

Last Sunday's Record - October 30, 2022

Sunday School: 189 Offering: \$18,309.53

January 1, 2022

Requirements: \$1,169,870.24

Receipts: \$1,068,500.04

DEACON OF THE WEEK

November 6 - Jim Lauderdale
November 13 - Jody Richardson
November 20 - Tommy Allen
November 27 - Lee Rogers

Sermon for Sunday, November 6

"From the Mountain Top to the Wilderness"
1 Kings 18-19

Family Night Supper - November 9

Pulled Pork Sandwich, Cheesy Bacon Potatoes,
Baked Beans, Salad Bar and Dessert

KIDS: Hot Dogs and Chips

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

SERVERS

Benny Harrison J.B. and Theresa Griffith
Bill Simcox

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY - November 6

PRAYER LINE Volunteer -

Preschool Ext. Session Dakota and Heather Cason	Launch Timothy and Candice Maloney
Worship Welcome Tommy and Mary Emma Allen Freddie Poitevent	Greeters Benny Harrison Earl Laird David and Helen Webb
Security Team 5 Jim Anderson Leslie Dunn Brad Sykes Bernie Mitchell Allan Tolleson	Counting Committee Kathy Stehle, <i>chairman</i> Ward Calhoun Landry Adkins Don Evans

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, November 6

9:15 - Sunday School
10:30 - Morning Worship
3:00 - ACTEENS
4:30 - YOUTH BIBLE DRILLS
5:30 - CHILDREN'S BIBLE DRILLS

MONDAY, November 7

10:30 - Beaman/Hodgins WMU Group/Crooks Suite

TUESDAY, November 8

7:00 - Youth Bible Study/Jack's
9:30 - TRUSTWORTHY/C. Laird, *facilitator*
4:30 - Ladies' Bible Study/R. Scarbrough
6:00 - Prayer Shawl Ministry/Aldersgate

WEDNESDAY, November 9

5:00 - FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER
- YOUTH BELLS
5:30 - YOUTH CHOIR
- Young Ringers
6:00 - Preschool and Children's Choirs
6:15 - Prayer Meeting and Bible Study
6:30 - MISSIONS (G.A.s, R.A.s, and Mission Friends)
- YOUTH WORSHIP
7:15 - Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAY, November 10

7:00 - Youth Bible Study/Piggly Wiggly

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER

Tommy Cason, Leonard Cobb, Chris Dean, Van Goodman,
J.B. Griffith, Alan Lamar, Jim Lauderdale, Ben Leake,
Joey Mabry, Davis Miller, Greg Monsour,
Freddie Poitevent, Larry Roberts, Brad Sykes,
Gary Wilkinson, Jim Williamson

Dr. Daniel P. Caldwell, Interim Pastor
Rev. David Bishop, Associate Pastor for Music
Noah Greer, Youth Minister
Caitlin Braud, Director of Children's Ministries
Dr. Raymon Leake, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. David McCubbin, Associate Pastor Emeritus
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THE MESSENGER

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH

JOIN US AS WE BEGIN TO LIGHT THE CANDLES OF THE ADVENT WREATH IN ANTICIPATION OF THE COMING OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4TH

THE SOUNDS OF CHRISTMAS
PRESENTED BY THE SANCTUARY CHOIR
AND ORCHESTRA
YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S CHOIRS ENSEMBLES
6:00 P.M.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11TH

THE FESTIVAL OF 9 LESSONS,
CAROLS AND CANDLES
6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

CHILDREN SING OF CHRISTMAS
MUSIC FOR 3'S, PRESCHOOL CHOIR AND
CHILDREN'S CHOIR YOUNG RINGERS
6:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION SERVICE
5:00 P.M.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

CHRISTMAS MORNING WORSHIP
SERVICE
10:30 A.M.



Dear First Baptist Church,

Please let me say thank you to First Baptist Church and the memory of Ellen Rogers for these past five years teaching English there! When I returned from Honduras in 2017 to help Mom, Ellen invited me to help her with her class AND to move my other classes into her classroom. So generous. Five years later, both Mom and Ellen have gone ahead of us and, hopefully, COVID is behind us. In the meantime, working with Ellen and Lisa Powell, Jeanne Havard, Carolyn Tucker, Brittney Harkins, Dakota Cason and so many others who helped in this ministry, with books provided by the church, providing childcare with recreation, study and devotions, we were able to help more than 30 people improve their English, hear the gospel, and feel welcome in their chosen home. "Teacher, I took my son to a teacher's meeting at school. I understood everything." "Teacher, my husband asked if he needed to stay home from work to help me take my child to the doctor. I said, no, I can do it." "O Teacher, I used to get \$250 a week to clean tables at the restaurant. Now I can take orders and get more than \$400 a week!"

Our students have been from Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, Colombia, France, Spain, Italy, The Philippines and South Korea! On zoom, students have attended from Meridian, Miami, Colombia, Houston, Mexico, Honduras, and California.

We've seen six of our students pass their interview and get their U.S. citizenship! We've helped others continue their education or career. And we've provided a safe place for people to land when they are so far from their original homes. "I feel home here, now." "This room is where I feel at home."

Now I'll be moving on - back to Honduras to continue teaching there. I'll keep teaching the classes on Zoom. Please keep me in your prayers, and thank you so much.

Richard Grant

"When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them. The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt. I am the LORD your God."

Leviticus 19:33-34



THIS Sunday, November 6!



Shoebboxes are due November 9



CENTRI-KID SMOKED MEAT FUNDRAISER

Whole Turkey (10-12 lbs.)	\$35
Turkey Breast (5 -7 lbs.)	\$35
Boston Butts	\$30
Full Rack Bone-in Ribs	\$25
Half Hams (9-12 lbs.)	\$35
Porkloin (8-10 lbs.)	\$25

**DEADLINE TO ORDER AND PAY:
Sunday, November 13**

**PICK-UP: TUESDAY, November 22
FBC Welcome Center
TIME: 12:00 to 5:30 p.m.**



YOUTH FUDGE SALE

Order **NOW** through **November 16**

PICK UP - December 11

2 Sizes: \$9 tubs	\$15 tins
Chocolate	Chocolate Pecan
Salted Caramel	Peanut Butter

Sympathies to...

Mr. and Mrs. Evan McDonald and family
in the death of his father,
Willard McDonald.

Memorials...

Trinidad Mission Fund

In memory of: Betty Ross

**CHRISTMAS CARDS
FOR WMU PRISON MINISTRY**

*There is a collection box in the Welcome Center
if you have cards that you would like to donate.*



*Please help us provide turkeys for L.O.V.E.'s Kitchen for the holidays. Donations can be given directly to Julie Holloway or dropped off in the church office. We'll need to gather TURKEY BUCK\$ by **November 14th.***



**MISSIONS LUNCHEON
Monday, November 14**

12:00 noon

Guest Speaker: J. Clark

Church Planter, Philadelphia, MS

G.I.F.T.

Friday, NOVEMBER 11 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Birth through 6th Grade

Make reservations by contacting Julie Holloway
@ 601-934-0803 by **Sunday, November 6**

If you would like to help give a **BABY SHOWER**

for Noah and Kelsey Greer,
please sign the list in the Welcome Center
or contact Dana Forzman.

DATE: Sunday, December 12