

# This Week @ FBC

## Sunday, October 28

9:30 am Bible Study Groups & Classes

10:55 am Morning Worship Celebration

11:05 am Kids Worship @ The Point

4 pm Trunk or Treat Festival  
NO Evening Worship Service

## Monday, October 29

10:30 am Joyful Praise Singers Rehearsal

## Tuesday, October 30

First Blessings Preschool Fall Festival

## Wednesday, October 31

5 pm Wednesday Evening Meal

Beef Stew Slaw  
Bread Dessert

6 pm Prayer Time  
No Kids or Student Activities on Campus  
No Worship Team Rehearsals

## Friday, November 2

8 am The BIG Fall Yard Sale

Find more info online at [fbcfo.org](http://fbcfo.org)

# Prayer Concerns

## Hospital

Amber  
Walker  
Leon Slater  
Sammy  
Austin

## Home

Nell Smith  
Jane Hogsed  
Ginny Grant  
Louise  
Stinnett  
Luke Daniels  
Steve Rosser

Sherry  
McKenna  
Larry & Cindy  
Shipp  
JoAnn Davis  
Jeanne Clark  
Beth

Daughtery  
Trey Baldwin  
Dawn Emous  
Pat Medearis  
Jerry Gann  
Angela Gann  
Laura Jones  
Ruth & Brian  
Wagoner

Tommie  
Brock  
Betty Phillips  
Wanda  
McArthur  
Helen  
Epperson

Mary Lou  
Brown  
Ken & Betty  
Goodner  
John Stewart

## Assisted Care Facility

Bertha  
Pennington  
Joetta  
Roderick  
Lila Archer  
Dale Kinnison  
Eunice  
Mosman  
Norma  
Carpenter  
Sharon  
Mullins  
Robbie &  
Louise  
Fletcher

## Birthdays

Clarence Allison (29th)  
Sonya Howard (31th)  
Lila Archer (1st)

## Staff

Pastor - Jason Thomas  
Worship Pastor - Brad Lewis  
Discipleship Pastor - Andy Atkinson  
Student Pastor - Patrick Everett  
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**Pastoral Emergency Line**  
**423-708-5303**

**Christ Chapel**  
Items of the month:  
Peanut Butter &  
Canned Vegetables

**Welcome to our  
Church Family**

Billy & Betsye Smith  
1015 McFarland Ave  
Rossville, GA 30741



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## Upcoming

### Trunk or Treat Fall Festival

Get ready for our BIG Trunk-or-Treat Fall Festival happening this Sunday, 10.28, from 4 to 6 pm. This will be a community "go" event, filled with lots of candy, games, music, hotdogs, and more! You can sign up in our main Welcome Center to be a car participant, and we encourage you to donate wrapped candy and small baked goods. This is a great way for us to show love to our community!

### Special Ministry Opportunity

Pastor Patrick and a team from our Student Ministry will be leading a special hot chocolate give-away in one of our local neighborhoods next Wednesday, 10.31, from 5 to 8 pm. You are invited to participate with them that evening at the residence of 237 Overbrook Drive in Rossville, near Ridgeland High School. No RSVP is needed. Simply stop by and join the fun!

### Fall Yard Sale

Mark your calendar for our special Fall Yard Sale happening Friday, 11.2. The sale will be on our church campus in front of the big CERT Garage. We have plenty of "treasures," but are still collecting donations until Friday, 10.26. Contact Elaine Steele @ 423.903.2365 with any questions or to schedule a time to bring a donation.

### Two Special Sundays

We're inviting all of our adult Sunday School and Small Groups to the downstairs Gathering Circle at 9:30 am on Sundays 11.4 and 11.11, for a special Bible study & discussion on Gospel Generosity. This will be part of our 2019 Budget preparation. You will enjoy this friendly and engaging study!

Oct. 24 - Oct. 31

# Our Volunteers

## Deacons of the Week

### Oct. 28-Nov. 3

Paul Overlin  
Jean Stone  
Luke Daniels

### Nov. 4-10

Marlin Paulson  
Bruce Underwood  
Jeff Fletcher

## Wednesday Meal

### Oct. 31

Betty Parrish  
Harold Parrish  
Charles Tant  
Dolores Tant

### Nov. 7

Marlin Paulson  
Mary A. Paulson  
Frankie Trotter  
Hal Jones

## Security

### Oct. 28-Nov. 3

Michael Ingram  
Kris Kubler

### Nov. 4-10

Jeff Ingram  
Kris Kubler

## Greeters

### Oct. 28

Aurelia Little  
Margaret Box  
Brenda Jones

### Nov. 4

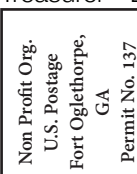
Harold Parrish  
Betty Parrish  
Jeff Wells  
Carrie Wells

## Sunday, Oct. 28 LaunchPad

Babies Donnie Lindsay  
Donna Lindsay  
1&2 yr olds Jackie Bell  
Angie Smith  
3 yr olds Paul Overlin  
Sue Overlin  
Welcome Tiffani Brady

## Next Sunday, Nov. 4

Babies Laura Jones  
Joyce Tindall  
1&2 yr olds Brenda Lynch  
Callie Stookey  
3 yr olds Don Pittman  
Nancy Smith  
Welcome Jane Hogsed



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Word From Our Pastor

Jason Thomas

**At just the right time!** This week I'm excited to begin a new article series with you looking at curious trends that are happening in the culture around us. When I was a kid, one of my favorite weekend activities was to go to a local record store on Brainerd Road called "Cat's Records." Some of you will remember that special place. It was a place to meet friends, listen to music, and comb through the aisles of vinyl records, and in my day, also cassette tapes and eventually compact discs.



Now I drive by the old "Cat's" location and wonder, where have all the record stores gone? Almost overnight, it seems, they have become like "dinosaurs" in a

culture that is rapidly changing around them. Imagine being an owner of one of those stores and seeing your business slip into irrelevancy because it could not adapt to an ever-changing culture!

The big question for us as a church family is this: Without sacrificing our biblical integrity, how should we respond to this ever-changing culture? Even better, how can we continue to further our gospel mission within this culture?

In this series, we will begin by identifying some of the curious trends that we need to be aware of as we vision towards the future. Now is the time, as waiting could mean going the way of the local record stores. And remember, God is all about good timing. **"But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons"** (Gal. 4:4-5). - Jason

The Sunday Report

Bible Study Attendance	210
11 am Worship Attendance	230
Annual Budget	570,548.00
YTD Budget Needs	460,827.23
YTD Budget Giving	440,497.68
Total Receipts for the Week:	11,217.80
Weekly Budget Giving	6,040.91
Weekly Freedom Giving	3,422.89
Weekly Missions Giving	563.00

**This Sunday's Message:**  
**Engage: By Waiting with Perseverance**  
**Jeremiah 29:8-11**  
**Next Sunday's Message:**  
**The Engage Series Continues**

Announcements

**Budget 2019**  
Our Finance Team is working hard to prepare our 2019 Operations Budget. Pray for them and your own family commitments as we look forward to the discussion time on Wednesday, 11.14, at 6:30 pm and the confirmation on Sunday, 11.18, in the morning Worship Celebration.

**OCC Shoebox Trip**  
We are planning a day trip to the OCC Shoebox Processing Center in Atlanta on Thursday, 11.29. We will meet on campus at 9 am and return around 8 pm. There are 20 spots available. Email [churchoffice@fbcfo.org](mailto:churchoffice@fbcfo.org) to make your reservation.

**Disciple Conference**  
Join us for the Disciple Making Church Conference on Thursday, 11.15. This is a one-day conference from 9 am to 3 pm on the campus of First Baptist Lakeview. Pastor Ken Adams will be the main speaker. The cost is \$25 per person and includes lunch. We encourage all deacons, teachers, and other leaders to attend. You can pay through the church office and RSVP at [churchoffice@fbcfo.org](mailto:churchoffice@fbcfo.org).

Discipleship

Pride will tempt you to think that you do not need to seek God's assistance. Self-regard will seek to convince you that you can handle your dilemma through your own wisdom, resources, and hard work. Pride will also rob glory from God and seek to give it to you. Don't allow your pride to take what rightfully belongs to the Lord. Call upon your Lord and wait exclusively upon Him to rescue you. Then give Him the glory that He deserves.

Did you know that you bring glory to God by calling upon Him when you are in distress? God promised He would deliver you if you turned to Him. You deny the Lord honor that is rightfully His every time you find yourself in difficulty and you fail to call upon Him for help! Trouble is a matter of when not if. There may be times when God allows you to reach a point of need so that you can call upon Him,



Andy Atkinson

and thus let Him demonstrate to a watching world the difference He makes in the lives of His children. If God never allowed you to experience need, people around you might never have the opportunity to witness God's provision in the life of a Christian. If you never faced a shortfall, you might be tempted to feel self-sufficient and without any need of God in your daily life.

Self-sufficiency can greatly hinder your ability to experience God and bring Him honor. The next time you are in distress, turn to Him! Do not let shame become an obstacle to turning to Him no matter what circumstances you face. He knows your trouble and is not surprised by your need. The Christian life is not about how great you are but about what God can do through you. To do this requires being dependent on only on Him.

Student Spotlight



Patrick Everett

project , designate it to "Youth Activities" as a special offering!

**Growth & Refreshment:** Pray for us as we renovate the youth house. We will have new chairs this weekend for our Bible study rooms. Pray for wisdom as we make room for growth, and if you would like to give towards this

**Sunday Bible Study:** Be on the lookout for Student Surveys on Sunday. We are hoping to use these as a guide for planning activities in the new year!

Children's Headlines

Nichole Stookey

**"When she speaks, her words are wise, and she gives instructions with kindness."** *Proverbs 31:26*

**Trunk-or-Treat:** Our Festival will be this Sunday from 4-6 pm. Visit one of our Welcome Centers to sign up as a car participant. We still need volunteers! Cars need to be in place by 3 pm on Sunday. You can also donate bags of wrapped candy. Teens, you can get community service hours for volunteering. See Nichole Stookey for details on how you can help!

**LaunchPad:** We will be rallying together to fill up our LaunchPad Nursery schedule for 2019. Please be in prayer of the 3 dates you will be able to help! I will have a schedule out soon that you can use to sign up. Thanks for your support and investment in our kids!

**The Point:** We will have Kids' Worship this Sunday morning in the FLC gym. Kids will be dismissed from the Worship Center and need to be picked up at the close of the worship service.

Worship & More...

Brad Lewis

**Worship as Warfare, Part II**  
Remembering that we are commissioned to be God's warriors for the Gospel, and that our weapons are not traditional weapons of war but rather *prayer* and *praise*, look at these verses:

2 Chronicles 20:21-22  
***Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing to the Lord and to praise Him for the splendor of His holiness as they went out at the head of the army, saying: "Give thanks to the Lord, for His love endures forever." As they began to sing and praise, the Lord set ambushes against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated.***

When the singers and musicians went before the army and made declarations of praise, the enemies of Israel were defeated. In the same way, we defeat the enemies of our lives by singing praise, playing praise music, and by singing new

songs of praise. That is the formula for our victory!  
There is something supernatural about praising God: Enemies fall, darkness is overcome, and oppression is defeated. But there is also something practical about praising God: When He sees and hears us praise Him, especially when we don't feel like it and when facing difficulty, it demonstrates our faith, and that pleases God! And then God moves on our behalf (see the verses above).  
May we sing and play songs of praise to fight our spiritual battles...  
**Worship Well!**  
-Brad



Women's Ministry

**Craft Night:** We will have another craft night making earrings for the Nov. 16-17th craft fair on Tuesday 11.6 at 6 pm in our downstairs Gathering Circle. Plan to join us!

**Sew Much More** is hosting the Heavenly Homemade Craft & Bake Sale on Saturday, 11.17, from 9 am to 4 pm in our downstairs Gathering Circle. Set up will be Friday, 11.16. Bring baked goods that day to donate,

and craft donations by Monday, 11.5.  
**Cereal Boxes** are being collected. They must be 10 to 13 inches tall. Open the flaps at both ends, flatten the boxes, and cut off the flaps. Bring your boxes to the Koinonia or Challenge Class rooms.

Men's Ministry

**Helping Hands:** Do you need help around your home with odd jobs? The Mens' Ministry can assist with

small projects at your home. Call the church office (706.866.0232) or email [churchoffice@fbcfo.org](mailto:churchoffice@fbcfo.org).

Pastor Appreciation Month

How often have you left the church campus feeling lifted, encouraged and inspired by the sermon, worship team, or your small group Bible study? Have you ever thought of telling our pastors how much it meant to you, or sending them a note or email to let them know how much you appreciate their ministry? October is Pastor appreciation month and a time for

us to let our pastors know how much they are loved and appreciated. We read in 1 Timothy 5:17, "the elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching." God should be pleased with us as a church family in how we value, love and protect our pastors.