

**Last Sunday's Record - November 6, 2022**

Sunday School: 208 Offering: \$27,282.09

**January 1, 2022**

Requirements: \$1,196,458.20

Receipts: \$1,095,782.13

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

November 13 - Jody Richardson  
November 20 - Tommy Allen  
November 27 - Lee Rogers

**Deacon's Breakfast - December 4**

8:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall

**Sermon for Sunday, November 13**

"A Man of Grace" 2 Samuel 9:1-13

**Family Night Supper - November 16**

Turkey and Dressing, Carrot Souffle, Cranberry Sauce, Yeast Roll, Salad Bar and Dessert

KIDS: Corn Dogs and Chips

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

**SERVERS**

Jim Williamson, Cathy Carpenter,  
Cary and Faith Vaughn

**VOLUNTEER MINISTRY - November 13**

**PRAYER LINE Volunteer - Helen Webb**

<b>Preschool Ext. Session</b> Travis and Erin Whitt	<b>Launch</b> Tyler and Amy Covington
<b>Worship Welcome</b> Leonard and Betsy Cobb J.B. and Theresa Griffith	<b>Greeters</b> Christie Daughtery Debra Porter Brian and April Sellers
<b>Security Team 1</b> Walter Rogers, Jr. Justin Anders Wallace Heggie Neil Henry	<b>Counting Committee</b> Sharon McMullen, chairman Daphne Calhoun Davis Miller

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**SUNDAY, November 13**

- 9:15 - Sunday School
- 10:30 - Morning Worship
- 3:00 - ACTEENS
- 4:30 - YOUTH BIBLE DRILLS
- 5:30 - CHILDREN'S BIBLE DRILLS
- 6:00 - THANK YOU DINNER honoring Youth Parents

**MONDAY, November 14**

- 12:00 - Missions Luncheon
- 6:00 - Sanctuary Choir Bonus Rehearsal

**TUESDAY, November 15**

- 7:00 - Youth Bible Study/Jack's
- 4:30 - Ladies' Bible Study/R. Scarbrough
- 6:00 - Prayer Shawl Ministry/Aldersgate

**WEDNESDAY, November 16**

- 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 17**

- 7:00 - Youth Bible Study/Piggly Wiggly

**FRIDAY, November 18**

- 6:00 - G.I.F.T. (NOTE DATE CHANGE)

**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**

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MERIDIAN

NOVEMBER 13, 2022 VOLUME 94, NUMBER 43

Youth Parents  
are cordially invited  
to attend a



**DINNER**

in their honor

Sunday, November 13

6:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Sponsored by the  
FBC Youth Ministry  
and  
Your Kids!



# Advent...

## *A Season of Expectation*

Advent is the season in The Church Year which is encompassed by the four Sundays before Christmas. It is a time set aside for preparation to celebrate the birth of The Christ Child. A natural question is, "Why all the fuss about preparation? Let's just do Christmas!" But preparation is ever so important if celebration is to be meaningful.

The Jewish people of the Old Testament would never think of moving in to a time of festivities without giving attention to a time of preparation for that celebration. Remember the eleventh chapter of Exodus that deals with the event of the Passover. The children of Israel always celebrated that great event and sought never to lose sight of what God had done for them through the experience. They learned something that most of us have never discovered: the degree of meaning of an event is very much related to the degree of preparation for that event. Let me repeat this in case you missed it the first time: the degree of meaning of an event is very much related to the degree of preparation for that event. God forbid that we move in to this season of Christmas in our usual condition of huffing and puffing, frustration and total exhaustion.

Instead, I hope that we will move in to this great season with a new sense of commitment, to one another and to God, and that we will open ourselves to new experiences that will add a depth of meaning to this beautiful time of year. The time to begin preparation is right now!

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## SOUNDS OF CHRISTMAS

### AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> 6:00 P.M.

### SANCTUARY CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA



### YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S CHOIRS ENSEMBLES



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**.



### YOUTH FUDGE SALE

Order **NOW** through

**November 16**

**PICK UP - December 11**

**2 Sizes: \$9 tubs    \$15 tins**

**Chocolate  
Salted Caramel**

**Chocolate Pecan  
Peanut Butter**



### Memorials...

#### Trinidad Mission Fund

In memory of: Betty Ross

#### Music Fund

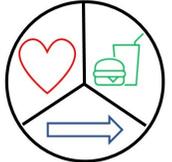
In memory of: Bill Duncan

### FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

**Tuesday, November 29**

12:00 p.m.

Cost: \$5.00



*Help us welcome our Special Entertainment,  
**Earl and Jill Aycock!***

*(If you have never been, please call the church office to add your name to the list.)*



### CENTRI-KID SMOKED MEAT FUNDRAISER

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

### DEADLINE TO ORDER AND PAY:

**Sunday, November 13**

**PICK-UP: TUESDAY, November 22**

FBC Welcome Center

TIME: 12:00 to 5:30 p.m.

### G.I.F.T. (NOTE CHANGE)

Friday, NOVEMBER 18 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Birth through 6th Grade

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