

Last Sunday's Record - January 31, 2021

Offering: \$91,640.08

January 1, 2021

Requirements: \$132,403.85
Receipts: \$198,679.62

Deacon of the Week

2/7 - Mike Jones 2/14 - Larry Roberts
2/21 - David McCubbin 2/28 - Davis Miller
3/7 - Charles Naylor 3/14 - Freddie Poitevent

Deacon's Breakfast

Sunday, February 28

8:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Sermon for February 7

"The Amazing Thing About Grace"

John 9:1-7

Menu for Wednesday, February 10

(for Noon Lunch and Evening Take-out

*Pulled Pork Sandwich, Macaroni and Cheese,
Baked Beans and Lemon Ice Box Pie
KIDS: Corn Dog and Chips*

Adults: \$5 KIDS (12 and under): \$3 Family Maximum \$20

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY - February 7

LAUNCH

John Morgan and Anna Mims

Worship Welcome

Joe and Judy Pettey

Tommy and Mary Emma Allen

Security Team 4

Van Goodman, Landry Adkins, Davis Miller,
Michael Thompson, Greg Monsour

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, February 7

10:30 - Morning Worship

TUESDAY, February 9

9:30 - Ladies' Bible Study/Laird

WEDNESDAY, February 10

12:00 - Senior Adult Prayer Meeting, Luncheon and
Bible Study - (Fellowship Hall)

5:45 - G.A.s (Fellowship Hall)

R.A.s (Mabry Classroom)

Missions Friends/Preschool Choir (Children's Hall)

Youth Worship (Youth Room)

BIBLE STUDY/VanHorn (Chapel)

SANCTUARY CHOIR/Bishop (Sanctuary)

Thank you to all the faithful givers of FBC!

As a reminder, you can mail your offering to

701 26th Avenue, Meridian, MS 39301,

*or give online through our [ShelbyNext app](https://www.shelbynext.org) or
through our website (www.fbcmeridian.org).*

Dr. Nathan VanHorn, Pastor

Rev. David Bishop, Associate Pastor for Music

Zach DePriest, Minister of Youth Caitlin Braud, Director of Children's Ministries

Dr. Raymon Leake, Pastor Emeritus

Rev. David McCubbin, Associate Pastor Emeritus

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THE MESSENGER

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MERIDIAN

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IN-PERSON

SUNDAY SCHOOL

RESUMES



THIS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

9:15 a.m.

Classes will meet in their regular classrooms
with the exception of the following:

Pilgrim Class - Conference Room

Gloria Leake Class - Chapel

Davis/Williamson Class - Fellowship Hall

Snowden Class - Adult 3 Gathering Space

NOTE: Your weekly attendance rolls will be located
in their usual place in the File Cabinet off of the
Welcome Center. Please help us by completing
your paper roll and returning it to your folder
or mark attendance using your Shelby App.

**Remember...we are masking, social distancing
and have sanitation stations available for the
health and safety of others. Thank you.**



February ...is our month to supply the shelves of the LBA Crisis Center. Boxes are placed in Welcome Center.

Students

Preschool 2 lbs. rice
 Grades 1 - 6 1 lb. spaghetti
 Youth/College 28 oz. spaghetti sauce

Adult I

Long, Mabry 5 lbs. cornmeal
 Foreman, Brewer 5 lbs. plain flour

Adult II

Fellowship, Adkins 48 oz. oil

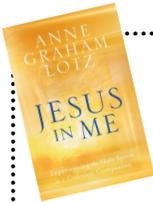
Adult III

Snowden, Davis/Williamson Money for Meat

Leake, Seekers 5 lbs. sugar

Adult IV

Pilgrim Class 100 tea bags/24 family



Join us for
Anne Graham Lotz'
JESUS IN ME
Ladies' Bible Study
 beginning
 Tuesday, February 9 @ 9:30 a.m.
Cornelia Laird, facilitator

The Disciple's Study Calendar

Week 7 - (February 8-12) John 5

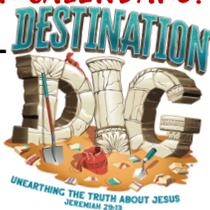
Sunday School Lesson for February 14

PARENTS...MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

For KIDS who have completed Pre-K - 6th grade

DATES: June 21-25



PRIORITIES

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field."

Matthew 13:44



Some things in life are worth any price. How much would you take for your health? For one of your children? For your good mind, more or less? Many of us do not appreciate the really important things in life until we lose them or are threatened with the possibility of losing them.

Jesus warned us on many occasions of the danger of forgetting the value of the Kingdom. He said that the Kingdom was like a treasure hidden in a field that a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he sold all that he owned and bought the field. The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls who, on finding one pearl of great value, sold all he had and bought it. In other words, no matter how much you know or own, if you have missed out on the kingdom of heaven, you have missed out on the one thing in life whose value exceeds all others.

Talk about the Kingdom sounds so "other worldly" or, at best, a little too religious to most people. Remember, though, that anything relating to Jesus also has to do with the Kingdom. He ushered in this kingdom to our midst and encouraged us to give our lives to it. Point to Jesus and you are pointing to the Kingdom.

What is important to you today? Do the life and teachings of Jesus have influence on your life? If not, you had better give an honest ear to the verse for today.

David Bishop

Sympathies to...

Cary and Faith Vaughn and family in the death of her mother, Dotty Trunzler.
 Ray and Johnnie Jenkins in the death of his brother, David Jenkins.

Memorials...

Missions and Ministry

In memory of: Ileen Carroll
(Randy Carroll's mother)
 Joe Mabry *(Joey Mabry's father)*

Music

In memory of: Connie Thompson
(Michael Thompson's mother)
 Leona McAlpin *(Kristen Hill's grandmother)*
 Ileen Carroll Joe Mabry

Benevolence Fund

In memory of: Lenelle Simmons

DOWNTOWN LENTEN SERVICES (Thursdays)

February 18 - St. Patrick Catholic Church
February 25 - St. Paul's Episcopal Church
March 4 - First Baptist Church
March 11 - Central Methodist Church
March 18 - First Presbyterian Church
March 25 - First Christian Church

Masks and social distancing will allow us to gather again this year, although we will not be able to serve lunch. Services will last 30 minutes and there will be an offering taken to benefit various ministries in our community.

FBC Church Family,

Help us celebrate the marriage of **Alana Akin and Eli Camp**



by dropping off a gift for their new home, a gift card or an expression of support to the church office. We'll gather your gifts and present them to the young couple prior to their wedding on February 13.