

## 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

**Daylight Savings Time** is about to end. Don't forget to set your clock back one hour when you go to bed **Saturday night!**

**ConneXion Groups** will study Exodus 11 & 12 the week of **Oct 29 - Nov 4.**

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

**Reducing the Risk Training** will be held **November 4th at 3:30pm.**  
**\*\*\*THIS IS A SCHEDULE CHANGE FROM THE PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED DATE.\*\*\*** This training is 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 **today.**

**Invite your friends** to our Fall Festival **Wednesday, October 31st** from **5:30pm-7:30pm!** We also need volunteers to serve the families of our community at the festival from **5:15-7:45pm.** The sign-up sheet is posted on the "Harvest Festival" clipboard in the main hallway.

**If you have a non-urgent prayer request**, please send it to Debbie Witty at [Deb54witty@gmail.com](mailto:Deb54witty@gmail.com). Your request will be lifted in prayer at our Sunday night prayer sessions and by the Prayer Council through the end of the month. E-mail your request monthly if it needs to stay on the prayer list. Confidential requests need to be listed as such on the subject line. When the prayer is answered, email Debbie so that we can praise and thank God. Urgent prayer requests will still be coordinated through Lori Graf.

**November Operation Christmas Child** idea is a gift of **\$9.00.** Your gift of \$9.00 provides for: "The Greatest Gift" gospel booklets, collection costs, processing costs, training local churches, shipping to over 100 countries, and the ministry partner guide.

**Packing party** for Operation Christmas Child with soup and cookies to follow **Friday, November 9th** at **6:00pm** in the Fellowship hall. Sign-up on the hallway bulletin board if you plan to pack and eat!

**Free Men's Conference** at Heartland Baptist Church in Alton. This conference will be held **Nov 2 and 3.** See the "Men's Ministry" clipboard, visit [hbcalton.com/events](http://hbcalton.com/events), or call 618-462-1276 for more details.

**We have received** the latest "Es Una Aventura" newsletter from our missionary, Shelly Reeves this week. Extra copies are posted in the Missionary News rack.



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*

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



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Discipleship Pillar Head, Kurt Grady  
Secretary, Bev Reeves  
Deacon, Kevin Hutcheson  
Deacon, Sam Graf  
Deacon, Tim Seaney  
Deacon, Randy Bodiford

LIFE'S DECISIONS: A Decision Concerning Repentance  
 1 Samuel 7:1-14  
 Message Outline for Sunday Morning, 10/28/18

*Purpose for Message: to help us understand repentance and the important place it holds in our lives in our relationship with God.*

**INTRODUCTION:**

- A. 1 Samuel 7:1-2
- B. Something Stirring in Israel – Repentance!

**I. THE ACT OF REPENTANCE, 1 Samuel 7:3-6**

- A. Repentance as Seen with Israel

- B. Repentance: Necessary for Our Salvation & Growth

- C. Decision Time

**II. THE BLESSINGS OF REPENTANCE, 1 Samuel 7:7-14**

- A. The Greatest Blessing

- B. Other Blessings Accompanying Repentance

- C. God has Blessings in Abundance

- D. One Caveat

**CONCLUSION:**

**Family Discussion Questions:**

- What is repentance? (Resources: gotquestions.org or biblestudytools.com)
- Is repentance necessary for salvation and/or future Christian growth? Why or why not?
- Read Exodus 9:23-35: Why is this a good example of no repentance?
- Can you find a good example of repentance in Scripture? What is it and why?
- Are there areas in your life that though you confessed sin, there was no repentance? What needs to be done about it?

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**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Today  
 Sunday

- 9:30am ConneXion Group Bible Study
- 10:45am Worship Service
- 4:00pm Choir Practice
- 5:00pm Prayer Meeting
- 5:00pm Youth Escape

Wednesday

- 5:30pm Fall Festival

Thursday

- 6:30pm Pastors, Deacons, & Wives Meeting

**MONEY COUNTERS**

- Today Candy Wiscombe & Angie Haas
- Next Sun Lesley Grady & Lea Jones

**NURSERY**

- Today Jamey Wiscombe, Michelle Connell, & Kadi Grossman
- Next Sun Sharon Reed & Mona Brown

**WORSHIP PRAYER TEAM**

- Today Brandon Faulkner & Bob Walker
- Next Sun Candy Wiscombe & Sharron Griswold

**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE FIGURES**

ConneXion Groups	101
AM Worship Service	106

**LORD'S SUPPER & BAPTISM SUNDAYS**

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

**SEPTEMBER BUILDING FUND**

Received	\$1,276.00
Balance	\$822,257.30

**SEPTEMBER OFFERINGS**

Undesignated Gifts	\$21,270.81
Expenses	\$15,716.09
Operating Gain	\$5,554.72

**WHO ARE WE PRAYING FOR THIS WEEK?**

Casey's  
 Chad-Nic Management Services, LLC  
 Citizens Community Bank

*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.*