



FBC FAMILY,

WE NEED YOUR HELP IN FEEDING THIS CREW!
We'll have youth from all over the county attend **5th QUARTER FELLOWSHIP** sponsored by our FBC Youth Ministry Team.

YOU CAN HELP US BY:

- ♦ **VOLUNTEERING** to bring a pot of **CHILI** or a **DESSERT**. Please sign up in the Welcome Center, call the church office or see Noah.
- ♦ **PRAY** for the young people who attend, our church kids and the friends that they will bring.

You never know when lives will be changed!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, October 13

9:15 - Sunday School
10:30 - Morning Worship
3:00 - ACTEENS
4:30 - YOUTH Bible Drills
- Children's Bible Skills and Drills

TUESDAY, October 15

7:00 - YOUTH Bible Study/Jack's
9:00 - Ladies Bible Study/Jane Moseley, facilitator
9:30 - GriefShare/John Temple, facilitator
6:00 - Prayer Shawl Ministry (*Aldersgate*)

WEDNESDAY, October 16

5:00 - YOUTH BELLS
5:15 - FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER
5:30 - YOUTH CHOIR/Young Ringers
6:00 - Preschool and Children's Choirs
- MASTERLIFE/John Temple, facilitator
6:30 - Prayer Meeting and Bible Study
(First Budget Discussion)
- G.A.s, R.A.s, and Mission Friends
- YOUTH WORSHIP

7:30 - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, October 17

7:00 - YOUTH Bible Study/Piggly Wiggly
4:30 - Ladies' Bible Study/Rachael Scarbrough

FRIDAY, October 18

8:30 - YOUTH 5th Quarter Fellowship/gym

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

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



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

Last Sunday's Record

Sunday School: 259 Worship: 292
Offering: \$24,941.42

January 1, 2024

Requirements: \$1,138,359.20
Receipts: \$1,100,271.27

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Oct. 13 - Randy Chesney
Oct. 20 - Landry Adkins Oct. 27 - Ward Calhoun
Nov. 3 - Randy Carroll Nov. 10 - Davis Miller
Nov. 17 - Freddie Poitevent
Nov. 24 - Walter Rogers

Deacon's Meeting - October 20

8:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Sermon for October 13

"The Future of Peter"

John 21:20-23

FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER - October 16

Poppy Seed Chicken, Creamed White Corn, Black-eyed Peas, Roll, Salad Bar and Dessert

KIDS: Corndog and Chips

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

SERVERS: Ranae Grantham,

Cathy Carpenter, Cary and Faith Vaughn

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY - Oct. 13

GREETERS - Leonard and Betsy Cobb

Riley and Jennifer Garrett

PRAYER LINE - Helen Webb

PRESCHOOL EXT. Session - Dakota and Heather Cason

CHILDREN'S CHURCH - Caitlin Braud

Lynda Anders

MEDICAL RESPONSE - Jimmy Matthews

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



"Peter saw his opportunity and addressed the crowd." (Acts 3:12)

In the early days of the Christian church, the apostles and believers spread the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ like wildfire. *"And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved."* (Acts 2:47) I believe there was a simple equation they followed that we see highlighted in the verse above from Acts 3 (*"Peter saw his opportunity..."*). The early believers looked for opportunities, and then took advantage of every one of them to live out their faith, no matter what the cost. We can apply that same equation in our lives today.

Opportunity becomes obedience when it is acted upon. I've had plenty of opportunities in my life to do many things – both good and not so good – and I'd like to believe I knew the difference between the two. However, I know that I've acted on opportunities more times than I'd like to admit that fall into the latter category. Many times, however, the choice isn't cut and dried between good and bad. Often, we're faced with choice between good and best. These are much harder to differentiate. Harder still are those choices between best and God's best. The faith and trust of our lives before God is tested the most when we're praying through those choices. My prayer is that I would be keenly in tune with God's whispering guidance and to be watchful and ready as Peter was in Acts 3 to move when opportunity arises in accordance with God's will. I hope you'll make that your prayer as well.

Speaking of opportunities, I want to invite you to consider joining our Guest Care Ministry if you're not already a part. There is a training

workshop on Sunday, October 20, at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall with dinner and childcare provided. This is for all those currently serving (greeters, ushers, golf cart drivers) and for those who are interested in joining the team. Please contact the Church Office by Wednesday, October 16, to register. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at jason@fbcmeridian.org. I'd love to hear from you. [more details below](#)



GUEST CARE WORKSHOP

Sunday, October 20

5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

[please R.S.V.P by October 16](#)

If you're currently serving as a door greeter, golf cart driver, usher, Welcome Center greeter, or any other Sunday morning hospitality team member, or would like to join one of these great Guest Care teams, please join us for a free meal and training workshop on Sunday, October 20. Scan the QR code to R.S.V.P. or contact Jason Brooks or the church office.



CHRISTMAS CARDS MINISTRY

We are again collecting Christmas Cards (*religious themed only*) to be distributed to prisoners for their use in sending to family and friends. There is a collection box by the Welcome Center desk.

FirstBaptist MERIDIAN

FIRST FAMILY FALL COOKOUT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 4:00 - 6:00PM
CITY HALL LAWN

FREE FOOD - GAMES
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
FEATURING MUSIC BY COUCH IN THE WOODS

FIRST BUDGET MEETING

Wednesday, October 16 @ 6:30 p.m.

CHURCH CONFERENCE

Wednesday, October 30 @ 6:30 p.m.



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 13th.**



Fellowship Luncheon

Tuesday, October 22

12:00 noon COST: \$5

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

Our speaker is Hubert Yates, MS Disaster Relief



Smoked Meat Fundraiser

ORDER NOW

for Thanksgiving

from one of our FBC CentriKids or stop by the Church Office.

ALL ORDERS and \$ due November 10.



Whole Turkey (10-12 lbs.)	\$40
Turkey Breast (5 -7 lbs.)	\$35
Boston Butts	\$35
Full Rack Bone-in Ribs	\$25
Half Hams (9-12 lbs.)	\$35
Porkloin (8-10 lbs.)	\$25

PICK-UP IN WELCOME CENTER:

TUESDAY, November 26 12:00 to 5:00 p.m.