

# TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

PASTOR MICHAEL A. REID, SR.

AUGUST 21, 2022

HYMN 291	“Guide Me, O, Thou Great Jehovah”
WELCOME	
SONG	“Lead Me, Lord”
PRAYER	
HYMN 294	“Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us”
HYMN 295	“He Leadeth Me”
HYMN 296	“All the Way My Savior Leads Me”
OFFERING	
GIDEON TESTIMONY	
SCRIPTURE READING	II Peter 3:4, 8-12; I Corinthians 1:4-8; Titus 2:11-13
HYMN 334	“Be Thou My Vision”
MESSAGE	“Staying Sharp”



We look forward to hearing a report from Terry Cole this morning on the outreach ministry of the Gideons International. This wonderful evangelistic ministry aims to make God’s Word available to everyone! We will be collecting a special offering for the Gideons. Please write “Gideons” on your offering envelope or on the memo line of your check to designate your offering.

## YOUTH ALIVE & KIDS 4 TRUTH KICKOFF

Our Wednesday evening teen and children’s ministries resume for this school year a week from this Wednesday, August 31. We’re so excited to see what God will do in the lives of our young people this year! We hope your kids and their friends will join us for a fun-filled kickoff night and keep coming all school year long!

**KIDS 4 TRUTH – CHECK-IN @ 6:45pm**  
**YOUTH ALIVE @ 7pm**

## UPDATES & EVENTS

**EVENING SERVICE – TODAY @ 6pm – Hebrews 9:14 “Serving the Living God!”**

**“SUNDAY SUNDAES” – TONIGHT**

Ice cream will be served after church in the old gym! Bring your favorite topping(s)!

**OPEN GYM SOCCER – TONIGHT**

Adults & teens 9<sup>th</sup> grade and up are welcome to join us in the gym after the evening service. Must attend evening service to participate.

**MIDWEEK SERVICE – WEDNESDAY, AUG 24 – “The Word of God Is...”**

**KIDS 4 TRUTH TRAINING SESSION #2 – WEDNESDAY, AUG 24**

All Kids 4 Truth workers should attend this worker meeting in the Rally Room following the song service in the auditorium.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MEETING – SUN, AUG 28**

All Sunday School teachers should plan to attend this meeting following the evening service. Dinner will be provided. Spouses are welcome to attend!

**YOUTH ALIVE, KIDS 4 TRUTH, SONSHINE KIDS KICKOFF! – WED, AUG 31**

**LABOR DAY PICNIC & GUEST MUSICIANS, THE ROCHESTER FAMILY – SUN, SEPT 4**

We are excited about the upcoming Labor Day Picnic and special music! Please sign up to bring sides/desserts in the church lobby or in your Sunday School class!

**TEEN NIGHT OF RECORDS – FRI, SEPT 9 – 6:30-9:30pm**

All 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade teens are invited to the 27<sup>th</sup> annual Night of Records! Teens can try to set or break a record in one of over 30 crazy events! Dinner is provided. Pastor Erik Wood will share an important message from God’s Word. Adults—if able, please sign up to help in the lobby!

## WELCOME, GUESTS & FRIENDS!

We are so pleased that you decided to join us this morning! We hope you will be blessed by the service and the fellowship, and that if possible you will come back soon! Would you fill out the welcome card in this bulletin and give it to an usher or drop it in the offering plate? We would love to be able to connect with you! Also, we hope you will stop by the welcome table in the lobby and meet our host & hostess—they have some special treats just for you!

## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Akin & Snowy

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

21	Sandy Marcia
22	Vicki Chris & Jeanie
23	Tommy & Iona
25	Gerry & Ruthie Steve
26	Omar Kelly
27	Laura Violet

## “WHAT is TRUTH?”

That’s a good question, and one that people have been asking for a long time! In fact, it’s the exact question that Pilate asked Jesus just before he sent Him to be crucified. Jesus had just finished telling Pilate plainly, “Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.” Pilate responded, “What is truth?” (John 18:36-37)

Just a few chapters earlier Jesus had spoken to the Pharisees, a group of Jewish religious leaders, who told Jesus their opinion of Him quite candidly: “Thou bearest record of thyself; thy record is not true.” But Jesus answered them, “Though I bear record of myself, yet my record is true... if I judge, my judgment is true: for I am not alone, but I and the Father that sent me.” (John 8:13, 16) These men had already seen Jesus’ power and His love. The truth was plain—that only *God Himself* could do these miracles. *Jesus must be God* (John 1:1, 18).

In chapter 14 of John, Jesus was talking to His disciples before He would go on trial. Here He gave the simple answer to that question that puzzles so many people, even today—the same question that Pilate would ask. Jesus said, “I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.” Jesus had already told His followers that *the truth* is a very good thing, not a thing to be avoided: “Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” (John 8:31-32) Beyond telling His followers that *He* is the truth, Jesus affirmed that the Scripture is fully true (Luke 16:31, 24:44, John 10:35, Matthew 5:17).

God has revealed the truth and proclaimed that we need only *believe* in what He has said and the One that He sent, by faith. Romans 1:18 says that people, in fact, already “hold the truth in unrighteousness.” The trouble is less *not knowing* the truth and more *not liking* the truth, and thus deciding not to believe it. Rather than searching vainly for our favorite version of so-called “truth” among the many philosophies of people, we need to simply to place our faith in God’s Son, His Word (John 1:1), the eternal and unchanging Truth.

# WELCOME CARD

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAMES(S): \_\_\_\_\_  
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ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

STATUS:     Single     Married

AGE GROUP:    13-19     20-29     30-39

40-49     50-59     60+

### CHILDREN:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE/GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE/GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE/GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE/GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Please check all that apply to you:

- First-time visitor     Returning visitor  
 New to the area     Would like a visit  
 Would like to know more about this church  
 Would like to know more about being a Christian  
 Guest of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Pastor, would you pray for this need? \_\_\_\_\_  
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# SERMON NOTES

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## LEAD ME, LORD

Lead me, Lord, I will follow; Lead me, Lord, I will go.  
You have called me—I will answer; Lead me, Lord, I will go.

## WEEKLY EVENTS

### SUNDAY

Sunday School, 9am  
Morning Worship, 10:15am  
Evening Worship, 6pm

*Nursery is available for all weekly services*

### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study, 7pm

### WEDNESDAY SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAMS

Youth Alive (Teens 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade), 7pm  
Kids 4 Truth (K4-6<sup>th</sup> Grade), 6:45pm  
Sonshine Kids (2-3yr), 7pm

### FRIDAY

RU Recovery Program, 7pm

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THY WORD IS A LAMP UNTO MY FEET AND A

*Light unto my path*

PSALM 119:105



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