



Join us for a short sermon series in
The book of Genesis



BEGINNING THIS
SUNDAY, APRIL 16
10:30 A.M.

Preparing Our Hearts
for the presence of a
Holy God

Last Sunday's Record

Sunday School: 277 Offering: \$24,679.12

January 1, 2023

Requirements: \$ 390,227.25
Receipts: \$ 400,649.39
Annie Armstrong: \$ 12,269.92

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Apr. 16 - Timothy Maloney
Apr. 23 - Bobby Berg Apr. 30 - James May

Deacon's Breakfast - April 23

8:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Sermon for Sunday, April 16

"The Two Feasts" Genesis 18:1-12, 19:1-3

FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER - April 19

Hamburger Steak and Gravy, Rice, Asparagus,
Yeast Roll, Salad Bar and Dessert

KIDS: Hamburger and French Fries

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

SERVERS: Jim Williamson,

Cathy Carpenter, Cary and Faith Vaughn

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY - April 16

PRAYER LINE Volunteer - Helen Follis

Preschool Ext. Session

Bobby and Patty Ann
Bogue

Launch

Jim and Melissa
Anderson

Worship Welcome

Faye Bruner
DeeDee Fouts
David and Kathy Stehle

Greeters

Brian and April Sellers
Christie Daughtery
Debra Porter

Security Team 3

Clifford Holloway
John Anderson
Alan Lamar
Brad Garrett

Counting Committee

Sally Wilkinson, Chmn
Tyler Covington
Chris Lauderdale

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, April 16

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

MONDAY, April 17

6:00 - Sanctuary Choir Bonus Rehearsal and Supper

TUESDAY, April 18

7:00 - Youth Bible Study/*Hardee's*
4:30 - Ladies' Bible Study/*R. Scarbrough*

WEDNESDAY, April 19

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

THURSDAY, April 20

7:00 - Youth Bible Study/*Piggly Wiggly*

SATURDAY, April 22

11:00 - Tablescapes CPC Fundraiser
4:00 - Youth to Braves Game

USHERS FOR APRIL

Tommy Allen, Bo Bailey, Will Carpenter,
Adam Foreman, Brad Garrett, Benny Harrison, Michael
Jones, Dave Little, Timothy Maloney, John Morgan Mims,
Brian Sellers, Ronnie Smith, Allan Tolleson, Cary Vaughn,
Leslie Williams



Dr. Will Wall, 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



What a great beginning!

I can't thank you all enough for the wonderful hospitality you have shown to our family as we have made the move to be your pastor. Your warm, friendly, generous, and receptive spirit has been too gracious. We have enjoyed getting to meet many of you and can't wait to develop relationships with all of you.

Many companies have spent millions in advertisement dollars trying to convince the public they are meeting a need. Ace hardware claims to be the "friendly hardware folks", Motel 6 promises to "leave the light on for you", and we all know that we are in "good hands" with Allstate. Disney's catchphrase is an invitation to "Be Our Guest", which is phenomenal work of advertisement. Disney has done a tremendous job to convince families to pay an exuberant amount of money to come to their property in order to wait in long lines for rides, purchase meals and snacks, and stay in resorts built on theme park property. I guess the catchphrase "Be Our Consumer" didn't have quite the ring! I am not knocking Disney, or any other free market enterprise. It is just humorous to me what our society considers "guests" to mean.

For the next three Sundays I will be preaching about how God showed up in a real and unexpected way to a father (Abraham), a son (Isaac), and a grandson (Jacob). What would you do if God Himself came for a "visit"? Are you prepared? Would you be welcoming? I pray your hearts are prepared for a "visit" from a Holy God. He desires a personal relationship with each one of His beloved creations and has made a way for that to be possible. Would you be willing to say to God, "Be our Guest"? I look forward to seeing you on Sunday.

Will

SYMPHONY OF PRAISE
SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD
6:00 P.M.

PRESENTED BY

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
SANCTUARY CHOIR
AND ORCHESTRA
YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S
CHOIRS
ENSEMBLES**

**An opportunity to serve...FBC is hosting
STATE BIBLE DRILLS
Tuesday, April 25 beginning at 1:30 p.m.
and we need VOLUNTEERS to serve as
greeters, guides and judges.
Please call Caitlin or Connie Calhoun if you
can help with this important event.**

M **YOUTH STUFF...**
MISSISSIPPI BRAVES GAME
Saturday, April 22
Leave FBC at 4:00 p.m.
Cost: \$15 (bring extra \$ for food)
CONTACT NOAH IF YOU PLAN TO GO!

Memorials...
Annie Armstrong
In memory of: Maedelle Covert
Jake Fisher (Rose Ellen Reid's brother)

Benevolence
In memory of: Maedelle Covert

CHURCH CONFERENCE
Wednesday, April 26
6:15 p.m.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON 
Tuesday, April 25
12:00 noon COST: \$5
Speaker: Dr. Will Wall
Make reservations by calling the church or signing the list in the Welcome Center
no later than Friday, April 21.




Send the HOPE of the GOSPEL
We have given:
\$12,269.92
FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS

Fellowship, Food & Fundraising!
Tablescape

Host a table and invite other CPC Champions!

FBC Meridian
Saturday, April 22
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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