



SCOTSDALE
BAPTIST CHURCH

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**“Giving Thanks
Through the Storms”
Acts 27:33-36**

From the Pastor

Our country’s National Anthem is also known as **“The Star Spangled Banner.”** Most Americans would easily recognize the tune. If they were given the first line they would more than likely be able to quote the rest of the first verse. What most people probably don’t know is that there are four verses! Each verse concludes with this line – *“O’er the land of the free and the home of the brave!”*

These verses recall the battles and the warriors who have fought to earn us this land, those who have fought to keep us in this land, and those who fight to keep foreign invaders out of this land. To them we owe much gratitude! Last Wednesday (November 11) was the official **Veteran’s Day**. So please allow me to say, as a representative of Scotsdale Baptist Church, Thank You Veterans. We are so grateful for your service. And thank you veteran families. Our soldiers have served by protecting, and you served in letting them go even as you prayed fervently that God would bring them home.

The last verse in our National Anthem contains this statement – *“Blest with victory and peace, may the heaven rescued land praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation. Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just, and this be our motto: ‘In God is our trust.’”*


Like many a flag that has flown on our poles through the years, the elements of pestilence, political polarization, a breakdown in true Christianity, and an increase in gross immorality has left this nation tattered and torn. Flags can be replaced—our republic can’t! We are down, but we are not out. We must return to the Lord, lest our soldier’s valiant efforts have been in vain. I am indeed thankful for this nation, but I am saddened by the downward spiral we have taken.

At the conclusion of many patriotic speeches you will hear the speaker say, “God bless America.” Right now I am more inclined to humbly pray, “God HELP America.”


Pastor P6

DUE TO THE RISE IN COVID-19 NUMBERS, THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TO VISITORS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. THE STAFF WILL CONTINUE TO WORK FROM THE OFFICE TO MINISTER AND SERVE YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AT THIS TIME.


Join us in person Sunday mornings in the Worship Center for service at 9:30am. Families are welcome. We are not able to provide any childcare at this time. **Remember to bring your mask and use the hand sanitizer at the Welcome Center before entering the Worship Center. Your temperature will be taken prior to entering the building.** Sermon notes for this week’s service is available on the church’s website: www.sbcep.org/category/sermon-resources Service will begin live on FB and YouTube at 9:30 am Sunday morning. YouTube: <https://bit.ly/sbcytss> FB: www.FB.com/ScotsdaleBaptist See you there!! Let us know you joined today by filling out the attendance form: <https://bit.ly/sbcep-attend> Need to send your tithe or offering? You can do that here: <http://bit.ly/ScotsdaleGive> **Is Jesus Christ your Lord and Savior?** If you’re not sure, please check this out: <http://sbcep.org/about-us/will-you-go-to-heaven/> We highly recommend that you visit the above links before Sunday morning so you can be familiar with how it all works. If you have any technological issues or difficulties please send us an email at scotsdalebaptist-church@gmail.com For Sunday school classes, several teachers are finding ways to meet online. Please contact your teacher if you haven’t heard any plans for Sunday school classes yet.



PROPOSED BUDGET
Copies of the 2021 Proposed budget will be available, **Sunday, November 8th & 15th.** They will be distributed on Sunday after the Worship Service or call the office to be emailed a copy.



2021 PROPOSED BUDGET DISCUSSION
A church meeting to discuss the 2021 Proposed Budget is scheduled for **Sunday, December 6th, immediately following Worship Service.** All church members are invited and encouraged to attend.



CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS
Can you believe that Christmas is almost here? It is time to bless some of our kids from our Servant Senders ministry just across our border in Juarez. We have 20 Christmas stockings to fill. **Please call Clara Vasquez @ 915-588-2246 to reserve your stocking(s).** Stockings need to be returned to church no later than Sunday, December 6th. Thanks in advance for blessing these children during this wonderful Christmas season!

