

December 6, 2017

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First Baptist Church of Augusta
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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.

the
Interpreter



SUNDAY WORSHIP
DECEMBER 10, 2017
2ND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

"Peace"

Romans 12:14-21

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 December 13

Toasted Pecan Cole Slaw

Biscuits with Butter & Jelly

Southern Fried Chicken

Baked Macaroni & Cheese

Green Beans

Corn Meal Fried Okra

Peach Cobbler with Ice Cream

Children's Menu

Chicken Legs & Pancakes

Baked Mac & Cheese

PB & J's

3rd Annual

Christmas

at

First Baptist

In Concert

The Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra

December 10, 2017

7:00 p.m.

Child Care Provided

Free Admission

Contributions to

Golden Harvest Food Bank

are encouraged and will be accepted.

Come and make a Memory!

Church Wide News & Opportunities



"Christmas at First Baptist"
Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra
7:00 p.m., December 10

Children's Choirs Christmas
"Night of Wonder"
6:30 p.m., December 17

Family Christmas Eve Service

A special service designed for families with children
3 p.m., December 24 in the Chapel

Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service
5 p.m., December 24 in the Sanctuary

Sunday morning, December 24

8:30 AM Contemporary Worship

9:40 AM Sunday School

11 AM Traditional Worship



Sunday morning, December 31

9:40 AM Sunday School (Sizemore's teaching in Storey Chapel)

11 AM Combined Worship in the Fellowship Hall

Advent

A season of hope and expectation

Advent Sermon Series

December 10	"Peace"	Romans 12:14-21
December 17	"Joy"	James 1:2-3
December 24	"Love"	1 John 4:7-12
December 31	"Faith"	Hebrews 11:1-7



A reminder that financial gifts to be tax deductible in 2017, must be received by December 31, 2017. Your gift can be given in the regular offering, in person at the church office, electronically

or be mailed with a postmark on or before December 31, 2017. The church offices will close Friday, December 29 at 4:30 pm for those wishing to bring in their gift in person. Of course, your gift in the offering on Sunday, December 31, will be considered a 2017 charitable gift for tax purposes. End of year statements will be mailed no later than January 31, 2018. It is advisable to not complete your taxes until receiving your statement and reviewing for errors or discrepancies. Please be sure to check with your accountant or other qualified tax-advisor for specific advice for your tax planning purposes. Thank you for your generous giving and have a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Church Conference Wednesday, December 20, 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall

The Bylaws & Standing Rules Committee has proposed revisions to the Bylaws and Standing Rules that have been presented to and approved by the Deacon Body and were presented to the Church for consideration at the church in conference on October 22, 2017. The changes were discussed at the October meeting and will be voted on at the next church in conference on December 20, 2017 per the procedure established in the Bylaws. Significant changes to the Bylaws and Standing Rules include revisions to the By-law language for the Leadership Advisory Council, incorporation of the Memorial Garden Committee into the Property Committee, and the addition of Ministry Focus Groups to the Standing Rules. Copies of the Bylaws and Standing Rules, in red-line format showing all the proposed changes, will be available in the church office and also on the Church website. Please contact Brooks Hudson, chair of the Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee, with any questions or concerns. bhudson@hullbarrett.com.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES



Honduras Mission Trip

Dates: March 4-10, 2018

Where: Santa Elena, Honduras with Mission on the Move (Ernie and Allison Sizemore)

Cost: \$700

Sign-up: Deposit of \$200 due by Sunday, December 17th

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

December Senior Adult Luncheon

December 12! Christmas celebration, 11 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Call Church Office @ 733-2236 by Friday, December 8 to make a reservation.



200th ANNIVERSARY

Wow! David Phelps was magnificent. What a wonderful way to end our year of celebration. This would not have happened without the help of 75+ volunteers taking tickets, helping with merchandise sales, will call tables, Artist Circle greeters, ushers, helping unload and reload equipment, parking lot attendants, and anyone we might have missed. Thank you! A special thanks to Susan and Lavinia for handling ticket sales. Also, thanks to Kelly, Luci, Shirley and Stephen for their invaluable help. We were truly blessed by a wonderful evening. To God be the glory! Jim & Elizabeth Beazley

Memorials & Honorarium

DEBT RETIREMENT MEMORIALS

Mr. James M. Menger
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Faulk
Miss Linda Faulk
Peggy & Joe Dixon
Ed & Pat Sumerau
Mr. & Mrs. Hal D. Beman III
Retired Officers of Georgia Railroad
Bank & Trust Co.
Martha Holley
Rebecca A. Rule
Catherine B. Boardman
Judy & Davdi Krivanek
Thomas A. Vajda
Mrs. Deborah Dennis
Mrs. Patsy Ray
Mr. George A. Sancken III
Mrs. Jean Johnson
J.I., JoAnn & Jep McNair
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Hardy
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Anderson
Dr. Richard L. Magruder, Jr.
Bob & Mary Ann Martin
Darryl & Angela Tom
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Johnston
Bud Wardlaw
Mr. & Mrs. Mike Duckworth
Carrie & Dave Welter
Carol & Charles Elliott
Beth & Barry Storey
Mr. & Mrs. John C. Sylvester
Cindy Meares
Mr. & Mrs. Tony Atkins
Angela & Hamilton Kuhlke
Keith & Kathy Anderson

Mr. & Mrs. K. F. Wong
Stephen Wong

Mrs. Jane Chow Wong
Stephen Wong

Louise & Jack Poppell
Carrie & Dave Welter

Bill & Mitzie Coleman
Shirley & Jeff Badke
Keith & Kathy Anderson

Mr. Don McKenzie
Mr. & Mrs. Hal D. Beman III
Mr. & Mrs. Larry DeMeyers
Mrs. Deborah Dennis
Mike & Robin Dudley
J.I., JoAnn & Jep McNair
Bob & Mary Ann Martin
Dr. & Mrs. Tyson Deal
Mr. & Mrs. Tony Atkins
Keith & Kathy Anderson

Mrs. Margaret O'Neal
Bob & Mary Ann Martin
Mr. & Mrs. Mike Duckworth

Mrs. Hazel Shumaker
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Hardy

Mr. Rocky Evans
Mr. & Mrs. Joe F. Olliff

Mr. John Carter
Mr. & Mrs. Joe F. Olliff
Mrs. Alethia Nowell

Mr. Allan C. Aldridge
Mrs. Carolyn L. Aldridge

Mr. Russell Blanchard
Miss Iva Williamson

Mrs. Carol Graf
Mr. Wyman Mobley

Mr. Stephen Buck
Keith & Kathy Anderson

DEBT RETIREMENT HONORARIUM
Dr. Dave Welter
Mr. & Mrs. Allen Partridge

Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Jones
Billie & Bud Wardlaw

Mr. Gardelle Lewis
Meybohm Realtors

MUSIC MINISTRY MEMORIAL

Mr. James M. Menger
Sanctuary Choir - FBC
Mr. & Mrs. David Bell
Mr. & Mrs. Joe F. Olliff
Ms. Joanne Carr
Deborah, Rhonda & Donna Woo
Doris M. Lam
Martha & Gene Tanner
Bobbie & L.M. Crutchfield

BENEVOLENCE MINISTRY

Mrs. Mitzie Coleman
Ann T. Roberson
Mrs. Jean Johnson
Bob & Mary Ann Martin
Bille Wardlaw
Bud Wardlaw
Deborah, Rhonda & Donna Woo

Mr. Allan Aldridge
Dr. & Mrs. Donald Dunagan

Mr. Stephen Buck
Miss Susan Conger

Mrs. Jane Strong
Alan & Kathy Anderson

Mrs. Margaret O'Neal
Loline & Lisa O'Neal
Deborah, Rhonda & Donna Woo

Mr. S. W. Wardlaw
Bobbie & L.M. Crutchfield

Mrs. Carol Graf
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Scaggs

Mr. P. J. Daughtery
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Scaggs

TV MINISTRY MEMORIAL
Mr. James M. Menger
Dr. & Mrs. Donald Dunagan

Mrs. Margaret O'Neal
Martha & Gene Tanner

ESL MEMORIAL
Mrs. Mitzie Coleman
Bobbie & L.M. Crutchfield

PRESCHOOL/CHILDREN MINISTRIES

This year's Family Christmas Eve Service will be an impromptu Christmas pageant. Children will pick their costumes when they arrive. There will be no practices. This will be a relaxed, kid friendly service filled with music and scripture read by children and adults. Call or email Melissa with questions. 706-316-0907 or mwillis@fbcaugusta.org.



Family Caroling
to Homebound members
Wednesday, December 20, 6-7:30 p.m.

Have you Heard? The Extended Session Ministry has changed it's name! The ministry is now called Worship Care, but the ministry will remain the same. For this ministry we need 120 loving adults to minister to our preschool families. The schedule is changing as well, and will now run from January to December instead of March to March. We need you to sign up now for the new schedule that will begin on January 7th! Please follow the link on the FBC website and complete the form. If you have any questions, email lgaley@fbcaugusta.org or call 706-262-1045.

Welcome



PROFESSION OF FAITH & BAPTISM
Gracie Bush

GROUNDS BEAUTIFICATION

Mr. John Carter
Friendship Sunday School Class

MEN ON MISSIONS MEMORIAL

Mr. Stephen Buck
Bob & Mary Ann Martin
Mr. & Mrs. Ernie Blackburn
Billie Wardlaw
Bud Wardlaw
Martha & Eugene Tanner
Bobbie & L.M. Crutchfield
Deborah, Rhonda & Donna Woo

Mr. Don McKenzie
Bobbie & L.M. Crutchfield

MISSIONS MEMORIAL

Mrs. Margaret O'Neal
Mr. & Mrs. Skip Griffin

BUDGET MEMORIAL

Mr. James M. Menger
Robert & Carla Urwiler Charitable
Giving Fund

BRIDGE MINISTRY MEMORIAL

Mrs. Hazel Shumaker
Darryl & Angela Tom

Paul and Hazel Shumaker
Bud Wardlaw

Mrs. Elizabeth McKenzie
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Scaggs

LADIES BIBLE STUDY MEMORIAL

Mrs. Hazel Shumaker
Mr. & Mrs. Ernie Blackburn
Ms. Joanne Carr

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Weekly Church Calendar December 10-16, 2017

Sunday, December 10 - 2nd Sunday in Advent

- 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, MAC
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday School
Baby's First Christmas Brunch, FH 1
- 11:00 p.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
Vietnamese Worship, MAC
- 2:00 p.m. Chinese Sunday School, D-203
- 7:00 p.m. "Christmas at First Baptist," Sanctuary

Monday, December 11

- 9:00 a.m. Helping Hands, Arts & Crafts Room/MAC
Weekday Education Program
- 5:00 p.m. BSF, Sanctuary & Adult Building
- 5:30 p.m. Kirkkringers, D-201

Tuesday, December 12

- 9:00 a.m. Benevolence, MAC
Weekday Education Program
- 9:15 a.m. Mom's Prayer Group, 2nd Floor/Children
- 1:00 a.m. Senior Adult Luncheon, Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Wednesday, December 13

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, MAC Arts & Crafts
- 9:00 a.m. Weekday Education Program
- 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 Rehearsal
Preschool Choirs
Men's Bible Study, A-203
- 6:30 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal, MAC Gym
- 6:40 p.m. Mission Friends, Preschool Building

Thursday, December 14

- 9:00 a.m. Weekday Education Program
- 10:00 a.m. First Family Singers, Choir Room
- 6:00 p.m. Cason Bruker Christmas Party, FH

Friday, December 15

- 9:00 a.m. Weekday Education Program
- 6:00 p.m. Caring Coed Christmas Party, FH

Saturday, December 16

- 11:30 a.m. Bridge Ministry, 15th St. Bridge
- 6:30 p.m. The Village Christmas Party, FH, Room 1

Pastoral Ministry

Will Dyer, *Senior Pastor*
Jim Walls, *Associate Pastor*
R. J. Robinson, *Pastor Emeritus*
Chip Reeves, *Interim Minister of Pastoral Care*
Jacob Waldrip, *Ministerial Resident*

Music Ministry

Kurt Wachtel, *Minister of Music*
Dan Gaudinier, *Minister of Contemporary Worship*
Claudia Moller, *Children's Choirs Coordinator*

Faith Development Ministry

Patti Fowler, *Minister of Weekday Education*
Melissa Willis, *Minister to Preschool & Children*
Lori McPherson, *Nursery Coordinator*
Paul Moller, *Director of Senior Adult Ministry*

Operations Ministry

Kelly Rose, *Church Administrator*

Interpreter Contact

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Attendance/Giving Report December 3, 2017

Worship Attendance.....	721
Sunday School.....	620
Weekly Requirements	\$58,844
Budget-Building Receipts.....	\$51,357
Budget-Building to Date.....	\$2,477,110
Budget-Bldg Requirements.....	\$2,883,356

Daily Bible Reading

SUNDAY: Matt 16; Numbers 1-2; Ecc 3:1-15
MONDAY: Matt 17; Num 3-4; Ecc 3:16-4:16
TUESDAY: Matthew 18:1-17; Num 5-6; Ecc 5
WEDNESDAY: Matt 18:18-35; Num 7-8; Ecc 6
THURSDAY: Matt 19:1-15; Num 9-10; Ecc 7
FRIDAY: Matt 19:16-30; Numbers 11-12; Ecc 8
SAT: Matthew 20:1-16; Num 13-14; Ecc 9:1-12

EXTENDED
SESSION
VOLUNTEERS
DECEMBER 10



8:30 AM: Sonya Everett, Cindy Leisey,
Heather Unrath, Kristi Messer

Hostess: Heather Unrath

11 AM: Sandra Skelton, Courtney Pinson,
Carolyn & Jim Ridley, Becky & Lee
Jurriaans

Minister On Call
706-832-2944

Jim Walls DECEMBER 9 & 10, 2017

Prayer Texts

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