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SUNDAY WORSHIP
AUGUST 13, 2017

"Sink or Swim"

Matthew 14:22-36

Will Dyer

8:30 AM

Contemporary Worship
Mission Activities Center

9:40-10:40 AM

Bible Study All Ages

11:00 AM

Traditional Worship/Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY
DINNER 5 PM

Join us in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday Supper 5 PM

Cost: \$7 for adults;

\$3.50 for children 12 and under.

Carry outs are \$7.50 each.

Call 733-2236 for reservations.

Menu August 16

Toasted Pecan Cole Slaw

Yeast Rolls with Butter

Jerk Marinated Roast Loin of Pork

Stone Ground Yellow Grits

Carrot Cake

Children's Menu

Chicken Tenders & Fries

PB & J's

Fresh Fruit

'For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.'

Psalm 100:5

May we prove our faithfulness by loving, serving, and giving.

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Interpreter



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Augusta, Georgia
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First Thoughts

Dear Church,

On Sunday morning, we will present Bibles to fifteen first grade children. I am excited to present to our kids the great story of God and His people. There is something beautiful about receiving a Bible, although I think it is an even greater gift to give these Bibles to our children. Inside it's pages they, and we, learn about the story of God. It is a most beautiful book that is filled with wonder, drama, beauty, violence, grief, and gripping narrative. When I read the Bible, I am reminded that I am not alone in my experience as a human being. There are people who have come before me that worshipped God, grieved the loss of loved ones, felt betrayed, and simply celebrated the rhythms of daily life. I love the Bible because it is more than the sacred Word of God; this Book also gives to us the best way to be a human being that is fully alive in the world.

My prayer is that each of these children will take their Bible and open it each day. My hope is that all fifteen of them will find their imaginations captivated by the stories of our faith, but most importantly by the story of Jesus. It is easy to read these narratives and find yourself transported to a different dimension, where the grace and love of God is made known to us as individuals who are called by name and loved by Jesus. The story of Zacchaeus is also our story as people who try to catch a glimpse of Jesus only to find that Jesus has been looking of us, waiting to call our name. The healing of the man born blind has the capacity to open our eyes to the grace of God in our lives. I could go on but I think you get the point. The Bible reveals to us the story of God and it also tells our story, the story of the people of God. I am incredibly grateful to pass it on to fifteen of my brothers and sisters.

See you Sunday, Will

Fall Schedule
kickoff

5:00 p.m.

Family Supper

6:00 p.m.

Choirs - 3 years old - 5th grade

6:00 p.m.

Adult Bible Studies (see info inside)

Sanctuary Orchestra

The Race - for Students

Praise Band Rehearsal

6:30 p.m.

Children's Missions - 3 years old - 5th grade

6:45 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m.

New Wednesday Night Bible Study

"Gospel in Life"

8 weeks led by Will Dyer
in the Storey Chapel

FALL SCHEDULE
begins Wednesday,
August 9

Church Wide News & Opportunities



Parking for August 20

In anticipation of our crowd on Sunday, August 20th, you are encouraged to make plans to park in the perimeter and overflow lots if you are able to do so. We have contacted our neighboring businesses and they are aware that we may be "borrowing" their parking spaces for that day. Please be sensitive that we will have many mobility impaired friends and family as well as those with small children who need to be able to park in the spaces close to the building. Also, please do not park in spaces that are marked "no parking" in order to accommodate traffic patterns.

On that morning, there will be parking lot attendants directing traffic as well as additional golf carts to transport folks to the Sanctuary.



20th Anniversary Edition of the Church Directory

Photos will be taken September 5-9 and 19-23. Go to the link below to make your appointment online

<https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y3zjt8yy/>

On Sundays, sign up tables will be located in the Grill of the MAC building and in the Welcome Center of the Administration building. On Wednesdays, sign up tables will be located in the Fellowship Hall and in the Welcome Center.

Contemporary Worship Video

We will be shooting video of our Contemporary service this Sunday to let our city see what a great time we've been having in our Reach services!

I tell you this so that you will come, and be ready to show the world how much we love to give glory to Jesus and how passionately we praise at our 8:30 service. Just being ourselves, loving on God, and letting His light shine. Its going to be a blast! See you Sunday!



CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS

The Church Officer Nominating Committee is accepting nominations to fill the following 2018 positions.

Second Vice Moderator – A three year term expires 12/31/2020.

According to the Church's Constitution and By-Laws a Nominee must be a Voting Deacon in 2017.

Trustee – A seven year term expires 12/31/2024. There is a need on the Board of Trustees for a person with legal experience.

Assistant Church Clerk – a one year term expires 12/31/2018.

Contact a Church Officer Nominating Committee Member or email nominate@fbcaugusta.org with your nomination or questions. Following receipt of your nominees by close of business Friday August 11, the Nominating Committee will review the candidate list and recommend officer nominees to the Church in Conference October 22, 2017.

Food Drive Sunday, August 27! Food items needed are peanut butter, jelly, dried peas, cereal, canned fruit and bar soap. Our local food bank has been out of a lot of items we normally use. With your help we are all fighting hunger.

BIBLE STUDIES

Tuesday Bible Study

Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study
Study & start date to be determined

Contact Steve McPherson swmcphrsn@aol.com

Wednesday Bible Studies

Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Study

Kingdom Agenda: Living Life God's Way by Dr. Tony Evans

Begins August 30 and goes for 6 sessions;

9:30 to 11:30 AM; Daniel Building, 2nd floor

Contact Rebecca Elkin rpelkin@knology.net

Wednesday Evening Ladies Bible Study

Good to Great in God's Eyes by Chip Ingram

Begins August 9 and goes for 10 sessions; 6 PM A-200

Contact Laurel Landon at 706-513-8291

Men's Wednesday Evening Bible Study

33 The Series: A Man and His Design (Volume 1)

Begins August 16, 6 PM Adult Building, 2nd floor

Contact Adam Lee adamlee@landandrivers.com

Friday Bible Study

Men's Friday Morning Bible Study

Experiencing God by Henry Blackaby

Begins August 18, 7-8 AM in MAC Grill

Contact Bill Thompson bthompson@qnbtrust.com

MUSIC MINISTRY

Listed below are the times and dates of the first rehearsals of the fall term for each music group. Please contact Tommy Payne in the Church Music Office - tpayne@fbcaugusta.org or (706)312-0909 - and we'll have music waiting for you! Please, prayerfully consider joining this ministry/fellowship. We DO have a lot of fun—generally at my expense! Kurt

FBC Sanctuary Choir: Wednesday, August 9th - 7 p.m. (Daniel Building, Choir Room/Music Suite)

Adult Handbells (Kirkringers): Monday, August 14 - 5:30 p.m. (Daniel Building, 201) (Ability to read music required; previous ringing experience a big plus!)

FBC Orchestra: Wednesday, August 9 - 6 p.m. (Daniel Bldg. 201) (Adults & High School Players are welcome!)

Youth Vocal Ensemble: Sunday, September 10 - 4:30 p.m. (Daniel Building-Choir Room/Music Suite)

STUDENT MINISTRY

Back to School Supply Drive! Helpful items include: markers, crayons, pencils, dry erase markers, notebook paper, hand sanitizer, pens, and composition notebooks. Please bring all donations to Jacob Waldrip's office! Thank you!

ACTIVITIES MINISTRY

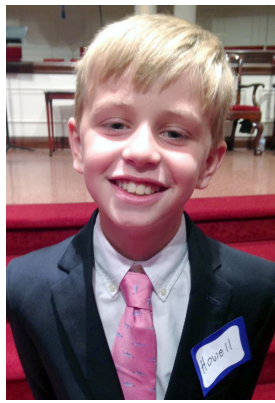
Roscoe McGahee Memorial Golf Tournament September 9-10 at Etowah Valley Golf and Resort! Cost is \$185 per person.

Contact George Berry for information. 706-836-9783 or email gberry@fbcaugusta.org

Pickleball classes coming soon! If you are interested, contact George Berry for information. 706-836-9783 or email gberry@fbcaugusta.org



**Profession of Faith and
Baptism**
Ben Collins



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Howell Beman

Memorials & Honorarium

BUDGET MEMORIALS

Mr. Ronnie Luckey
Beth & Joe Pollock

Mrs. Lynn Mann
Beth & Joe Pollock

Mrs. Mildred Timmerman
Beth & Joe Pollock

Mrs. Jane Connell
Beth & Joe Pollock

DEBT RETIREMENT
MEMORIALS
Mrs. Lou McCoy
Body of Deacons

Mr. William Atkinson
Mrs. Jeanne C. Brown

Mr. Richard L. Lynch, Sr.
Mr. & Mrs. Frank T. Barbee

Mr. Fred Ligon
Ann & Wayne Hardy

Mrs. Ann Templeton Underwood
Ann & Wayne Hardy

CARILLON BELLS REPAIR MEMORIALS

Dr. Charles F. Shaefer, Jr.
Mrs. Nan Shaefer

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Shaefer, Sr.
Mrs. Nan Shaefer

Mr. William Atkinson
Mr. & Mrs. Louie H. Griffin, Jr.

Mrs. Ann Templeton Underwood
Mr. & Mrs. Louie H. Griffin, Jr.

Mrs. Mary Beth Becton
Dr. & Mrs. Louie H. Griffin, Jr.

BENEVOLENCE MEMORIALS

Mr. S. W. Wardlaw
Rawl & Julie Timmerman
Mrs. Jeanne C. Brown
Midge Powell & Ernie Coats

200th ANNIVERSARY NEWS

200th Anniversary Celebration Celebrating 200 years of God's Faithfulness

Our 200th Anniversary Homecoming Celebration is almost here! Will and Kurt have planned a beautiful Worship Service that begins at 10:30. A nursery is provided during the service for children ages 4 and under. Our very talented, Avery Boyd, has drawn pictures that tell our FBC history, for a coloring book which will be provided for our children to enjoy during our service. Be sure your child picks up one as you enter the Sanctuary.

Lynn Meybohm and her Anniversary Homecoming Committee have planned a wonderful Old Fashion Homecoming. Steven and his staff will be cooking all the week before to provide a very special lunch for us. There will even be peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for the little ones. Epting Catering from Athens will come with extra staff to help with the service of the food. Look for the big old fashion pots they are bringing and you will find pralines being made! There will be tables set up to accommodate everyone in the Fellowship Hall and in the MAC Building. The Preschool and Children's Ministries will have inflatables and activities for the children.

Our beautiful new history book, *A Journey of Faith and Community*, by Bruce T. Gourley will be available! Bruce will be here to autograph the books in a location where you can either purchase one or pick up the ones ordered during the pre-sale. A gift, a remembrance of this day and of FBC, will be waiting for you to claim with your gift ticket.

Around 2:00 you will hear bagpipes! You must follow the bagpipes to the front of the Sanctuary. There Bobby Anderson will organize a 200 count balloon launch! An aerial photo will be taken. Our children will love this fun and exciting end to the celebration.

And the best news yet, two weeks ago 350 tickets had been sold to the Homecoming Lunch, but last week, ticket sales soared to 1100! I deeply regret that no more tickets can be sold. We are at maximum capacity for what our kitchen can do, and maximum capacity for seating. If you were unable to get tickets to the lunch, please don't miss our wonderful Worship Service of praise and thanksgiving. Many of our former ministerial staff will be in attendance, adults that grew up in our church, and community dignitaries. Our campus will be filled with conversation, renewal of old friendships, many, many hugs and much excitement!

~ Janet Hudson, Chair/200th Anniversary Committee

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

"Not Just Another Love Story" - Narrowway Theatre, Fort Mill, SC - Saturday, September 16 Laugh and cry with America's greatest generation and remember the days of WWII. Cost is \$75 per person and includes transportation, ticket to matinee show, and lunch. Call 731-5355 to make your reservation.

First Family Singers! Please join us for the First Family Singers as we resume rehearsals Thursday, September 14, 10 AM in the Choir Room. Also, Senior Adult lunches resume on Tuesday, September 12.

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Claudia Moller, *Children's Choirs Coordinator*

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Weekly Church Calendar August 13-19, 2017

Sunday, August 13

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, MAC Gym
9:40 a.m. Bible Study, all Buildings
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
Vietnamese Worship, MAC
12:15 p.m. Deacon Nominating Committee, Conf. Rm
2:00 p.m. Chinese Sunday School, Daniel Bldg, 203
5:00 p.m. Tender Touch Committee, FH, Room 1
6:00 p.m. Presch/Child Search Meeting, Conf. Room

Monday, August 14

9:00 a.m. Weekday Education Programs
9:30 a.m. Helping Hands Group, Arts & Crafts Rm.
5:30 p.m. Kirkringers, Daniel Building, Room 201
6:00 p.m. Finance Committee, Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting, Choir Room

Tuesday, August 15

9:00 a.m. Benevolence, MAC
Weekday Education Programs
9:30 a.m. iPhone Basics, Computer Lab

Wednesday, August 16

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, MAC Arts & Crafts
9:00 a.m. Weekday Education Programs
2:00 p.m. Excel Basics, Computer Lab
5:00 p.m. Family Supper, Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Storey Chapel
Children's Choirs
Orchestra Rehearsal, Daniel Bldg, 2nd Fl.
Officer Nominating Committee, Conf. Rm.
6:30 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal, MAC Gym
6:40 p.m. Inside Out Missions, Children's Building
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, August 17

9:00 a.m. Weekday Education Programs

Friday, August 18

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Arts & Crafts Room
9:00 a.m. Weekday Education Programs

Attendance/Giving Report August 6, 2017

Sunday Worship Attendance.....790
Sunday School Attendance.....724

Weekly Requirements\$58,844
Budget-Building Receipts.....\$54,210
Budget-Building to Date.....\$1,599,424
Budget-Bldg Requirements.....\$1,883,008

Daily Bible Reading

SUNDAY: James 5; Jeremiah 29-30; Psalm 133
MONDAY: 1 Peter 1; Jeremiah 31-32; Ps 134
TUESDAY: 1 Peter 2; Jeremiah 33-34; Ps 135
WEDNESDAY: 1 Peter 3; Jer 35-36; Psalm 136
THURSDAY: 1 Peter 4; Jeremiah 37-38; Ps 137
FRIDAY: 1 Peter 5; Jeremiah 39-40; Psalm 138
SATURDAY: 2 Peter 1; Jeremiah 41-42; Ps 139

Minister On Call
706-832-2944

Jacob Waldrip August 12 and 13

EXTENDED
SESSION
VOLUNTEERS
AUGUST 13, 2017



Prayer Texts

Coulter Hnatt (979) 446-1163
Kerry Pardue (864) 506-2357
Text "733" to the number provided to let the individual know you have prayed for them.

8:30 AM: Susan & Neal Laxton, Sarah Cagle, Latoya Chambers
Hostess: Sarah Cagle
11 AM: Janet Price, Anita Aguirre, Trisha Reeves, Nora Menefee, Kat McCully

Television Broadcast Channels

The following are broadcast channels carry our services: Comcast channel 383
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