



First Servant Weekly

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This Sunday:

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

Donna McCown (8:30)
Orchestra (11:00)

I Stand Upon the Rock
Medley
Worship Choir

Oh, How I Love Jesus

O For a Thousand
Tongues to Sing

Welcome to Worship
Dr. Gil McKee

God Is Good

Made Me Glad

Offertory Prayer
Tim Simpson
Minister to College

Offertory
Barbara Smith

Morning Message
Dr. Gil McKee

Just As I Am

The Doxology

Sunday, October 26

Evening Worship Service
featuring the Children's Choirs
5:00 p.m. (special time)

Church Family Tailgate Party
6:00 p.m. on 8th Street
Plan to meet together as a family, Sunday School class or other group.
Invite your friends!

Homecoming...

There's No Place Like Home!

Come Home to Sunday School

A Celebration for all Sunday School Classes

Sunday, November 2 at 9:45 a.m.

Invite friends, neighbors, other class members.

Bring your favorite breakfast food to share with your class.

Hurdles
in the Life of a Believer

Sermon Series
by Dr. Gil McKee

Sundays at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Word from the Pastor...

Next week every member of First Baptist Church will receive by mail a copy of *"Finish Strong,"* our proposed **2009 Mission and Ministry Plan**. I hope that you will take time to review it and pray about what your commitment will be toward the plan.



There are three very important dates associated with *Finish Strong*. On **Sunday, November 2, at 6:00 p.m.**, the proposed 2009 Mission and Ministry Plan will be presented to the church for discussion. That will be the time for you to hear and see the plan explained in detail and for you to come prepared to ask any questions you might have about the plan.

On **Sunday, November 9, in both morning worship services**, we will vote with no further discussion on the adoption of the 2009 Mission and Ministry Plan.

And then on **Sunday, November 16, in both morning worship services**, we will celebrate *Pledge Day*, on which we will turn in our pledge cards indicating our intended financial commitment to the 2009 Mission and Ministry Plan.

All of us realize that we are in uncertain economic days. Our Staff and Stewardship Committee have certainly taken that into consideration in the construction of the proposed 2009 Mission and Ministry Plan. However, we also believe that God is still in control and He desires for the work of His Kingdom to continue. So with sensitivity to our economic times and a sense of good financial stewardship balanced with faith in the God Who owns everything (Psalm 24:1), we will move forward into 2009 expecting God to do great things through First Baptist Church.

I love you!
Bro. Gil

Shoebox Dedication Day Sunday, November 9

Bring your completed shoe boxes to the altar as you arrive for the 8:30 or 11:00 a.m. worship service on November 9.

Instructional brochures containing box labels are available throughout the church. Please visit www.samaritanspurse.org for more information.



Prayer for America

If you would like to participate in an on-going collective prayer effort for our nation, simply stop wherever you are for one minute every evening at 8:00 p.m. to pray. Pray that we as a nation will seek the Lord, for the safety of our troops and our citizens, for peace in the world, for the upcoming election. Pray as you feel led by the Holy Spirit.

"...if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and will heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14

Children's Choirs - This Sunday

Parents, our children's choirs for age 4-5th grade will present a service of praise and worship at 5:00 p.m. this Sunday, October 26. In order for us to have time to warm up and prepare for the service, please have your child here at the following times and locations.

Preschool 4's and 5's: Meet at 4:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

Grades 1-3: Meet at 4:00 p.m. in the adult choir room (3rd floor, Multi-Purpose Building).

Grades 4-5: Meet at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Senior Adventure Ministry

The annual senior adult Thanksgiving brunch will be Tuesday, November 4 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There is no cost, but a reservation is needed. Deadline for reservations is Sunday, October 26. Call Donna McCown at 366-4402. Flu shots will be available from the Health Department for \$5.00 beginning at 9:00 a.m. and then after the program.

Women on Mission Groups

- The Randall Group will meet Monday, October 27 at 2:00 p.m. in the Church Parlor.
- The Nightlighters will meet Monday, October 27 at 5:15 p.m. in the Church Parlor.

Creation vs. Evolution

Wednesday Nights Leader: Dr. Joe Lary
Room 236, Multi-Purpose Building 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Join Dr. Lary as he explores the ongoing controversy over the origin of life and examines the key scientific evidence concerning creation vs. evolution. Dr. Lary is convinced that the evidence for the special creation of life by God is scientifically superior to the evidence for the origin of life by naturalistic, evolutionary processes. This course will provide a scientific and scriptural defense of the Christian worldview against the naturalistic, materialistic worldview of today's secular society.

Minister on Call

In case of an emergency need during the weekend (5:00 p.m. Friday - 8:00 a.m. Monday), please call 535-5988.

Recently Hospitalized

As of 10/21/08:

Forest Manor Rehab:

Lynn Wilson

Sympathy to:

- Kitty Collins and family in the death of her father.
- Patsy Webster and family in the death of her husband, John Webster.
- Linda Smith Sutton and family in the death of her mother, Anne Johnston.
- Ray Chartrand and family in the death of his brother.
- Jay Waldrop and family in the death of his father.

Congratulations to:

- David and Tracy Fishbaugh in the birth of a baby boy, Tucker Raymond Fishbaugh, on Monday, October 20, 2008.

October 26 Volunteers

Russell Special Education

Randy and Libby Uzzell

TV Ministry

Bryan Owings, Ben Owings, Rick Dowling, Randy Glover

Wednesday Menu

October 29, 2008

The Family Night Meal is served from 4:45-6:00 p.m.

Sliced Ham OR Baked Chicken with macaroni & cheese, purple-hull peas, turnip greens, corn bread, apple pie

Salad Bar

Kids: Chicken fingers and fries

No reservations are needed.



October 19, 2008

Weekly Ministry Budget Need	\$74,035.75
Ministry Plan Gifts	\$59,613.61
Difference	(\$14,422.14)

Touching Tomorrow Today	\$5,821.00
Designated Gifts	\$1,246.00
Total Gifts	\$66,690.61

2008 Mission/Ministry Plan Summary

Year-to-Date Need	\$3,109,501.50
Actual Year-to-Date Gifts	\$2,642,565.00
Difference	(\$466,936.50)

Gifts given in Memory of:

Anne Johnston
John Webster

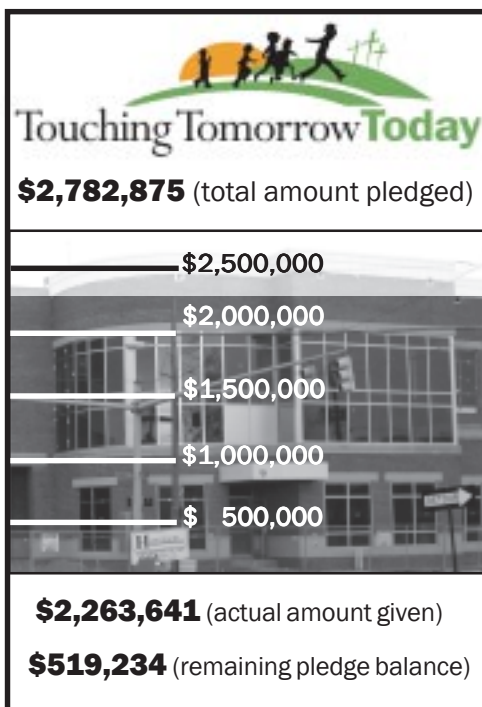
Gifts given in Honor of:

Peggy Hogue

Bible Study Attendance

Sunday School - October 19, 2008

	Enrollment	Attendance
Preschool	179	110
Children	204	125
Students	213	154
College	229	103
Adults	1422	676
Total	2247	1168



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Sunday, October 26

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:30-11:00 Library Open
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship
- 4:30 p.m. ESL classes
- 5:00 Special Evening Worship Service
- 6:00 Church-wide Tailgate Party
- 7:11 Freshman Bible Study
- 7:15 Deacons' Meeting

Monday, October 27

- 2:00 p.m. Randall Group
- 5:15 Nightlighters

Tuesday, October 28

- 10:00 a.m. First Ladies "Girlfriends"
- 1:30 p.m. Body Recall
- 7:00 Epic: College Bible study

Wednesday, October 29

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer (Chapel)
- 9:00 First Ladies Bible Study
- 2:00-7:30 Library Open
- 3:00 p.m. Pre-Game (Students)
- 4:45-6:00 Family Night Meal
- 5:00 First Ladies Prayer
- 5:30 Spanish Bible study
- 5:45-6:30 Mid-Week Devotion
- 5:45-6:30 Preschool Choirs
- 5:45-7:30 Children's Missions
- 5:45-7:15 First Ladies Bible studies
- 6:00-7:00 Adult DiscipleLife
- 6:00-7:15 The Arena (Students)
- 6:15-7:45 ESL classes
- 6:35-8:00 Worship Choir/Orchestra
- 6:40-7:30 Preschool Missions
- 8:00 Chinese Prayer Service

Thursday, October 30

- 6:00 a.m. Men's Fraternity
- 9:30 ESL Classes
- 1:30 p.m. Body Recall
- 7:00 Young Single Adult Bible Study at the Yeagers'

Friday, October 31

- 7:00 p.m. Chinese Bible study
- 9:30 p.m. Friday Night Lights

Mission Statement:

First Baptist Church meets to **magnify** Jesus Christ and **multiply** His Kingdom, to mature believers into effective Christ-followers, and to **minister** to others in Jesus' name.

Friday Night Lights

October 24 and 31
and November 7

9:30 - 11:45 p.m.

For grades 7-12
Free food, Open gym,
Post-Game highlight show
Bring your friends!



Visit Our New Website:

www.firsttuscaloosa.org

for details on all ministries and upcoming church events. You may also view current ministry brochures and newsletters, including the *First Servant Weekly*.



The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this Sunday in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Snow Hinton, Jr. by Peggy and John Hogue and Pat and Jerry Plott.

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