

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

ConneXion Groups will study Galatians 2 the week of **March 19-25**.

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering given to date is **\$380.00**. All gifts (100%) given through this offering go directly to the field of North American Mission Board missionaries. Pray as to how you will choose to support the spread of the Good News of Jesus Christ through our missionaries. Our church goal is **\$2,000.00**.

Safe Schools and Healthy Students will be presented by Lt. Col. Dave Grossman, **tonight** from **5:00pm-7:00 pm** at Mascoutah High School Auditorium. This is a **FREE** event. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Facebook Live! We are now broadcasting our service on Facebook Live every Sunday!

Celebrate Easter with us! We will have a continental breakfast of pastries & fruit **Sunday, April 1st** at **9:30 am** and an Easter egg hunt for 2nd grade and younger during the breakfast. Sign-up sheet to bring fruit, orange juice, or milk is on the hallway clipboard. There is also an attendance sign-up sheet on the same bulletin board.

Vacation Bible School signup sheet is posted on the hallway bulletin board. For questions, please contact Eric Wahl.

March Operation Christmas Child ideas are quality crafts. There are flyers in the Preschool hallway with a detailed list of ideas.

Jubilee 2018 - The Old Time Gospel Conference for Mature and Senior adults will be **April 23-27** in Branson, MO. See the "Community News" clipboard for more information.

Save the date! "Game On" will be our theme for our one day VBS on **Saturday, June 9th** from **9:00am - 3:00 pm**.

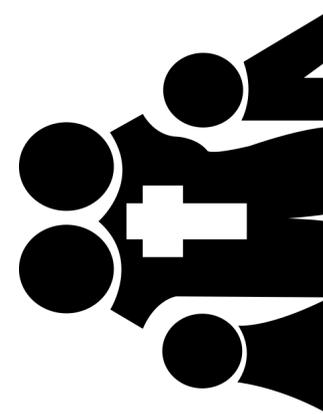
Evangelism training class meets **Sunday, March 25th** at **5:00 pm**.

Baptist Children's Home & Family Services monthly thank you letter is posted on the "Thank You" clipboard.

Angels' Cove in Mt. Vernon is having a "Star Wars, Hope Awakens" benefit **Saturday, March 24th**. See the "Community Events" clipboard for details.



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, Bonnie Bodiford
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

LIFE BEYOND THE CROSS – Living In Community
 Hebrews 10:24-25 & Hebrews 12:1-2
 Message Outline for Sunday Morning, 03/18/18

Purpose of Message: to help us see the worth of God’s church and commit ourselves to be an active part of Her ministry on earth.

INTRODUCTION:

- A. Web Search on “Statistics on Loneliness”
- B. God did not Create Man to live in Isolation
- C. God’s Community of Faith

I. THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH PRESENT – THE CHURCH, Hebrews 10:24-25

- A. The Context

- B. The Text on Community

- C. The Purpose of Community

II. THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH PAST – THE FULL BODY OF WITNESSES, Hebrews 12:1-2

- A. A Great Cloud of Witnesses

- B. The Legacy’s Influence

CONCLUSION:

Family Discussion Questions:

- What is your view of the organized church? Do you see its importance? Why or why not?
- If you see its importance, are you active in fulfilling its mission? If not, how can you become more active?
- Read Hebrews chapter 11. What do you think?
- When you read about different folks in the Bible are you encouraged to live for Christ? Why or why not?
- What decisions do you need to make and follow through with as a result of this message and study?

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Today

- 9:30 am ConneXion Group Bible Study
- 10:45 am Worship Service
- 12:00 pm Business Meeting
- 5:00 pm Safe Schools & Healthy Students @ MHS

Wednesday

- 6:15 pm AWANA “Bible Character Night”
- 8:00 pm Church Open for Prayer

MONEY COUNTERS

Today

Candy Wiscombe & Angie Haas

Next Sun

Lesley Grady & Lea Jones

NURSERY

Today

Eric Wahl & Ruby Walker

Next Sunday

Tim Sisson & Mona Brown

WORSHIP PRAYER TEAM

Today

Sam & Lori Graf

Next Sun

Sunie Grossman & Jen Best

LAST WEEK’S ATTENDANCE FIGURES

ConneXion Groups	70
AM Worship Service	98

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:

**April 1, July 22, September 30,
 December 23, 2018**

CONNEXION GROUPS

At FBCM we believe real Christ-like growth happens in our small groups, which we call “ConneXion Groups.” We have several that meet on Sunday mornings (here at church) and Monday evenings in Mascoutah and New Baden. If you would like more information about which group might be best for you, talk to Kurt Grady or one of our pastors.

WHO ARE WE PRAYING FOR THIS WEEK?

Quite Contrary Sweets
 Radio Shack
 Red-E-Mix, 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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