



### Last Sunday's Record

Sunday School: 221    Offering: \$22,948.71

### January 1, 2023

Requirements: \$ 184,106.05

Receipts: \$ 224,332.08

### DEACON OF THE WEEK

Feb. 19 - Brad Sykes

Feb. 26 - Joe Kieronski    Mar. 5 - Larry Roberts

Mar. 12 - Joey Mabry    Mar. 19 - Sam McCorkle

Mar. 26 - Jet Scarbrough

### Deacon's Breakfast - February 19

8:00 a.m.    Fellowship Hall

### Sermon for Sunday, February 19

"Promises from God" Deuteronomy 33:24-27

### FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER - Feb. 22

Spaghetti and Meat Sauce, Roasted Squash and Zucchini, Garlic Toast, Salad Bar and Dessert

**KIDS:** SAME

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

**SERVERS:** Micki Harrison

Melissa Mabry, Rachael Scarbrough

### VOLUNTEER MINISTRY - February 19

PRAYER LINE Volunteer - Philip Price

<b><u>Preschool Ext. Session</u></b> Tyler and Amy Covington	<b><u>Launch</u></b> James and Donna May
<b><u>Worship Welcome</u></b> Diane Fairbanks Alan and Lou Ann Lamar	<b><u>Greeters</u></b> Benny Harrison Earl Laird David and Helen Webb
<b><u>Security Team 5</u></b> Jim Anderson Leslie Dunn    Brad Sykes Bernie Mitchell Allan Tolleson	<b><u>Counting Committee</u></b> Louise Williamson, <i>chairman</i> Chris Lauderdale John Ellis

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, February 19

- 9:15 - Sunday School
- 10:30 - Morning Worship
- 3:15 - Acteens
- 4:00 - Uninvited Bible Study/*E. Holloway*
- 4:30 - Youth Bible Drills
- 5:30 - Bible Drills and Skills (Children)

### TUESDAY, February 21

- 7:00 - Youth Bible Study/Jack's
- 9:30 - Abide Bible Study/*C. Laird*
- 4:30 - Ladies' Bible Study/*R. Scarbrough*

### WEDNESDAY, February 22

- 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, February 23

- 7:00 - Youth Bible Study/Piggly Wiggly

### USHERS FOR FEBRUARY

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*





## KEEP GOING!

*"As for you,  
shun all this;  
pursue righteousness,  
godliness,  
faith, love, endurance,  
gentleness."*

*Timothy 6:11*

Near the end of this very intimate and personal letter, Paul makes his plea with young Timothy. At the risk of oversimplifying this speech, one might compare it to a half-time talk by a wise coach who has been in that position many times. After all, this exhortation is not addressed to a non-believer, but to one who has already begun his Christian pilgrimage.

Precisely at that point when most of us are so susceptible to becoming lax and apathetic, Paul says, "Let's get with it. Let's get serious." Paul was suggesting a type of determination when he told Timothy to fight the good fight. He was talking about the good fight of being a worthy disciple of Christ. Discipleship is not for sissies. It is for believers with drive, courage, faith and fearlessness.

What are the qualities of a determined disciple? First, discipleship means taking responsibility for your life. If you are to commit it, you must first claim it. Second, a disciple must understand the importance of the right kind of living. Don't desire to be superficial; just live a life that is right. Third, remember your own witness. We are representative of Christ. We are disciples. Paul could just as easily be giving us a pep talk during half time - in fact, he was. Keep going!

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## Community Lenten Luncheons

### Thursdays at 12:00 p.m.

February 23 - St. Patrick's Catholic Church  
March 2 - Central United Methodist Church  
March 9 - First Presbyterian Church Meridian  
March 16 - St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
March 23 - First Baptist Church Meridian  
March 30 - First Christian Church



Please welcome  
**Stan Buckley**  
But God...Ministries



**FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON**  
**Tuesday, February 28**  
**12:00 noon COST: \$5**  
Make reservations by calling the church or  
signing the list in the Welcome Center.



*The FBC Choir is  
going to Paris  
and Normandy,  
France and wants  
you to come, too!*

### June 9-18, 2024

*Three days in Paris and  
on to Caen/Normandy to  
participate in the  
80th Anniversary Memorial  
Concert commemorating the  
D-Day Invasion.*

**Limited number of extra  
spots available.**

**If you would like more info or to sign up,  
please contact David Bishop ASAP!**



## Sympathies to...

Bill Moulds and family  
in the death of his wife, Anita Moulds.

## Memorials...

### Music Fund

In memory of: Maureen Jackson  
Bob White (*Linda Vincent's brother*)  
Carolyn May (*James May's mother*)

## February...is our month to supply the shelves of the LBA Crisis Center.

Boxes are in the Welcome Center.



### Students

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

### Adult I

Co-Ed 1, Mabry 5 lb. cornmeal  
Foreman, Henry 1 lb. plain flour

### Adult II

Fellowship, Adkins 48 oz. oil

### Adult III

Snowden, Davis/Williamson Meat Money  
Leake, Seekers 5 lb. sugar

### Adult IV

Pilgrim Class 100 tea bags/24 family

## SPRING TOUR OF PRESIDENTS MARCH 11 - 17, 2023



From Little Rock to Dallas and  
College Station...we'll tour  
three Presidential Libraries  
and take in all the sites on the  
way. Itineraries are in the  
Welcome Center.

Call David to sign up.

A \$50 deposit will reserve your spot on the bus!  
(Itineraries are at the Welcome Center Desk.)