptistry	5,005.00	72,672.17



A Challenge to Take the NEXT STEP in Your Relationship with Christ TODAY.



PRAYER SCHOOL

February 17

4:00 PM

Sign Up Today!

SMALL GROUP STUDY BOOK

Available in the main hall.

Cost - \$5

Contact Anne Miller, annemiller@comcast.net, if you are interested in joining or starting a small group.



FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Nine Week Study beginning March 17 @ 5:00pm

Led by Tom & Sarah Link

Cost \$109 per individual or couple

(Scholarships Available)

Childcare available

Sign up with this link or contact a minister concerning a scholarship

<https://www.fpu.com/1086393>



JOIN THE CHOIR

Wednesday Rehearsals

7:30 PM - Corner Classroom



YEAR-END GIVING STATEMENTS

You can print your end-of-year giving statements by logging into your Simple Church account. Click on giving, statement, last calendar year, download. Contact the Church Office if you need assistance. We can print them out for you and send by mail or e-mail.



10-DAY HOLY LAND TOUR

JUNE 11-20

Register by 2/24

Final payment due 3/13

Forms available in the main hall, church office or see the Pastor.