



First Servant Weekly

MAGNIFY. MULTIPLY. MATURE. MINISTER.

Dr. Gil McKee, Senior Pastor

November 16, 2017
Volume 16 Issue 45



Texas Team Commissioning Prayer:

Sunday, November 19 during 11 a.m. worship

This team will serve in Katy, Texas, which is a suburb of Houston. Team members are Elaine Acker, Ronnie Ballard, Calvin Cassady, Cheryl Christian, Arrice Faught, Ken Faught, Vial Fontenot, Leah Hughes, Mark Hughes, Norris Jatib, Joyce King, Gail McCollum, Cord Myrick, Linda Myrick, Donnie Riddle, Faye Self, Carmon Smithson, Dan Smithson and Lucia Suceu.

Volunteer in Your Community

Instead of the annual Church-wide Thanksgiving Dinner, we will share Thanksgiving meals with people in our community. Volunteers will serve on the **Packing Team** (place the meals into individual carry-out containers) or the **Delivery/Distribution Team** (take the meals to those who requested them) on Sunday, November 19. Those who deliver should be willing to greet and pray with those who receive meals, if the recipient wishes.

If you have volunteered to help and you attend the 8:30 worship service, plan to come to the Fellowship Hall after Sunday School to begin packing meals. We can begin delivering meals as early as 11:30 a.m. If you attend the 11:00 worship service, plan to come to the Fellowship Hall after worship to help with packing meals and/or delivering meals.

Additional Delivery Volunteers are needed. Please note you can deliver as teams or families.

Community Soup Bowl

Thanksgiving Bags

Deadline: November 15

If you picked up a bag to fill with food, please return it by November 15 to Guest Services near the Fellowship Hall.

Thank you for all the ways you are making a difference in our community! Please pray for those who will receive either prepared meals or the Soup Bowl bags containing ingredients for a Thanksgiving meal.



National Collection Week: November 13-20

As of Tuesday, November 14 we have received 1173 shoeboxes toward the First Baptist goal of 2500. As a drop-off site, we have also collected several hundred boxes from other churches and individuals.

If you have not yet brought your shoeboxes, you can bring them to church through **12 noon** on **Monday, November 20**.

Anyone may bring shoeboxes to the **23rd Avenue (gym) entrance** or the **8th Street entrance** under the crosswalk on the remaining dates and times listed below.

Wednesday, November 15: 10-12, 5-7

Thursday, November 16: 10-12, 2-4

Friday, November 17: 10-12, 2-4

Saturday, November 18: 9-12

Sunday, November 19: 2-4

Monday, November 20: 10-12

Bicentennial Celebration Week: January 21-28, 2018



Bicentennial Homecoming Choir

Rehearsal and Fellowship: Saturday, January 20

We'll begin gathering at 2:00 p.m. in the Guest Services area and then rehearse from 3-4 p.m.

All former and current Worship Choir members are welcome. This choir will fill the choir loft during both morning worship services on Sunday, January 21.

Sunday, January 21

Speaker: Dr. Rick Lance

also, **Bicentennial Homecoming Choir**

Extended Worship Times:

8:30-10:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

(no Sunday School)

Wednesday, January 24

Special Anniversary Service

6:00 p.m.

Speaker: Rosalie Hall Hunt

author and retired missionary

Sunday, January 28

Speaker: Dr. Gil McKee

Extended Worship Times:

8:30-10:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

(no Sunday School)

Festival Display Items Needed

We are seeking items for the **Bicentennial Festival Display**, which will be in the Fellowship Hall on **Saturday, January 20** and **Sunday, January 21** from 1:30-6:00 p.m. each day. Please contact us if you have "old" items in any of these categories that you think would be interesting to display:

- **Communication** (typewriters, ink/quills, radios, etc.)
Contact Leigh Adams: mlgadams65@hotmail.com
- **Fashion** (hats, gowns, shoes, etc.)
Contact Carla Wilhite: carlawilhite@gmail.com
- **Vintage Toys** (dolls, games, classic toys, etc.)
Contact Pat Kibbey: patkibbey@yahoo.com

Titus 2 Women

Christmas Cookie and Candy Swap

Friday, December 1

6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall



Make at least 4 dozen of one kind of treat. Bring the goodies and the recipe to share with others. Each person will go home with a variety of treats and recipes to use to entertain during the Christmas season.



Wednesday Nights in the Fellowship Hall (6 p.m.)

November 15: Study led by Larry Williams

November 22: No activities (Thanksgiving Week)

November 29: Study led by Larry Williams

December 6: South Asia Trip Report

December 13: Prime Time Singers - *Christmas in the Chapel*

December 20: No evening activities

December 27: No evening activities

January 3: No evening activities

Thank You Note

Words cannot express our thankfulness to each of you who helped us follow God's call on our lives. We fell so in love with the people of First Baptist Church. We feel so blessed for the time we spent at the church. Please pray for us each time the Lord lays us on your minds. We will also pray for you. Keep up the good work of ministry and service to each other and the community! God bless you all and thank you!

With much love, Jean and Jay Chesnutt



through Giving

November 12, 2017

Ministry Plan Gifts	\$71,615.78
Weekly Ministry Budget Need	\$74,572.00
Difference for Week	(\$2,956.22)
721 Project Gifts	\$2,532.50
Designated Gifts	\$7,902.50
Total Gifts	\$82,050.78

2017 Mission/Ministry Plan Summary

Actual Year-to-Date Gifts	\$3,220,502.90
Year-to-Date Need	\$3,430,312.00
Difference for Year	(\$209,809.10)

Gifts in Memory of:
William "Bill" Watts

721 Project Update
\$747,835

Pledge Day for 2018

Mission and Ministry Plan
Sunday, December 17

Prayerfully consider how you will support the mission and ministry efforts of First Baptist Church in 2018. More information coming soon.



Family Night Meal

Meal served 4:45-5:45 p.m.
Reservations are not needed.

No meal or other Wednesday night activities on November 22.

Minister on Call

In case of an emergency need during the weekend please call the church office at 205-345-7554 and leave a voice message. The Minister on Call that weekend will check the messages regularly and make contact as needed.

Sympathy to:

- Jerry Logan and family in the death of his mother, **Jane Logan**.
- Ruby Anderson and family in the death of her mother, **Lorene Pierce**.

Sunday School 11/12/17

	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Preschool	186	78
Children	194	62
Students	232	114
College	313	75
Adults	1294	590
Special Education		30
Internationals	<u>80</u>	<u>39</u>
Totals	2299	988

Congratulations to:

Brittney and Andrew Gilpin in the birth of a baby girl, **Hollis Claire Gilpin**, on Thursday, November 9, 2017.



firsttuscaloosa.org

Kids Ministry: ttownkids.org

College: fbctcollege.com

Sermons: firsttuscaloosa.org/media

Giving: firsttuscaloosa.org/giving

Facebook: [FirstTuscaloosa](https://www.facebook.com/FirstTuscaloosa)

Twitter: [@firsttuscaloosa](https://twitter.com/firsttuscaloosa)

Instagram: [firsttuscaloosa](https://www.instagram.com/firsttuscaloosa)

Ministries on Facebook:

Kids Ministry - fb.me/ttowntownkidsmin

Students - fb.me/ttowntownstudents

FBC Women - fb.me/firsttuscaloosawomen

College - [First Baptist College Ministry](https://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistCollegeMinistry)

Missions - fb.me/firsttuscaloosamissions

CDP - fb.me/firsttuscaloosacd

Internationals - fb.me/firsttuscaloosaesl

Iglesia Biblica Bautista Tuscaloosa

Bicentennial - fb.me/firsttuscaloosa200

First Baptist Tuscaloosa

721 Greensboro Ave.
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

205-345-7554

Family Ministry Building:
205-391-3115

www.firsttuscaloosa.org

Gil McKee

Senior Pastor

gil@fbctuscaloosa.org

Kris Sullivan

Executive Pastor

ksullivan@fbctuscaloosa.org

Joe Ziegler

Minister of Music & Worship

τζiegler@fbctuscaloosa.org

Vial Fontenet

Minister of Missions & Ministry

vial@fbctuscaloosa.org

Jerry Lake

Minister to Senior Adults

jlake@fbctuscaloosa.org

Joe Armour

Minister to Adults & Outreach

jarmour@fbctuscaloosa.org

Beth Yates

Minister to Women

byates@fbctuscaloosa.org

RJ Voorhees

College Pastor

rj@fbctuscaloosa.org

Jody Gambrell

Minister to Students

jody@fbctuscaloosa.org

Sidney Hiers

Hispanic Pastor

Carl Wells

Associate Pastor Emeritus

Sunday, November 19

- 8:30 Worship
 8:45 Chinese Prayer Service
 9:30-10:45 Library open
 9:45 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship; Kids Praise
 11:00 Chinese & Spanish Worship
 11:00 Begin Packing/Delivering
 Thanksgiving Meals
 3:45 p.m. Handbell rehearsal
 4:30 Revelation Choir
 5:00 College leadership meeting
 5:00 Explore the Bible for Kids
 5:30 Adult DiscipleLife studies
 5:30 3D - Student Discipleship

Monday, November 20

- Texas Mission Trip (20-25)*
 8:30 a.m. Second-Hand Rose Ministry
 6:00 p.m. Samford MTI course

Tuesday, November 21

- 5:30 p.m. Line Dance Exercise class

Wednesday, November 22

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group
 No evening activities

Thursday, November 23

Thanksgiving Day - Church and CDP closed

Friday, November 24

Church and CDP closed



Hanging of the Green service

Sunday, November 26

5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this Sunday in loving memory of Jim and Margaret Wascomb by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wascomb and family and Mr. and Mrs. Barry Glass and family.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

721 Greensboro Avenue | Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401
 205.345.7554 | Fax 205.391.3108 | firsttuscaloosa.org

First Servant Weekly

November 16, 2017

First Servant Weekly (USPS 020629) is published weekly (except the weeks of Christmas and New Year's Day) by The First Baptist Church of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, 721 Greensboro Ave., Tuscaloosa, AL 35401. Periodicals Postage Paid at Tuscaloosa, AL 35401. **POSTMASTER:** Send address changes to The First Baptist Church of Tuscaloosa, 721 Greensboro Avenue, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401.

Our Worship Service is broadcast at 11:00 a.m. every Sunday on WVUA-TV.

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