

This Week @ FBC

Sunday, April 19

9:30 am Sunday Bible Study
 10:55 am Morning Worship/Children's Worship
 12:15 pm Sunday School Teacher's Meeting
 Youth Camp Mandatory Parent Meeting/Youth House
 6 pm Evening Worship

Monday, April 20

10 am Joyful Praise/Standifer Place

Tuesday, April 21

12 pm Lydia Class Fellowship/FC

Wednesday, April 22

5 pm Wednesday Evening Meal
Chicken & Dressing Mac N Cheese
Green Beans Bread Dessert
 5:30 pm Youth Pizza
 6 pm Women Bible Study
 Children's Spring Program
 6:15 pm Orchestra Rehearsal
 6:30 pm Mid-Week Service
 7:15 pm Worship Choir Rehearsal
 Weight Loss Class

Friday, April 24

Children's Home Collection Delivery

Saturday, April 25

10 am Ignite Set-up
 6 pm Ignite Saturday Night Worship

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Prayer Concerns

Hospital

Eva Stone
 Mary Alkire

Home

Bobbie Allison
 Jim & Shirley Forester
 Mackie Yatooma
 Arleen Wyatt
 Becky Trew
 Tressie Fletcher
 Sonya Howard
 Louise Fletcher
 Betty Goodner

Helen Fisher
 Sarah Delzell
 Odell Culver
 Taimie Imler
 Norma Carpenter
 Winona Lewis
 Joann Ezell
 Stewart
 Mack Hannah
 Linda Sikes
 Georgia Dobson
 June Stewart
 Robin Ellis
 Beth Daugherty
 Nell Smith

Karen Webb
 Christy Cundiff
 Wayne Thomas
 Sam & Mary-Lou Brown
 Dale & Dolores Kinnison
 Wiley & Helen Epperson
 Dottie Holland
 Alabama

Nursing Home

Eva Williams
 Eunice Mosman
 Henry Parker
 Ollie Grisham
 Bobby Harwood
 Ruth Graham
 Eloise Morris
 Hazel Smith
 Myrtle Thomas
 Lila Archer

Birthdays

Candy Paulson (19)
 Bobbi Allison (21)
 Jeff Scott (21)
 Jordan Beavers (22)
 Pam Fitzpatrick (22)
 Barbara J. Miller (22)

Ollie Rogers (22)
 Cheryl Arnold (23)
 Sara Alexander (24)
 Alexis Greene (25)
 Steve Imler (25)

Staff

Pastor - Jason Thomas
 Discipleship Pastor - Andy Atkinson
 Youth Director - Kevin Stone
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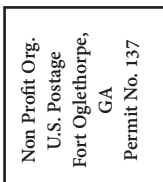


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Christ Chapel
 Canned Meat

Christian Sympathy

Our church family extends its heartfelt sympathy and prayers to the family of Sarah Glenn and the family of Margaret Calvo.



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Our Volunteers

Deacons of the Week

<u>Apr. 19-25</u> Mark Fletcher Hank Humphrey Patrice Humphrey Ronnie Born	<u>Apr. 26-May 2</u> Charles Helton Jeff Ingram Darlene Lane Laurie Brown
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Wednesday Meal

<u>April 22</u> P. Pennington Terry Pennington Christy Cundiff Sandra Mullins	<u>April 29</u> Nancy Smith Charles Helton Brenda Jones Betty Parrish
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Security

<u>Apr. 19-25</u> Alvin Davis Ron Bethune	<u>Apr. 26-May 2</u> James Swafford Mickey Caradine
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Greeters

<u>April 19</u> Kay Swafford Sue Overlin Mary Jo Case	<u>April 26</u> Carole Bolling Dave Bolling Louise Stinnett
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Extended Session

Next Sunday, April 19

Babies	Joyce Rogers Candy Vann
1&2 yr olds	David White Drew Todaro
3 yr olds	Amy Bradford Brittany Stone

Next Sunday, April 26

Babies	Micki Atkinson Andy Atkinson
1&2 yr olds	Stacy Thomas Drew Todaro
3 yr olds	Rob Randall Holly Randall



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Upcoming Events

Quarterly Sunday School Meeting

Our Quarterly Sunday School leaders and teachers meeting is this Sunday, April 19 after the Morning Worship. We will have a meal and discuss this years Sunday School campaign. All Sunday School leaders and teachers are encouraged to come.

Baptism Next Sunday, April 26

Join us on Sunday morning, 4/26 for a special Baptism celebration during our 10:55 Worship Service. If you have never been baptized, we invite you to prayerfully consider participating as God may lead you.

Dual County Defenders Presents "Side Effects"

We are partnering with the Catoosa Prevention Initiative to host "Side Effects." This is a theatrical drama for ages 11 and up, concerning the pitfalls of prescription drug abuse/misuse. Several of our area high school teens will be performing. Please join us for this free event on Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 6 pm in the Worship Center. It will be a blessing for pre-teens, teens, and adults of all ages.

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Please pray for our missionaries and give to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Every dollar you give will go towards church planting and missions in the United States.

Goal: \$6,000

Received: \$4,582

New Playground Dates Have Changed

We are very excited about our new playground and we'll need your help in the near future. Please note, however, that our installation dates have changed. The installation will happen later in the summer. More details will be coming your way soon!

April 15-22

Word From Our Pastor

Jason Thomas

Imagine waking up this morning to discover that one of your arms is not working. You pull and tug and try your best, but it simply refuses to cooperate. Unfortunately, some of you know what this feels like. When this happens, even the most basic of tasks, such as brushing your teeth or buttoning your shirt, becomes very difficult. You learn right away how important your arm is for the overall functioning of your body.

The functioning of our church is very similar. We are a body of many parts that are connected to one whole. The apostle Paul described it this way, "The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form

one body – So it is with Christ" (1 Cor. 12:12). We are, in fact, the body of Christ "and each one of you [as believers] is a member of it" (1 Cor. 12:27).

This is where we get our definition of church membership. The word "member" means to be a necessary part, similar to the arm on your body. When our parts are functioning well, the entire body functions well. The opposite is also true. When one or more of our parts is not functioning well, the entire body will not function well. One body with many parts is a beautiful illustration of each one of us using our unique, God-given gifts for one common cause. It is also a reminder that you are very special and necessary for the functioning of our church. We love you and need you as we strive together to worship God and reach out to others. See you this weekend!

Together in Christ, Jason

Discipleship

Andy Atkinson

Hunger and thirst are the body's way of telling us that we are empty. Our natural response to physical hunger and thirst is to seek food and water to satisfy our need, unless we are a 3 year old girl named, Alice. Each Christian has an inner longing that only Christ's righteousness can satisfy. But we cannot be filled with His righteousness if we are filled with self. Throughout the Scriptures, God emphasizes that the one who longs for Him with all his heart will find Him. As we crave righteousness, we will repent of our sin, and God will remove it from us.

Our selfishness will be replaced by His presence in our lives. Through this intimacy, we will see the fruits of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. This is how the Spirit will make us to be like Christ.

Righteousness is not to be taken lightly, nor is it easily attained. We have to empty ourselves. It takes time and discipline. He gives it to those who know they cannot live without it. Our desire for personal righteousness must be powerful, all-consuming, dominating everything we do. Pursuing righteousness means that we value the opinion of God far more than we treasure the opinions of people or the riches of this world.

Righteousness is not merely an absence of sin. It is allowing God to fill us with His holiness. Jesus is our model of One who sought God's righteousness first, and then the Father glorified Him.

We are not only to seek the kingdom of God, but we are also to pursue His righteousness. If we will hunger and thirst for righteousness, we will be satisfied with His peace and joy.

Just a Note

Dave Bolling

I read a true story of a woman who found her wedding ring that had been lost for years. She found it when she pulled a carrot from her garden that had grown right through the lost ring. What a strange thing to find, a lost treasure on a carrot.

Sometimes we find precious and exciting things when and where we least expect them. But they were always there waiting to be found. I felt that way Sunday morning when one of our most faithful choir members stood to sing. She had been faithfully filling her place on Wednesdays and Sundays, quietly learning her part for such a long time. Who would have known the treasure she held inside until she stood alone to sing "I'm Gonna Lay It Down"? That song flowed from deep inside her heart to richly bless us all. Lavanda was God's vessel Sunday morning.

Then comes the question. What other treasures are hidden in you? What gifts do you have that we never see?

The sparkle of a diamond will never be seen until it comes from where it has been hidden and the sunlight shines through, revealing the true beauty and worth. Buried out of sight it has no value but when it meets the light of the sun it becomes priceless. Won't you take the time to search your heart for the gifts that the Lord has given to you? Let the Son shine through. You will be better for it and so will the family of God. Blessings Keep on singing Bro Dave

The Sunday Report

Bible Study Attendance	227
11 am Worship Attendance	231
Ignite Attendance	45
Annual Budget	549,050.20
YTD Budget Needs	158,379.87
YTD Budget Giving	154,827.93

This Sunday's Message:
"Are You 'Alive'?"
Alive With Influence"
Matthew 5:13-16

Next Sunday's Message:
Sermon on the Mount
Series Continues

Total Receipts for the Week:	24,570.63
Weekly Budget Giving	20,590.07
Weekly Legacy Giving	1,909.24
Weekly Missions Giving	435.45

Announcements

Children's Home

It is time for the annual **GEORGIA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES COLLECTION DAY**. Items requested are Pop Tarts, Mustard, Ranch Dressing, Saltine/Ritz Crackers, Canned Chicken, Paper Towels, Toilet Tissue and Wal-Mart Gift Cards. If writing a check for gift cards, make them payable to FBCFO marked for the Baptist Children's Home Collection until April 24,

Ministry Needs

Extended Session/ Sunday School Teacher on Sunday mornings.
Security Team-Looking for inside/outside team members.
Bus Ministry-Need drivers for Sunday morning.
Kitchen Volunteers-Need workers on Wednesday evenings.
Greeters- Needed for Sunday morning.

New Yard Signs

Pick up your free yard sign in our main Welcome Center this weekend. It is a great way to share our church with your neighbors and your community. We encourage you to display these signs in your yard through the month of May.

Youth Spotlight

Kevin Stone

April 19 - Mandatory New Mexico Trip meeting. Students and Parents @ 12:15 pm in Youth House - Lunch will be served.

April 29 - Defender Night Starts @ 6 pm in the Sanctuary (Don't be late for this.)

Fuge Camp (Glorieta, New Mexico is June 11-20.

Camp Deposits- 5 payments of \$25 already due for camp. If you have not paid these, see Kevin.

Sunday Evenings- Bible Study
Boys- Pal's Car Wash@ 5:30 pm
Girls-Home of Patrice Humphrey.
Girls meet at the church at 5:15 pm.

Children's Headlines

Pinewood Derby – The Pinewood Derby is this weekend, Saturday, April 18, 2015. It's not too late to get your car kit or register an old car! See Mrs. Sarah Wednesday night in the children's department! Weigh in will be from 1:00 –1:30 and brackets will be drawn at 1:30. Light snacks will be provided throughout the afternoon! We hope to see you there. 1st place winners will receive a trophy and \$20 giftcard to Chick - Fil - A. The best design will also receive a trophy and a \$10 gift card to Chick - Fil - A. Don't forget your canned goods for Christ Chapel.

Children's Worship – will be this Sunday, April 19, 2015. We will leave the 11:00 service during the offertory. All children ages 4 – 12 are invited to come with us!

Mother's Day – We will be having Muffins (and doughnuts) for Moms Mother's Day Sunday for any mother or grandmother of a child in the preschool, children's and youth department. Muffins and Doughnuts with juice, milk, and coffee will be served from 9:00 – 9:30. We will head to Sunday school around 9:30. Please plan to come and let us celebrate what a wonderful job you do raising your children and grandchildren every day!

Women's Retreat

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

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

CERT Mission Trip

We will be going on a CERT Mission trip to Eastover Retreat Center in Curry County, VA. The buses will leave at 6am Sunday, Aug 30 and return on Friday, Sept

4. All expense will be paid by Eastover and CERT. If interested contact Marlin at 423.290.4093 to make reservations.

Women's Ministry

Come join us for the Women's Night Out on Thursday, April 23, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Fellowship Circle. Bring a finger food and a friend. Join us for fun and fellowship.

Women's Luncheon-We still need 6 more ladies who would be willing to decorate/host a table for the Women's Luncheon on Saturday, May 30 from 11:30 to 1:30. Please notify Laura Jones immediately if you can help, 423-605-1816.