

Announcements

Children's Church

Children's Church for Age 3-Kindergarten begins today in Room 301. Children are asked to join the worship leader at the front of the sanctuary during the second hymn.

Food Paks for Kids

Volunteers are needed to help pack and/or deliver around 50 food bags to children in need at Rock Rest Elementary School. If you can help, contact either Ruby Coffey or Crystal Brantley.

Yard Sale

The United Voices of North Carolina **will not** be having their yard sale here on Saturday, October 16. If they decide on a later date, we will let you know.

Monroe Art Walk

The Monroe Art Walk will be held this Friday from 5:30-9:00 p.m., and on Saturday, from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the downtown area. In addition to art exhibits by local artists, there will be live music, a movie, a story walk, and more. The FBC Sew Faithful Quilt Group will have a display at the quilt exhibit. Our courtyard will be used for some of the art exhibits.

Fellowship Meal

There will be a church-wide fellowship luncheon following worship on Sunday, October 17. Weather permitting, tables will be set up on the walkways in the courtyard. A few tables will also be available in the Family Life Center. Menu will include barbecue, fried chicken, green beans, sweet potato casserole, slaw, rolls and dessert. Cost is \$7.00 for age 12-adults, \$3.00 for age 6-11, and free for those 5 and under. Carry-outs will not be available. Reservations are needed. To sign up, call or email the church office, or fill out the form available in today's bulletin and drop it in the offering plate following worship. At least 30 reservations are needed in order to move forward with the meal. Reservations need to be made ASAP so the food can be ordered.

Book Club

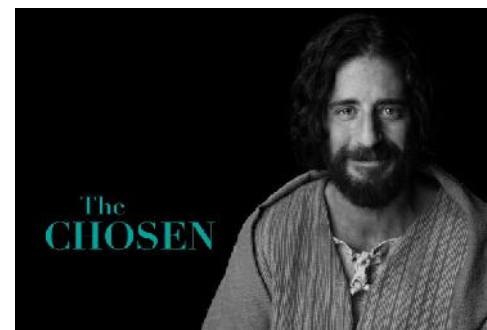
The Faith in Fiction Book Club will meet Monday, October 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Jim Dent's book, *Twelve Mighty Orphans*, will be reviewed and discussed. Zoom information for the meeting is included in this week's newsletter.

Quilting Retreat

There will be a Quilting Retreat in the Family Life Center on Friday and Saturday, October 8 and 9, at 9:30 a.m. both days. If you enjoy sewing, you are invited to attend. Contact Kiki Myers for more information.

Polar Express Night

Brittany Austin, Children's Ministry Coordinator, is planning on having a Polar Express Movie Night for children on Friday, December 10 in the Family Life Center. She needs 5 or 6 volunteers to help before and during the event. If you are willing to help Brittany, please contact her.



The Chosen is the first multi-season TV series about the life of Christ, exploring the characters who encountered Him and allowing us to see Him through their eyes. It is directed by Dallas Jenkins, son of author Jerry B. Jenkins (the *Left Behind* series). The stories are drawn from the four gospels but the characters' backstories (created by the writers) give us an idea of what it could have been like to be near Jesus. This fall FBC is offering you an opportunity to view and discuss in a small group, season one of *The Chosen* – exploring together the impact Jesus made on those he encountered.

The kick-off is scheduled for Friday, October 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Pizza and salad will be provided, so we ask that you RSVP by Tuesday, October 12. If you're skipping the meal, the show will start at 6:30 p.m. with discussion to follow.

There are some mature themes (assault, suicide, Roman oppression, alcohol), so parents may want to preview episodes before allowing their young children to watch. It's definitely appropriate for teens and tweens.

We look forward to having you join us to explore the everyday life of Jesus and how our discoveries can impact our lives today!

You can sign up by calling or emailing the church office, or you can fill out the form in today's bulletin and drop it in the offering plate as you leave worship.

The Worship of God



October 3, 2021 at Ten-thirty in the Morning

The Community Gathers Before God

Centering Thoughts for Worship

The journey for justice is long, winding, and uphill. But God is a God of steadfast love, a love that never ceases, a love that renews and restores us. God can restore the path of justice and give us the strength, courage, and endurance to travel on this journey of life. Christ, who did not give up even unto death, calls us by name into His way of life.

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 Voluntary

Beth Adams, *accompanist*

The Community Gives Praise and Prayers to God

First Lectionary Reading – Psalm 8

Dr. Chris Dawson

+ Hymn of Praise

"O Worship the King"

Hymn No. 29

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Second Lectionary Reading – Hebrews 1: 1-4; 2: 5-12

Sheila London

Sharing Prayer Concerns Sheila London

A Moment of Prayer Church Family

Prayer for the People Sheila London

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. 530
“How Firm a Foundation” FOUNDATION

Children Age 3-Kindergarten are dismissed for Children’s Church
Worship Leader: Ruby Coffey

Anthem Will Massey, *soloist*
“Incline Thine Ear” by Ernest Charles

The Community Receives God’s Word

Sermon Text – Mark 10: 1-16 Dr. Chris Dawson

Sermon Dr. Chris Dawson

Prayer Dr. Chris Dawson

The Community Responds to God’s Call

+ **Hymn of Response** Hymn No. 540
“Take Time to Be Holy” HOLINESS

Stewardship of Tithing and Fellowship Church Family

+ **Benediction** Dr. Chris Dawson

+ **Closing Voluntary** Beth Adams

+ Those that are able may stand.

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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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, *Music Intern*



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 September 26, 2021.....	\$ 7,538
Budget Receipts to Date	\$ 22,993
Expenses to Date	\$ 24,727

This Week’s Committees

Livestreaming Equipment
Trevor Dawson

Ushers
Carol Findley, Sheila London, Joel Myers

Worship Leader
Sheila London

Money Counters
Sheila London



Prayer Concerns

Dr. Ken Murray
Libby Totty
Emily Massey
Ray Sowder
Joy Shute
Denise Smith, niece of Dr. Ken Murray
Scottie Dinkins, mother of Scott Dinkins
Bill Thaxton, friend of Eddie and Vivian Roberts
Emma Hemphill, family member of Chris Dawson
Daniel Mackay, brother of Jonathan Mackay
Connell O’Neill, son of Tex and Eleanor O’Neill
Kevin Casner, son of Ray and Gerry Casner
All those affected by Covid-19



Church Calendar

Sunday, October 3

9:30 am Bible Fellowship – *Rooms 214 / 318*
10:30 am Morning Worship – *Sanctuary/Facebook*
4:00 pm Board of Deacons – *Family Life Center*

Monday, October 4

6:00 pm United Voices of NC – *Choir Room*

Wednesday, October 6

6:30 pm Board of Missions – *Family Life Center*
7:30 pm Chancel Ringers – *Handbell Room*

Friday & Saturday, October 8 & 9

9:30 am Quilting Retreat – *Family Life Center*

