

Prayer Concerns

Angie Baskins - Mary Lou Gamble - Nancy Walters
Bob Thompson - Ann Wild - Dr. John Hearn
Eric McManus
The family of Zeb Helms
John Austin, son of Jane Austin
Chris Knight, brother of Mike Knight
Bradford Hearn, grandson of Dr. John Hearn
Terry Chappell, cousin of Minnie Hyde
Ben Nash, former member
Martin Burkes, brother of Aileen Sowder
Amanda Thomas, Weekday Preschool teacher
Jane McNeely-Sowell, friend of Carolyn White
Wayne Barnhill, brother of Diane Whitley
Dewitt Fincannon, brother of Letha Turner



Church Calendar

Sunday, July 15

8:30 am Prayer Ministry Team - *Parlor*
9:20 am Coffee Fellowship - *Gathering Area*
9:40 am Bible Fellowship
10:30 am Child Care - *Nursery*
10:45 am Service of Worship - *Sanctuary*
4:00 pm Camp Rea Volunteers - *Family Life Center*

Monday-Friday, July 16-20

9:30 am Camp Rea

Wednesday, July 18

6:30 pm Youth/Parents Camp Unidiversity Meeting

Saturday, July 21

2:00 pm Baby Shower for Lindsay and Josh Owens - *Family Life Center*

Announcements

Reminder

There will be a baby shower for Lindsay and Josh Owens in the Family Life Center this Saturday, July 21, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Lindsay and Josh are registered at Target.

Volunteers for Camp Rea

All those who have volunteered to work at Camp Rea this week are asked to attend a meeting this afternoon at 4:00 in the Family Life Center.

Nurting Faith for Bible Fellowship

It's time to renew subscriptions for Nurting Faith teaching material. To renew or subscribe, please turn in a check to the church office (made payable to First Baptist Church) for \$18.00 to cover the 2018-2019 church year. If you wish to cancel your subscription, please notify the church office.

Adult Bible Fellowship Classes

The Adult Bible Fellowship Classes will meet in the Family Life Center on Sunday, July 29 at 9:40 a.m. for a Bible Drill. This will be a fun time of learning and fellowship! Fruit cups, coffee and water will be available.

The Worship of God



8th Sunday after Pentecost

15 July 2018 at Ten Forty-five in the Morning

The Community Gathers Before God

Centering Thoughts for Worship

The only line God has set is the line of love. If you do not love your neighbors, you do not love God. This is what separates you. But we have ignored this line and set others, constructed rules as walls to keep out and divide. The only line is love that draws the circle wider. But when you refuse to love, you will be on the wrong side of the line. When you refuse to listen to God's ways, thinking only of your own gain, you will be on the wrong side of the line. When you do not consider the love of people, you will be forced to make terrible choices that are not out of love, but out of wanting to keep a false peace. The only line is love, but it is not a dividing line, it is an including line – unless you choose to set your own lines and walls.

Words of Welcome

Rev. Owens

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

If you are our guest today, we welcome you and ask that you complete a Visitor's Card available from a Greeter in the narthex, or in the pew racks. Please include your address, phone number and email. If you are interested in learning more about our church, we invite you to note this on the card. Thank you and welcome to First Baptist Church.

Opening Voluntary

Dr. Belflowers, organ

Reading of the Psalm – Psalm 24

Rev. Owens

† **Call to Worship**

Rev. Owens

† **Hymn of Praise**

Hymn No. 34

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

MARION

Reading of the Gospel – Mark 6: 14-29

Rev. Owens

Prayer for the People

Rev. Owens

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

† **Hymn of Assurance**

Hymn No. 297

“Spirit of the Living God”

SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

Anthem at the Offering

The Summer Choir

“Come Ye That Love the Lord”

by Lani Smith

† **The Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The congregation is asked to stand at the moment the Offertory Ushers pass their pew. This act of presentation to God enacts our self-offering and gratitude to God.

† **Prayer of Dedication**

Rev. Owens

The Word of God is Proclaimed and Heard

Sermon Text

Rev. Denise Hopper

Sermon

Rev. Hopper

Prayer

Rev. Hopper

The Congregation Responds to the Word of God

† **Hymn of Commitment**

Hymn No. 523

“Trust and Obey”

TRUST AND OBEY

† **Benediction**

Rev. Owens

† **Closing Voluntary**

Dr. Belflowers, *organ*

† Those who are able may stand

Loose Change Offering

The Loose Change Offering for July will benefit the Sew Faithful Ministry Team of First Baptist Church

Today’s Committees

Security: Gathering Area: Gene Herrell. Narthex: Don Haver, Dannie Tuggle. Parking Area Greeter: Alvin Kilby.
Nursery: TBA
Greeter: Sylvia Baker
Ushers: Ruby and Tom Coffey, Kathy Cole
Offertory: David Lowery, Dot Taylor, Jon Mackay, Don Haver



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Philippians 4:8-9

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