

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

New Security Measures - Please note two recent changes. First, the external guest doors each have a video doorbell now, so please ring the door if locked. Second, if you arrive late to any scheduled event, please enter the church through the Church Street door, door "D". Door "D" will remain unlocked throughout the activity.

ConneXion Groups will study **Colossians 1** the week of **Jan 29-Feb 4**.

A member of nearly 56 years, Evelyn De Groote, one of our homebound members, will turn **90 years old** next **Sunday, February 4th!** Let's celebrate with her by sending our own personal cards and messages. Evelyn's address is 433 S. Railway, Mascoutah, IL 62258.

Visitor Pews - Starting **February 4th**, as a convenience for our visitors, the last pew on the right side (closest to the main entrance) will be reserved for our visitors, should they choose to sit there. The pew will be marked by signs to help us remember.

New Members & Leadership II classes will begin **Sunday, February 4th** at **5:00 pm**. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board near the Nursery.

Reduce the Risk training will be held **Sunday, February 11th** at **3:30 p.m.** for anyone who would like to work with our children and youth. In order to take this class, applications must be returned to Andrea Sisson by **Monday, February 5th**. If you need an application, please see Andrea Sisson.

Mosaic Pregnancy & Health Centers Annual Baby Bottle campaign - Bottles will be collected from the congregation **Sunday, February 11th**.

VBS Training meeting on **Saturday, February 17th** from **9am -11am** at the church.

Vacation Bible School will be a one day event from **9am - 3 pm** on **June 9th**. The volunteer signup sheet has been posted on the bulletin board outside of the Nursery. For questions, please contact Eric Wahl.

WOW Ladies - Please bring individually wrapped crackers to be donated to the Leu Civic Center.

Attendance prizes! Please bring any items for attendance prizes for W.O.W. to the church this week.

Choir will meet **Sunday, February 4** at **6:00 pm** to discuss plans for Easter music.



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.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MASCOUTAH

A Family Helping Families Connect With Christ

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

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

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A PASTOR'S MUSINGS ABOUT THE CHURCH, Philippians 1:3-7
 STATE OF THE CHURCH 2018
 Message Outline for Sunday Morning, 01/28/18

Purpose of the Message: To help the church know the state of the church and encourage us to move forward in our service to the Lord.

INTRODUCTION

- A. Another Year has Passed
- B. Philippians 1:3-7
- C. Spurgeon Quote
- D. Outline

I. PRAYER, Philippians 1:3-5

II. CONFIDENCE, Philippians 1:6

III. BLESSING, Philippians 1:7

CONCLUSION:

Family Discussion Questions:

- Do you pray for the church of God at FBCM? Why or why not?
- What ministry do you perform in the name of Christ that would lead others to pray for you with joy?
- Do you have confidence in the Lord to move this church forward in His mission? Why or why not? How does this reflect on you and your involvement in His church?
- If you are not actively involved in being on mission with God here what do you need to do to enter the "mission" endeavor?
- Do you see the need for each of us to be involved in ministering to our community in the defense and confirmation of the gospel?
- How will you seek to grow in your service to God and His church and His mission this year?

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Today

9:30 am ConneXion Group Bible Study
 10:45 am Worship Service
 5:00 pm Youth Escape

Wednesday

6:15 pm AWANA "Measles Night"

Thursday

6:30 pm Pastors, Deacons, & Wives Meeting

Friday

6:00 pm Ladies' W.O.W. Night Dinner
 7:00 pm Ladies' W.O.W. Night Service

MONEY COUNTERS

Today Lesley Grady & Lea Jones
Next Sun Charlie Witty & Aaron Reed

NURSERY

Today Heidi Pierce & Aaron Reed
Next Sunday Eric Wahl, Ruby Walker, & Kadi Grossman

LORD'S SUPPER & BAPTISM SUNDAYS

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

February 25, April 1, July 22, September 30,
 December 23, 2018

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE FIGURES

ConneXion Groups 101
 AM Worship Service 115

DECEMBER BUILDING FUND

Received \$1,548.00
 Balance \$801,276.71

DECEMBER TITHES & OFFERINGS

Undesignated Gifts \$28,116.00
 Expenses \$19,526.96
 Operating Gain \$8,589.04

WHO ARE WE PRAYING FOR THIS WEEK?

McDonald's
 Meineke Car Care Center
 Mensing Enterprises, LLC

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.

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