



First Servant Weekly

Dr. Gil McKee, Senior Pastor

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This Sunday:

**8:30
& 11:00 a.m.**

Organ Prelude
Donna McCown

Message in Song
Worship Choir and
Orchestra (11:00)

God of Our Fathers

America the Beautiful

Welcome to Worship
Dr. Gil McKee

My Country 'Tis of Thee

**Morning Message
Dr. Gil McKee**

Here I Am to Worship

Offertory Prayer
Kris Sullivan
Business Administrator

Piano Offertory
Andrew Duren

Piano Interlude (8:30)
Andrew Duren

Message in Song
Worship Choir and
Orchestra (8:30)

God Bless America

**A Salute to our
Veterans**

Sunday, July 5
in Morning Worship Services

**Watch for a special insert in
this Sunday's Worship Guide.**

Did you know?

You can read and print the latest edition of this newsletter from our church website on **Wednesday** of each week. **Simply visit www.firsttuscaloosa.org** and click on the **Publications** photo at the bottom left. This will take you to a listing of all the newsletters, brochures and other publications available for download. Select the *First Servant Weekly* to read this newsletter.



We also send this newsletter and other church publications by email. If you do not yet receive email notifications of the latest newsletter, please contact Barbara Smith at 345-7554 or barbara@fbctuscaloosa.org.

A Night with the Church Family

Fun Night in the Gym
Friday, July 10, 6:00 p.m.
Bring a "picnic" meal for your family and enjoy fellowship, games and activities in the Family Life Center.



Magnify. Multiply. Minister.

Senior Adventure Ministry

Triple L Monthly Meeting:

Tuesday, July 7 at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A luncheon immediately follows the program.

Senior Adult Weekly Bible Study:

Every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel. Led by Bob Henderson, Wayne Styres, Vial Fontenot and Jerry Lake. Anyone is welcome.

Senior Adult Choir begins July 23!

Anyone age 55 and up is invited to be part of the Senior Adult Choir. Beginning July 23, join us for rehearsals every Thursday from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in Room 240, Multi-Purpose Building.

Those Special Gifts

A Holiday event sponsored by the First Ladies Ministry

Tuesday, November 3

This fundraiser for the Tuscaloosa Baptist United Appeal fund will feature vendors with gift items available for purchase. Booth space is still available for interested vendors. The booth fees help support the Tuscaloosa Baptist United Appeal fund, which benefits the Good Samaritan Clinic and the First Baptist Benevolence Fund. Vendors keep the proceeds from their individual sales. Contact Linda Humber for a vendor application, or visit our website at www.firsttuscaloosa.org for more information.



Wednesday Nights This Summer

Summer Schedule: Supper is served from 4:45-6:00 p.m. Mid-week devotion, worship choir and orchestra rehearsal, the Arena for students, W.O.W. (Worship on Wednesdays) for children and preschool manners classes meet from 5:45-7:15 p.m. through August 5. Adult DiscipleLife classes meet from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Recreation Ministry

Open Gym for all ages: Every Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Gym available other dates by reservation.

Adult Basketball: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights beginning at 8:00 p.m. By reservation only.

Adult Volleyball: Mondays from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Adult Indoor Tennis: Tuesdays from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Child care will not be available for activities. For more information about these and other summer recreation options, please contact Dusty Jones at 345-7554.

July at Nite

Sunday Nights

July 12, 19 and 26

Activities for kids in grades 1-5 (completed)

6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Room 216, Children's Center



Children's Discovery Class

Sunday, July 26

4:30-5:30 p.m. in room 215, Children's Center

This class is designed for children in grades 1-5 who have recently made a profession of faith or have questions about becoming a Christian and baptism. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend with their child. Please contact the Children's Center at 361-3115 if you are interested in enrolling in this class, or email Leigh Anne Darnell at leigh@fbctuscaloosa.org

Student Ministry 11-2

The Student Building and Gym are open every Monday this summer (except July 13) for students in grades 6-12. Bring your lunch and enjoy a casual time of fun and fellowship each Monday. For more information about this and other opportunities for students this summer, please visit the Student Ministry website, www.thearenafirst.com.

Thank You Note

Dear Friends of First Baptist:

Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, visits and calls during the loss of my Dad. This has been a very difficult time, but knowing we have been in your thoughts and prayers meant a great deal to us. Your kind and thoughtful expression of sympathy is deeply appreciated. Please continue to keep us in your prayers as we face the days ahead.

Your friends in Christ,

Donna, Ritchie, Lee and Heather Bailey

Ministry in Focus

Ushers

First Baptist's ushers serve in many ways. They greet those who attend our worship services and assist with seating. They help visitors to feel welcome and inform them about child care and other services provided by the church. The ushers also help to provide security and participate in the collection of tithes and offerings. For more information about being a part of this ministry, please contact the church office.

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 06/30/09:

DCH Regional Med Center:

Catherine Fowler

Northport Med Center:

Billy Maxwell

John Wade

Glen Haven Rehab:

Shirley Anderson

Sympathy to:

- Gail McCollum and family in the death of her mother.
- Charlotte Lowe and family in the death of her mother; Heather Bailey and family in the death of her grandmother.
- Mark Powell and family in the death of his mother; Ruby Shaffer and Frances McCrary and families in the death of their sister; Jackie Sharp and Deloris Chastine and families in the death of their aunt.
- Bea Hales and family in the death of her brother-in-law.

Wednesday Menu

July 8, 2009

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

Beef Spaghetti

with green beans, tossed salad, garlic bread, cookies

Baked Chicken

with same side items plus rice pilaf

Salad Bar

Kids: Hot dog and fries

No reservations are needed.



June 28, 2009

Weekly Ministry Plan Need	\$76,089.45
Ministry Plan Gifts	\$54,893.94
Difference for week	(\$21,195.51)

Touching Tomorrow Today	\$1,131.00
Designated Gifts	\$333.00
Total Gifts for Week	\$56,357.94

2009 Mission/Ministry Plan Summary

Year-to-Date Need	\$1,978,325.70
Actual Year-to-Date Gifts	\$1,634,076.22
Difference for Year	(\$344,249.48)

Touching Tomorrow Today

Total Amount Pledged	\$2,777,995.20
Contributions to Date	\$2,491,163.68
Remaining Balance	(\$286,831.52)

Gifts given in Memory of:

Rachel Dawkins
Helen Long

Visit our church's website,
www.firsttuscaloosa.org.

Bible Study Attendance

Sunday School - June 28, 2009

	Enrollment	Attendance
Preschool	179	88
Children	204	87
Students	213	111
College	229	50
Adults	1422	612
Total	2247	948

Welcome New Members

by Letter/Statement:

- 38: Jon Davis
39: David Thomas

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Do not fear, for I am with you; do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you. Surely I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:10

Sunday, July 5

8:30 a.m. Worship
9:30-11:00 Library Open
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship
4:30 ESL classes
6:00 No evening service

Monday, July 6

11:00 a.m. 11-2: Student Ministry fellowship time
6:00 p.m. Prospect Visitation
6:00 Adult Volleyball

Tuesday, July 7

9:00 Senior Adult Bible study
10:30 Triple L Monthly Meeting
5:00 p.m. Adult Indoor Tennis
6:00 Epic: College Bible study
6:30 Line Dancing Exercise classes

Wednesday, July 8

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer (Chapel)
9:00 Quilters
9:00 Adult Bible study
2:00-7:30 Library Open
2:30 p.m. Seniors drawing class
3:00 Pregame for students
4:45-6:00 Family Night Meal
5:45 Adult Bible study
5:45 W.O.W. for Children
5:45 Preschool Manners class
5:45-6:30 Mid-Week Devotion
5:45-7:15 Worship Choir/Orchestra
5:45-7:15 First Ladies Bible Studies
6:00-7:00 Adult DiscipleLife
6:00-7:15 The Arena (Students)
6:15-7:15 ESL classes
8:00 Chinese Prayer Service

Thursday, July 9

1:00-4:30 Gym open

Friday, July 10

6:00 p.m. A Night with the Church Family (in the gym)
7:00 p.m. Chinese Bible Study

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.



BEGINS Sunday, August 23!

This exciting new weekly worship experience for kids in grades 1-5 will meet on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in the Children's Worship Center (3rd Floor, Children's Center).

Worship KidStyle Information Lunches:

Sunday, July 26

11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

Learn more about *Worship KidStyle* by attending one of these luncheons with your family. To sign up, contact the Children's Ministry office at 391-3115, visit our website (www.firsttuscaloosa.org) or complete and return a reservation form from inside the *Worship KidStyle* brochures located in our church literature racks.



The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this Sunday in loving memory of Richard (R.B.) Barton by Ann and Ed Barton.

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