## 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—Joy to the World! Worship Song—0 Come, All Ye Faithful

Advent Candle & Video—Love

**Welcome to Guests** 

Worship Song—Jesus, What a Wonderful Child Offering

Worship Song—Christmas Offering

Message—Joel Samuels

Invitational Hymn—Holy Forever

**Announcements** 

**Song of Celebration**—*Celebrate Jesus* 



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

## Prelude

Call to Worship—That Little Baby—Sanctuary Choir

Soloist: Christi Smallwood

Congregational Praise—0 Come, All Ye Faithful (#249)

Advent Candle & Video—Love

**Welcome to Our Guests** 

Congregational Praise—Christmas Is Jesus

Congregational Praise—Love Has Come! (#256)

Offertory Hymn—0 Holy Night (#285)

## Piano Offertory

Choral Message—Simeon's Song—Sanctuary Choir

Soloist: Sarah Elizabeth Phillips

Message—Joel Samuels

Invitational Hymn—Silent Night, Holy Night (#253)

## **Announcements**

Song of Celebration—Go, Tell It on the Mountain (#258)

Postlude

**-USHERS-**

#### December 22

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

## December 29

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



WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

December 22, 2024

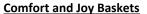


<sup>10</sup> "but the angel reassured them. 'Don't be afraid!' he said. 'I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. <sup>11</sup> The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David!"'

-Luke 2:10-11 NLT

• Strength to Stand-Jan. 17-20, 2025

\*See Warren or Heather for details. Sign-ups are required for trips. Visit youth FB page for links or you may sign up at the youth building.



- Baskets for church shut-ins and frontline workers (firemen, police officers, nurses, etc.)
- \* Coordinated by Elizabeth Sunday School Class and Men's ETC
- Baskets will be prepared Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall.
- Baskets should be picked up at 10:30am on the 23<sup>rd</sup>

Sign up sheets for delivery are on the library window. This is a great activity for families to share the love of Jesus in our city.

Contact Sherry Manley with any questions 256-571-6242



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## **Deacon Ordination Service**

We will have an ordination service for Michael Brown and Jarrod Jackson on Sunday, January 5 at 6:00pm in the sanctuary.

## MATURE ADULT NEWS

January Bible Study Joshua—The Faithfulness of God Wednesday Evenings Jan 8-Feb 5 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary Study Guides Provided \*Please sign up\* Led by several of our Senior Adult SS Teachers EVERYONE IS WELCOME

## Unoffendable

- Women's Bible Study based on the book by Brant Hansen
- Begins on Wednesday, Jan. 8 @ 6PM in the P27 SS Room
- Led by Rachel Brown and Julie Brown.







Tuesday-Thursday, December 24- 26—Church office closed Wednesday, December 25—No classes or activities Sunday, December 29 — ONE SERVICE, 10:00AM, NO CLASSES Tuesday-Thursday, December 31-January 2—Church office closed Wednesday, January 1—No classes or activities Sunday, January 5 @ 6pm - Deacon ordination Wednesday, January 8 — Classes and activities resume



Received: \$26,500.00

## **SECURITY VOLUNTEERS**

Dec 22—Matt Taylor, Ray Forrester, Chris Stanley, Darryl Anderson

Dec 25-

Dec 29—Kelly Stricklin, Clifton Franklin, Patrick Roberts, Elliot Rowe

Jan 1—



## this week @ fbc week of December 22, 2024

## Sunday

ble. If you would like prayer, an answer to a Contemporary Worship question, or personal ministry, please give one of Preschool Service these caring Christian leaders a call. They're 8:15 am ready to make a difference in your life! Kids Church Sunday School 9:15 am Traditional Worship 10:30 am

## Wednesday

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU

Doors Open at 5:00 pm

WNS will resume on

January 8, 2025

Merry Christmas

And

Happy New Year!

\$ 5.00

\$ 2.50

\$15.00

Adult Meal

Family Cap

Kid's Meal (PB&J)

Our people came 12/15/2024 **FBC SS Total** 264

258 **Contemporary Service Traditional Service** 112

The staff is ready to help you in any way possi-

**CHURCH OFFICE:** 

Karen Fancher, Secretary

Paul Murphy, Associate Pastor

Micah Gilmore, Children's Minister

Ken Patterson, Minister of Music

Amy Fondren, Financial Secretary

Joel Samuels, Pastor

YOU BELONG @ FIRST

582-5141

ext 102

ext 107

ext 110

ext 108

ext 101

ext 100

Our people gave 12/10-12/16 Undesignated 25.994.00 Savings/SPOTS 54,175.00 Other Designated \$ 12,038.00 TOTAL Ś 92,207.00

# **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering** Goal: \$60,000

## Terrace Lake Bible Study -10:30 am

Dec 23-Neil Gunter Dec 30—Tim Hays



**Visitor QR Code** 

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