

The Saltshaker



A View from the Pew— Scott Fritzsche October 2026

Two men are standing on a bridge, one is about to jump off and the other is trying to talk him out of it. The man asks the jumper, "So are you a Christian or a Hindu or a Jew or what?" The jumper replies, "A Christian." The man says, "Small world, me too! Protestant, or Catholic, or Orthodox?" The jumper answers, "Protestant." The man replies, "Me too! What denomination?" The jumper says, "Baptist" The man replies, "Me too! Southern Baptist or Northern Baptist?" The jumper answers, "Northern Baptist." The man replies, "Me too! Northern Conservative Baptist or Northern Liberal Baptist?" The jumper answers, "Northern Conservative Baptist." The man replies, "Me too! Northern Conservative Baptist Great Lakes Region, or Northern Conservative Baptist Eastern region?" The jumper answers, "Northern Conservative Baptist Great Lakes Region." The man replies, "Me too! Northern Conservative Baptist Great Lakes Region council of 1879, or Northern Conservative Baptist Great Lakes Region council of 1912?" The jumper answers, "Northern Conservative Baptist Great Lakes Region council of 1912." The man then pushes the jumper off the bridge and screams, "Die Heretic!" The world we live in today seems to be more polarized than it has been in the past. Common civility and social graces have become a thing of the past. Most neighbors no longer know each other, unless there is a complaint of course. Churches are not a whole lot better a lot of the time. From churches that are so large, everyone is functionally anonymous, to insulated churches who never speak to the new people, to small family churches who are just fine as they are and don't have desires to grow. When you add the over 70,000 different denominations, and their arguments and quibbles, it is a wonder that Christians talk to each other at all. In John chapter 17 Jesus prays for all believers, including the future believers, that they would all be united in Him as He was in union with the Father. It seems to me that in such a polarized world, the church needs to live into that prayer more than ever. We have to show that unity does not have to mean uniformity. We have to unite under the idea that something bigger than us is also bigger than our differences of opinion. If we are truly united around Jesus, then Paul and Barnabus can both preach the gospel, even though they are separated. The Catholics are not so bad. Neither are the Lutherans. Even the Baptists are ok. That only happens if we start setting ourselves aside and start putting Jesus as the only person that could possibly unite us all. In a world that screams loudly that if we disagree with someone they are the enemy, we as Christians individually, and as a church corporately, need to be the model of unity under the banner of something bigger than yourself. Jesus' prayer for us to be unified in Him is more potent now than ever before because everything in the world seems to divide and isolate us. We need to be operating with the understanding that so long as we are getting Jesus right, there can be the unity that He prayed for us. The world needs to see that, and we, as Christians, and as the church that Christ is the head of, are the only ones that can show them.



**Karen Youth
CONCERT
Fundraiser**

Dinner, Worship & Concert
\$15 per person
(Pay at the door.)

**Oct.
3
6PM-8PM**



(NOT ALL
YOUTH
ARE
PICTURED)

First Baptist Church Gym
1250 Pioneer Rd, Delta
970-874-3847



SENIOR ADULTS MINISTRY
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3RD
12:00PM
POTLUCK & FUN

Best costume (not mandatory) wins a prize!

**A NOT-SO-SPOOKY
Halloween Party**



AWANA KIDS

7th Crazy Hair Night
14th No AWANA
21st Pumpkin Night
28th Costume Night
(Nothing Scary)

OCTOBER EVENTS



GAL PALS (ALL LADIES)
**HAPPY HARVEST
OUTING**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10TH



Bring a sack lunch, jacket, wear comfortable shoes and let's have some fun.
Meet at the church at 10:30AM.
We will be gone 3-5 hours.
LET'S FILL THE VAN!



Fall
HARVEST FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Join the fun with
 "Minute-to-Win-It" games for
 kids and adults;
 a Chili Cook-Off with prizes;
 and the favorite oldie, "The Cake Walk".

There will be free food which includes
 hotdogs & chili, etc.
 However, donations are always
 appreciated too.

Bring your family
 & friends!

COME!



LET'S GET TOGETHER

**YOUNG SINGLES &
 YOUNG MARRIEDS**
 (18-49)

Sunday, October 18th
 5:30 PM

We are going to have a
 fun night of food &
 fellowship.
 Save the date and watch
 for more details.



**Finance Committee
 Meeting**

Tuesday, Oct. 6th
 1:30PM

Board Meetings

Sat. Oct. 10th

Trustee's 9:00AM

Wed., Oct. 14th

Christian Ed 4:30PM

Diaconate 6:00PM

**Quarterly Business
 Meeting**

Wednesday
Oct. 14th, 7:00PM

Mission Spotlight for October



world
mission
offering

They will rebuild the
 ancient ruins and
 restore the places long
 devastated. They will
 renew the ruined cities
 that have been
 devastated for
 generations.
 Isaiah 61:4

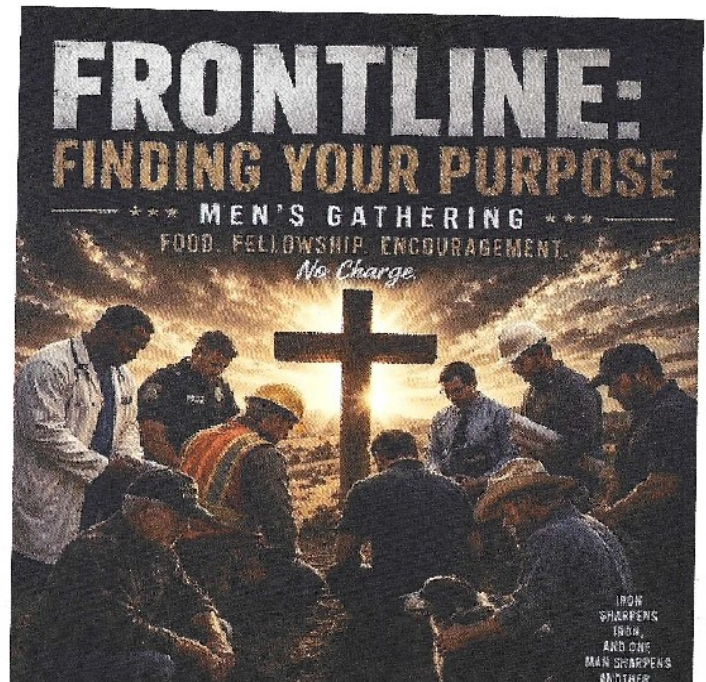
**Best Wishes to all
of you for a
beautiful October
day! May God
Bless You All!**

Birthdays

Paw Eh	1
Bill Miller	2
Angela Stafford`	4
Cruz Rodriguez	5
Paw Gay Say	5
Albert Duran	12
Eh Plo Soe	13
Candle Moo Wright	13
Bonnie Graham	14
Kay Morefield	17
Mitch Hurley	19
Evelyn Ocean Kaw	20
Abigail Conley	22
Hsa U Moo	22
Mike Abbott	23

Anniversaries

James & Adele Creasey	4
Cameron & Vikki Jo	20



**Saturday, October 3rd, at Delta
Refuge Church, 300 Stafford Ln
Free Gathering**

2026 FAMILY CAREGIVER SUMMIT

**October 16, 2026
1-4:30pm
Montrose Pavilion**



**It's for new and veteran caregivers
to share, learn, and enjoy each
other's company.**

**There will be breakouts with
experts to answer your questions.
Great exhibitors will give you real
world ways to reduce your burden.
Learn about support groups, home
care, care facilities, and hospice
professionals. All in one place!**

**Check-in begins at 12 noon.
It's free to all, so bring a friend or
relative. You will learn what lies
ahead and who can help.**

**Register at
Family-Caregiver.org**

Delta First
Baptist Church
1250 Pioneer Road
Delta, CO 81416



Address Service Requested

Children's Sunday School Classes and Adult Classes

Room 110, Leta Duran

Children (K-5th Grade)

Room 111, Mike & Sherry Burns

Adults & Middle/High School

Room 207 Cathie Tiffany/Ruth Grass

Discussion on Sermon

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