

Prayer Concerns

Angie Baskins - Mary Lou Gamble - Joe Litaker
Audrey Bales - Jane Benton
Missy Walters, daughter-in-law of Nancy Walters
Betty McWhorter, sister of Carol Tyson
Phil Bowman, nephew of Max Penegar
Glenda Poindexter, former member
Betty Jo Hawkins, sister-in-law of Jane Hawkins
Kevin Casner, son of Ray and Gerry Casner
Wayne Barnhill, brother of Diane Whitley
Dewitt Fincannon, brother of Letha Turner

Church Calendar

Sunday, January 13

8:30 am Prayer Ministry Team - *Parlor*
9:40 am Bible Fellowship
10:30 am Child Care - *Nursery*
10:45 am Service of Worship - *Sanctuary*
2:00 pm Chancel Ringers - *Handbell Room*

Monday, January 14

7:00 pm Faith in Fiction Book Club - *Parlor*

Wednesday, January 15

5:30 pm Family Fellowship Meal - *Family Life Center*
Menu: meatloaf, creamed potatoes, corn, green beans, dessert
6:15 pm Youth Study/Fellowship - *Room 310*
6:20 pm Prayer Meeting - *Family Life Center*
Children's Bible Fellowship - *Room 302*
6:30 pm Adult Study - *Family Life Center*
Young Adult Bible Fellowship - *Parlor*
7:15 pm Chancel Choir - *Choir Room*

Announcements

Church-wide Luncheon

There will be a Church-wide Luncheon on February 3 immediately following worship in the Family Life Center. The meal, prepared by Dennis Butler, will include baked chicken breasts with mushroom gravy (drumsticks for children), ham, mixed greens with a raspberry vinaigrette dressing, green beans, creamed potatoes, squash casserole, rolls and homemade desserts (volunteers are needed to bring desserts!). Cost is \$10 for age 12 and up, \$4.00 for age 5-11, and free for those 4 and under. You can eat in or carry out. For reservations, sign up in Bible Fellowship, on Wednesday evening, or call/email the church office.

Young-at-Heart

The Young-at-Heart Christmas Party (postponed from December) will be held this coming Friday at 11:00 a.m. at Mayfair Restaurant. The group will have their own private area. Please bring a wrapped \$5.00 gift that is appropriate for either a woman or man. Reservations are needed, so call the church office by 5:00 p.m. this Wednesday if you plan to attend. Feel free to bring a friend.

Nursery Volunteers

An adult volunteer is needed in the nursery each Sunday during worship to assist Chrissy Bassler, our Nursery Attendant. If you would be willing to help, contact Josh Owens.

Book Club

The Faith in Fiction Book Club will meet on Monday, January 14 at 7:00 pm in the Parlor to review John Grisham's book ***The Reckoning***. You are invited to join them.

Flower Calendar

If you would like to provide flowers for Sunday Worship in 2019 either in memory or honor of someone, sign up on the Flower Calendar outside of the church office. Cost remains at \$60.00.

Quilting Retreat

There will be a Quilting Retreat in the Family Life Center on Friday and Saturday, January 11 and 12, beginning at 9:30 a.m. both days. If you know of someone interested in quilting, call and invite them to attend.

Church Meeting

The Quarterly Church Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 23 at 6:30 pm in the Family Life Center.

The Worship of God



13 January 2019 at Ten Forty-five in the Morning

The Community Gathers Before God

Centering Thoughts for Worship

God calls us to bear fruit, to be transformed into who He wants us to be. He desires us to be willing to grow, to be pruned, to put our trust in Him and the light He is growing in us. God calls each of us into that light, into restoration and trust, into that individual we were intended to be, as people faithful to justice, mercy, and love. God is at work in each of us, deep inside, where the spirit of life longs to bloom.

Words of Welcome

Dr. Dawson

If you are our guest today, we welcome you and ask that you complete a Visitor's Card available from a Greeter in the narthex, or in the pew racks. Please include your address, phone number and email. If you are interested in learning more about our church, we invite you to note this on the card. Thank you and welcome to First Baptist Church.

Call to Worship

Rev. Owens

Opening Voluntary

Dr. Belflowers, *organ*

Reading of the Old Testament – Isaiah 43: 1-7

Rev. Owens

† Hymn of Praise

Hymn No. 612

"How Firm a Foundation"

FOUNDATION

Children Age 3 - Grade 2 are invited to leave for Worship & Wonder

Reading of the Gospel – Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22 Richard Collins

Prayer for the People Richard Collins

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

† **Hymn of Assurance** Hymn No. 297

"Spirit of the Living God" SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

Anthem at the Offering The Chancel Choir

"Christ, When You Came to Jordan" arr. Hal H. Hopson

† **The Doxology** OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The congregation is asked to stand at the moment the Offertory Ushers pass their pew. This act of presentation to God enacts our self-offering and gratitude to God.

† **Prayer of Dedication** David Lowery

The Word of God is Proclaimed and Heard

Sermon Text Dr. Dawson

I Corinthians 6: 19-20

Sermon Dr. Dawson

"Physical Health Transformation: 5 Components"

Prayer Dr. Dawson

The Congregation Responds to the Word of God

† **Hymn of Response** Hymn No. 568

"Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated" HENDON

† **Benediction** Dr. Dawson

† **Closing Voluntary** Dr. Belflowers, organ

† Those who are able may stand

Loose Change Offering

The Loose Change Offering for January will benefit
Union County Crisis Assistance Ministry



LIGHT: Living Into God's Holy Transformation
First Baptist Church Christian Education theme for 2018-2019

Today's Committees

Security: Gathering Area: Tom Coffey. Narthex: Don Haver, Dannie Tuggle.

Parking Area Greeter: Jon Mackay

Nursery: Chrissy Bassler

Children Worship & Wonder: Eleanor O'Neill

Ushers: Mary Nash, Kathy Cole, Ken Handy, Tim McBride

Offertory: David Lowery, Jonathan Lowery, Jon Mackay, Josh Mackay



Personal listening devices are available for worship.

Please see and request one from an usher.

Large print bulletins are available in the narthex.

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through the church office.



Church Staff

Dr. Christopher S. Dawson, *Senior Minister*

Rev. Joshua K. Owens, *Associate Minister*

Dr. Timothy D. Belflowers, *Minister of Music & Organist*

Marsha Sexton, *Business Manager*

Kathy Cole, *Ministry Coordinator*

Jennifer Trull, *Weekday Preschool Director*

Dennis Butler, *Food Services Director*

Richard Collins, *Music Intern*



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Vision Statement:

*First Baptist Church Monroe exists to
Love God, Love Within, and Love Beyond*