## Announcements

## • Church-wide Prayer Meeting | Aug. 27th @ 9AM

Our monthly prayer groups will meet on Aug. 27th via Zoom. Please plan to be with us. <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81253616688</u> Meeting ID: 812 5361 6688 Passcode: 85018

## • Church-Wide Business Meeting | Aug. 28th

Church-Wide Business Meeting on Aug. 28 at 10:40am between EC & CC services, in the sanctuary, so all can attend. We need your participation.

## • Deacons Meeting | Aug. 31st @ 6:30PM

### • Simple Lunch | Sept. 4th @ 12:30PM

The Food Service Committee will be providing a simple lunch (sandwiches, chips and water) for all on September 4, 2022 (Sunday) at around 12:30 pm at the FLC. Please come, bring friends, fellowship and celebrate our New Church Year.

## • Outreach TSMC Taiwanese Families @ FCBC | Sept. 17th

Partner with NWCBC in Badminton Outreach to TSMC Taiwanese Families @ FCBC | Sept. 17th: (3:00-7:00 in FLC)-Play sports and build relationships with new Phoenix residents from Taiwan.

## • Baptism | Sept. 18th @ 10:45AM

Dear FCBC, we give thanks to the Lord as there are three people planning to get baptized and join us as church members. The baptism will be on Sunday, September 18th, between our English and Chinese Services.

### • Quarterly Teacher's Meeting | Oct. 22nd



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## FIRST CHINESE BAPTIST CHURCH OF PHOENIX, AZ SUNDAY WORSHIP AUGUST 28TH, 2022

## Join us for worship services on campus or online

English at 9:30AM | Chinese at 11:00AM Livestream available: <u>fcbcphx.org/sermons</u>



# FCBC Order of Sunday Worship

Welcome & Prayer   Ashley Yap
Worship Music   Praise Team
Scripture Reading   Anna Yee
Sermon   Pastor Donald Gardner
Response Music   Praise Team
<b>Closing Prayer</b>   Pastor Donald Gardner

## **Upcoming Preaching Schedule:**

Aug 28th: Pastor Don Gardner – EN & CN Sept 4th : Pastor Don Gardner – EN & CN



## Sermon Title: "The Danger of Being a Leader, Prophet, or Pastor"

Scripture Reading: Micah 3: 1-12 Speaker: Pastor Don Gardner

### I. Confused and Corrupt Politicians (Micah 3 1-3)

II. Safe Messages of the Preachers/Prophets (Micah 3: 4-8)

III. Passive Faith of the People (Micah 4: 10-12)

**Conclusion:** Romans 12:2 "Be not conformed to this world: but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is good, acceptable, and perfect in the will of God."

### Pastor's Word: "Youth and Young Adults in FCBC "

The Baptist Campus Ministry across Arizona is called "Christian Challenge." While attending a Virtual Prayer Meeting of Baptist laymen and pastors recently on Zoom, I heard a Christian Challenge leader pray for our university freshmen across the state with a burden that "they don't get lost between their high school and adulthood days." Her concern was that the distractions of life in a new university living environment could guide these transitional young adults away from their faith. In essence, there are many attractions that will come their way at that stage. As I listened, I had to wonder how well our churches have done in preparing these students to understand that they have the potential of being the future of their church as they walk with Christ through all the temptations of life? The departure of any church's high schoolers leaves a vacuum that is very hard to fill. Have the Sunday School teachers, pastors, deacons, youth workers, and other church leadership of our day challenged the youth to remain involved in church, not as a by-stander but as a contributor? These young adults are valuable to God's Kingdom and the local church when still around! A true Christian is one who follows Christ even into posts of responsibility and we need to transfer responsibilities to these as early as is suitable.

It is my hope that we at FCBC can constantly be appreciating our church membership, regardless of their ages, for their service to God's Kingdom and not just the attendance they provide. Allowing young adults to depart our circle in search of "greener pastures in other churches" or seeing them simply abandon their "faith walk" for activity that satisfies their interests is not something we should treat lightly. If we love and care for the eternal lives of these individuals and can value their potential for being used of the Lord, let us unite within our church toward our youth and love them enough to aid them to know their importance to the Savior. They are an asset beyond description.

Pastor Don