

# 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—*The Lord’s Prayer (It’s Yours)*
- Welcome to Guests
- Gideon Speaker
- Offering
- Worship Song—*Come Jesus Come*
- Message—Joel Samuels
- Invitational Hymn—*You Are My All in All*
- Announcements
- Song of Celebration—*Celebrate Jesus*



## Traditional Worship – 10:30 a.m.

- Prelude
- Congregational Praise—*How Great Thou Art! (#147)*
- Welcome to Our Guests
- Congregational Praise—*Thy Word (#184)*
- Gideon Speaker
- Offertory Hymn—*At the Cross (#323)*
- Piano Offertory
- Choral Message—*Living Hope*—Sanctuary Choir
- Soloist: Karla Terrell
- Message—Joel Samuels
- Invitational Hymn—*Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus (#581)*
- Announcements
- Song of Celebration—*Doxology (#815)*
- Postlude

## -USHERS-

March 16		March 23	
Buddy Bunch	Gideon Ewing	Steve Crosthwait	Randy Godwin
Ronnie Opolka	Bruce Snider	Gary Gray	Eddie Hinote
Charles Spann	Matt Taylor	Benny Hyatt	Harv Holley
Mike Thigpen	Don Watson	Van Reid	Gary Weldon



WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

March 16, 2025



“As you know, Passover begins in two days, and the Son of Man will be handed over to be crucified.”

- Matthew 26:2 NLT

### FBC Memorial Scholarship

Scholarship applications are due **April 13.**

Applications and requirements are available in the church office.

### Book Reviews by Billie

The Owner's Manual for Christians by Charles Swindoll

Too often we decide to not read the manual for an appliance or piece of equipment. When things go wrong or do not work, it is then that we go to the manual for help. The author makes this analogy of how we should read God's word for instructions on how to do life. Topics like these are discussed:

- Humility
- Self Control
- Developing a Godly moral compass
- Dealing with failure, suffering, temptation, guilt
- Overcoming shame and guilt

Doing life without reading God's instruction manual just does not work. Whether you are a new believer or further along on life's journey, you need to read The Owner's Manual for Christians.



Available in your church library—Check it out



### Welcome New Members

Adam, Catherine, and Lane Narrell—  
by statement  
Deacon: Lance Joyner

## YOUTH NEWS

**Movie Night at FBC—"The Forge"**  
Sunday, March 16 @ 5:30 in the Sanctuary  
\$10 per person—All proceeds support youth  
mission trip to Belize  
Concessions at Break  
Let's watch a great movie together while  
supporting missions!  
*\*Please see Warren if you would like to help  
scholarship a student for the mission trip.\**



### MATURE ADULT NEWS

*"Irish Eyes Are Smiling" Dinner*  
Tuesday, March 18, 2025

5:00pm

Fellowship Hall

Guest Artist Grace English with her harp

*\*Please sign up and bring an Irish Dish\**

*Study of the book of Joshua concludes*  
Wed., April 9 @ 6:00pm  
In the Sanctuary  
Everyone is Welcome

### SECURITY VOLUNTEERS

**March 16**—Torrey Whitaker, Adam Narrell, Bruce Haase, Kelly Haase  
**March 19**—Tim Couch  
**March 23**—L. Joyner, D. Hornbuckle, J. Braswell, C. Troilo, D. Oliver  
**March 26**—



## this week @ fbc

### week of March 16, 2025

#### 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
Library Opens	6:00 pm
Children's Activities	6:00 pm
Youth Worship	6:00 pm
Prayer Meeting	6:00 pm
Ensemble Rehearsal	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 03/09/2025

8:15 Service	243
8:15 Nursery/Children	75
10:30 Service	125
Worship Total	443
FBC SS Total	314

Our people gave 03/04-03/10

Undesignated	\$	40,404.36
Savings/SPOTS	\$	1,080.00
Other Designated	\$	2,167.00
TOTAL	\$	43,651.36

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU

**Doors Open at 5:00 pm**

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

#### March 19 Menu

Salad  
Poppy Seed Chicken  
Green Beans  
Rolls  
Cheesecake Bites



**Terrace Lake Bible Study -**  
**10:30 am**

March 17—Mary Hinote  
March 24—Keith Swisher



**Visitor QR Code**

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