

# Welcome to First Baptist Church

Whatever your need, whatever your reason, **welcome** to First Baptist Church of Guntersville. We know that He has a purpose for bringing you on this special day, to this special place. We hope you feel a genuine (**welcome**) as you share with us in this worship experience. As a church family, we have a clear vision of what God wants this fellowship to do: **“to know Christ and to make Him known.”** True worship is our spiritual priority and loving people is our spiritual privilege.

- » Please complete the **guest information card**, located in the front of your pew, and place it in the offering plate when it is passed during the offering time. We will respect the personal nature of the information that you share.
- » **CDs** are available of this morning’s message. You may obtain a copy by contacting the Church Office.
- » If you have made a **personal commitment** to God regarding your relationship with Him and/or this church, we encourage you to come forward during the **invitation** following the message to share this decision with our church family.
- » Our **offering** time is an extension of our worship. As our guest, you are welcome to worship with an offering, but please do not feel obligated.
- » Should you **need help**, please see one of our ushers. They’re ready to help you or get whatever help you may need.
- » **Wednesday evening** activities begin with Family Supper at 5:00 p.m. and Bible Study/prayer service for adults at 6:30. A variety of activities are provided for children & students as well.

## HOW TO JOIN OUR CHURCH FAMILY

- By Baptism:** For one who has accepted Jesus as Lord and Savior and desires to obey Christ by being baptized by immersion.
- By Letter:** For one who is saved, has been baptized by immersion after being saved and is a member in good standing of another Baptist church.
- By Statement:** For one who has been saved and baptized by immersion after being saved, but is not a member of another Baptist church.

*Come forward during the invitation at the end of the worship service and tell the pastor that you want to become a member of FBCG, and we will take care of the rest.*

## Contemporary Worship – 8:15 a.m.

- Worship Song—*Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)*
- Baptism—Gemma Brown
- Welcome and Fellowship
- Gideon Speaker
- Offering
- Worship Song—*Thank You Jesus for the Blood*
- Message—Joel Samuels
- Invitational Hymn—*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*
- Announcements
- Song of Celebration—*I’m So Blessed*



## Traditional Worship – 10:30 a.m.

- Prelude
- Choral Call To Worship—*Hosanna!*
- Congregational Praise—*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (#324)*
- Welcome and Fellowship
- Congregational Praise—*O Mighty Cross (#317)*
- Gideon Speaker
- Offertory Hymn—*The Old Rugged Cross (#327)*
- Offertory
- Choral Message—*He Became A Lamb*
- Message—Joel Samuels
- Invitational Hymn—*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus (#602)*
- Announcements
- Song of Celebration—*Victory in Jesus(#353)*
- Postlude

## -USHERS-

April 2		April 9	
Adam Bunch	Bill Cain	Buddy Bunch	Gideon Ewing
Tony Cornelius	Gary Gray	Ronnie Opolka	Bruce Snider
Eddie Hinote	David McPeters	Charles Spann	Matt Taylor
Tom Parsley	Don Watson	Mike Thigpen	Don Watson



WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

April 2, 2023



“They called out to him, ‘If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!’”

—Luke 23:37 NLT



At FBC, we are on a journey to LOVE GUNTERSVILLE!  
Our goal is to share the love of Jesus throughout our community both through word and deed. We hope you will join with us as we seek to make the gospel known.  
**How can you LOVE GUNTERSVILLE today?**



Mark Your Calendars:

- VBS June 4-7
- Kids Camp (1-5grade) June 25-28

## YOUTH NEWS

- **Youth Camp: July 3-7:** Liberty University; Lynchburg, VA; Please complete the interest form on the youth FB page ASAP



### New Members

- Drew and Amanda Shirley, by statement  
Deacon: Dale Edwards

### Prime Time Adults

Cooking Class and Dinner

Tuesday, April 18, 2023 @ 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall  
With Executive Chef Joseph Vance of J&A Lil New Orleans in Arab, AL  
\$30 Per Person  
Reservations are required by Sunday, April 9, 2023.

### Koinonia



Join us as ladies of all ages gather together to connect and worship God on Sunday, April 30 @ 6pm in the fellowship hall. Please sign up on the old Lord's Supper table outside the church office.

## MATURE ADULT NEWS

- **Low Country Boil;** Tuesday, May 9, 5:00pm; Fellowship Hall

Deacons' Meeting Wednesday April 5 @ 6:00pm

*Please remember to bring flowers to decorate  
The Easter Flower Cross next Sunday.*



### Easter Sunday Parking

In anticipation of more people than usual on our campus, we are suggesting that a few of our members consider parking at Ross Graden on Easter Sunday so that our visitors, elderly, handicapped, and families can park in our lots.

### FBC Memorial Scholarship

Scholarship applications are due April 9.

Applications and requirements are available in the church office.

### God and Country Celebration In Memory of Jim Hefner

Friday, April 14 @ 7:00pm

In the Bevill Center at Snead State Community College

Featuring: The Inspirations, FBC Pickers, and More

Tickets are available on [iTickets](#)

\$15 in advance—\$20 at the door



Goal: \$26,000

Received: \$4,940

### SECURITY VOLUNTEERS

**April 2**—Kelly Stricklin, Clifton Martin, Patrick Roberts, Elliot Rowe  
**April 5**—Tim Couch  
**April 9**—Torrey Whitaker, Gary Weldon, Bruce Haase, Kelly Haase  
**April 12**—Steve Stricklin, Shawn Manning

YOU BELONG @ FIRST

# this week @ fbc

## week of April 2, 2023

### Sunday

Contemporary Worship	8:15 am
Preschool Service	8:15 am
Kids Church	8:15 am
Sunday School	9:15 am
Traditional Worship	10:30 am

The staff is ready to help you in any way possible. If you would like prayer, an answer to a question, or personal ministry, please give one of these caring Christian leaders a call. They're ready to make a difference in your life!

### Wednesday

Fellowship before Discipleship (August—May)	5:00 pm
Ensemble Rehearsal	5:45 pm
Library Opens	6:00 pm
Children's Activities	6:00 pm
Youth Worship	6:30 pm
Prayer Meeting	6:30 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
Praise Team Rehearsal	8:00 pm

### CHURCH OFFICE: 582-5141

Joel Samuels, Pastor	ext 102
Paul Murphy, Associate Pastor	ext 107
Micah Gilmore, Children's Minister	ext 110
Ken Patterson, Minister of Music	ext 108
Amy Fondren, Financial Secretary	ext 101
Karen Fancher, Secretary	ext 100

Our people came – 03/26/23

FBC SS Total	235
Contemporary Service	213
Traditional Service	144

Our people gave -03/22-03/30

Undesignated	\$	38,489.00
Savings	\$	420.00
Other Designated	\$	28,259.09
TOTAL	\$	67,168.09

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU

#### Doors Open at 5:00 pm

Adult Meal	\$ 5.00
Kid's Meal (PB&J)	\$ 2.50
Family Cap	\$15.00

#### April 5, 2023

Salad  
Poppy Seed Chicken  
Green Beans  
Rolls  
Wildcat Cake

Terrace Lake Bible Study -  
10:30 am



April 3—Eddie Hinote  
April 10—Neil Gunter



Visitor QR Code

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