

Announcements

Welcome Back, Scholars

We welcome some of our former Choral Scholars back to FBC this morning! A sincere thank you to each of them for helping lead in today's worship service.

Journey to Jerusalem

Tom Coffey will continue his photographic recount of his and Ruby's trip to the Holy Land last fall. Join him each Wednesday through May at 6:30 p.m. in Room 308.

Graduates

Parents, if you have a son or daughter who is graduating from high school or college this year, please call the church office. A list of graduates will be published in the newsletter around the first of June.

College Scholarships

Funds are available to distribute scholarship grants from the R. Spence and Annie Lee Smith Helms Scholarship Fund for the 2022-23 school year. College students of families who are members of First Baptist can apply. Applications, which need to be returned by June 1, are available in the church office.

Blood Drive

A Blood Drive will be held on Friday, June 3 at 2:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Volunteers are needed to help with check-in and giving out drinks/snacks, etc. If you can help, please contact Harvey/Diane Whitley, or Mike/Frances Knight.

Loving Beyond Event

The Board of Missions needs your help in providing requested items from the residents of the Cotton Street Apartments. They regularly receive food bags from Heart for Monroe (which we help deliver), but have additional needs, which are:

- Toiletries
- Toilet Paper
- Crackers/chips
- Pop Tarts/cereal/grits
- Canned fruits and vegetables

If you would like to provide one or more of these items, please bring them to the Gathering Area by June 12.



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The Worship of God



May 15, 2022 at Ten-thirty in the Morning

The Community Gathers Before God

Centering Thoughts for Worship

*How we view and thus treat others is, in many ways, one of the key components of our faith. When we sing the song, "Open my eyes, that I may see", we tend to think it is about seeing God at work in the world, and it is. But it is seeing the **whole** world in which we live so that we see with God's eyes of love and not with a limited vision. Let us not forget that all God touches is holy, and that he created all that is!*

Words of Welcome

Dr. Chris Dawson

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

Call to Worship

Dr. Chris Dawson

Opening Music

"Come to Me"

Chancel Choir

by Dan Forest

Logan Williams, soloist; Daniel White, cellist

The Community Gives Praise & Prayers to God

First Lectionary Reading – Psalm 148

Logan Williams

+ **Hymn of Praise**

Hymn No. 17

"Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him"

AUSTRIAN HYMN

Second Lectionary Reading – Revelation 21: 1-6

Carol Findley

Sharing Prayer Concerns

Carol Findley

A Moment of Prayer

Church Family

Prayer for the People

Carol Findley

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. 677

“Soon and Very Soon”

SOON AND VERY SOON

Children Age 3-K are invited to leave for Children’s Worship

Anthems

Chancel Choir

“I Believe”

by Mark Miller

Michelle Dawson and Meredith Waller, soloists

“Love God, Love Within, Love Beyond”
(Premiere)

by Logan Williams

The Community Receives God’s Word

Sermon Text – John 13: 31-35

Dr. Chris Dawson

Sermon

Dr. Chris Dawson

Prayer

Dr. Chris Dawson

The Community Responds to God’s Call

+ Hymn of Response

Hymn No. 593

“The Gift of Love”

GIFT OF LOVE

+ Stewardship of Tithing and Fellowship

Church Family

+ Musical Benediction

Logan Williams

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

+ Closing Voluntary

Beth Adams

+ *Those who are able may stand*

Personal listening devices are available for worship.
Please see and request one from an usher.



Ministers

All who follow Jesus

Church Staff

Dr. Christopher S. Dawson, *Senior Minister*

Beth Adams, *Accompanist*

Marsha Sexton, *Business Manager*

Kathy Cole, *Ministry Coordinator*

Alyssa Metze, *Weekday Preschool Director*

Logan Williams, *Interim Worship Leader*



Vision Statement

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



A Glance of our Financial Stewardship

Weekly Budget Requirements	\$ 7,786
Budget Receipts May 8, 2022.....	\$ 4,241
Budget Receipts to Date	\$246,282
Expenses to Date	\$248,358

This Week’s Committees

Livestreaming Equipment - Trevor Dawson

Ushers – Ruby and Tom Coffey, Don Haver, Dannie Tuggle

Worship Leader – Carol Findley

Children’s Worship Leader – Denise Hopper

Money Counters – Patti Duncan



Prayer Concerns

Joey Forbes - Ed Varney

Jan Hearn - Jon and Katie Mackay

Dana Hinson

MaryAnn Clifton, aunt of Mike Knight

Debby Haver, cousin of Don Haver

Phil and Teresa Bowman, family of Max Penegar

Mike McBride, brother of Tim McBride

Shirley Clanton, friend of Frances Knight

Becky Shue, sister-in-law of Joyce Forbes

Anita Johnson, friend of Carol Findley

Bill Thaxton

Emma Hemphill

Daniel Mackay, brother of Jonathan Mackay

The leaders/people of Ukraine and Russia, for peace to replace war

All those affected by Covid-19



Church Calendar

Sunday, May 15

9:30 am Bible Fellowship – *Rooms 214 / 318*

10:30 am Morning Worship – *Sanctuary/Facebook*

11:30 am Church-wide Luncheon – *Family Life Center*

Wednesday, May 18

5:45 pm Children and Families Dinner – *Family Life Center*

6:30 pm Children’s Activities

7:30 pm Chancel Choir – *Choir Room*

