

This Week @ FBC

Daylight Savings Time Begins

Sunday, March 11

8 am Deacons' Meeting
9:30 am Sunday Bible Study
10:55 am Morning Worship Celebration
11:15 am Kids' Worship @ The Point
12:15 pm Security Team Lunch
5 pm Atkinsons LifeGroup
6 pm Evening Worship Service

Monday, March 12

10:30 am Joyful Praise Singers
@ Parkside Nursing Facilities

Tuesday, March 13

10:30 am Keenagers

Wednesday, March 14

5 pm Wednesday Evening Meal
Beef Tips & Noodles Salad
Steamed Broccoli Bread Dessert
5:45 pm Youth Pizza & Bible Study
6 pm Kids' Clubhouse Friends
Group Bible Studies
6:15 pm Worship Orchestra Rehearsal
6:30 pm Pastor's Prayer Meeting
7:15 pm Worship Choir Rehearsal

Find more info online at www.fbcfo.org

Our Volunteers

Deacons of the Week

Mar.11-17
Ronnie Born
Donnie Lindsay
Kerry Pennington

Mar.18-24
Cathy Cox
Gene McDaniel
Don Pittman

Security

Mar. 11-17
Michael Ingram
Ron Bethune

Mar. 18-24

Kris Kubler

Wednesday Meal

March 14
Jamie Lee
Alisha Lee
Cindy Daniels
Betty Dunwoody

March 21
Charles Helton
Nancy Smith
Betty Parrish
Harold Parrish

Greeters

March 11
Donnie Lindsay
Donna Lindsay
Dolores Tant

March 18
Shelly Brooks
Pam Bethune
Louise Stinnett

Sunday, Mar. 11 LaunchPad Next Sunday, Mar. 18

Babies	Sue Everett	Babies	Morgan Trotter
	Phillip Everett		Holly Trotter
1&2 yr olds	Miki Atkinson	1&2 yr olds	Stacy Thomas
	Levanda Swafford		Cheryl McCurdy
3 yr olds	Jane Hogsed	3 yr olds	Dana O'Steen
	Lynn Tyree		Scott O'Steen
Welcome	Kathy Clark	Welcome	Tiffani Brady

Prayer Concerns

Hospital	Lila Mears Karen Pierce Tommie Brock Helen Fisher Larry Shipp Jean Wilson Betty Phillips Tom Brewster Bill George Wanda Kitchen Jeanette McKay	George & Faye Smith Wanda McArthur Beth Daugherty John Stewart Nell Smith Ken & Betty Goodner Helen Epperson Sam & Mary Lou Brown	Nursing Home Lila Archer JoAnn Davis Sharon Mullins Dale Kinnison Eva Williams Norma Carpenter Eunice Mosman Bertha Pennington
Home	Opal Hyde Ray Cox Russell Harp Joe McKay Linda Sikes Darlene Lane Mike Ulman Ruth Wagoner Jo Hill Margaret Box		

Birthdays

Paul Overlin (11th)
Patricia Clark (13th)
Jonathan White (14th)
Helen Fisher (15th)
Debbie Perry (15th)

Staff

Pastor - Jason Thomas
Worship Pastor - Brad Lewis
Discipleship Pastor - Andy Atkinson
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Children Minister - Nichole Stookey
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Christ Chapel
Items of the Month:
Crackers & Pasta

Spring Forward!
Remember to set your
clocks forward 1 hour this
Saturday night.



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Upcoming

Easter 2018 "I Belong"

Easter will be **Sunday, 4.1**, just three weeks from now! Our 2018 Easter theme is **"I Belong."** "But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ" (Ephesians 2:13). You and I belong to the family of God through the blood of Christ. Begin to think of someone you can invite to our Easter Worship Celebration who also can be brought near to experience the same grace you are experiencing.

Love Our Church Campus

This month is a special "Love Our Campus" month as we look forward to Easter and the coming spring season. Be thinking about what you can do to help us beautify and make our campus more inviting and engaging. We will have a special **Campus Work Day** on Saturday, 3.24.18, from 8 am to noon.

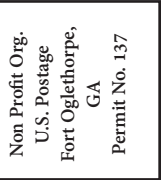
BE the SPARK

As the FBC Church Family, we strive to BE disciples of Jesus who help BUILD other disciples of Jesus. Our vision for 2018 is for every family member to become a faith multiplier by being a SPARK in our North Georgia Community. God has a place for YOU in His mission, especially as we gear up for Easter 2018. How will you commit to this effort with your talents, time, and gifts? Together, we will BE the SPARK that God has called us to BE!

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Anytime we pray for God to bring revival to our nation, we are praying the same heartbeat of Annie Armstrong. The special Easter Offering that bears her name is all about revival and spiritual awakening in America. Our 2018 goal is **\$6,500**, and every penny will go to this special cause.

Mar. 7 - Mar. 14



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Word From Our Pastor

Jason Thomas

More than a job. Last week we took note of how God’s calling on the first people was more than just a particular job. Yes, Adam would earn a living by working as a farmer, but God’s call was much more than just digging in the dirt. God’s call extended into every facet of Adam’s life including his home, his hobbies, and his habitat. You see this greater call in



Genesis 1:28, “God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it.”

As we take this next step in our newsletter series on Calling, we consider what this greater calling means for our lives inside

the home. I know the feeling well... You get home from a long day, having poured your energy into your work vocation. All you can think about is what’s for dinner and where to prop up your feet to catch your breath. For many of us, it is hard to be engaged and assertive with our families because of the energy it takes to provide financially for our families.

Let me confess that I don’t have an easy solution. Could it be daily physical exercise so that you have more energy for your family? Could it be working less to have more energy reserved for your family? It could mean all of that and more. The bigger point is that, although times of rest and refreshment are important, your life does not end the moment you get home from work. Don’t try to do it all by yourself. Think of your family as a team, yet be the leader your family needs. -Jason

Discipleship

Too often we settle for much less than what God wants to do through us. This could be that we deep down want to keep God into the margins of our life or maybe lack the faith that God can use us in a mighty way. When we read in Jeremiah 32:27: **“I am the Lord, the God of all flesh. Is anything too hard for Me?”** and we answer, **“No, Lord.”** Yet when we face difficult situations we begin to qualify our belief in God and lower our expectations of what God will do. It is one thing to believe God could perform a miracle in the Bible, or a thousand years ago, or even in the life of a friend; it is quite another matter to wholeheartedly believe God can do anything He chooses to do in our lives right now!

When Almighty God speaks to us, what we do next proves to what point our heart is willing to trust Him, regardless of what we say. God revealed to Moses His plan to orchestrate the greatest exodus in human history, and He wanted to use Moses



Andy Atkinson

to accomplish it. Moses responded by doubting God! Moses was overwhelmed by what he heard and began to make excuses for why he could not participate in God’s activity. This was a great privilege! Moses would have readily acknowledged his belief in God’s power; he simply did not believe God could do His miraculous work through his life. (Exod. 4:13-16). But God is not asking you to lead a nation out of slavery? Do not make assumptions about the size and power of the acts that God has in store. Just examine your heart and push it towards opening up the Creator and Redeemer of all things!

Do you sense there may be far more that God wants to do through your life than what you have been experiencing? Lets ask God to show you what it is. Share your heart with someone in your faith community. Then be prepared to respond in faith and obedience to what Spirit tells you.

Worship & More...

Do you seek to know God’s will? Do you ask Him what His will is for your life? Hopefully every Believer seeks to know and follow God’s will for their life, because we are His, having been redeemed and bought.

An interesting conversation took place between Jeremiah and God in Jeremiah chapter 1. In verse 4, God told Jeremiah: *Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.* Specific, planned, personal, purposeful.

God has a specific will for each of us! The best way to find that specific will is to actively live out what we already know to be God’s will for us from His Word (make disciples, be holy, worship Him, love, be generous, walk in faith, etc.). As we walk in what we know to be the will of God for our

Brad Lewis

lives, God will reveal more and more of His specific will to us.

God does not expect us to float through life, being driven here and there by popular culture, consensus, and status quo. Rather, God desires for us to be purposeful in everything that they do, especially in living out His will for us. May we know God’s will, and get in on it...

Worship Well!

(Follow my Blog at: Bigcloud.tv)

-Brad



The Sunday Report

Bible Study Attendance 264
11 am Worship Attendance 284

Annual Budget 598,953.33
YTD Budget Needs 103,664.94
YTD Budget Giving 93,278.88

Total Receipts for the Week: 37,927.50
Weekly Budget Giving 16,806.50
Weekly Freedom Giving 8,613.50
Weekly Missions Giving 7,001.00

This Sunday’s Message:
The Confident Faith Series:
“Confidence in the Bible”

Next Sunday’s Message:
The Confident Faith Series:
Continues

Announcements

Catching UP
We took great strides last Sunday to catch up with our 2018 Budget. Our deficit is now \$10,386. The goal is to be ready for Egg Fest and other upcoming Easter Ministries later this month. Thank you for helping us catch up.

Security Lunch
Our FBC Security Team will be hosting a training lunch in the Fellowship Circle this Sunday, 3.11. The meeting will be immediately after the Morning Worship Celebration. All current team members are needed, and we invite anyone who would like to help us keep our campus safe and secure for the work of the ministry.

Egg Fest 2018
We are gearing up for our big Egg Fest 2018. All the fun & festivities will happen on our church campus, Saturday, 3.31.18, from 12 to 2 pm. You can help us now by bringing colorful, plastic easter eggs filled with non-perishable candy. Bring your egg donations to our main Welcome Center.

Student Spotlight

Kevin Stone

Dnow: What a great weekend we experienced at DNOW! We learned from Peter: Who Jesus really is; our discipleship is a life long process; it ties directly into the many distractions that we face today; we need to deny our self indulgences that get in the way of focusing on Christ. Great stuff!

Don’t forget that CAMP is only 3 months away. If you haven’t paid your \$60 deposit those need to be collected ASAP.

Children's Headlines

Nichole Stookey

" But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven." Matthew 6:20

The Point: Kid's Worship will be this Sunday, 3.11, in our FLC Gym. Kids will be dismissed during the Fellowship Song and should be picked up immediately following the Worship Celebration! This week we will be in Luke 24, telling the Resurrection Story!

EggFest: We will have our annual EggFest Celebration on 3.31, from 12-2pm. We will need donations of

pre-filled eggs for the Egg Hunts. If everyone would donate a minimum of **1 Dozen pre-filled eggs** we should have plenty of eggs for the kids to hunt! Thank you for your help with this!

First Family: The new edition of our First Family publicanion is out! Please take a moment to read over this great resource to stay up-to-date on what's going on in **our Kids & Youth Ministries!!**

Women's Ministry

Sew Much More: Join us on Thursdays at 1 pm in the upstairs “Sewing Room” to be part of our Sewing Ministry. We will be working on surgical caps for local medical facilities as well as pillowcase dresses and shorts to send with our mission teams. Enter through our main Welcome

Center and we will guide you to the “Sewing Room.”

Keenagers' Meeting

Join us next Tuesday, 3.13, for our monthly Keenagers’ Lunch Meeting, hosted by our Senior Adult Ministry. The meeting begins at 10:30 am in our Fellowship Circle and will include a devotional, special updates, entertainment,

and a tasty lunch. This month our Joyful Praise Singers will be leading us with their Easter musical program. Friends, family, and other guests are welcome to attend.

Going International in 2018

Is God calling you for a short-term mission trip? We are showcasing three international trips in 2018: Ecuador in July; Zimbabwe in August; and Brazil in November. Team commitments are underway. If you missed the meeting last Sunday, but are interested in any

of these trips, email churchoffice@fbcfo.org ASAP to let us know. Our next Missions Meeting will be Sunday, 4.15, at 12:15 pm.