

Psalms 27:4

February 6, 2019

One thing I ask from the Lord,
this only do I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,
to gaze on the beauty of the Lord
and to seek him in his temple.



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CALENDAR

Sunday, February 10

9:30a Bible Group Ministry
10:50a Morning Worship Celebration
4p The Summit
6p Evening Worship

Tuesday, February 12

10a Keenagers

Wednesday, February 13

5p Wednesday Evening Meal
6p Group Bible Studies
Kids' Clubhouse Friends
Oneighty Student Worship
6:15p Worship Orchestra Rehearsal
6:30p Pastor's Prayer Service
7:15p Worship Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, February 17

Normal Sunday Schedule

10:50p 'The Point' Kids Worship

Monday, February 18

10:30a Joyful Praise

Tuesday, February 19

6:15p Emotionally Healthy Spirituality

Pastor - Jason Thomas

Worship Pastor - Brad Lewis

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first baptist church fort oglethorpe **THE SCOOP**

Volume 1

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our vision

**To lead people
in a
life-changing relationship
with God through a
personal faith
in Jesus Christ.**



GATHER

in worship



GROW

in small groups



GO

into the world



sermon series



This Sunday

Simply Jesus Series:
"Digging in the Dirt"
Mark 4:1-25

Next Sunday

The Simply Jesus Series
continues...

Christ Chapel

Items for February:
Canned Soup & Veggies

SUNDAYREPORT



Free to Be
GALATIANS 5:1

Bible Study Attendance	214
11 am Worship Attendance	262
Annual Budget	596,828.00
YTD Budget Needs	57,387.40
YTD Budget Giving	45,475.22
Total Receipts for the Week:	18,903.41
Weekly Budget Giving	14,105.00
Weekly Freedom Giving	3,025.00
Weekly Missions Giving	550.00

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VOLUNTEERS

deacons of the week

Feb. 10-16

Ray Cox
Donnie Lindsay
Joyce Rogers

Feb. 17-23

Linda Daniels
Scott O'Steen
Jean Stone

wednesday kitchen

Feb. 13

Wayne Rasbury
Charlie Rasbury
Sue Hughes
Cathy Cox

Feb. 20

Donnie Lindsay
Donna Lindsay
Brenda Jones
Jean Stone



security team

Feb. 10-16

Jimmy Boyette
Bob Rogers

Feb. 17-23

Russell Harp
Kris Kubler

Feb. 24- March 2

Tracy Smith
Wayne Daniels

greeter team

Feb 10

Sue Overlin
Jan Rosser
Cindy Daniels

Feb 24

Regeania Nicholson
Luther Nicholson
Marlin Paulson

March 3

Aurelia Little
Margaret Box
Brenda Jones

launchpad

Sun. Feb 10

Babies & 1yrs

Dakota Kelly
Jenny Pitts
Sandra Mullins
Pam Bethune

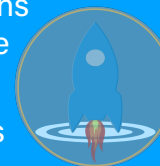
3yr & 4yr olds

Sun. Feb. 17

Babies & 1yrs

Brenna Wells
Carrie Wells
Melissa Collison
Abigail Collison

3yr & 4yr olds



Sun. Feb 24

Melissa Pittman
Marge Evans
Callie Stookey
Micki Atkinson

Sun. March 3

Amanda Pobiello
Cayla Coleman
Brittany Everett
Stacy Thomas

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Vision Sunday 2019

Join us on Sunday, 2.24, at 10:50 am for a special Worship Celebration in which we highlight some of our big ministry moments from 2018 and look ahead for what God has for us in 2019. Our mission is to lead people into life changing relationship with God through faith in Christ. What will that look like in 2019?

Giving Statements for 2018

Giving statements for 2018 are ready in our online directory, Fellowship One Go. You can access your statement by logging into your profile at fbcfo.fellowshiponego.com. Call the Church Office at 706.866.0232 if you have any questions or need further assistance.

Iron Sharpens Iron Conference

Our Men's Ministry invites you to be part of this special conference happening Saturday, 3.2, on the campus of Christ Church at 8645 East Brainerd Road. This is a one-day equipping event from 8:30 am. to 5 pm. Men ages 13 and up are invited. The cost is \$65 per person or \$35 for students. Register at www.mensministry.org.

2019 FCA Banquet

Our church family is sponsoring a table at the 2019 Banquet for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. The banquet will be at the Catoosa County Colonnade on Tuesday, 3.26, beginning at 6 pm. This is a fundraising event with limited seating. We have six available seats if you would like to attend. Email churchoffice@fbcfo.org to reserve your seat today.

JASON THOMAS

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One Word is Not Enough! I am excited to begin a new blog series with you as we launch into our new communication format! The inspiration for this new series came last Sunday when a member of our church family shared with me this experience: She happened to see a lady by herself walking into the worship center. It was a few minutes before the start of the service, and she noticed the lady heading for the same area where she often sits. Instead of telling the lady not to sit in her seat (which yes I'm told does still happen), she invited the lady to sit and worship with her. What an awesome moment for one of our family members to welcome someone new that way, and in so doing, to become a leader in our Sunday morning worship experience!

Imagine the atmosphere on Sunday mornings **if each one of us approached worship with what we can contribute, and not just what we can receive?** From the front row to the back row, there is an opportunity for each of us to contribute and participate more freely in worship. In this new series, we will be looking at the seven key Old Testament words for worship. Our God is so amazing and worthy of worship that it took seven big Hebrew words to adequately describe the expression of worship. One word was not enough, and as we will see, each word will teach us a different facet about worship expression and participation. I've been sharing these words in our Wednesday night Prayer Service, and I can't wait to share them with you in this broader communication platform. -Jason



If you are actively leading or serving with any ministry team within our church family, we want you to come and be part of our new monthly leadership meeting called "the Summit." Our first Summit will be this Sunday, 2.10, from 4 to 5:30 pm in the downstairs Gathering Circle. We want you to experience this new opportunity for greater unity, vision, and ministry planning.



BRAD LEWIS

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Making time to praise. If you are like me, you are busy, busy, busy! Between family, work, ministry, school, errands, and a host of other things and people that demand our time, we are busy... Sometimes these demands on our time can be overwhelming.

Often, our busyness causes us to allow things to fall off of the radar, and we neglect them. **Praise** is one of those things that can slip through the cracks if we are not careful.

Consider what David said in Psalm 119:164: *Seven times a day I praise you for your righteous laws.*

David was a busy man: He was a king, a warrior, a husband (to multiple wives), a father, and a worshipper. David was also a strategist and a planner. I believe that he was able to praise God seven times a day because *he made time* to praise Him. David *set aside time* in his schedule to focus on God and to offer dedicated and focused worship.

We can learn from this practice. We can be encouraged by this lifestyle. We too can adjust our schedules, and build into them plans to daily praise God. There is no guilt in planning to do something that we aren't inclined to do naturally. As we get accustomed to regularly praising God, it will become a habit. And as we reinforce the habit, it will become a lifestyle... **Worship Well!**



PATRICK EVERETT

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Sunday Bible Study Update - Last Sunday morning, we engaged our students with the question, "What would your faith look like if you did not go to church?" We had a wonderful, honest and open discussion. Pray for authentic engagement with Christ and not simply going through the motions of a youth group experience.

Disciple Now Weekend - March 1-3. We will leave the church campus Friday, 3.1, at 6 p.m and return Sunday, 3.3, for the 10:50 a.m. service. The cost for the whole weekend is \$20.00. This will include all food on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday, and the conference with T-Shirt. See Ms. Miki to pay your \$20.

King & Country Concert - The students will be going to see King and Country on Sunday, 3.17. Leaving the church campus at 5:30 to eat, and the concert is at the Tivoli at 7:30 pm, returning to our campus afterwards for pickup. There are only 30 tickets available. \$20 reserves your ticket. See Ms. Miki to reserve your seat.

Next Camp Fund-Raiser Lunch - Thank you for your support from the Camp Lunch this past Sunday. The Students will be having their next Fundraiser Lunch for the Merge Missions Camp on Sunday, 3.3, following the Morning Worship Celebration. Please make plans to attend and support our Students!

Weekly Parent Emails - Have you been getting the weekly email for our Student Ministry? **[Click Here](#)**



2.06.19 - Oneighty is the moment where we want to worship and connect with new students. Last week we sought to be authentic by looking at Jeremiah 8 and discussing "serving from a broken heart." Prayer for our students to be in tune with how their heart is responding in compassion, humility and action.

NICHOLE STOOKEY

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"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

First Kids Have you noticed our new logo? We have a new branding for our Kids Ministry called First Kids! In the upcoming months we will be updating and painting around our Kids area, and we are so excited for all these fresh changes!!

Sunday Bible Groups Thank you so much to our Sunday teachers who invest so hard in the lives of our kids. **Barbara Holland, Nancy Smith, Julie Wright, Debbie Harp, Holly Randall, Rob Randall, Carrie Wells, Holly Trotter, Rena Caradine, and Amber White.** We deeply appreciate you!

Volunteers Calling all volunteers! You can serve weekly, monthly, a few times per year, or once per year, we have a place for you! **LaunchPad, The Bullpen, Clubhouse Friends, Guest speak at The Point, & Sunday School teacher.** Please contact Nichole Stookey if you are willing to serve!



Clubhouse Friends

We had an amazing time last week with a high of 24 kids!! We will begin a new session this week called "What Should I Do?" as we learn to recognize and respond to God's voice. On Wednesday, 2.13, we will have a Valentine's Day Party, so bring a friend and your favorite snack food!



The Point

Our next Kids Worship will be Sunday, 2.17. We will be learning about "The Lord's Prayer" from Matthew 6. Then on 2.24, we will be having our Guest Speaker, **Tim Banister** share about "The Prodigal Son" from Luke 15!

PRAYER REQUESTS

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Hospital

Riley Smith

Home

Sue Hughes

Ray Cox

Doris Neese

Dian Colwell

Rena Caradine

Martha Cope

Louise Stinnett

Opal Hyde

Nell Smith

JoAnn Davis

Barbara Poole

Larry & Cindy

Shipp

Jeanne Clark

Beth

Daughtery

Trey Baldwin

Dawn Emous

Pat Medearis

Jerry Gann

Ruth & Brian

Wagoner

Tommie Brock

Betty Phillips

Wanda

McArthur

Helen

Epperson

Mary Ann Jones

Ken & Betty

Goodner

John Stewart

Assisted Care

Sharon Mullins

Lila Archer

Bertha

Pennington

Joetta

Roderick

Dale Kinnison

Eunice

Mosman

Norma

Carpenter

Robbie

Fletcher

Glenda Duncan

Pastoral Emergency Line - 423.708.5303

BIRTHDAYS

Elle Williams (10th)

Jeff Ingram (11th)

Brenda Lynch (11th)

Jeremy Brooks (13th)

Nichole Stookey (13th)

Laurie Fasulo (14th)

Judy Johnson (14th)

Tom Acker (15th)

Hayden Mullins (15th)

Nolan Richardson (16th)

Carol Whelchel (17th)

Rick Grammer (18th)

Hunter Griffin (19th)

Jason Zearfaus (19th)

Mike Howard (20th)

WEDNESDAY MENU

Feb 13

Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes, White Beans, Slaw

Feb 20

Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Pinto Beans, Salad

ANDY ATKINSON

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Does God give second chances to those who have failed Him? He certainly did so for Peter. Peter had proudly announced that he was Jesus' most reliable disciple (Matt. 26:33). Yet Peter not only fled with the other disciples in the moment of crisis, but also blatantly denied he even knew Jesus (Matt. 26:69-75). Peter failed so miserably that he went out into the night and wept bitterly (Luke 22:62). **But failures have an important role in learning to live like Jesus.** It redefines our definition of success. It connects our hearts with pain. It emphasizes grace and God's love in real life.

How compassionate the risen Christ was to Peter! The angel gave the women at the tomb special instructions to let Peter know that He was risen. Jesus took Peter aside to allow him the opportunity to reaffirm his love and commitment (John 21:15-17). The risen Lord also chose Peter as His primary spokesman on the day of Pentecost, when three thousand people were added to the church. This isn't about Peter's triumph but about the reliability of God's grace. **Never let your sin close you off to His Spirit.** God is the Father of welcoming arms and celebrating with the fattened cow (Luke 15).

God's desire is to take you from where you are and bring you to where He wants you to be. **This will be by the absorption of His love not by the effort of your will.** When He found His defeated followers hiding together in an upper room, Jesus' first word was "peace" (John 20:19). Jesus' first words to you after you fail may also be "peace." Jesus will find you in despair and bring you peace. Do not be afraid. You can trust Him. He will reorient you to Himself so that you can believe Him and follow Him. Don't give up if you have failed our Lord. God has not yet finished developing you as a disciple.



LifeGROUPS exist to create a culture of hands on practical, observable spiritual families in the everyday life of our community.

WOMENS MINISTRY

WOJ Conference: Will be 4.26-28 in Pigeon Forge, TN. A few spots remain. Contact Laura Jones at 423-605-1816. Money is due now and can be paid in increments, with the final amount due by 2.28. All spots not filled will be given back to WOJ by 2.11.

Canvas Painting: Join us in painting led by the Creator's Canvas on Saturday, 2.23 from 9 am to 1 pm. The cost is \$30 per person and will include all needed supplies. Chili will also be served, but you can bring your favorite finger food to share. Contact Laura Jones to get the sign up link and to pay for the class. Hope to see you there!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPIRITUALITY COURSE

It is not too late to sign up for our new course, **Emotionally Healthy Spirituality**, beginning Tuesday, 2.19, for 8 weeks. This course will refresh you in your spiritual walk and give you renewed excitement in your personal relationship with Christ. **[Sign Up ONLINE Here!](#)**

EVENING WORSHIP

Our Sunday Evening Worship returns to its normal time of 6 pm this Sunday, 2.10, in our downstairs Gathering Circle. Come experience an intimate time in God's Word along with your favorite classic hymns.

THE LOOP RETURNS

Our new Scoop Newsletter will run every other week, however, for those in-between weeks, we are bringing back our video Loop. You can access our video announcement Loop from our website and it will be sent to you by email. We want to keep you in the Loop!

ECUADOR INTEREST MEETING

Join us this Sunday, 2.10, at 12:15 pm for a brief interest meeting to discuss the upcoming mission trip to Ecuador. We will meet in the Lydia Room next to our main Welcome Center. Everyone is invited to attend and learn more about our annual Mission Ecuador.