



Sunday, May 5, 2024

Dr. Greg Ammons, Senior Pastor

Mark Hill, Associate Pastor,
Minister of Music and Worship



Orders of Worship

8:45 a.m. TRADITIONAL

PRELUDE - "Softly and Tenderly" Joyful Sound Handbells
Jennifer Resendez, Director

BAPTISM

WELCOME AND PRAYER Dr. Greg Ammons, Senior Pastor

"Revive Us Again"

"Send the Light"

"O God Beyond All Praising"Sanctuary Choir

"The Solid Rock"

PRAYER Mauro and Gigi Formaggini

"Promised Land Calypso" Joyful Sound Handbells

MESSAGE Pastor

Accompanists..... Richard Ponder, Organ; Marcia Grounds, Piano

11:15 a.m. CONTEMPORARY BLEND

WELCOME AND PRAYER Pastor

"Great Things"

"Yes I Will"

"Same God"

PRAYER Rumus Botam

"Church (Take Me Back)"

MESSAGE Pastor

Register Now for VBS

For Children Entering Kindergarten–Grade 5 (Completed)

Date: June 3–6

Time: 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Details: Registration is now open for VBS! Don't forget to invite your friends and neighbors. For more info or to order your T-shirt, visit fbcgarland.org/vbs. If you are a church member, there is still time to sign up to serve during VBS.

Contact: Amy Owens, 972-276-7194, x235,
or amy@fbcgarland.org



Welcome, Guests! We'd Like To Hear From You.

Please stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a gift from FBCG. Let us know about your visit by scanning the QR code at right or texting "[connect2us](https://connect2us.com)" to 77411.



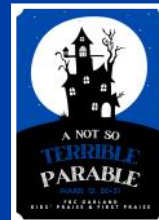
Financial Giving Since New Fiscal Year
Through Week 31

Budget Required..... \$3,875,000
Budget Received..... \$4,114,080

"A Not So Terrible Parable"

Presented by Preschool & Children's Choirs

Date: Sunday, May 5
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Worship Center
Contact: Tamara Palmer, 972-276-7194, x241,
tamarap@fbcgarland.org



VBS Student Volunteer Training

Date: Sunday, May 5
Time: 12:30 p.m.–1:00 p.m.
Location: Room 206
Details: Join us as we get ready for VBS together. This training is specifically for our student volunteers serving at VBS.
Contact: Amy Owens, 972-279-7194, x235, or amyo@fbcgarland.org



Jordan Mission Trip Interest Meeting

Date: Sunday, May 5 (Tentative Trip Date: October 5–12)
Time: 12:30 p.m.
Location: Room 153/155
Details: This trip will have a glasses ministry focus among Iraqi and Syrian refugees.
Contact: Missions Office, 972-276-7194, x233, (Jim Witt, jimw@fbcgarland.org) or x288 (Teresa Brown, teresab@fbcgarland.org)

Youth Camp (Theme: Perfect Peace)

For Students in Grades 6–12 (Completed)

Date: June 24–June 28
Location: Camp Chaparral in Iowa Park, TX
Cost: Early-bird \$205 (**\$235 after May 5**)
Register: To register/pay visit fbcgarland.org/students There are two forms to fill out. Submit forms to the Student Ministry Office no later than Sunday, June 2. You may also place forms in the lock box by the elevator on the third floor.
Contact: Alyson Davidson, 972-276-5273, x284, or alysond@fbcgarland.org



Friendship House Food Needs

Friendship House needs the following pantry items listed below. Donations are accepted at Friendship House on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays from 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m., or can be put in the drop boxes anytime. Visit fbcgarland.org/friendship-house for more information.

Canned/Jar Items: Green Beans, Corn, Soup, Mixed Vegetables, Tomato Sauce, Fruit, Meat, & Peanut Butter

Dry/Boxed Items: Mac & Cheese, Spaghetti, Jiffy Muffin Mix, Ramen Noodles, Flour (2 lb. bag), Sugar (2 lb. bag), Pinto Beans (1 lb. bag), Instant Oatmeal, & Rice (1 lb. bag)

Singles Game Night

Date: Friday, May 17
Time: 6:30 p.m.–9:00 p.m.
Location: MAC Room 283
Details: Come enjoy an evening of fun. Food will be provided and there is no cost to attend. Bring a friend! Scan the QR code to register.
Contact: Amber Bryant, 972-276-7194, x282, or amberb@fbcgarland.org, or Dane Hernandez, 972-276-7194, x248, or daneh@fbcgarland.org

GAME
NIGHT



Men's Ministry Breakfast & Workday

Date: Saturday, May 18
Time: 8:00 a.m.
Location: Red Parking Lot by Friendship House
Details: We will pray and eat breakfast then go out on City of Garland Code Cares projects. Visit fbcgarland.org/mens-ministry to register.
Contact: Cathy Gharis, 972-276-7194, x236, or cathyg@fbcgarland.org

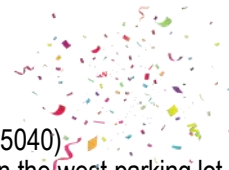
Rooted Young Adults Escape Room

Date: Saturday, May 18
Time: 2:45 p.m.
Location: Breakout Games: 2301 Central Expressway # 285, Plano, 75075
Details: Come for Escape Room fun with dinner afterwards at Whataburger. For more details and to register, visit fbcgarland.org/young-adults
Contact: Dane Hernandez, 972-276-7194, x248, or daneh@fbcgarland.org



Graduate Recognition Parade

Date: Sunday, May 19
Time: 6:30 p.m.–7:45 p.m.
Location: Williams Stadium (510 Stadium Dr., Garland, 75040)
Details: FBCG graduates and their families will gather in the west parking lot of Williams Stadium. You will have the opportunity to drive slowly by each graduate and offer congratulations. Please gather in your vehicles just before 6:30 p.m. on the east side of Williams Stadium and the parade of FBCG vehicles will drive around to the west parking lot.
Contact: Alyson Davidson 972-276-7194, x284, or alysond@fbcgarland.org



Adult Volleyball League Interest

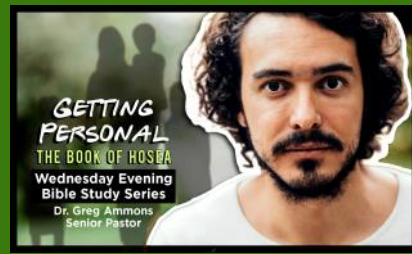
Date: Monday, May 20
Time: 6:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m.
Location: MAC Gym
Details: Open play volleyball for all those who are interested in participating in an Adult Volleyball League.
Contact: Amber Bryant, 972-276-7194, x282, or amberb@fbcgarland.org



Upcoming Events: fbcgarland.org/events

Wednesday Bible Study

“Getting Personal” Series Continues
Join us in the Worship Center at 6:15 p.m. this week as Senior Pastor Dr. Greg Ammons continues his new Bible Study series from the book of Hosea. You may also watch online at fbcgarland.org/watch.



Wednesday Evening Fellowship Supper

Order/pay online between Thursday morning and the following Wednesday at noon. Dine in or carry out at the McDonald Activity Center, 5:00 p.m.–5:45 p.m.
fbcgarland.org/fellowship-supper



What kind of
SOIL
are you?

Mark 4:1-20

Register for Children’s Camp

For Grades 3–5 (Completed)

Riverbend Retreat Center, Glen Rose, Texas

Date: July 12–16

Details: Early-bird price by June 12: \$280
After June 12, price: \$300 Final Deadline: July 1

We are so excited to be heading back to camp this year for an amazing time filled with fun and meaningful worship. Join us as we grow in Christ together.

For more details or to register, please go to fbcgarland.org/summer

Contact: Amy Owens, 972-276-7194, x235, or amy@fbcgarland.org



5 EASY WAYS TO GIVE

OFFERING PLATE	Offering plates available with our ushers at exits each Sunday
WEBSITE	fbcgarland.org/giving
CHURCH APP	Search for “fbc garland” in the Apple Store/Google Play
TEXT	fbcgarland to 833-360-7243
MAIL	Attn: Business Office 801 W Ave D, Garland, TX 75040

**PRAYER
REQUESTS**

For membership or spiritual decisions, please text “decision” to 77411 or “pray4me” for prayer.

Sermon Notes

Dr. Greg Ammons, Senior Pastor

Please silence electronic devices.

The Parables of Jesus

The Sower

Mark 4:1–20 (ESV)

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Mark 4:1–20 (ESV)

Again he began to teach beside the sea. And a very large crowd gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat in it on the sea, and the whole crowd was beside the sea on the land. ²And he was teaching them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: ³“Listen! Behold, a sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured it. ⁵Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and immediately it sprang up, since it had no depth of soil. ⁶And when the sun rose, it was scorched, and since it had no root, it withered away. ⁷Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. ⁸And other seeds fell into good soil and produced grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold.” ⁹And he said, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.” ¹⁰And when he was alone, those around him with the twelve asked him about the parables. ¹¹And he said to them, “To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside everything is in parables, ¹²so that “they may indeed see but not perceive, and may indeed hear but not understand, lest they should turn and be forgiven.” ¹³And he said to them, “Do you not understand this parable? How then will you understand all the parables? ¹⁴The sower sows the word. ¹⁵And these are the ones along the path, where the word is sown: when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word that is sown in them. ¹⁶And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: the ones who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with joy. ¹⁷And they have no root in themselves, but endure for a while; then, when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away. ¹⁸And others are the ones sown among thorns. They are those who hear the word, ¹⁹but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches and the desires for other things enter in and choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. ²⁰But those that were sown on the good soil are the ones who hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold.”