

CHURCHWIDE MINISTRY

RESOUNDING FAITH MUSIC SERVICE
SUNDAY, AUGUST 31 — 9:30 AM

Join us for our Fifth Sunday Music Service filled with powerful praise and inspiring worship. Come experience a joyful morning of music that lifts the spirit and celebrates our shared faith!

WOMEN’S MINISTRY

WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

The Women's Fellowship will meet on **Sunday, September 7**, immediately following Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall.

Please note the new date — we’ve moved the event off Labor Day weekend so more women can attend and enjoy this special time together.

We warmly invite women of all ages to join us for this meaningful gathering, there’s a place for you here!

Becky Wooten will be sharing her testimony and you won’t want to miss it!

Call the Church Office to sign up by August 31.

MARGARET WILLIAMS BIBLE STUDY

RESUMES ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
10:00 AM IN THE BRIDAL SUITE.

MEMBERS IN ACTION

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

Offertory Prayer:
Leslie Walker

Visitor Outreach:
Chad Walker

Children’s Worship:
Children will remain in the service.

Security:
Jimmy Cooley and Vince Rutledge

MUSIC MINISTRY

CHRISTMAS CHOIR REHEARSALS
BEGIN WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 — 7:00 - 7:30 PM

It’s that wonderful time of year again! If you’ve ever thought about singing in the Christmas Choir, or if you’ve sung with us before and are ready for another joyful season, we’d love for you to join us. Rehearsals for this year’s choir will begin on **Wednesday, September 3, from 7:00–7:30 PM.** This is a short, fun, and meaningful time of music and fellowship as we prepare to share the message of Christmas through song. Mark your calendars and come be part of something special this Christmas season.

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH FALL RETREAT 2025
OCTOBER 10-12 — LOOKUP LODGE

\$100 per student
Call or text (864)376-8698 to let
Shelby Clardy know if you plan to attend.

CHILDREN’S AND YOUTH MINISTRY

PICNIC AND PLAY AT LINLEY PARK
OCTOBER 5 — 10:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Youth and Children will leave during Sunday School (10:30 AM) and take the bus to the Park for a picnic lunch and time to play on the playground. They will return by 3:00 PM. Please let Elana Roach or Shelby Clardy know if you plan to attend.

OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST BAPTIST

Wednesday, August 27

- 5:30 PM Handbell Choir (above the Chapel)
- 5:45 PM Children’s Music & Missions (Rock Room)
- Youth Group (Gym)
- 6:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 PM Youth “Homework & Hangout” (Gym)
- Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, August 29

- 10:00 AM Christmas Music Preview & Lunch

Sunday, August 31

- 9:30 AM Resounding Faith Music Service
- 10:30 AM Sunday School



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Welcome

August 24, 2025

Welcome!

We’re so grateful for your presence this morning and invite you to engage fully in the worship, study, service, and fellowship life of First Baptist Church. For 200 years, this congregation has gathered in response to God’s presence among us—worship is at the heart of who we are. It defines us, unites us, and brings us joy as we gather together in God’s name.

Whether you’re a longtime member or visiting for the first time, we’re glad you’re here. Our prayer is that you encounter God in a meaningful way during our time of worship.

If you’re a first-time guest, please take a moment to fill out the visitor card located on the back of the pew. You can use it to join our mailing list, share a prayer request, or reach out to our staff with any questions. If you're exploring your faith, we’re here to walk alongside you and help you discover more about Christianity, our church, and what it means to grow in a relationship with Jesus Christ.

We’re so glad you’ve joined us today. May you experience God’s love and grace in a powerful way this morning.

Serving Today

Offertory Prayer:
Becky Campbell

Visitor Outreach:
Charlie Campbell

Children’s Worship:
Leslie Walker and Sammy Gilmer

Security:
Wes Wallace and Chad Walker

Miss Mary Alice Edmonds, Organist

Mrs. Shannon Griffin, CDC Director

Mr. Ethan Harper, Music Intern

Mrs. Lesley Hudgins, Financial Manager

Mrs. Sharon Royals, Communications Manager

Miss Natalie Rutledge, Musician in Residence

Mr. Jamie Smith, Asst. Music Director

Mrs. Kelly Smith, Pianist

Mr. Addrian Wilson, Minister of Music

Mr. Greg Wilson, Facilities Manager

Dr. Jim Wooten, Interim Pastor

The Worship of God

Prelude

We invite you to use the prelude as an opportunity to prepare for worship and recognize the Holy Spirit among us. This is a time to consider what may take place in our worship of God.

Welcome

Steve Smith

Prelude

St. Thomas
Mary Alice Edmonds, Organist

Douglas E. Wagner

Chiming of the Trinity

*Hymn No. 350

The Church’s One Foundation

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Responsive Reading

Steve Smith

Leader: Though we are many, we form one body in Christ.

People: Each of us belongs to the whole, with a purpose to fulfill.

Leader: When one part is hurting, we all feel the pain.

People: When one part is lifted up, we all share in the joy.

Leader: God designed every member with care and intention.

People: No role is too small, no gift goes unseen.

Leader: We cannot say to another, “You are not needed.”

People: For every part matters in the body of Christ.

All: Together, we are the living body of Christ. Let us walk in unity, serve with love, and honor one another with grace.

Invocation

Steve Smith

*Songs of Praise and Worship

Praise Team

Cheerful Giving Is a Part of Worship

While we will collect offering by passing our offering plates, we also have the ability to receive gifts electronically. Electronic giving is available at andersonfbc.org/give, through our church app, or by texting [fbcanderson](https://text.fbcanderson.org) and a dollar amount to 73256.

Offertory Prayer

Becky Campbell

Offertory Music

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

arr. Daniel Burton

Praising God For His Gifts To Us

GLORIA PATRI

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.

*Please stand if able.

Anthem

Mercy
Sanctuary Choir

Craig Courtney

I dare not lift my guilty eyes. I hide my lips in trembling shame.
And in the darkness of my soul, I shrink from Your rekindling flame.
Kyrie eleison, kyrie eleison, have mercy.

In mercy cover me with grace and blot out my iniquity.
Renew my heart and wash me clean; grant with Your pardon, purity.

In equal measure of our love, You promise mercy,
tender compassion to the one who seeks Your face.
A broken heart, a fainting soul, a contrite spirit,
together cry for Your forgiveness and Your grace.

Against You only have I sinned. My deeds are evil in Your sight.
Of Your forgiveness let me sing, and in my singing take delight.

(Children please exit for Children’s Worship at this time.)

Morning Prayer

Ginger Smith

Prayer concludes by saying in unison:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who have trespassed against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Scripture

1 Corinthians 12:12-27
(Pew Bible Page 1137)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

“Toward a Healthy Body”

Jim Wooten

*Hymn No. 388

Our God Has Made Us One

OLD 134TH

Benediction

Jim Wooten

Postlude

Praise Him! Praise Him!
Mary Alice Edmonds, Organist

Arr. Mary McDonald

Children’s Worship

We invite elementary-aged children to attend Children’s Worship during the service this morning. Our Children’s Worship leaders will exit with children at the front door to the right of the sanctuary when indicated in the bulletin. This will be a time for a child-focused discussion of Scripture and worship themes, and will be followed by Sunday School in the same space. Parents may pick up their children from the Rock Room (329) on the third floor of the education building at 11:30.

The Invitation

We invite you to commit your life to Jesus Christ as His disciple and to join our congregation as a member. We receive members in one of three ways: upon profession of faith in Christ followed by believer’s baptism; by transfer of membership from another Christian church; or by statement of previous Christian experience. This process begins when you respond to the invitation at the conclusion of worship by coming forward to request membership. It continues with a conversation with one of our ministers, a new member orientation (offered periodically), and a vote by the congregation at a quarterly business meeting. We’d love the opportunity to talk with you about becoming a Christian or joining our church as a member.