

## 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

**Welcome Chayse Rutledge**, our newest member! Chayse was baptized last Sunday morning.

**ConneXion Groups** will study Exodus 8 the week of **Oct 8-14**.

**"Illinois Needs You Now"** Mission Illinois Offering total given was: **\$707.00**. Our church goal was **\$1,000.00**.

**October's Operation Christmas Child** idea is Bible story books for all ages, Christmas cards, letters, and personal photos.

**Coming in January 2019.....**"Navigating Your Finances God's Way." Sign-up sheet is posted on the hallway clipboard.

**Mascoutah Fall Festival & Chili Cook-off** will be on **Saturday, October 20th** from **10:00am - 4:00pm**. We will have a booth at the festival. Contact Shelby Wilson by texting her at 618-520-2783 with any questions. The sign-up sheet is on the clipboard near the Nursery. This is a great outreach opportunity!

**"Engaging Our Mission Field"** is the theme for the annual MEBA meeting **today**. The meeting will be held at Calvary Church, 1509 Melmar Dr., Sparta, IL.

**Mascoutah Food Pantry** items needed this month: hot chocolate, brown sugar, vegetable oil, mayonnaise, barbeque sauce, sauerkraut, canned pineapple, and canned peaches. The donation box is in the main hallway.

**Free Shoeboxes** available **today!** See the Genie White or the "Operation Christmas Child" clipboard for information about these shoeboxes.

**Old Testament Survey** class will begin **Sunday, October 21st at 5:00pm**. Please sign-up on the clipboard near the Nursery. This class will meet every other Sunday evening except the week of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and our annual budget discussion night. This class runs through **March 24, 2019**.

**Reducing the Risk Training** will be held **October 28th at 3:30pm** 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, October 22nd**. Please sign-up on the hallway clipboard.

**Fall Festival** will be **Wednesday, October 31st** from **5:30pm-7:30pm**. We need you to serve the families of our community for two hours. Please mark your calendars! See Bonnie Bodiford with any questions.

**Flu Shots** will be administered **Wednesday, October 17th** from **9:00-11:00am** at the Mascoutah Township Office. See the "Community News" clipboard for more details.



Everyone is welcome to connect to our wireless guest network, FBCM-Guest. The password is **godisLove**. 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, Daniel Laird  
Ministry Pillar Head, Bonnie Bodiford  
Fellowship Pillar Head, Shelby Wilson  
Discipleship Pillar Head, Kurt Grady  
Secretary, Bev Reeves  
Deacon, Kevin Hutchinson  
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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**THE DECISION TO HEAR GOD'S WORD, 1 Samuel 3:1-21**  
**Message Outline for Sunday Morning, 10/07/18**

*Purpose for Message: To help us see the necessity of hearing and obeying God's word.*

**INTRODUCTION:**

- A. Deuteronomy 18:18
- B. The Emphasis

**I. THE SETTING, 1 Samuel 3:1-3**

- A. Samuel at the Tabernacle

- B. Eli's Condition Worsening

- C. God's Word was Rare

**II. THE LORD SPEAKS, 1 Samuel 3:4-21**

- A. The Call of Samuel

- B. The Word to Samuel

- C. The Word to Eli by Samuel

**III. HEAR THE WORD**

- A. The Focus

- B. God's Word

- C. The Word is Precious

**CONCLUSION:**

**Family Discussion Questions:**

- Read 1 Peter 2:9 and discuss what it means to be called.
- Why do you think Samuel did not want to talk to Eli about the message the Lord had given Him? Do you think we have the same problem in giving the message from God's Word today?
- Read 2 Timothy 3:14-15 and discuss. What does God use to speak to us about salvation?
- Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17 and discuss. What do the terms teaching, reproof, correction and instruction mean?
- Read John 14:21 and discuss. What is the connection between loving God and obeying God?
- Memorize Psalm 19:7-8

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**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**Today**

- 9:30am ConneXion Group Bible Study
- 10:45am Worship Service
- 3:30pm Annual MEBA Meeting
- 5:00pm Youth Escape
- No Discipleship Classes Tonight

**Wednesday**

No AWANA

**Thursday**

- 6:30pm Stewardship Committee Meeting

**MONEY COUNTERS**

- Today** Lesley Grady & Lea Jones
- Next Sunday** Charlie Witty & Aaron Reed

**NURSERY**

- Today** Heidi Pierce, Ruby Walker, & Jena Laird
- Next Sunday** Tim Sisson, Sunie Grossman, & Gracie Wood

**WORSHIP PRAYER TEAM**

- Today** Aaron Reed & Kevin Hutchison
- Next Sunday** Sam & Lori Graf

**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE FIGURES**

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| ConneXion Groups   | 93  |
| AM Worship Service | 110 |

**LORD'S SUPPER & BAPTISM SUNDAY**

If you know Jesus as your Lord and want to be baptized, please talk to one of the pastors. The next date for baptisms will be

**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. 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?**

Bethel United Methodist Church  
 Binsbacher & Griffithe & Dawson, LLC.  
 Bird's Eye Embroidery

*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.*