

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—*House of the Lord*

Worship Song—*I Got Saved*

Welcome and Fellowship

Worship Song—*Goodness of God*

Offering

Worship Song—*Only a Holy God*

Message—Joel Samuels

Invitational Hymn—*Lord, I Need You*

Announcements

Song of Celebration—*Celebrate Jesus*



Traditional Worship – 10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Congregational Praise—*Praise Him! Praise Him!* (#12)

Welcome and Fellowship

Congregational Praise—*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* (#575)

Message In Song—Carson Brown

Offertory Hymn—*Blessed Be the Name* (#52)

Piano Offertory

Choral Message—*By Faith*—Sanctuary Choir

Message—Joel Samuels

Invitational Hymn—*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* (#602)

Announcements

Song of Celebration—*Doxology* (#815)

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September 3

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

September 10

Steve Crosthwait	Gary Gray
Eddie Hinote	Benny Hyatt
Harv Holley	Van Reid
Gary Weldon	



WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

September 3, 2023



“For we live by believing and not by seeing.”

-2 Corinthians 5:7 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?

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 Guntersville 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!



Beginning **September 10**, we will have a new Sunday School class for young adults (couples and singles), led by Kevin and Amy Hawk. Stay tuned for more details.

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



SECURITY VOLUNTEERS

- Sept 3—L Joyner, D Hornbuckle, J Braswell, A Bradshaw, C Troilo
- Sept 6—Steve Stricklin
- Sept 10—K Hawk, T Reeves, C Samuels, D Samuels, D Anderson
- Sept 13—Rick Moody, Sandra Moody

Deacons' Meeting Wednesday Sept. 6 @ 6:00pm

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.

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 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

From the Philippines: Wendy Jennings

Women on Mission Women on Mission welcome long-time missionary to the Philippines, Wendy Jennings, to First Baptist Church on Thursday, September 14. All are invited to hear Wendy at 10 a.m. Thursday morning in the fellowship hall. Wendy and her husband Jess head up the Nehemiah Teams of the International Mission Board and have exciting stories of God at work in many countries through young Baptist adults. Stay for a light lunch and lots of fellowship.

The Sanctuary flowers today are placed by Dee Roper in loving memory of John Roper

YOU BELONG @ FIRST

this week @ fbc
week of September 3, 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
Deacons Meeting	6:00pm
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

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!

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 – 08/27/23

FBC SS Total	349
Contemporary Service	337
Traditional Service	82

Our people gave – 08/22-08/31

Undesignated	\$ 55,253.00
Savings	\$ 210.00
Other Designated	\$ 2,083.36
TOTAL	\$ 57,546.36

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU

Doors Open at 5:00 pm

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

September 6

- Salad
- Barbecue
- Baked Beans
- Baked Potatoes
- Blackberry Cobbler/Ice Cream



The church office will be closed on Monday, September 4, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.



Visitor QR Code



Terrace Lake Bible Study -

10:30 am
 September 4—HOLIDAY
 September 11—Neil Gunter