

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Wednesday Dinner**—Roast Beef, Baked Potato, Glazed Carrots, Garden Salad, Rolls and Dessert
- **Women's Bible Study**— a Beth Moore study "Jesus The One and Only" about Jesus' life according the Gospel of Luke, January 19-March 29, on Thursday mornings from 9:00-11:30 am, 11 sessions, at FBC. If you need child care, please let us know as soon as possible. You can contact the church office, Susan Balloon, Jean Jones or B.J. Mather for further information, or to request child care. Workbooks will be available at the first session.
- **Senior Adult Valentine Banquet** is coming soon! February 12th from 5:00-7:00pm. Sign up at the Information Desk.



**e-NOW (Night of Worship) —
5-6:30pm Sunday Night, January 22**
Activities for All Ages
...Experience God in Worship
...Engage in God's Word
...Equip to encounter God's World
...Enjoy fellowship with God's People

Activities will be available for all ages.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

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| Jan 19th—March 29th —Women's Bible Study (Thursdays 9:00-11:30 am) | Feb 5th —Deaf Ministry will sponsor Worship (will be interpreted for the hearing) |
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WELCOME

We welcome Mike Smith to the staff of FBC. Mike is taking over the position of Building and Maintenance Supervisor, as Nelson Montero is retiring at the end of the January. Be Sure to give Mike a warm welcome.

This Week at First Baptist

Sunday, January 22

- 8:30 am Early Worship
- 9:30 am Bible Study
- 10:00 am Bible Study
- *^10:50 am Gathering Time—in the Sanctuary
- *^11:00 am Morning Worship
- 12:00 pm Deacons Meeting
- 5:00 pm e-NOW

Wednesday, January 25

- 5:30 pm Dinner
- 6:00 pm First Family Time
- *6:30 pm Quarterly Business Meeting
Children & Youth Activities
Sanctuary Choir (following Business Meeting)
- *7:30 pm "Voices Afire" Rehearsal

Wednesday, January 26

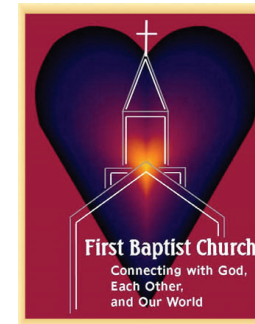
- 9:00 am Women's Bible Study
- *Nursery Care Available ^Hearing Impaired Services Available

YOUTH SKI TRIP 2012



Office Hours: 9:00 am—4:00 pm, Monday - Thursday; Closed Fridays
Extended Wednesday Hour 4:30—5:30 pm

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THE GOOD NEWS THE WEEK OF JAN 22-28, 2012

Gathering Time

Preparing our Hearts for Worship

During the Gathering Time today, we invite you to prepare to worship the Lord by joining the praise team as they lead in songs of worship.

The First Family Gathers

Rev. Lynn Williams

Song of Welcome

Meet With Me

Prelude

Mrs. Barbara Young

Call to Worship

Sanctuary Choir
Declare Your Praise

Opening Praise

33—*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

Morning Prayer & Welcome

Dr. John Fairless

Children in Worship

Rev. Lynn Williams

Offertory Hymn

105—*Grace Greater Than Our Sins*

Offertory Prayer

Deacon Bobby Bennett

Offertory

e-praise Team

Sermon

Dr. John Fairless
Does God Ever Change His Mind?
Jonah 3:1-10

Response

104—*Amazing Grace*

Benediction

Rejoice in the Hope of Grace

Postlude

Mrs. Barbara Young

Dr. John P. Fairless, Senior Pastor
Rev. C. Lynn Williams, Associate Pastor for Families of Children and Youth
Mrs. Sheila Fairless, Music, Media and Worship Coordinator
Mrs. Belinda LaMee, Preschool Coordinator

A WORD FROM PASTOR JOHN



It is "Primary Week" in Florida and the political pressure is off the charts! We have all been bombarded with advertisements, phone calls, mailouts and various other forms of attempted persuasion. May I recommend one more political strategy for you to employ this week?

No, I'm not about to endorse a particular candidate or recommend a party; other preachers may, but I don't think that is our

business in the church! The strategy that I want to recommend for this week -- and all weeks, in all things -- is to **pray**.

The Baptist conviction of "separation of church and state" in no way implies that, as Christians, we are to be unconcerned or disconnected when it comes to our government. On the contrary, the Bible encourages active citizenship. **Romans 13:1** instructs us to participate fully and willingly (even submissively) in the government that we have. **1 Timothy 2:1-2** reminds us to "pray for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness."

So, pray, people of God! Ask for guidance when it comes to exercising your privilege to vote. Pray for those in leadership positions (even if they're not from "your" party or whether or not they hold to your beliefs.) And for heaven's sake -- and the sakes of our children, grandchildren and all who will come after us -- get out and VOTE!

On another note: we will have a service of ordination next Sunday, Jan. 29, for two new deacons. We will ordain Mary Kate Walker and Trevy Brownlee to this ministry. Pray for these two ladies as they begin their terms of service. I hope you will speak words of encouragement to them, as well. Also, I hope you will plan to be here on Sunday, Feb. 5, if at all possible, to participate in a worship service sponsored, planned and presented by our Deaf Ministry. Guest speaker will be Rev. Andrew Lower from Jacksonville, and a guest choir from Inverness will share special music. **The entire service will be interpreted for the hearing!**

Finally, praise the Lord for the safe return of our ski trip participants; I hear that Pastor Lynn had a little scare on the slopes, but she was pretty good all weekend. Thanks to our great youth leadership team and to the church for supporting this important ministry in the lives of students and their families.

FBC is a great place to be...I have you in my heart!

Pastor John

SERMON OUTLINE

"Does God Ever Change His Mind?"
Jonah 3:1-10

1. _____ deserves a _____ chance.
2. _____ always _____ sin.
3. There is always _____ for _____.
4. Even for _____.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- **Welcome**...If you are our guest we hope that you will sign in at the "Welcome Desk" where we can get to know you better and where you will receive a name tag. Members are encouraged to pickup your name tag from the boards.
- **Hospitality**...Guests and members are invited to the "Gathering Area" after worship services for refreshment and fellowship.
- **Restrooms** are located in the hallways to the east and west of the "Gathering Area". There is a family restroom located in the east hallway near the Children's and Preschool Wing.
- **Parents**, we ask that children and youth remain in services until dismissed with their leaders, activity packets are available. Preschool Extended Session meets during worship and parents may accompany their child before or any time during the worship to the preschool area.
- **Hearing Assistance Devices** are available, please check with an usher.
- **The "Good News"** can be accessed at the end of the week, prior to Sunday, at www.fbcgainesville.net. To receive an email copy of the "Good News" and the "Midweek Update" please send a request to brandi.bell@fbcgainesville.net. Please return your paper copy to a recycle basket if you do not wish to keep it.

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Jan 22-28

Bobby Bennett
376-1440

Glenna Bennett
376-1440

Jan 29-Feb 4

Russell Clifton
378-6474

Trevy Brownlee
374-4775

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Jan 29

Glenna Bennett

Feb 5

Bob Lape

VOLUNTEERS

Offering Receivers/Ushers:

M.B. Chafin, Bob Davis,
Richard Palmer, Bob Williams,
Jim Wetherington, Benny Walker

Welcome Desk:

Jan 22: Ginger Copeland, Trish Birkett,
Bodo Randrianasolo
Jan 29: Sharon Bowers, Debbie Rutan,
Nancy Overbey,
Joanne Townsend

Audio Visual

(Coordinator: Brandi Bell)

Early Worship: Brandi Bell

Morning Worship:

Jan 22: Chris Byrd/Brandi Bell
Jan 29: Chuck King/Phil Padgett

Greeters:

Jan 22: Ralph Harris
Jan 29: Ira & Nicola Hill

THE PEOPLE CAME/THE PEOPLE GAVE

| | <u>Dec 24/25</u> | <u>Jan 1</u> | <u>Jan 8</u> | <u>Jan 15</u> |
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| Bible Study | N/A | 52 | 102 | 118 |
| Worship (All Services) | 343 | 134 | 167 | 167 |
| Offering | \$20,534.50 | \$14,724.25 | \$9,073.01 | \$4,379.38 |
| | <i>(Weekly Budget Needs \$11,562.79)</i> | | | |

FORWARD BY FAITH TO THE FINISH

Goal: \$550,000.00

Pledged to Date: \$240,603.00 Total Pledged Received: \$151,513.00
Total Received to Date: \$355,572.60 Non-Pledged Received: \$204,059.60

MEMORIALS

Mildred Jerrell

Helen Masters Missions Group

Jack Giles

Travis Giles

