



First Servant Weekly

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Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. 2 Corinthians 8:11

This Sunday:

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

Donna McCown

How Great Is Our God

*For the Lord Our God
Reigns*

Worship Choir & Orchestra

Welcome to Worship
Dr. Gil McKee

God Is Good

Glorious Is Thy Name

Offertory Prayer
Matt Rouse

Hosanna
Student Praise Band

Morning Message
Dr. Gil McKee

I Surrender All

The Doxology

Pledge Day is Sunday, November 16

All member families should have received in the mail this week pledge cards for the 2009 Mission and Ministry Plan. You will have an opportunity to make your pledge in the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services on Sunday, November 16. Please bring your completed pledge cards to the morning service you usually attend. If you will be unable to attend services that day, please mail or bring your cards to the church office by Friday, November 14. Additional pledge cards are also available in the church office.

The 2009 Mission and Ministry Plan of \$3,956,651 was approved by the church membership on Sunday, November 9. Please prayerfully consider how you and your family will support the ministries of First Baptist Church in 2009.

*On Pledge Day we will also accept
a sacrificial offering to benefit
the 2008 Mission and Ministry Plan.*

Offering Goal: \$100,000



Coats for our Community

Share the warmth by donating new or gently used coats, jackets, hats, mittens, gloves and new socks. All sizes – infants through adults - are needed. Please be sure the items are clean and in good repair.

We will have a collection box in the Children's Center Lobby for these items beginning Sunday, November 16 through Sunday, November 30.

Sunday Nights in 2008

November 16: Worship at 6:00 p.m. Message by Dr. Gil McKee. First Baptist University for Students; *Bible Skills, Drills and Thrills* for children.

November 23: Worship at 6:00 p.m. Message by Dr. Gil McKee. First Baptist University for Students; *Bible Skills, Drills and Thrills* for children.

November 30: No evening worship or other activities

December 7: Worship at 6:00 p.m. Preschool choirs singing, followed by a message by Dr. Gil McKee.

December 14: *Christmas at First*, 4:00 and 7:00 p.m.

December 21: Candlelight Service at 6:00 p.m.

December 28: No evening worship or other activities.



Friday, December 12, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 13, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 14, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 14, 7:00 p.m.

Don't miss First Baptist's annual celebration of the Christmas season featuring our worship choir, orchestra and children's choirs. Tickets are free, but are recommended to guarantee seating.

There are four ways to request tickets:

1. Email your ticket request to Diane Gaddy at dgaddy@fbctuscaloosa.org.
2. Visit our website, www.firsttuscaloosa.org.
3. Place your completed form in the offering plate during any worship service.
4. Place your form in the drop-box located on the display table in the Eighth Street Welcome Center.

Completed ticket orders will be available for pick-up from the same table beginning Sunday, November 16.

International Mission Study

Wednesday, December 10

5:45-6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Special Guests: Jim and Evelyn Sexton

The Sextons serve with the International Mission Board in Santiago, Chile. They have served in various countries in South America for almost 20 years. Children will meet in the Fellowship Hall for this study and then go to Children's Choir to practice for *Christmas at First*. Anyone is welcome to attend the mission study. It will take the place of the Mid-Week Devotion.

Upward Basketball

for Boys and Girls in 1st - 6th Grade

Evaluations for grades 1-3 are Tuesday, November 18 from

6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Evaluations for grades 4-6 are Thursday, November 20 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Registration is \$70 per child, and should be paid at the time of evaluation. Practices begin Monday, December 1, with games beginning Saturday, January 10.

For more information about *Upward*, please contact Dusty Jones at 345-7554 or Dusty@fbctuscaloosa.org.



Volleyball for Adults

Mondays in November
(November 17, 24)

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Family Life Center



Body Recall

Body Recall is a proven exercise class for seniors which focuses on improving flexibility and mobility. Classes meet at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Room 313, Children's Center. Leader is Ann Willard.

Visit the Library

Sundays, 9:30-11:00 a.m. and Wednesdays, 2:00-7:30 p.m. Check out the library's page on the First Baptist website, www.firsttuscaloosa.org. Click on the **Media Center** photo at the bottom left of the home page.



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*.

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 11/11/08:

DCH Regional Med Center:

Addison Brown

Pat Ray

Jay Ricks

Baptist East - Memphis:

Summer Riles

Hospice of West Alabama:

Mildred Bailey

Sympathy to:

• Tom Myers and family in the death of his sister.

Congratulations to:

Scott and Stacy Brown in the birth of a baby girl, Addison Rebekah Brown, on Thursday, November 6, 2008.

November 16 Volunteers

Russell Special Education

Kelley Lea and Patsy Davis

TV Ministry

Bryan Owings, Ben Owings, Rick Dowling, Randy Glover

Wednesday Menu

November 19, 2008

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

Sliced Turkey

with dressing and gravy, green beans, yams, pecan or lemon pie

Salad Bar

Kids: Hamburger & chips

No reservations are needed.



November 9, 2008

Weekly Ministry Budget Need	\$74,035.75
Ministry Plan Gifts	\$62,869.76
Difference	(\$11,165.99)

Touching Tomorrow Today	\$10,240.22
Designated Gifts	\$2,600.50
Total Gifts	\$75,710.48

Gideons Offering \$3,471.00

2008 Mission/Ministry Plan Summary

Year-to-Date Need	\$3,331,608.75
Actual Year-to-Date Gifts	\$2,840,911.56
Difference	(\$490,697.19)

Gifts given in Memory of:

Anne Johnston Bill Patrick
Nell Reed John Webster

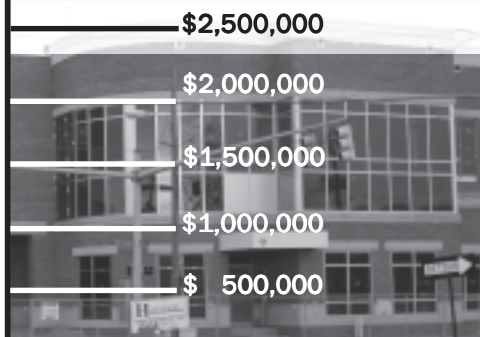
Bible Study Attendance

Sunday School - November 9, 2008

	Enrollment	Attendance
Preschool	179	100
Children	204	111
Students	213	123
College	229	93
Adults	1422	623
Total	2247	1050



\$2,782,575 (total amount pledged)



\$2,312,921 (actual amount given)

\$469,654 (remaining pledge balance)

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Sunday, November 16

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:30-11:00 Library Open
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship
- 4:30 p.m. ESL classes
- 6:00 First Baptist University (grades 6-12)
- 6:00 Bible Skills, Drills, Thrills
- 6:00 Evening Worship
- 7:11 Freshman Bible Study

Monday, November 17

- 6:00 p.m. Volleyball for Adults

Tuesday, November 18

- 6:30 a.m. Deacon Advisory Council
- 1:30 p.m. Body Recall
- 6:30 Upward Basketball evaluations
- 7:00 Epic: College Bible study

Wednesday, November 19

- 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 Ministry
- 5:30 Spanish Bible study
- 5:45-6:30 Mid-Week Devotion
- 5:45-6:30 Children's Choirs
- 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 Children's Missions
- 8:00 Chinese Prayer Service

Thursday, November 20

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

Friday, November 21

- 7:00 p.m. Chinese Bible study

Help for the divorced and separated during the holidays

Surviving the Holidays



If you're separated or divorced, the holidays can be a lonely, stressful and depressing time. But there's hope. Join us for an encouraging seminar to discover how to enjoy the holidays again.



Sunday, December 7, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Room 313, Children's Center

Surviving the Financial Crunch

Orientation for "Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University" will meet on Sunday, December 7 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in Room 236, Multi-Purpose Building. Our next FPU class will begin on Wednesday, January 14.



The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this Sunday in loving memory of Ward and Irene Avery by their family.

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