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'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.



First Baptist Church
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the Interpreter

SUNDAY WORSHIP

OCTOBER 8, 2017

"This Is Us - Inviting, Caring"

Romans 12:9-13

Will Dyer

8:30 AM

Contemporary Worship
Mission Activities Center

9:40-10:40 AM

Bible Study All Ages

11 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 October 11

Cornbread with Butter

Southern Fried Pork Loin Chops

Caramelized Onion Gravy

Idaho Mashed Potatoes

Fresh Collard with Ham Hocks

Apple & Cinnamon Cobbler

Vanilla Bean Ice Cream

Children's Menu

Chicken Tenders & Fries

PB & J's Fresh Fruit

First Thoughts

Church,

It feels like every week I am addressing another tragic moment in our national life. I am at a loss for words when I consider the horrific acts of violence that took place in Las Vegas on Sunday evening. In the book of Isaiah 2:4 we read that one day, "swords will be beat into plowshares and spears will be fashioned into pruning hooks." The heart of God desires a world that will be at peace. It is readily apparent that we are living in a world that is broken. We know and believe that it will not be this way forever, and the cry of my heart today is "Lord, come quickly".

In the meantime, I wonder what the response of the church should be in times such as these?

As I have said before, our first response is to pray for all those who are connected to what happened in Las Vegas. If we do not begin with prayer, then we have forgotten the fundamental starting point for how we approach all manner of things in our lives. Then, maybe in moments like these, we need to have conversations about the role of the church in a society where many have become desensitized to acts of violence. I don't know what the outcome of those conversations would be, but I think we need to talk about things that are happening in the world that God created and called good.

As you pray this week, I offer you a prayer that was written by my friend Winn Collier, a pastor in Charlottesville, VA.

"Lord, we woke this morning to another wave of sorrow. More of us are dead. We had to tell our children, once again, of the evil we've done. We have to face another grieving day, added on top of all the other grieving days. We have tears. We have anger. We are hellbent on destroying one another. You're going to have to help us see the truth. You're going to have to give us courage to be something different. You're going to have to help us. Amen."

Grace and Peace,
Will

Church Wide News & Opportunities



David Phelps

First Baptist Church presents David Phelps
in a Classic Christmas Concert
on Sunday, December 3 at 7 pm
Advanced ticket pricing: Artist Circle tickets are \$30 and
General Admissions tickets are \$25
Tickets are on sale now through Itickets.com
or in the church office.



Flu shots will be given Wednesday, October 4 & 11, 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 a co-pay with insurance; \$30 for those with no insurance.

Sunday Lunch October 15

Lunch served at 11 & Noon. Reservations may be made by calling the Church Office @ 733-2236 or @ fbcaugusta.org. Cost: \$7 adults; \$3.50 children 12 & under. Carry outs \$7.50. **All 1ST TIME VISITORS to our worship services are invited to join us for lunch as our guest.**

She Crab Soup
Chicken Chardonnay
Wild and White Rice Pilaf
Steamed Fresh Green Beans
Chocolate Chip Bread Pudding with Custard Sauce
Pear & Almond Cobbler
Vanilla Bean Ice Cream
Fresh Berries
CHILDREN'S MENU
Tossed Salad
Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
Garlic Bread
PB & J's
Fresh Fruit

At the Sunday Lunch on October 15, you will have an opportunity to welcome Melissa Willis and her family to First Baptist. A basket will be placed on a table where you can drop cards or notes of welcome, or anything else you would like, to let them know how glad we are to have them as a part of our ministry team.



Food Drive Sunday, October 15! The biggest needs in our Benevolence Ministry Food Pantry this month are dried peas, canned green beans, corn, pork & beans, canned chicken noodle and vegetable soup. Diapers size 1, 4, and 5 are also needed. Thank you.



FBC member, Rev. Don Hancock, is a retired Pastor and Chaplain who has been writing and publishing Christian books for several years. He would like to offer these books free of charge to you and your friends by starting a Christian Book of the Month Program. He will send a free e-book to you each month, beginning in November. To join, send your name and e-mail address to Don at donh1654@comcast.net and put CBM as the subject. The books are of three types: devotions, short stories, and Christian family novels and novellas (short novels.) The first book will be sent on November 2.



Faith@Work Tuesday, October 24
11:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall.
The cost is \$7 per person. Please make reservations by emailing cbusby@fbcaugusta.org.

Please help us update our church records in order for you to receive the latest information and news! Many of you have changed email addresses, home and cell phone numbers, etc. Call the Church Office (733-2236) to make any changes!



QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE
Sunday, October 22
6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

New women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study,
"Horizontal Jesus," by Dr. Tony Evans,
6 weeks beginning October 11, 9:30 - 11:30 AM
2nd floor/Daniel Building.

Loving God is vertical love. Loving others is horizontal love. Jesus showed His disciples how these two loves are intertwined in practical ways. While our relationship with God is based on faith alone, He warns and encourages us that the way we treat people affects our experience with Him. Workbooks (\$14) are available for purchase when you attend.

All NEW women must register and reserve their book by contacting Rebecca Elkin (rpelkin@knololy.net). For free childcare, email Patti Fowler at pfowler@fbcaugusta.org.

200th ANNIVERSARY NEWS



In honor of the 200th Anniversary of First Baptist Church The Official Christmas In Augusta Collector's Ornament is now available to purchase for \$20. Ornaments are available for purchase in the Welcome Center of First Baptist Church during office hours.

Chinese Sunday School

Last Sunday was a very special time as we recognized the Chinese Sunday School, which has been a part of our church since the 1800's. They are a blessing to our church. Thank you to Roger Tom for his comments and the wonderful video.

Special Recognition of our Church Leadership

Sunday, October 15, we want to celebrate those members who have provided leadership for our church through the years. Past and present Trustees, Deacons, and Deacon Moderators will be recognized in both worship services. There will be no reserved seating. If you and in one of these groups, please be present so that we can say thank you.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

Monthly Senior Adult Luncheon, Tuesday, October 10! Join us at 11AM in the Fellowship Hall. Call Church Office @ 733-2236 by Friday, October 6 to make a reservation.



Christmas in Asheville

Join us December 7-9 for a 2-night stay at the SpringHill Suites in Asheville. Free Breakfast buffet included! Trip includes tickets to the Biltmore Estate and candlelight tour of the Biltmore house; tickets to the National Gingerbread House Competition at the Grove Park Inn; tickets to "Winter Lights" at the North Carolina Arboretum; dinner at the Deerpark Inn @ Biltmore; lunch at the Grove Park Inn; and transportation. Cost per person is as follows for double bed rooms: Quad - \$410; Triple - \$440; Double - \$480; and single - \$640. \$100 per person deposit due to book your reservation! Call the Senior Adult Ministry Office @ 731-5355.

ACTIVITIES MINISTRY



League Basketball Sign-up! Forms will be available October 11. Contact George Berry for more information. gberry@fbcaugusta.org. Coaches are also needed!

STUDENT MINISTRY



October 27 - 29

Woodland Christian Camp in Temple, GA

Cost - \$125

Registration deadline is October 22
but space is limited so register ASAP



Support Student Ministry!

Student Ministry is selling T-Shirts!

The above image shows the back of the shirt.

Short Sleeve -- \$25, Long Sleeve -- \$35

All proceeds go to support the Student Ministry. Pick up an order form in the office, from Student Ministry website or email Elizabeth (echao@fbcaugusta.org) for a copy. Order yours by Sunday, November 12!

DISCIPLESHIP

New Sunday morning Bible study opportunity!

The Journey Community, a coed class in their 60's, would like to invite all interested to join them as they begin to participate in the seminar rotation Bible study model beginning October 8th with a Big Breakfast (a time of fellowship and brief introduction to the study material) during the Sunday School hour @ 9:40. The first seminar leader up is Les Powell who will be teaching on *The Seven Deadly Sins*. We are especially interested in reaching those who have not been attending a Bible study on Sunday morning.

With this addition, we now have three coed communities spanning ages from early 30's-early 40's (The Village), mid 40's-late 50's (Living Water), and 60's (Journey). So we have a place for you! We are thankful to have great seminar leaders participating in the teaching rotation, as well. They include Les Powell, Peggie Koon, Joe Hardy, Dan McGill, and Jim Walls.

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Weekly Church Calendar October 8-14, 2017

Sunday, October 8

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, MAC
9:40 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
Vietnamese Worship, MAC
4:30 p.m. Youth Ensemble, Choir Room
5:30 p.m. Youth Dinner & Games, MAC
6:30 p.m. Youth Worship, MAC

Monday, October 9

9:00 a.m. Helping Hands, Arts & Crafts Room/MAC
5:30 p.m. Kirkringers, D-201
6:00 p.m. Finance Committee, Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting, Choir Room
6:30 p.m. BSF, Sanctuary & Adult Building

Tuesday, October 10

6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, MAC/Grill
9:00 a.m. Benevolence, MAC
9:15 a.m. Moms Prayer Group, Children's Building
11:00 a.m. Senior Adult Lunch, Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. Property Committee, Conference Room

Wednesday, October 11

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, MAC Arts & Crafts
9:00 a.m. Weekday Education Programs
9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Daniel Bldg, 2nd Fl.
English As a Second Language, Adult Bldg
5:00 p.m. Family Supper, Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m. Children's Handbells, Daniel Bldg, 2nd Fl.
6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study, Storey Chapel
Students, MAC/Game Room
Children's Choirs
Orchestra Rehearsal, Daniel Bldg, 2nd Fl.
Men's Bible Study, A-203
Women's Bible Study, A-200
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, October 12

9:00 a.m. Weekday Education Programs
10:00 a.m. First Family Singers, Choir Room

Friday, October 13

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, MAC/Grill
9:00 a.m. Weekday Education Programs

Saturday, October 14

6:20 a.m. BSF Leadership, Daniel Building

Attendance/Giving Report October 1, 2017

Worship Attendance.....760
Sunday School.....634
Weekly Requirements\$58,844
Budget-Building Receipts.....\$38,724
Budget-Building to Date.....\$2,011,165
Budget-Bldg Requirements.....\$2,353,760

Daily Bible Reading

SUNDAY: Luke 11:1-28; Genesis 19; Psalm 12
MONDAY: Luke 11:29-54; Genesis 20; Ps 13
TUESDAY: Luke 12:1-31; Genesis 21; Psalm 14
WEDNESDAY: Luke 12:32-59; Gen 22; Ps 15
THURSDAY: Luke 13:1-17; Genesis 23; Ps 16
FRIDAY: Luke 13:18-35; Genesis 24; Psalm 17
SATURDAY: Luke 14:1-24; Genesis 25; Ps 18

Minister On Call
706-832-2944

Patti Fowler October 7 and 8

EXTENDED
SESSION
VOLUNTEERS
OCTOBER 8



8:30 AM: Sonya Everett, Cindy Leisey, Jenni Giles

Hostess: Becky Jurriaans

11 AM: Brandon & Catherine Ludlow, Samantha DeLappe, Trisha Reeves, Teri & Bailey Booth

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.

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