This Week @ FBC

Sunday, March 1

9:30 am Sunday Bible Study 10:55 am Morning Worship 9:30 am Starting Point Connections Class 12:15 pm Camp Fundraising Luncheon

6 pm Evening Worship Monday, March 2 1 pm Joyful Praise Rehearsal Tuesday, March 3 10 am Women On Missions Wednesday, March 3 5 pm Wednesday Evening Meal Chicken & Dumplings Green Beans Broccoli/Corn Casserole Bread Dessert 5:30 pm Youth Pizza 6pm Women Bible Study Children 's Winter Program Youth Bible Study 6:15 pm Orchestra Rehearsal 6: 30 pm Mid-Week Service 7:15 pm Worship Choir Rehearsal Thursday, March 4 6:30 pm Weight-loss Class Friday, March 6 6 pm Koinonia Class Social/FC Friday, March 6 - Sunday, March 8 Youth DNow Weekend Saturday, March 6 10 am Ignite Set-up 6 pm Ignite Saturday Night

Find more info online at www.fbcfo.org

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Tim Miller (1) Amber Walker (1) Julie Leath (3) Joan Hicks 94) Pam Bethune (5)

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Youth Director - Kevin Stone

Discipleship Pastor - Andy Atkinson

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June Stewart

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Andrea Carter (5)

Dale Kinnison (5)

Mark Paulson (6)

Melissa Pittman (5)

Staff

Al Davis (5)

Karen Webb

Daugherty

Prayer Concerns Nursing Home Eunice Mosman Margaret Calvo Lola Parker Ollie Grisham Bobby Harwood Ruth Graham Eloise Morris Hazel Smith Myrtle Thomas Lila Archer Myrtle Thomas

This Sunday, March 1 @ 9:30 in the Fellowship Circle, for the Starting Point. This is designed to help new members and frequent visitors begin a new journey with our church. We will meet during the Sunday School hour on the first four Sundays in March. It is a great place to invite friends and visitors to find a special connection with our church!

Summer Camp Fundraising Luncheon

A Fund Raising Luncheon will be this Sunday, March 1 after morning Worship in the Fellowship Circle. Parents don't forget we need lots of desserts! Set-up will be Sunday Morning at 9 and stay until 1:30 pm for clean-up.

Mission Trip Interest Meeting

Stop by the Lydia Class (next to the main Welcome Center) right after the Sunday morning worship service for information about the upcoming trips to Zimbabwe and Brazil. The trips are geared for ages 16 and up. The meeting will be brief.

Sunday School Leadership Retreat

If you are interested in going on our leadership retreat March 26-27 in Cummings, GA, please contact Pastor Andy by Sunday, March 1 so that we can make reservations. This opportunity is for any Sunday School teacher as well as class leaders who are looking to grow their group.

Women's Luncheon

1 Corinthians 13.4-5

Our Volunteers

Deacons of the Week

Mar. 1-7 Brvan Alexander Steve Dowis Jeanette Dupree Jeff Fletcher

Security

Mar. 1-7 Tom Acker Brvan Alexander

Babies

3 vr olds

Mar. 8-14 Raymond Dupree

Patrice Humphrey

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Ronnie Born

Rav Williamson

Wednesday Meal March 4 Laurie Brown Mark Fletcher Wavne Rasburv hank Humphrev

March 1

Brenda Jones

Donna Lindsev

Marlin Paulson

Terry Pennington Christy Cundiff Sandra Mullins

March 11

Greeters

March 8 Pam Bethune Elaine Steele

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Babies Micki Atkinson Andy Atkinson 1&2 yr olds 1&2 vr olds Stacy Thomas Drew Todaro 3 yr olds Pam Bethune Cindy Shipp

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Christ Chapel Canned Meat

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; 6it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.



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First Baptist Church

Where Truth and Love come together

Upcoming Events

The Starting Point

Mark your calendar for the annual Women's Luncheon on Saturday, May 30 from 11:30 to 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Circle. If you would like to decorate a table please call Laura Jones (423-605-1816) as soon as possible.



Word From Our Pastor Jason Thomas

How is your soil? In a few weeks, we will hopefully be outside, digging in the dirt and getting ready for spring. I remember one spring at my first house, I planted new azaleas and gave them the right amount of water and food. Yet, within a few weeks, they were withered and dying. I did not know what was wrong until I dug deeper. Turns out that there was an old concrete porch that was lying two feet under the soil, and

the soil of our lives. In Matthew 13, he describes four types of soil, the well-worn path, the rocky soil, the thorny soil, and the good soil. Even the best seeds have trouble with the first three soils. The path will not accept the seeds because there is no penetration. The rocky soil cannot sustain growth because there is no depth. The thorny soil also cannot sustain growth because too many other things get in the way. Only the good soil is able to receive the seeds and produce a beautiful crop. the only way to As a church family, we are committed to the best seeds that save my new plants was to

come from God's Word. Yet, to see God produce a mature crop, we also need to commit to our soil. This requires some digging and a whole lot of confession and renewal at the foot of the cross. Let's do this work together and be ready for the seeds!

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Discipleship

A foolish person makes unwise choices then spins the past to their liking. With every new opportunity that comes along, they chases off in a different direction, not auestioning whether that is the best choice. The loudest voice gains their attention. It may be the quiet voice that they should hear the clearest.

We are bombarded with opportunities that entice us to invest our time and energy. Each day the voices of urgency cry out for every available moment. So many causes promise that time spent on them will reap great rewards: how can we recognize God's voice among so many competing voices? The key is to be constantly listening to God no matter how loud or soft His voice is.

Marriages are under tremendous. pressure; families are disintegrating. Multitudes are dying each vear without

hearing the gospel of Jesus Christ. Investing your life wisely is critical to you and to those around you. Foolishly spending your time in wasteful pursuits can cost vou dearly. Often, it is not evil pursuits that rob your time. Rather, the temptation is to sacrifice what is best for what is good. The enemy knows that blatantly tempting you with evil will be obvious, so he will lure you with distractions. leaving you no time to carry out God's will. You may inadvertently substitute religious activity for God's will, pursuing your own goals for God's kingdom instead of waiting for His assignment. Life is a precious commodity. Be sure to invest it wisely. "What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet

forfeits his soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul?" Matthew 16:26

Kevin Stone

Ballots will be available Sunday for you to submit your TWO favorite songs. You can list hymns from our hymnal or others that may not be found there. They can be spiritual songs maybe not found in any hymnal but songs of faith that you love hear. I will be using them in upcoming services either as congregational songs or specials. Your input is important.

Also coming soon we will be having some mini-concerts on Sunday nights using our own soloists and an occasional guest. These will not be every Sunday night but please watch for

After the wonderful response we had to our first Women's retreat to the Pinnacle, we will be planning another retreat on Oct. 2-4. (Note date change) The cost is \$127 per person which includes your room, 5 meals, and gas for the bus. A \$15 deposit is required in order to hold our spot. This is for any woman age 18 and over. If you are interested in

Annie Armstrong Week of Praver

Week of Praver starts March 1. Praver guides for the week will be available this Sunday. Pray for those on the front lines and give to

Ministry Opportunities

Extended Session/Sunday School Teacher: Needing a teacher for the 2-year old Sunday School Class. Also needed. Extended Session Volunteers during morning worship Security Team: We are looking for outside or inside team members.

Ignite Attendance		
Annual Budget	549,050.20	
YTD Budget Needs	84,469.26	
YTD Budget Giving	71,644.82	
Total Receipts for the Week:	11,880.88	
Weekly Budget Giving	8,488.88	

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Bible Study Attendance

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Thank you

Dear Members.

My sister and I want to thank you for the beautiful basket of green plants which you sent in memory of our mother. She was a precious woman, and we were so blessed to have her in our lives. Both of our parents has a great love for the members of First Baptist Church, and they counted you as their very special friends. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and loving support during this difficult time. May God continue to richly bless your church and your ministry in Fort Oglethorpe.

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The Sunday Report

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Colossians 1:19-23 Next Sunday's Message: "We Are Family" Series Continues

Calendar Request

If you need to add something to our church calendar please contact the church office to do so. We are in transition to an online calendar and want to avoid having something doubled booked.

Youth Spotlight Fund Raising Luncheon- This Sunday after morning worship. Youth

going to camp be here by 9 am for set-up. Parents don't forget the dessert.

D-Now (Mar. 6-8) Cost: \$15 Winter Jam (Mar. 15) \$10 at the door. Youth Camp- Glorieta, NM June 11-20

Note: Sunday Evenings Bible Study for boys at Pal's Car Wash each

Children's Headlines

Fund Raising Luncheon-This Sunday after Morning Worship. Children who are going to camp need to be here at 9 am for set-up. Parents don't forget your dessert.

Pinewood Derby - The Pinewood Derby will be on March 14th from 1:00 - 4:00 pm in the fellowship circle. Light snacks will be provided. Weigh - in will be from 1:00 - 2:00 with the races beginning at 2:15. Two winners will be chosen. one for best design and one for fastest car which will be given to the overall winner. If you need a car kit, please take and fill out an order form from one of the welcome desks in

the preschool and children's departments. Return it to Mrs. Sarah with your \$5.00. You can use a car from a different year as well.

Sunday at 5:30 pm. Also, girl's Bible

Study at the home of Patrice

Humphrey on Sunday evenings. Girls

Camp Deposits Please catch up on

the camp deposit deadlines. The next

deposit of \$25 is due this Sunday,

meet at the church at 5:15 pm.

March 1!

Easter Egg Hunt - The annual Easter egg hunt will be on Saturday, April 4th. It will be open to children ages birth - 5th grade. More information will be provided in the weeks to come.

Wednesday Nights - We are currently collecting money to be donated to Missions around the world during our Wednesday night time together. We are studying the work missionaries do all over the world.

Andy Atkinson

It was a joy to be back in the pulpit Sunday able to sing. Thanks for your prayers. My recovery was swift. Thanks for Laurie Brown who stepped into the gap and led the singing last week.

Just a Note

I hope you all liked the new upbeat song that we introduced this week. "King Jesus is Coming" was a fun song to sing and the chorus may show up again soon for us all to sing. What a promise in that short chorus!

Women's Retreat

going, please get your \$15 non refundable deposit submitted to Laura Jones. If you have any questions you may her call at 423-605-1816.

the Annie Armstrong Easter offering. Our goal this year is \$6,000. help reach North america with your prayers and giving.

This would be a once every 6-8 week commitment.

Bus Ministry: Need drivers for Sunday morning. KitchenVolunteers: Need workers on Wednesday evening. Greeters for Sunday Morning: Contact Carol McDowell if interested.

announcements. My prayer is that they will be special times that our folks can use their talents to inspire and uplift us. The first one will be March 8th. Brittany Stone will be launching this series of special services. Do plan to attend and support and encourage these singers.

On March 22nd, Brenda Williamson will be the second Mini Concert artist in the evening service. I know that we all will be blessed by both of these ladies. Watch for more to come.

Blessings Keep on Singin' Bro Dave

Dave Bolling