

## 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—*Emmanuel, Prince of Peace*

Worship Song—*0 Come, 0 Come, Emmanuel w/Even So Come*

Advent Video and Candle—*Hope*

Welcome and Fellowship

Worship Song—*0 Come, All Ye Faithful*

Offering

Worship Song—*Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

Message—Dr. Gordon Fort, Lottie Moon Speaker

Invitational Hymn—*0 Come, All Ye Faithful*

Announcements

Song of Celebration—*Celebrate Jesus*



### Traditional Worship – 10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship—*Christ, the Joy of Our Longing Hearts*—Sanctuary Choir

Congregational Praise—*0 Come, 0 Come Emmanuel (#245)*

Advent Video and Candle—*Hope*

Welcome and Fellowship

Congregational Praise—*Glory*

Congregational Praise—*While Shepherds Watched Their Flock (#272)*

Offertory Hymn—*0 Come, All Ye Faithful (#249)*

Piano Offertory

Choral Message—*Behold The Lamb of God*—Sanctuary Choir

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Song of Celebration—*Glory*

Postlude

**-USHERS-**

#### December 3

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

#### December 10

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



WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

December 3, 2023



*“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”*

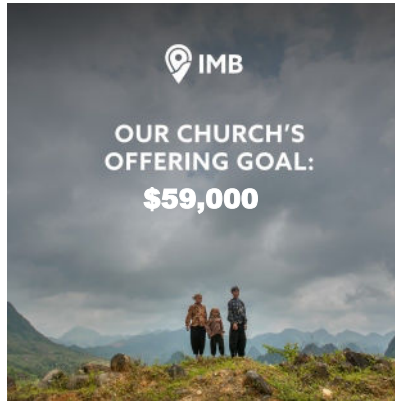
*– Isaiah 9:6*

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?**



The jail ministry will be putting together fruit baskets again this year. If you would like to participate, we will meet **Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** at 8:00am in the Fellowship Hall. It should only take about an hour to complete them.

If you have any questions, or would like more information, please contact Kevin Hawk at 256-302-2111 or [khawk@factory-connection.com](mailto:khawk@factory-connection.com).



We are delighted to welcome Dr. Gordon Fort as our Lottie Moon speaker this morning. Dr. Fort currently serves as Senior Ambassador for the President of the International Mission Board.

**Lottie Moon**

## YOUTH NEWS

- We need your help. Our girls would like to have a girls' weekend retreat in the coming months. If you have an extra house, farm, cabin, etc. that we could rent or use, please let Heather or Warren know. Thanks in advance!
- December 6: Outflow—Jr. High Girls
- December 13: Outflow—Sr. High Boys
- December 20: Outflow—Sr. High Girls
- January 12-15, 2024: Strength to Stand

**Check the youth Facebook page for event sign ups**

Deacons' Meeting Wednesday December 6 @ 6:00pm



**Christmas Concert  
 TONIGHT, December 3  
 6:00pm**



**Next Sunday  
 December 10  
 6:00pm**



**Sunday  
 December 17  
 6:00pm**

## MATURE ADULT NEWS

**December 16  
 10:30 am  
 Christmas Brunch  
 Fellowship Hall  
 Please sign up  
 Bring Finger Food**

We will have baby dedication during the 8:15 worship service on **Sunday, December 17**. Please let Micah know if your family would like to participate.



## SECURITY VOLUNTEERS

- Dec 3**—Kelly Stricklin, Clifton Martin, Patrick Roberts, Elliot Rowe  
**Dec 6**—Sally Campbell, Blake Campbell  
**Dec 10**—Torrey Whitaker, Gary Weldon, Bruce Haase, Kelly Haase  
**Dec 13**—Tim Couch

YOU BELONG @ FIRST

# this week @ fbc

## week of December 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	5:45pm
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
Multigenerational Rehearsal	7:30pm
Praise Team Rehearsal	8:30 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 — 11/26/23

FBC SS Total	292
Contemporary Service	272
Traditional Service	95

### Our people gave — 11/21-11/30

Undesignated	\$	24,505.75
Savings	\$	210.00
Other Designated	\$	3,225.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>27,940.75</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

### December 6

- Salad
- Million Dollar Spaghetti
- Corn
- Garlic Bread
- Coffee Cake



**Terrace Lake Bible Study -  
 10:30 am**  
 December 4—Richard Moebes  
 December 11—Rick Moody



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