

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—*Graves Into Gardens*
- Worship Song—0 Praise the Name (Anastasis)
- Welcome and Fellowship
- Worship Song—*Because He Lives (Amen)*
- Offering
- Worship Song—*I’ve Witnessed It*
- Message—Joel Samuels
- Invitational Hymn—0 *How He Loves You and Me*
- Announcements
- Song of Celebration—*Celebrate Jesus*



Traditional Worship – 10:30 a.m.

- Prelude
- Choral Call To Worship—*Arise, My Love*
- Soloists: Tim Hays, Rachel Brown, and Caroline Smith
- Congregational Praise—*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today (#367)*
- Welcome and Fellowship
- Congregational Praise—*Christ Arose! (#357)*
- Choral Message—*Not Guilty*
- Soloist: Candy Patterson
- Congregational Praise—*Were You There? (#315)*
- Offertory Hymn—*He Lives! (#368)*
- Choral Offertory—*Mercy Tree*
- Soloist: Rod Gunter
- Video Intro—Jesus is Lord
- Message—Joel Samuels
- Invitational Hymn—0 *How He Loves You and Me (#349)*
- Announcements
- Song of Celebration—*He Lives! (#368)*

Postlude

-USHERS-

April 9

Buddy Bunch	Gideon Ewing
Ronnie Opolka	Bruce Snider
Charles Spann	Matt Taylor
Mike Thigpen	Don Watson

April 16

Steve Crothwait	Sammy Harris
Eddie Hinote	Benny Hyatt
Sam Lewis	Van Reid
John Roper	Larry Stoner



WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

April 9, 2023



“Then the disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in, and he saw and believed—”

—John 20:8 NLT



At FBC, we are on a journey to LOVE GUNTERVILLE! 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 GUNTERVILLE today?

OUTFLOW

GOING INTO OUR CITY
SUNDAY MAY 21 | 5:00 PM

Our next planned FBC Loves Gunterville Ministry Opportunity will take place on Sunday, May 21 @ 5:00pm, when we will meet in the fellowship hall before going out in groups to share God's love in tangible ways.

- * Contributions to this exciting outreach may be made online or by check through May 12, or by cash through May 21.
- * We hope you'll join us —you're sure to be blessed!



Mark Your Calendars:

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

YOUTH NEWS

- **Senior Recognition Sunday**, May 7 @ 10:30; family luncheon to follow in the fellowship hall; Please text Warren at 256-506-3729 with your Senior's name and number of family members eating lunch; Seniors email 4-5 pictures to kpatterson@gvillefbc.org before April 23.

MATURE ADULT NEWS

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



New Members

- Tyler and Lindsey Keys, by statement Deacon: Rick Moody
- Diana Martin, by statement Deacon: Mike Reaves



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

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 TODAY, Sunday, April 9, 2023.



High Tea on the Twentieth

Come enjoy our Spring High Tea for fellowship and a Devotional time together. Spring hats will be on display. If you don't have one, never mind. There will be hats available if you want one. We'll begin at 10 a.m. *April 20*, in the fellowship hall.

All are welcome. Spring has sprung!

Please note the change in date—See you Thursday the 20th.

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.



FBC Memorial Scholarship

Scholarship applications are due

TODAY, April 9.

Applications and requirements are available in the church office.



Goal: \$26,000

Received: \$12,120

SECURITY VOLUNTEERS

April 9—Torrey Whitaker, Gary Weldon, Bruce Haase, Kelly Haase
April 12 —Steve Stricklin, Shawn Manning
April 16—L Joyner, D Hornbuckle, J Braswell, A Bradshaw, C Troilo
April 19—Kevin Lee

YOU BELONG @ FIRST

this week @ fbc

week of April 9, 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 – 04/02/23

FBC SS Total	317
Contemporary Service	284
Traditional Service	121

Our people gave -04/01-04/03

Undesignated	\$	22,345.42
Savings	\$	—
Other Designated	\$	7,870.00
TOTAL	\$	30,215.42

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 12, 2023

Build Your Own Taco Salad

Chips

Salsa

Sopapilla Cheesecake



Terrace Lake Bible Study - 10:30 am

April 10—Neil Gunter
 April 17—Davis Samuels



Visitor QR Code

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