

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

A CHURCH UNITED TO ENJOY GOD'S GRACE AND EXTEND HIS GLORY



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First Baptist Church

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Sunday Mornings

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:15 a.m. Morning Worship

5:00 p.m. Life Groups

Wednesday Evenings

6:30 p.m. Men's & Women's Bible Studies

Children's Ministries



From the Pastor's Pen...



February is often called the “love” month. This is the month that we celebrate Valentine’s Day by showing special attention to those whom we love. As we think about love and demonstrations of love this month, I would like to share with you a poem of God’s great demonstration of love to each of us.

**He made us in His image and shaped us with His Hand;
He placed us in the Garden and gave to us this land.
Even though we failed Him and disobeyed His Word;
Our broken cry of desperation God the Father heard.**

**As years went by, we turned away and evil filled our heart;
Yet God in His rich mercy provided a fresh start.
He sent His prophets with a word of warning and of hope;
But still we turned a deaf ear to God thinking we could cope.**

**Finally, God stopped speaking and left us in the dark;
The utter despair and hopelessness was in reality quite stark.
No matter how we cried or longed to hear His Word;
The heavens truly were silent and not one syllable was heard.**

**But when the time was right, and God lifted up His voice;
The Word He said was Jesus and redemption was His choice.
He saw us in our trespasses and quickened us by His grace;
He sent His Son to die for us and God turned to us His face.**

**Our sin atoned, our hearts made pure by Jesus’ precious blood;
The grace and mercy of our God came on us like a flood.
He looks at us and sees His Son, our destiny has been changed;
For this God of love has chosen us and our hearts He rearranged.**

**Now the image with which He made us has now been restored;
We bow humbly in His presence and worship Him as our Lord.
For love came down at Calvary when Jesus took our place;
Our sin was finally dealt with and covered with His grace.**

*Dr. John Duncan
February 2019*



Leadership Team

Greetings from the FBC Leadership Team.

What are you thankful for? As I think about the many answers to that question one answer that comes to mind is the church - my church family. One of God's greatest gifts to us is our church family but do we give God thanks for the gift? Paul gives us a great example of how and why we should thank God for the church in Colossians 1:3,4 – "We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints".

Two things are pointed out to us that our church family helps us with. First, the church reminds us of the gospel of Christ by demonstrating "your faith in Christ Jesus". When we see our brothers and sisters keeping faith in Christ through good times and bad it reminds us to do the same. It reminds us of God's love for us. Second, we are reminded to show love to one another when we see "the love that you have for all the saints". When we see someone show love to another brother or sister, we are encouraged to do the same which in turn encourages someone else. The cycle continues.

So, as we pray, remember to pray for our church and thank God for our church family.

Our team members are: Pastor – Dr. John Duncan; Elders – John Dillon, Tom Gruenloh, Todd Jasper, Bruce Reinhart, Bill Whittington; Deacons – Rod Haskins, Eric Jones, Phil Malone, Tim Harris, Eric Herndon, and Phil Hostetler.

Thank you for your prayers for us and our church.

In Him,

FBC Leadership Team



God's Valentine's Banquet



Your invited to FBC'S Valentine's Dinner. The theme is God's Valentine's so that means YOU!!! SINGLE OR MARRIED!!!

When: Saturday, February 16th

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Where: Here at FBC

Price: \$10.00 per adult

\$5.00 for kids over age 10, free for kids under age 10

**Childcare will be provided.

**Kids prices based on a chicken tender meal

-Menu-

Fried Chicken - Adults

Chicken Tenders - Kids

Mashed Potatoes/Gravy

Sweet & Sour Slaw & Creamy Cole Slaw

California Blend with Cheese

Homemade Bread

Cheesecake with Cherries

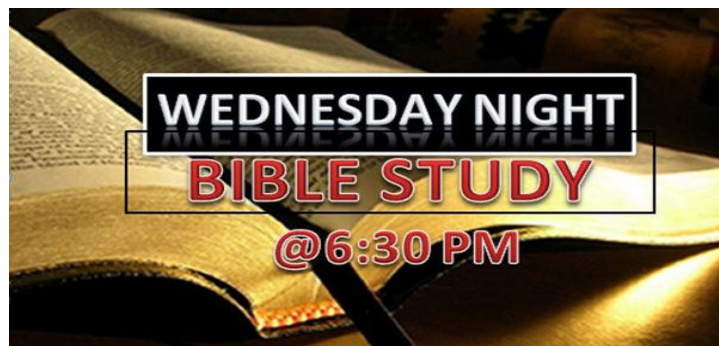
Cupcakes

Tea & Lemonade

If anyone would like to make extra desserts for the banquet, please contact Tina Hostetler or Barb Malone.

Men's Ministry

Our Men meet every Wednesday evening at 6:30 in the fellowship hall for their Men's study. We just started a new study based on the book by Kevin DeYoung entitled, **The Ten Commandments**. Come and join in on the fellowship and study as we learn what these commandments mean, why they matter, and why we should obey them.



We will also be having our Men's Breakfast on Saturday, February 2nd at 9:00 am. Bobby Cox will be our guest speaker and will be sharing with us about the replant of North Park Baptist Church in Evansville, Indiana. He will be sharing with us the vision for this replant, encouraging us to join him in prayer for this and to give us the opportunity to send a mission team to help in the startup of this replant. Make plans to attend.

Women's Ministry

Our Women meet every Wednesday evening at 6:30 in Room 103 for their Women's study. We are starting a new study based on the book **The Faithful** with contributions from Priscilla Shirer, Kelly Minter, Beth Moore, Jennifer Rothschild, and Lisa Harper. Come and join us for a great time of fellowship and growth as we explore pivotal moments in lives of five Old Testament characters. Strengthen your faith as you walk alongside Gideon, Nehemiah, Esther, Hosea, and Malachi as they chose to obey God, no matter the consequences.



Just Older Youth with Joyful Hearts

The JOY Group met for their monthly luncheon on Thursday, January 17th at 11:00 am. We had an attendance of 11 as there were many in our group who are sick and unable to attend. We had a great time of food and fellowship as we gathered together. After enjoying another rich bounty of great food, we shared prayer concerns and prayed for the many in our church who are sick. After our time of prayer, Dr. John Duncan led a devotion on Hebrews 4:16 in which he reminded us that we can have confidence as we go through our Christian life because our Lord is always present with us and even though we aren't aware of the many obstacles that we will encounter, He is not only aware of them, but He will guide us safely through them.

We meet for our luncheon every third Thursday of the month at 11:00 in the fellowship hall. Our next luncheon will be on Thursday, February 20th. All those 55 and over are invited to join us. You will be glad you came!

Sunday School



If you are having trouble getting connected with others in the church or you feel like you just have questions that aren't being addressed during the Sunday morning worship, then try one of our Bible Study groups on Sunday morning. We have groups for all age groups. If you are out of high school but don't really know where you fit in yet, try our **Uncommon Group**. This class is made up of singles and married couples. There are some who are in their twenties and some that are in their forties (maybe even fifty), but what connects them together is their life experiences, their desire to live life together, and their longing to go deeper in God's Word.

We also have three different classes for adults. We have a **Men's Class** that currently consists of two men, but if you don't really feel like you fit in a group with couples and would like to grow together with men seeking biblical truth, then this might be the class for you. We have two other adult classes: **Adult 2** which is made up of individuals and couples between the ages of late 20's to 60. There is a great variety of experience in this class so the opportunity to learn from others is great here. Again, what connects these people together is their passion for the Lord and their love for one another. Finally, we have our **Adult 4 Class** which is our Senior Adult class. This is our largest class and it meets in the fellowship hall. This class is made up of people who live life together, pray together, eat together and study the Word together. Many of these people have been together for more than 30 years. If you're looking for a group that is like family, then this is the one for you. Those in this group are 55 and up and they enjoy getting together. Find a place to fit in this Sunday, it may just change your life.



Celebrating Birthdays

February Birthday's

3 Tanner Thomas 5 Andy Washburn
6 Brenda Toby 7 Donna Spellmeyer Schnell
11 Rodger Derr 14 John Moeller
15 Diana Moeller 17 Bill Whittington
20 Chevelle Kuhn 21 Brian Rose
23 Kendra Jasper 24 Stephanie Wood

*Your First Baptist Church Family
would like to wish each of you a
Happy Birthday!*

*Happy Birthday
to You!*

*Numbers 6:24
The LORD bless you and keep you.*

February 2019

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



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Men's Breakfast
9:00 a.m.

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Sunday School
9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship
10:15 a.m.

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Adult Bible Studies
Children's Ministries
6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School
9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship
10:15 a.m.

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Adult Bible Studies
Children's Ministries
6:30 p.m.

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Happy
Valentine's
Day

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Valentine Banquet
4:00 p.m.

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Sunday School
9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship
10:15 a.m.

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Adult Bible Studies
Children's Ministries
6:30 p.m.

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J.O.Y. Group
11:00 a.m.

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Sunday School
9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship
10:15 a.m.

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Lifeline Screening
9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
information
available in the
vestibule

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Adult Bible Studies
Children's Ministries
6:30 p.m.

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