## Answering the Confusion: (What about those who have died?)

Notice the wording...

Vs.14 (dead) "God will bring with Jesus..."

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Vs.16 "The dead in Christ will rise first."

 2 Cor. 5:8 "to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord."

# II. Hold onto this Hope:

In your present circumstances— how does the HOPE of Jesus coming keep you stable in the storm?

Three Scriptures to apply....

1 Th 5:11 "Therefore, encourage one another and <u>build each other up</u>, just as in fact you are doing."

Heb 10:25 "Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another — and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

Heb 3:13-14 "But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. We have come to share in Christ if we hold firmly till the end..."





# Welcome to First Baptist Church Ponoka!





October 24, 2021

# THIS WEEK

Monday	3:30pm	Children's Music Class
	7:00pm	Christmas Choir Practice
Tuesday	10:00am	Women of Faith
	1:30 pm	Prayer
	5:30pm	Life 360
Wednesday	3:30pm	Children's Music Class
	6:15 pm	The Hub Supper Together
	\$	Starting at 7:00pm
	*	Divorce Care
	*	Bible Study—Led by Pastor Paul
	*	Worship Break Down
Thursday	9:30am	Stepping Stones
	7:00 pm	Worship Practice
Friday	7:00 pm	Youth Group
Sunday	9:30am	Bible Discovery Hour (Adult &Youth)
	10:30 am	Worship Service

#### **Parents Please Note:**

Activity boxes are available for older children to use during the service.

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Once again it is time to start filling a shoe box for a child that has never received a Christmas gift. Shoe boxes and pamphlets are available in the foyer. Let's bring smiles to lots of children!

Boxes are due back not later than November 18<sup>th</sup>. Please speak to Lea Rausch if you have any questions.

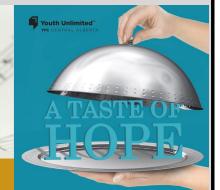
#### Ponoka Christian School Fall Drive/Thanksgiving Fundraiser:

Oct18<sup>th</sup> – Nov 19<sup>th</sup>.You can leave your donation in Stefanie Janssen's mailbox, drop it off, or mail it directly to the school: Ponoka Christian School 6300-50<sup>th</sup> Street Ponoka, AB T4J 1V3.

Thank you for your continued support!

Church Choir
7:00pm-9:00pm

Monday nights in the new sanctuary



# Thanksgiving Offering till the end of the Month

Please indicate on your envelope in the 'other' box, where you would like your Thanksgiving offering to go.

An interactive fun and food event in support of Youth & Young Family Programs in Central Alberta

November 5, 2021 Time slots from 11:00am-10:00pm Lacombe Memorial Centre Enjoy in a group of 10-15 people Purchase Tickets & Book your Time @ www.cayu.ca

Paul Spate - Lead Pastor spatep@gmail.com Carly Krijger - Office Assistant

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Save The Date:
November 21st, 2021
General Meeting

Don't forget what's happening in Church!

Hub, Divorce Care, Worship Break Down, Stepping Stones, Life 360, Youth Group and Prayer Times. Ask the office for more details.



**Finding HOPE...**in dark and stormy days.

### The Confusion in Thessalonica

- The Promise: John 14: 1-3
  - Going to prepare a home
  - Will come back and take you to be with me...
- The Example: Acts 1:9-11
- The Anticipation

# I. A Biblical Event

- Being Caught Up— "Rapture"
  - Who will be taken up? All believers (living and dead)
  - This event is distinct from the 2nd Coming—Rev.19
  - When is the question? (timing)

## • The Rapture of the Church:

- a) Lord himself- will come
  - Down from Heaven
  - With a loud command
- b) Voice of the Archangel
  - With the trumpet call of God
- c) The Dead in Christ will risefirst action (2 Cor.5:6,8)
- d) Alive- Caught up; to meet Jesus in the air
- e) Be with the Lord forever for Eternity

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