



# THE MESSENGER

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MERIDIAN

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## Check out these Bible studies for Fall...



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, August 4

9:15 - Sunday School  
10:30 - Morning Worship

### TUESDAY, August 6

6:00 - Prayer Shawl Ministry (*Aldersgate*)

### WEDNESDAY, August 7

5:15 - Family Night Supper  
6:30 - FBC TOWN HALL MEETING (Sanctuary)

### Sneak Peak Schedule for Associate Pastor "In View of a Call" Sunday, August 11

8:30 - Meet and Greet in Welcome Center before Sunday School  
10:30 - Worship Service with introduction to Associate Pastor Candidate  
11:30 - Special Called Business Meeting for the purpose of voting to call our new Associate Pastor  
(More info will be available at the Town Hall.)



### HUNTER SAFETY COURSE

sponsored by

Mississippi Wildlife and Fisheries

Saturday, August 17

8:00 am /FBC Fellowship Hall

For Ages 10 and up. COST: FREE

Online registration with Mississippi Wildlife

@ [education.mdwfp.com](http://education.mdwfp.com)

QUESTIONS? Contact Jim Wink

### USHERS FOR AUGUST

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. Will Wall, Pastor  
Rev. David Bishop, Associate Pastor for Music  
Rev. Noah Greer, Student Minister  
Caitlin Braud, Director of Children's Ministries  
Dr. Raymon Leake, Pastor Emeritus  
Rev. David McCubbin, Associate Pastor Emeritus

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### Last Sunday's Record

Sunday School: 232 Worship: 295  
Offering: \$17,339.50

### January 1, 2024

Requirements: \$ 853,769.40  
Receipts: \$ 850,613.43

### DEACON OF THE WEEK

August 4 - Sam McCorkle August 11 - Jim Wink  
August 18 - Elliot Brewer  
August 25 - Walter Rogers, Jr.

### Deacon's Meeting - August 25

8:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall

### Sermon for August 4

"Guidelines for the Family"  
Colossians 3:18-4:1

### FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER - August 7

Fried Chicken, Macaroni and Cheese,  
Black Eyed Peas, Biscuit and Dessert  
KIDS: Chicken Strips and French Fries

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

**SERVERS:** Melissa Mabry, Helen Follis  
and Sylvia Follis

### VOLUNTEER MINISTRY - August 4

**GREETERS** - Terry and Tricia Collier, Linda Vincent

**PRAYER LINE** - Helen Follis

**PRESCHOOL EXT. Session** - Amanda Henry  
and Anna Kate Eakes

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** - Candice Maloney/  
Tommy and Mandy Hurtt

**COUNTING** - Sally Wilkinson, *chmn*  
Ryan Haarala and Melanie Carroll

**MEDICAL RESPONSE** - Jimmy Matthews

**SECURITY** -John Calhoun, Brad Henry, Ben Webb,  
Bobby Bogue and Clayton McInnis



### You are invited!!!

You don't want to miss the First Baptist Town Hall meeting next Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. As your pastor, I wanted to send you this invitation and communicate what that night will look like.

Our Wednesday Night Family Supper will start at 5:15pm. Remember, it's the best deal in town at \$5 per plate, and includes a salad bar and dessert. You don't need to make reservations, so come on. I'd love to have 250 people in our fellowship hall.

We will be welcoming Katie Wright as our new food services director. Katie grew up in Meridian and is married to Caleb, who serves as worship leader of Oak Hill Baptist Church in north Meridian. They welcomed their first child, Michael, back on May 8<sup>th</sup> of this year. Help us make Katie feel welcomed next Wednesday night.

I've asked all age groups, except for the nursery, to be in attendance at the Town Hall when we meet in the sanctuary at 6:30pm. This will include the children and the youth. I want them to participate in such an exciting meeting. On that night, our church will reveal a new logo and brand standards! These items will help us be easily identified and easily recognizable in our community and beyond. Along with the logo, I will also be introducing our four core values. These values will serve as a filter to be used for our ministries, events, projects, and mission endeavors. We must create a healthy culture where we are strategic and intentional about things we do, and these values will help us reach our goals.

Finally, and most exciting, is the fact that on August 7<sup>th</sup> our Associate Pastor Search Committee will present the name and information of the candidate coming in view of a call on Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. At our quarterly church conference, the committee informed the church they were in unanimous agreement to move forward with a candidate and that he, and his family, would be here on August 11<sup>th</sup> to be presented to the church. The committee will provide you all the details you need in how they came to the decision, updates on the process, and why they believe this candidate is a great fit to serve as Associate Pastor of Discipleship and Membership of First Baptist Meridian!

I can't wait to see you on August 7<sup>th</sup>. Put it on your calendar and make plans to attend. These are exciting days in the life of our church and I'm grateful to serve as your pastor.

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### Sympathies to...

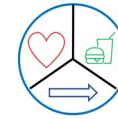
David and Valerie Bishop and family in the death of his aunt, Sheldia Sparks.

### Memorials...

#### Missions and Ministry

In memory of:

Charlene Clayton (*Amy Price's mother*)



### Fellowship Luncheon

Tuesday, August 27

12:00 noon COST: \$5

Sign up in the Welcome Center or call the church office.

GUEST SPEAKER: Greg Snowden

TOPIC: History of Meridian



Pick up itineraries in the Welcome Center. (Trip includes The Biltmore House, two plays, shopping and sightseeing!)

\$100 Deposit

