

WELCOME!

If you are visiting with us, we would like to give you a special welcome this morning and make you aware of a few things:

- Please stop by the welcome table across the hall to select a tote bag of your choice as our gift to you.
- If you would like to leave your children in our nursery, you will find it along the main hallway toward the North end of the building.
- You are welcome to join us for coffee and snacks in our fellowship hall.
- At 9:30am, we offer small group Bible studies, which we call ConneXion Groups. If you'd like help finding one, just ask a pastor.
- We would love it if you would take a moment to fill out the visitor card inserted into this bulletin so we have a record of you being here.

F.A.Q.

How can I know peace with God? You may be surprised to find that the Bible is very clear on this. You must:

Believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior (Acts 16:31)

Repent, turn from sin, and turn to God (Acts 3:19)

Confess Jesus as the Lord of your life (Romans 10:9)

What should I do after I have been saved?

You should follow the Lord's command to be baptized as a believer. Because He was baptized by immersion as an adult, we practice believer's baptism by immersion at First Baptist. Just step forward during the invitation time and tell our Pastor you'd like to be baptized.

How do I become a member of First Baptist Church?

- By profession of faith and baptism by immersion.
- By promise of a letter of recommendation from another Southern Baptist Church, or another Baptist Church of like faith and order, or
- By statement of prior conversion experience and baptism by immersion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Annual Thanksgiving Service with a meal to follow is **today**. Everyone is welcome to stay and enjoy this special meal and time of fellowship.

ConneXion Groups study schedule for the week of **Nov 20-26** is Genesis 46.

Thank you! We have a card from the [Link family](#) and note from [Genie White](#). These are available to read on the bulletin board near the Nursery. We have also received an e-mail message from [Baptist Children's Home & Family Service](#). That message is on the Preschool hallway bulletin board.

We have received additional donations for the Operation Christmas Child shoebox postage. Our new total giving is **\$895.00**.

Lottie Moon Offering and Week of Prayer is coming soon! 100% of our gifts go to the IMB missionaries who are making disciples and multiplying churches among unreached people and places. Our church goal will be **\$2,150.00**. Begin praying now as to how you will support this work.

2018 World Changers! We are set to return to Bonne Terre, **July 9-14!** Sign-up sheets are up outside Pastor Matt's office. Cost will be **\$300.00**, with your non-refundable deposit of **\$50.00** due **Sunday, January 7th**.

We are hosting the annual Mascoutah Community Thanksgiving Service **tonight at 6:00 pm**. The pastors and churches of Mascoutah are invited to participate in this service. Make plans now to attend this special service!

The church office will be closed **Thursday, Nov 23rd** and **Friday, Nov 24th** for the Thanksgiving holiday.

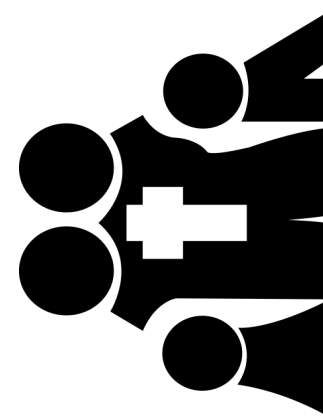
Journey to Bethlehem, FBC Columbia, **December 8th, 9th, and 10th**. Experience the journey Mary & Joseph took from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Live animals, no reservations, no childcare, not handicap accessible. No Charge!

Christian Activity Center needs donations of small items for their "Christmas Cottage" before **Saturday, December 9th**. Contact Sally Horstmann at 618-874-5615 ext. 209 for more information or to donate. They are also asking for our help to give Christmas to the children in their care. If you would like to donate, have the CAC shop for gifts, or be paired with a child's wish list, contact Margaret at ilsisgrl@yahoo.com or 217-416-8181.

Bath/shower chair and walker available to borrow. Contact Genie White if you are in need of temporary use of these items.



Everyone is welcome to connect to our wireless guest network, FBCM-Guest. The password is **BeOurGuest**. Please note: All users of our network consent to monitoring.



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Sunday Worship 10:45am
Small Group Bible Study 9:30am
Sunday Church Development 5:00pm
AWANA Wednesday 6:15pm



Senior Pastor, Duane Smith
Assoc. Pastor, Worship Pillar Head, Matt Burton
Evangelism Pillar Head, Not filled
Ministry Pillar Head, Not filled
Fellowship Pillar Head, Shelby Wilson
Discipleship Pillar Head, Kurt Grady
Secretary, Bev Reeves
Deacon, Kevin Hutchison
Deacon, Sam Graf
Deacon, Tim Seaney
Deacon, Randy Bodiford

GIVING THANKS

Message Outline for Sunday Morning, 11/19/17

Purpose of Message: To help us gain a thankful heart and express it to God in everyplace we might find ourselves.

INTRODUCTION:

- A. Thanksgiving – A Distinctive Holiday
- B. Once Again We Give Thanks

I. GIVING THANKS AMONG OUR PERSONAL FAMILIES, Isa 38:18-20

- A. King Hezekiah’s Psalm of Thanksgiving
- B. Thanksgiving within Our Families

II. GIVING THANKS AMONG GOD’S FAMILY, Psalm 35:18

- A. The Psalm’s Setting
- B. The “Great Congregation”
- C. Our Congregation

III. GIVING THANKS AMONG THE FAMILY OF HUMANITY, Psalm 18:49

- A. The Psalm’s Background
- B. An Easy Transition
- C. The World Needs To See

CONCLUSION:

Family Discussion Questions:

- What have you got to be thankful about?
- Express that thankfulness to God and any to whom you are thankful.
- Look up other verses dealing with thankfulness and pick a couple to memorize.

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Today

10:45 am Thanksgiving Worship Service w/meal to follow
 6:00 pm Thanksgiving Community Service

Wednesday

No AWANA

Thursday & Friday

Church Office Closed

MONEY COUNTERS

Today

Jamey Wiscombe & Sam Graf

Next Sun

Candy Wiscombe & Angie Haas

NURSERY

Today

10:45am Tim Sisson & Mona Brown

Next Sunday

10:45am Andrea Sisson & Chris Pierce

WORSHIP PRAYER TEAM

Today

Michelle Connell & Eunice Hicks

Next Sun

Gary Griswold & Tim Sisson

LAST WEEK’S ATTENDANCE FIGURES

ConneXion Groups	99
AM Worship Service	96

LORD’S SUPPER & BAPTISM SUNDAY

If you know Jesus as your Lord and want to be baptized, talk to one of the pastors about which date works best:

December 24, 2017

OCTOBER BUILDING FUND

Received	\$1,448.00
Balance	\$796,115.96

OCTOBER TITHES & OFFERINGS

Undesignated Gifts	\$18,627.36
Expenses	\$26,896.48
Operating Loss	\$8,269.12

WHO ARE WE PRAYING FOR THIS WEEK?

Lil Rock Electrical Construction, Inc.
 Linders’ Custom Wallpapering & Painting
 Lonnie’s Tire & Auto

See bulletin board near the Nursery for more details about how to contact these businesses to let them know that we are praying for them.

If you did not use your visitor card/prayer request card, would you help us control costs and return yours to one of the ushers on your way out this morning? Thank you for your help.