



# the *Interpreter*

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP OCTOBER 9, 2016

*Generous Giving:  
Loving, Serving, Sharing  
"A Serving Heart"*

1 Peter 4:7-11

8:30 AM - REACH  
Contemporary Worship

9:40-10:40 AM  
Bible Study All Ages

11 AM Traditional Worship

## WEDNESDAY DINNER 5 PM

Join us in the Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$7 for adults;  
\$3.50 for children 12 & under.  
Carry outs are \$7.50  
Call 733-2236 for reservations.

### October 12 MENU

Toasted Pecan Cole Slaw  
Cornbread  
Roasted Chicken & Dressing  
Fresh Collards  
Black Eyed Peas  
Black Cherry Cobbler  
Vanilla Ice Cream  
Children's Menu  
Chicken Tendrs  
PB & J Sandwiches  
Mac-n-Cheese

## First Thoughts

There is a very important Bible verse that has special meaning for my wife and me. In fact, we have it inscribed on the inside of our wedding rings. (But please don't ask to see it – I can't get my wedding ring off my finger anymore! Trust me, it is written there.) The verse is from 1 Corinthians 3:9. We have the King James Version inscribed which reads, "For we are labourers together with God." The full verse in a newer translation reads, "For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building." (NRSV) In the church we work together with each other – and we work together with God.

This verse was important to Jane and me. We married when we were both seminary students preparing for a life of ministry. From the very beginning we wanted our marriage to be a partnership in ministry. It has been that for 37 years now.

The last phrase of that verse in 1 Corinthians 3:9 is a helpful image. It reads, "you are God's field, God's building." Think of a field where plants of all kind are growing. Every plant has roots that sink into the field. Imagine a building that is built. Every building needs to be set on a firm foundation. Roots and foundations are not very visible, but they are essential.

Working together with each other and with God is not only a good way to have a marriage -- it is at the very foundation of a healthy and vital church. The love we have for God is lived out in our service to one another and to the church. Just like roots and foundations, often this service is hidden from most people. Some of the most powerful acts of service do not happen in the spotlight, but in the shadows. A church is filled with vital ministry if it is filled with servant Christians who do not care about being in the spotlight or who do not care about getting the credit. This hidden service takes the form of a private prayer that you pray but no one sees, food that is taken to a home without a large crowd there to cheer for you, or a hug that is given in the hallway of the church to offer encouragement even when no one is looking.

This Sunday we talk about how we can be "labourers together with God" as we develop serving hearts in our church. I look forward to exploring with you how we can give generously through our service to God.

David Hull



Generous Giving 2017

## Church Wide News & Opportunities

### FBC 200th Anniversary

This month marks only four months until FBC 200th Anniversary year! The Anniversary Committee has been hard at work making celebration plans. We need your help!

Thank you to each of you who filled out the forms documenting your family's history at our church. We had a wonderful response. The information is now compiled and we want to be sure it was done correctly. There will be a notebook of this information in the Welcome Center at the Reception Desk. Please look at the category that best describes your family and find your information. Please put a check by if it is done correctly, or correct it on the worksheet.

If you did not fill out a form, and your family fits into the categories below, please share your family history. We don't want to leave any family out. There will be forms and envelopes available for the completed forms. The categories are:

- I. Three Generations with child attending Sunday School (child is not old enough to be an actual member, but attends regularly and makes the third generation)
- II. Three and Four Generations (all are church members)
- III. Families with deceased members (making three, four, five or more generations)

Thank you for your help. In Christ, Janet Hudson



**Benevolence Food Drive Sunday, October 16!** Items needed this month are corn, dried beans or peas, rice, canned meaty pastas, and bar soap. Our local Food Bank has been closed for 3 weeks causing our pantry to run low on food items. Your donations will make a huge difference.

### SUNDAY LUNCH OCTOBER 16 in the FELLOWSHIP HALL

Lunch served at 11 & Noon. Reservations may be made by calling the Church Office @ 733-2236 or visiting our web site @ fbcaugusta.org. Cost: \$7 adults; \$3.50 children 12 & under. Carry outs \$7.50. **All first time visitors to our worship services are invited to join us for lunch as our guest.**

### Computers @ First

A community ministry of First Baptist Church of Augusta

**No cost!** Register with Tommy Payne @ 706-312-0909 or email tpayne@fbcaugusta.org. All classes held in Walton 101 C & D (Adult Computer Lab). OCTOBER classes are: **Facebook Basics**- Tuesday, October 11, 9:30-11:30 AM; **Working with Folders & Files**- October 5, 2-4 PM; **Manage Mobile Photos** - Tuesday, October 18, 9:30-11:30 AM; **iPhone Basics** - Tuesday, October 25, 9:30-11:30 AM; **Basic Word Processing** - Wednesday, October 26, 2-4 PM.

**Flu shots** will be given Wednesday, October 5 and October 12, 4-6 PM in the foyer of the Fellowship Hall. No cost for those over 65 covered by Medicare or a Medicare supplement plan. Those under 65 may have an insurance co-pay. For those with no insurance there will be a cost of \$24.95.



It seems we don't seriously understand Christian stewardship, which involves the totality of our lives with its gifts, talents, possessions, and potential. However, as a church family, we are presently in the area of ministry where we focus on the opportunity to give our financial support to enable us to carry out missions. Nothing so demonstrates the tangible change in our lives brought about by Christ as the willingness to give our money. If we could see our lives as salt, light, and a living temple as Christ presents us to demonstrate our faith, it would transform our concept of Christian giving. Our financial contributions to the cause of Christ is a very good gauge of our spiritual maturity. When one sixth of scripture has to deal with stewardship of things and one half of the parables of which Jesus told had to do with the stewardship of things, it reflects the importance of a right attitude toward possessions where we can easily become idolatrous. Our Stewardship Committee has issued the challenge to increase our giving one percent, which would enable us to meet present goals. Imagine how much greater our impact would be on missions and ministry as a church if we embraced God's direction to give according to His blessings. Alone we can do little, but together, under the leadership of God and His power, we can make a greater difference.

Ken Word



### Activities

**League Basketball Sign-up** begins in October. Contact George Berry for more information. gberry@fbcaugusta.org

### Women's Ministry

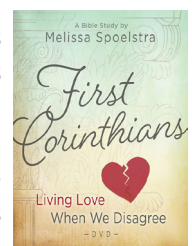
#### Women's Morning Bible Study!

*First Corinthians: Living Love When We Disagree*

Begins October 5 and goes for 6 sessions  
9:30-11:30 a.m. - Daniel Building, 2nd floor

Relationships are messy. In this study, we will explore Paul's first letter to the Corinthians to learn how we are to deal with differences and divisions, whether in the workplace, neighborhood, school, home, or church. We'll discover that the answer is living and sharing the radical love of Jesus, and we'll unpack what this means and how we can live it out day by day.

Contact Rebecca Elkin at rpelkin@knology.net or call 706-840-3541 to register. Childcare is free by emailing Patti Fowler at pfowler@fbcaugusta.org.



## Mission Opportunities

**Family Promise** is a program for families needing a place to live while working or going to school in order to eventually have their own place to live. While in this program, they move between churches participating in FP. FBC is part of this program and will be hosting 3 families October 9-16. We need volunteers for night hosting, meal hosting, and weekend hosting. Contact Pam Thomas (294-5040 after 7PM) or Anita Aguirre (399-0507)

**School Supplies!** The Benevolence Ministry is collecting school supplies. Donations can be dropped off in the Benevolence Office. Thank you!

## Prayer Ministry

**Did you know?** FBC offers several weekly opportunities to meet and pray, such as: **Men's Prayer Breakfast**, Wednesdays, 7-8 AM in the MAC Arts & Crafts Room, led by Cone Underwood. This group has a biblical devotion and time of prayer for our church and other needs. All men are welcome! Contact Cone Underwood for information. cone.underwood@yahoo.com

**The Sanctuary Prayer Room & MAC Prayer Room are both open for prayer!** If you are interested in committing to pray for our worship services each week, 15 minutes before, during the service, and 15 minutes after each service, contact Sherri Hollar at hs.hollar@hotmail.com.

**Prayer verse for the week** - *I call on you, my God, for You will answer me; turn your ear to me and hear my prayer.* Psalm 17:6

**Do you have a prayer request?** Submit your prayer request via the FBC website. On the drop down menu, click "serve" then "prayer". You can also call the Church Office.

## Senior Adult Ministry

### Senior Adult Lunch, October 11!

Join us at 11 AM in the Fellowship Hall for lunch! Cost is \$8. Music by First Family Singers. Call the Church Office (706-733-2236) by noon, Friday, October 7 to make your reservations.



**Chihuly in the Garden @ The Atlanta Botanical Gardens, Friday, October 21!** Internationally acclaimed artist, Dale Chihuly, returns to the Garden for an encore exhibition of his spectacular works of art. Cost is \$100 and includes tickets to the Botanical Gardens, charter bus transportation, and the Friday Seafood Buffet at the Blue Willow Inn.

**Christmas in Nashville!** December 13-16 - Package includes 3-night stay at Gaylord Opryland Hotel, tickets to a live Holiday production of the Grand Ole' Opry, tickets to ICE!, Christmas Holiday Cruise with lunch on the General Jackson Showboat, Larry Gatlin & the Gatlin Brothers dinner show, tour of the Parthenon, and transportation. \$100 deposit due with reservation. Call the Senior Adult Ministry Office (731-5355) for pricing.

## Preschool/Children Ministries



### Wednesday Night Inside Out Project!

The Inside Out Mission Project for September is kindness. As you walk through the campus, you may notice some Rainbow Rocks on the ground. Our FBC kids painted these rocks this month. Please pick one up as a reminder of God's promises and as a gift of kindness from our FBC kids.

## Memorials & Honorarium

### DEBT RETIREMENT MEMORIALS

**Mrs. Mary Ann Moore**

*Mrs. Pam Palmer*

*Tom Dozier*

*Anna Bannister Class*

*Dr. & Mrs. J. Ben Deal*

*Mr. & Mrs. E. L. Perry, Jr.*

*Mrs. Alethia Nowell*

*Wyck & Shell Knox*

*Beth & Bill Kuhlke*

*Wally, Victoria & Layton*

*Ambience Haircolor Studio*

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*Ms. Martha J. King*

*Ms. Jane Peacock*

*Peter Menk*

*Mr. William P. Stevens, Jr.*

*Mr. & Mrs. Charlie A. Lovett*

*Mr. & Mrs. Warren A. Daniel*

*Libby & Doug Engler*

*John & Jessica Engler*

*Elizabeth & Davis Beman*

*Jim Hudson Lexus Augusta*

*Lynthia & Bill Strong*

*Rick & Robin Allen*

*Mrs. Fay J. Clements*

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*Dr. & Mrs. Bleakley Chandler*

*Kitty C. Ward*

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*Dr. & Mrs. R. Eugene Tanner*

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**Col. David L. Davis**

*Cam & Barry Boatwright*

*Mr. & Mrs. Charlie A. Lovett*

*Mr. & Mrs. Warren A. Daniel*

**Mrs. Deleeta Goldsmith**

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*Mrs. Charles F. Shaefer, Jr.*

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**Mr. Len Collins**

*Debbie & Bill Hill*

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## Weekly Church Calendar October 9-15, 2016

### Sunday, October 9

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, MAC  
9:40 a.m. Bible Study, all Buildings  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary  
Vietnamese Worship, MAC  
2:00 p.m. Chinese Sunday School, W-105  
4:00 p.m. Student Handbells, 2nd floor/Daniel Bldg.  
5:00 p.m. Student Ensemble, Choir Room

### Monday, October 10

9:30 a.m. Helping Hands Group, Arts & Crafts Room  
Mom's in Prayer, Daniel Building, Rm. 201  
5:00 p.m. BSF, Daniel, Adult & Walton & Sanctuary  
5:30 p.m. Kirkringers, 2nd Floor/Daniel Building  
6:00 p.m. Finance Committee, Conference Room  
7:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting, Choir Room

### Tuesday, October 11

6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, MAC/Grill  
9:00 a.m. Preschool/Kindergarten/MDO  
Benevolence, MAC  
9:30 a.m. Facebook Basics, W-101  
11:00 a.m. Senior Adult Lunch, Fellowship Hall  
Property Committee, Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. Coed Volleyball, Volleyball Court  
7:30 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study, Prayer Room

### Wednesday, October 12

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Arts & Crafts  
9:00 a.m. Preschool/Kindergarten/MDO  
9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study, Sr. Adult 2  
English As a Second Language, Adult Bldg  
4:00 p.m. Flu Shots, Fellowship Hall  
5:00 p.m. Family Supper, Fellowship Hall  
5:15 p.m. Children's Handbells/Chimes, Sr. Adult 2  
5:40 p.m. Preschool/Children's Choirs  
5:45 p.m. THE RACE for Students, Walton Building  
6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Fellowship Hall  
Orchestra Rehearsal, Daniel Bldg. Rm. 201  
Ladies Bible Study, A-200  
Men's Bible Study, Adult Bldg/2nd floor  
6:30 p.m. Inside Out, Children's Missions  
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room  
7:30 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal, MAC Gym

### Thursday, October 13

9:00 a.m. Preschool/Kindergarten/MDO  
10:00 a.m. First Family Singers, Choir Room  
6:00 p.m. Pastor Search Committee, Conf. Room

### Friday, October 14

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, MAC/Grill  
9:00 a.m. Preschool/Kindergarten/MDO

### Saturday, October 15

6:55 a.m. BSF, Daniel Building

## Attendance/Giving Report October 2, 2016

Sunday Worship Attendance.....659  
Sunday School Attendance.....n/a  
Weekly Requirements .....\$59,922  
Budget-Building Receipts.....\$50,840  
Budget-Building to Date.....\$1,901,538  
Budget-Bldg. Requirements.....\$2,396,880

## Daily Bible Reading

SUNDAY: Luke 14:25-35; Genesis 26; Ps 19

MONDAY: Luke 15; Genesis 27:1-45; Ps 20

TUESDAY: Luke 16; Gen 27:46-28:22; Ps 21

WEDNESDAY: Luke 17; Gen 29:1-30; Ps 22

THURSDAY: Lk 18:1-17; Gen 29:31-30:43; Ps 23

FRIDAY: Luke 18:18-45; Genesis 31; Psalm 24

SATURDAY: Luke 19:1-27; Gen 32-33; Ps 25

## EXTENDED SESSION VOLUNTEERS OCTOBER 9



**8:30 AM:** Missy Kitchens, Sarah Cely, Linda Giles

**Hostess:** *Becky Jurriaans*

**11 AM:** Margaret Daniel, Samantha Delappe, Charlynn & Len Collins

Minister On Call  
706-832-2944

**Patti Fowler** October 8 and 9