

Announcements

Prayer Concerns

Angie Baskins - Mary Lou Gamble
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 20

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*
11:00 am Youth/Adults Provide Lunch at the Community Shelter
2:00 pm Chancel Ringers - *Handbell Room*

Tuesday, January 22

6:30 pm Vision Team - *Parlor*

Wednesday, January 23

5:30 pm Family Fellowship Meal - *Family Life Center*
Menu: chicken & dumplings, slaw, green beans, bread, 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*

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.

Baptist Women in Ministry Celebration

You are invited to this event to be held Sunday, February 10 from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. It will include a documentary film and panel discussion by 3 guests. There will also be a time for questions and answers on some of the elements portrayed in the film, and the state of women in ministry across Baptist life and how we can support, equip, and encourage churches and individuals in the calling of women. Other churches and women in the community are invited to join us. It is free and childcare will be provided.

Nursery Volunteers

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

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.

Church Meeting

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

Mid-Winter Young Adult Retreat February 15-17

The retreat is open to all college-aged young adults. Cost will be \$60 for students, which includes lodging and meals. First Baptist will help with the cost for our college students. Included will be worship, group discussions, break-out sessions, and more. If interested, contact Josh Owens.

The Worship of God



20 January 2019 at Ten Forty-five in the Morning

The Community Gathers Before God

Centering Thoughts for Worship

In this season after Epiphany, we continue to experience the ways Christ is revealed to the world, but also to us as followers of Christ. Where do we see the signs? What causes us to pause, and believe? Where do we hear God speaking out? What is the Spirit doing right now in our lives? Jesus is on the move, and we are the witnesses of what He is doing in our lives and in the world. So, listen to the voice of God calling you.

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 Psalms – Psalm 36: 5-10

Rev. Owens

† Hymn of Praise

Hymn No. 62

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

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

Youth and adults leave to provide lunch at the Community Shelter

Reading of the Gospel – John 2: 1-11

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**

"Jesus, Come! For We Invite You"

REGENT SQUARE

Jesus come! for we invite you, guest and master,
Friend and Lord; now, as once at Cana's wedding,
Speak, and let us hear your word:
Lead us through our need or doubting,
Hope be born and joy restored.

Jesus, come! transform our pleasures,
Guide us into paths unknown; bring your gifts,
Command your servants, let us trust in you alone:
Though your hand may work in secret,
All shall see what you have done.

Jesus, come in new creation,
Heaven brought near in power divine;
Give your unexpected glory, changing water into wine:
Rouse the faith of your disciples
Come, our first and greatest Sign!

Jesus, come! surprise our dullness,
Make us willing to receive more than we can yet imagine,
All the best you have to give:
Let us find your hidden riches,
Taste your love, believe and live!

Anthem at the Offering

The Chancel Choir

"Abide With Me"

arr. Halcolm Archer

† **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**

Richard Collins

The Word of God is Proclaimed and Heard

Sermon Text

Dr. Dawson

Isaiah 40: 31

Sermon

Dr. Dawson

"Physical Transformation: Cardiovascular Endurance"

Prayer

Dr. Dawson

The Congregation Responds to the Word of God

† **Hymn of Response**

Hymn No. 719

"If My People's Hearts Are Humbled"

BEECHER

† **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: Ray Sowder. Narthex: Don Haver, Dannie Tuggle.
Parking Area Greeter: Alvin Kilby
Nursery: Chrissy Bassler
Children Worship & Wonder: Libby Totty
Ushers: Don Haver, Dannie Tuggle, Ruby and Tom Coffey
Offertory: Dot and Jimmy Taylor, Lee Hyde, Don Haver



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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Audio CDs of our worship services are available
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*