

## Welcome to First Baptist Church

Whatever your need, whatever your reason, **welcome** to First Baptist Church of Guntersville. We know that God 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—*Until My Voice is Gone*

Worship Song—*Honey in the Rock*

Welcome and Fellowship

Worship Song—*Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

Offering

Worship Song—*Only a Holy God*

Message—Warren Jones

Invitational Hymn—*Come As You Are*

Announcements

Song of Celebration—*Until My Voice is Gone*



### Traditional Worship - 10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship—*Run the Race*—Sanctuary Choir

Congregational Praise—*All Hail the Power of Jesus Name (#43)*

Welcome and Fellowship

Congregational Praise—*Sanctuary (#655)*

Congregational Praise—*Sweet Hour of Prayer (#640)*

Offertory Hymn—*What a Friend We Have in Jesus (#630)*

Piano Offertory

Choral Message—*Lift High The Lord Our Banner*—Sanctuary Choir

Message—Paul Murphy

Invitational Hymn—*I Need Thee Every Hour (#638)*

Announcements

Song of Celebration—*By Faith*

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#### August 27

Adam Bunch	Tony Cornelius
David Haegele	Eddie Hinote
Sam Lewis	David McPeters
Tom Parsley	Phillip Robinson

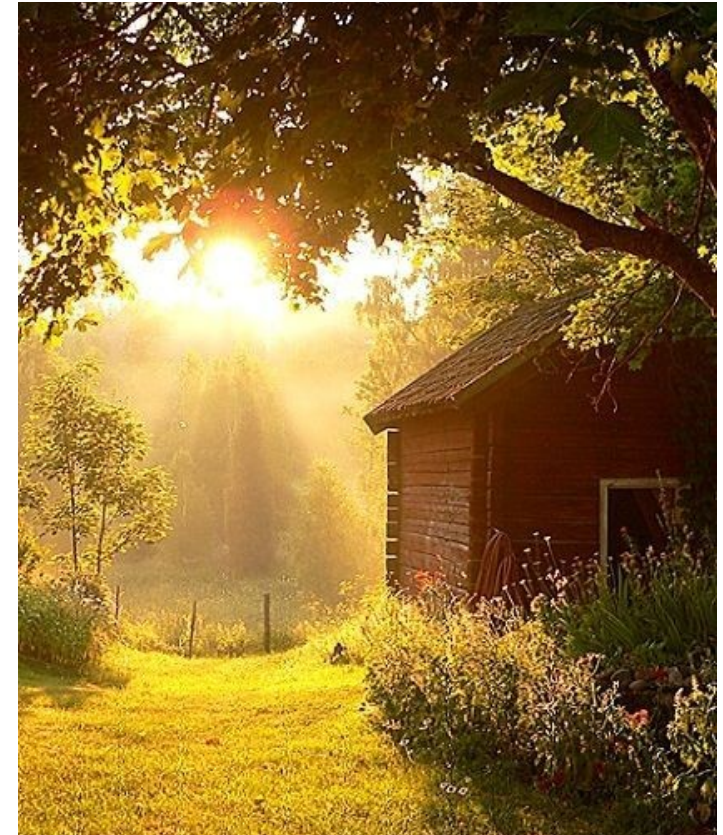
#### September 3

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



WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

August 27, 2023



*“In times of trouble, may the Lord answer your cry.*

*May the name of the God of Jacob keep you safe from all harm.”*

*-Psalm 20:1 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?

### New Members

- Kevin and Jill Skidmore—by Baptism/Letter; Hudson, Oliver, and Millie Skidmore—by Baptism  
Deacon: Dale Edwards
- Harv and Barbara Holley—by Statement  
Deacon: Lendell Glassco



### Nominations

- Each church member may nominate two individuals to serve as **Deacon**.
- Each church member may nominate **Committee on Committees** members.
- Nominations should be submitted to the church office *no later than Wednesday, September 13th*.
- The list of active deacons and current committee members, along with their terms, can be found under “Ministry Opportunities” on the church’s website.
- Elections will be held on Sunday, November 5, 2023.

Children’s Choir resumes on Monday, September 11. Registration forms are available in the children’s area.



**Bible Study Fellowship** study for men on the book of John  
Led by Roy Bryant and Mike Maley  
**Tuesday evenings @ 6:30pm in Room 201**

Runs from **Sept. 12** until mid-May (breaks in fall, at Christmas, and in spring)  
This is an interdenominational study intended for church members and non-members. For more information, go to [bsfinternational.org](http://bsfinternational.org) or contact Roy Bryant at 256-558-5828.

### MATURE ADULT NEWS

**September 12 @ 5:00pm; Western Round-Up Fellowship Hall**  
**Boston Butt, Homemade Ice Cream, and FBC Sons of the Pioneers**  
*Please sign up*



Please join us for  
**What:** an Andy Griffith Bible Study  
**Who:** Led by Tim Hays and Jackie Hester  
**When:** Beginning Wednesday, September 13, 2023 @ 6pm, Lasting 9 Weeks  
**Where:** TBD

### SECURITY VOLUNTEERS

**August 27**—Torrey Whitaker, Gary Weldon, Bruce Haase, Kelly Haase  
**August 30**—Tim Couch  
**Sept 3**—L Joyner, D Hornbuckle, J Braswell, A Bradshaw, C Troilo  
**Sept 6**—Steve Stricklin

YOU BELONG @ FIRST

## this week @ fbc

### week of August 27, 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

#### 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	7:00 pm
Praise Team Rehearsal	8:00 pm

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!

<b>CHURCH OFFICE:</b>	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 – 08/20/23

FBC SS Total	353
Contemporary Service	311
Traditional Service	124

#### Our people gave – 08/15-08/21

Undesignated	\$ 27,377.00
Savings	\$ 785.00
Other Designated	\$ 1,775.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 29,937.00</b>

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU

**Doors Open at 5:00 pm**

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

#### August 30

- Salad
- Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo
- Corn
- Garlic Bread
- Wildcat Cake



Visitor QR Code



**Terrace Lake Bible Study - 10:30 am**  
August 28—Eddie Hinote  
September 4—HOLIDAY

### Women’s Bible Study

Wednesday nights from 6:00-7:00  
Beginning September 6 in Room 200  
Sign up on the old Lord’s Supper Table or  
Text Whitney Mastin (256) 558-9206



### Men’s Prayer Breakfast

Men, please join us on **Saturday, September 9th**, in the **Fellowship Hall** for a time of fellowship and food as the men’s ministry of Gunter’s First Baptist will host its first monthly men’s prayer breakfast from **7AM-8AM**. Please feel free to bring your sons or any other men from the community! Unless announced otherwise, we will meet on the first Saturday of every month. Hope to see you all there! God Bless



Please join us for our Fall Women’s Koinonia event on Sunday, Sept. 10th @ 6pm!

This event will be a recipe swap and sampling. Write out your recipe for the ladies to snap a picture of, and bring your dish to the event. Join us in the fellowship hall for a special time of food, fellowship, and worship!



### Sympathy

*FBC expresses deepest sympathy to the following families:*  
*Cecil Ross, in his passing on August 18, 2023;*  
*John Roper, in his passing on August 23, 2023;*  
*Rev. Charles Watkins, in his passing on August 24, 2023*