



### Advent Decorations

Help us decorate the sanctuary for the holiday season by ordering an amaryllis or poinsettia in memory of or in honor of someone.

Please fill out the form below and **Hurry! Numbers are limited.** There are **6** amaryllis, and **25** poinsettias available.

\_\_\_ Amaryllis (\$30)  
Pick up the week after Christmas

\_\_\_ Poinsettia (\$30)  
Pick up after Christmas Eve PM Service

In memory / honor of (circle/one):

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\_\_\_\_\_  
By \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Christmas Party**  
**Thursday December 14 5:00 pm**  
**Cost: \$5 each**  
includes Catered Meal  
Big Oak Girls' Ranch  
6000 Shelley Dr.  
Springville, AL 35146  
Please call the church office to sign up.  
Transportation available upon request.

### New Arrivals

Congratulations to Ryan & Anna Bynum on the birth of a son, Wesley Cooper Bynum. His proud great-grandparents are Leon & Edwina Cooper.

Congratulations to Will & Haley Bailey on the birth of a son, Warren Tucker Bailey, on November 16.

Congratulations to William & Jessy Catanzaro on the birth of a son, William Whitman Catanzaro, on November 15. His proud big sister is Ann Frances.

Congratulations to John & Brittany Turner on the birth of a daughter, Mabrey Ida Turner, on November 18. Her proud big brother is Ollie.

### Christian Sympathy

Is extended to the family and friends of Mrs. Jane Newman.

### Memorials

Kay Dowling  
Thomas Hughes  
Thomas Walker  
Lillian Kirkley

### Church Officer Election Results

#### Committee on Committees

Stephanie Arnett      Vann Scott

#### Finance Committee

Clay Ellis    Ray Grigsby    Bill Stone

#### Deacons

Terry Clayton      Bob Russell  
Chris Griffith      Carey Tucker  
Jared Lowe      Matthew Vance

### Weekly November 19, 2023

#### Sunday School

Enrollment..... 391  
Attendance  
Members..... 179  
Visitors .....3  
Total Attendance ..... 182

#### Worship

Attendance ..... 284  
Kids Worship .....39  
Total Attendance..... 323

#### Stewardship Records

Budget..... \$22,336.02  
Tithes Received..... \$21,732.50  
Designated..... \$985.00  
Budget to Date ..... \$1,049,792.94  
Received to Date ..... \$1,083,115.18

Offering Boxes are available at the exits and in the office.



Online giving is available by scanning the QR code.

#### SERVING THE LITTLE ONES



Beckey Brittain  
Keri Lonnergan  
Jared & Cantrell Lowe  
Marian Stone  
Kylie & Eva Turner  
Francie Vann, Prissy Yother



Lydia Sewell, Martha Haller  
Dan & Brittany Johns  
Noah Miller  
Becki Morgan  
Vanessa Walker

#### SOUND & TV MINISTRY

Scott Morgan, Matthew Vance  
Chris Alexander, Kay Moore  
Carey Tucker, Jarrod Walker  
Allen Ray, Ricky Ray

#### SECURITY & GREETERS

Larry Brittain, Paul Hodge  
Ronnie Lee, Ricky Vann  
Allen Back, Jim Hicks  
Mark Harris, Ragan Lonnergan

Rev. Mat Alexander..... Senior Pastor  
Rev. Woodie Turner..... Associate Pastor  
Rev. Nathan Edwards ..... Associate Pastor for Worship  
Miss Lydia Sewell..... Minister of Children & Missions  
Rev. Coale Jordan..... Minister of Students & Media  
Mrs. Sharon Reynolds..... Pianist  
Mrs. Lana Cornutt ..... Organist



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
**GADSDEN**  
235 South Fifth Street  
Gadsden, AL 35901  
256-547-6828



**Sunday, November 26, 2023 10:30 am**

Prelude		Mrs. Lana Cornutt
Call to Worship 544 "Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It"	REDEEMED	Stanzas 1, 3, & 4
Welcome		Rev. Woodie Turner, Associate Pastor
Parent & Child Dedication		Rev. Mat Alexander, Senior Pastor <i>Palmer Scott Dombrowski son of Garrett &amp; Suzanne Bruton Dombrowski</i>
Hymn of Dedication "See the Children Here Before Us"	DEANNA	
<b>Celebration of the Lord's Supper</b>		
		"Jesus Paid It All" Adult Handbells <i>arr. Edwards</i>
Choral Worship		"Table of Mercy, Table of Rest" First Students & Sanctuary Choirs <i>McDonald</i>
Hymn 408	ACCLAMATIONS	"This Is the Threefold Truth" <i>On the final stanza, children are invited to FirstKids Worship.</i>
Message		"A Table of Unity, a Table of Grace, a Table of Holiness, the Table of God" 1 Corinthians 11:17-34 Page 1319 in pew Bible <i>Senior Pastor</i>
Time of Response		"Now Thank We All Our God" Adult Handbells <i>arr. Larson</i>
Congregational Benediction 407	RESURRECTION	"Because He Lives" Refrain  <i>Because He lives, I can face tomorrow; Because He lives, all fear is gone; Because I know He holds the future, And life is worth the living just because He lives.  Because I know He holds the future, And life is worth the living just because He lives. My Savior Lives!</i>
Postlude		Mrs. Lana Cornutt

**"See the Children Here Before Us"**

See the children here before us, fresh expressions of God's love,  
Each young life a precious promise, sent from heaven's realm above.  
Lord, we ask You now to bless them as they learn and grow each day.  
Help us teach them all the lessons that will guide them on their way.

Priceless gifts beyond all measure are the children in our care.  
At this hour of dedication, Lord, please hear our humble prayer;  
Bless these parents on their journey through a vast, uncharted land;  
Help them follow as You lead them with a gentle guiding hand.

Now the church has come together with a promise we must share;  
To be faithful to the children You entrusted to our care.  
Let us see Your love reflected in each small and precious face;  
Help us show them all the wonders of Your endless love and grace.



**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**

**Church Goal: \$42,000 Average Annual Salary of International Missionary**



A GREAT MULTITUDE FROM EVERY NATION  
KNOWING AND WORSHIPING JESUS  
REVELATION 7:9



Sunday, December 3, 10:30 am	Hanging of the Green
Sunday, December 10, 10:30 am	Children's Musical
Wednesday, December 13	Lasagna for Lottie
Sunday, December 17, 6:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra
Wednesday, December 20	No Wednesday Night Activities
Friday, December 22	Church closed for Holidays
Sunday, December 24	Morning Worship at 10:30 am (No Sunday School) Christmas Eve Service at 5:00 pm
Monday & Tuesday, December 25 & 26	Church closed for Holidays
Wednesday, December 27	No Wednesday Night Activities
Sunday, December 31	Prayer Emphasis Sunday (No Sunday School)
Monday & Tuesday, January 1 & 2	Church closed for Holidays
Wednesday, January 3	No Wednesday Night Activities

**This Week at FBC**

<b>Sunday, November 26</b>	
8:15 am	Men's Breakfast
9:15 am	Sunday School New Member Class
10:30 am	Morning Worship
8:00 pm	Rebroadcast Comcast Channel 5
<b>Monday, November 27</b>	
8:00 am	Ladies Exercise
<b>Tuesday, November 28</b>	
6:30 am	Men's Prayer Group
9:30 am	Decorating for Christmas
10:00 am	Staff Meeting
<b>Wednesday, November 29</b>	
8:00 am	Ladies Exercise
10:00 am	Backpack Ministry
5:00 pm	Supper
<b>Menu: Chicken Sandwich, Fries, Slaw</b>	
5:30 pm	Prayer Time
5:45 pm	First Students Choir Preschool & Children Activities
6:00 pm	Bible Study
6:45 pm	First Students
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday, November 30</b>	
8:00 am	Ladies Exercise SA/Friends trip to Tate House
<b>Friday, December 1</b>	
8:00 am	Ladies Exercise
<b>Saturday, December 2</b>	
10:00 am	Food Distribution



**Thank you for being our guest today!**

Please fill out the information card and place in the Offering Box as you leave the service. If you prefer, please scan this code.



**GUEST INFORMATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Other Contact Info \_\_\_\_\_



**NEW MEMBER CLASS**  
Sunday, November 26  
(during Sunday School hour)  
We will meet in the Chapel.

Join us for our class that introduces First Baptist Church to new and prospective members. Even if you are "just curious" you are welcome!

- Sunday, December 3 (am service)**  
Hanging of the Green
- Thursday, December 7**  
Finance Committee Meeting
- Sunday, December 10 (am service)**  
Children's Musical
- Wednesday, December 13**  
Lasagna for Lottie
- Thursday, December 14**  
SA/Friends Christmas Party
- Sunday, December 17 (6:00 pm)**  
Choirs & Orchestra Program
- Wednesday, December 20**  
No Wednesday Activities

**LOOKING AHEAD**