

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 scan the **QR code** on the inside of the bulletin to complete the **guest information**. 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 6:00. 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—*Jesus, What a Wonderful Child*
- Advent Candle & Video—*Joy*
- Welcome to Guests
- Worship Song—*Go, Tell it on the Mountain*
- Offering
- Worship Song—*O Come All You Unfaithful*
- Message—Joel Samuels
- Song of Invitation—*God So Loved*
- Announcements
- Song of Celebration—*Go, Tell It On the Mountain*



Traditional Worship – 10:30 a.m.

- Prelude
- Call to Worship—*Emmanuel, God With Us*—Sanctuary Choir
- Congregational Praise—*Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come*
- Advent Candle & Video—*Joy*
- Welcome to Guests
- Congregational Praise—*Away in a Manger*- (#262)
- Congregational Praise—*How Great Our Joy* (#269)
- Offertory Hymn—*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You* (#271)
- Piano Offertory
- Choral Message—*This Is Christmas*—Sanctuary Choir
- Message—Joel Samuels
- Invitational Hymn—*O Come, All Ye Faithful* (#249)
- Announcements
- Song of Celebration—*Go, Tell It on the Mountain* (#258)
- Postlude

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December 14

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| Buddy Bunch | Ronnie Opolka |
| Bruce Snider | Charles Spann |
| Mike Thigpen | Don Watson |

December 21

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



WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

December 14, 2025



“But the angel reassured them. ‘Don’t be afraid!’ he said. ‘I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. ¹¹ The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David!’”

—Luke 2:10-11 NLT



Commitment Card
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Winter Bible Study
For All Adults
6 Wednesday Evenings
Jan.7-Feb. 11
Sanctuary 6 PM
The Gospel of John

Session Leaders

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| Mike Reaves | Steve Rowe |
| Candy Patterson | Rick Moody |
| Sherry Manley | Joel Samuels |

Study Guides Provided

Thank You Tea honoring Rosalie Hunt
TODAY
Sunday, December 14 @ 11:30am
Fellowship Hall
Light Hors d'oeuvres to be served
Everyone is Welcome



Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Goal: \$60,000
Received: \$7,270.00

YOUTH NEWS

- Dec 14: Christmas at the Jones' house 5:30-7:30
- Dec 17: Outflow Sr. High Girls
- Jan 7: Strength to Stand balances due (\$250 total cost)
- **Jan 11, 2026: STS Parent/Student Meeting @ 5:00pm**
- Jan 16-19, 2026: STS, Gatlinburg, TN
- Jan 28: Outflow Jr. High Boys
- Feb 18: Outflow Jr. High Girls

Sign-ups at Youth Building or Online
Facebook: FBCgvilleyouth
Instagram: GFBC Youth

MATURE ADULT NEWS

Stay tuned for exciting things happening in 2026!



this week @ fbc
week of December 14, 2025

Sunday

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| 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

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| Fellowship before Discipleship (September—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

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| 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 12/07/2025

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| 8:15 Service | 419 |
| 8:15 Nursery/Children | 30 |
| 10:30 Service | 274 |
| Worship Total | 723 |
| FBC SS Total | 341 |

Our people gave 12/01-12/08

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| Undesignated | \$ 29,370.00 |
| Building By Faith | \$ 53,950.00 |
| Other Designated | \$ 7,091.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 90,411.00 |

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU

Doors Open at 5:00 pm

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

WNS will resume on
January 7, 2026
Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year!



Terrace Lake Bible Study
10:30 am

Dec 15—Mary Hinote
Dec 22—Keith Swisher



Visitor QR Code

Looking for a chance to serve this Christmas season?
Dec 18th our church bus will depart at **6am** to serve at the **Atlanta OCC processing center**. If you want to join in the outreach opportunity please contact *Micah Gilmore* to sign up. Spots are limited. Youth must be at least 13 years old to attend and need a parent or guardian with them.

