

Prayer Concerns

Angie Baskins - Mary Lou Gamble - Nancy Walters
Bob Thompson - Ann Wild - Dr. John Hearn
John Austin, son of Jane Austin
Chris Knight, brother of Mike Knight
Ben Nash, former member
Martin Burkes, brother of Aileen Sowder
Amanda Thomas, Weekday Preschool teacher
Jane McNeely-Sowell, friend of Carolyn White
Wayne Barnhill, brother of Diane Whitley
Dewitt Fincannon, brother of Letha Turner



Church Calendar

Sunday, July 22

8:30 am Prayer Ministry Team - *Parlor*
9:20 am Coffee Fellowship - *Gathering Area*
9:40 am Bible Fellowship
10:30 am Child Care - *Nursery*
10:45 am Service of Worship - *Sanctuary*

Announcements

Nurting Faith for Bible Fellowship

It's time to renew subscriptions for Nurting Faith teaching material. To renew or subscribe, please turn in a check to the church office (made payable to First Baptist Church) for \$18.00 to cover the 2018-2019 church year. If you wish to cancel your subscription, please notify the church office.

Adult Bible Fellowship Classes

The Adult Bible Fellowship Classes will meet in the Family Life Center on Sunday, July 29 at 9:40 a.m. for a Bible Drill. This will be a fun time of learning and fellowship! Fruit cups, coffee and water will be available.

The Worship of God



9th Sunday after Pentecost

22 July 2018 at Ten Forty-five in the Morning

The Community Gathers Before God

Centering Thoughts for Worship

In those times when we feel like sheep without a shepherd, wandering and lost, may we remember the example of Jesus, to care for ourselves, and to care for one another, and to be filled with compassion. Many are struggling. It seems at times that all hope is lost. But Christ is with us. Christ calls us into times of rest and renewal, and Christ calls us to have compassion with one another, for the needs are great. There are many who need God's healing work, and they will continue to come. We must rest, and do the work Christ has called us to do, for the healing of the world. We may not see the fulfillment of the work in our lifetime, but we know it will come.

Words of Welcome

Rev. Owens

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

Opening Voluntary

Dr. Belflowers, organ

Reading of the Psalm – Psalm 89: 20-37 Rev. Owens

† **Call to Worship** Rev. Owens

Ordinance of Baptism Dr. Dawson

Candidate: Rachel Young

† **Hymn of Praise** *Please see insert*

Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 23: 1-6 Rev. Owens

Prayer for the People Rev. Owens

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. 558

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" BEECHER

Music at the Offering Dr. Belflowers, *organ*; Ryan McKeel, *flautist*

"Aria for Flute and Organ" by Charles Callahan

† **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** Rev. Owens

The Word of God is Proclaimed and Heard

Sermon Text Dr. Dawson

I Samuel 16-26

Sermon Dr. Dawson

"A New King: David"

Prayer Dr. Dawson

The Congregation Responds to the Word of God

† **Hymn of Commitment** Hymn No. 720

"Christ, Whose Purpose Is to Kindle" ODE TO JOY

† **Benediction** Dr. Dawson

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

† Those who are able may stand

Loose Change Offering

The Loose Change Offering for July will benefit the Sew Faithful Ministry Team of First Baptist Church

Today's Committees

Security: Gathering Area: J. T. Nance. Narthex: Don Haver, Dannie Tuggle. Parking Area Greeter: Larry Tuggle
Nursery: Lisa Dinkins, Sydney Dawson
Greeter: Mike Knight
Ushers: Don Haver, Diane Simpson, Barbara Austin, Carolyn White
Offertory: Ruby and Tom Coffey, Debby and Tim McBride



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