

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Wednesday Dinner**—Baked Ham, Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, 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.
- **Marriage Enrichment meeting**—couples of all ages and stages (engaged to senior couples), Saturday, February 11, 5:30 to 8:00PM, Fellowship Hall, for reservations contact Ben or B.J. Mather, 376-1344, benbjmather@hotmail.com

Senior Adult Valentine Banquet Sunday, February 12 5:00-7:00 pm



The evening will be filled with activities, wonderful music, a devotion and a meal served by our youth. To make reservations you may sign up at the information desk or call the church office. The deadline for reservations is Thursday, February 9.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Jan 19th—March 29th —Women's Bible Study (Thursdays 9:00-11:30 am)	Feb 11th —Marriage Enrichment Meeting (5:30-8:00 pm)
Feb 5th —Deaf Ministry will sponsor Worship (will be interpreted for the hearing)	Feb 12th —Senior Adult Valentine Banquet (5:00 pm)
	Feb 26th —Mission Fair/Finger Food Fellowship

This Week at First Baptist

Sunday, January 29

- 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

Wednesday, January 25

- 5:30 pm Dinner
- 6:00 pm First Family Time
- *6:30 pm Pastor's Bible Study
Children & Youth Activities
Sanctuary Choir
- *7:30 pm "Voices Afire" Rehearsal

Thursday, January 26

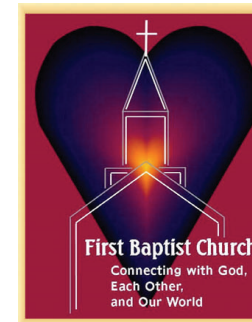
- 9:00 am Women's Bible Study
- *Nursery Care Available ^Hearing Impaired Services Available

On Sunday, February 5th The FBC Deaf Ministry will be sponsoring our Morning Worship Service at 11:00 am (Interpreted for the Hearing)



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 29-FEB 4, 2012

Gathering Time

Preparing our Hearts for Worship

During the Gathering Time today, we invite you to prepare to worship the Lord considering Psalm 111:10 "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever."

The First Family Gathers

Dr. John Fairless

Song of Welcome

133—*Shout to the Lord!*

Prelude

Mrs. Barbara Young

Opening Praise

172—*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

Morning Prayer & Welcome

Rev. Lynn Williams

Children in Worship

Dr. John Fairless

Offertory Hymn

237—*I Stand Amazed in the Presence*

Offertory Prayer

Deacon Glenna Bennett

Offertory

Sanctuary Choir
Before the Throne of God Above

Sermon

Dr. John Fairless
Astounded and Amazed
Mark 1:21-28

Response

413—*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Deacon Ordination

Led by Pastors

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



Busy.

That's a word to describe the activity at First Baptist Gainesville these days! I am glad that we are busy with so many opportunities for growth, ministry, mission, and service. It does take a good deal of effort to accomplish the work of God's kingdom -- my thanks to all who are giving of your time, talents and

treasure to keep the work of the church going.

But let me add another important word to accompany the first: **focused**. It is not enough for us simply to be busy -- we must also be focused on the priorities that God has placed before us. We may be working very hard in all that we do, but if our focus is in the wrong place -- or if we lack any focus at all -- what good is our effort?

We want to be focused on the things that Jesus is focused on in our community and our world. Our deacon board is getting ready for a retreat in which they will be asking some focusing questions. As we approach the completion of the seventh year since our decision to relocate, rebuild, and renew our ministry -- where is God leading us next? Church life cycles tend to move in stages of approximately 7-9 years at a time, so we are "due" for some re-evaluation. I hope you will be in prayer for our leadership as we take up this important work. And, I hope you will be ready when the questions come to the congregation for input.

Where is God leading us next? What would God have us to focus on in His kingdom's work here in Gainesville, in Florida, across our nation, and around our world?

Let's ask God for the answers -- then, let's agree to keep busy!

I have you in my heart,

Pastor John

SERMON OUTLINE

"Astounded and Amazed"
Mark 1:21-28

1. Jesus went to _____.
2. Jesus is _____!
3. Jesus has _____.
4. Jesus is in _____.

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 pick up 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 29-Feb 4

Russell Clifton
378-6474
Trevy Brownlee
374-4775

Feb 5-11

Bob Lape
373-9330
Mary Kate Walker
376-5488

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Feb 5

Bob Lape

Feb 12

Faye Summerhill

VOLUNTEERS

Offering Receivers/Ushers:

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

Welcome Desk:

Jan 29: Sharon Bowers, Debbie Rutan,
Nancy Overbey,
Joanne Townsend
Feb 5: TBA

Audio Visual

Early Worship: Brandi Bell

Morning Worship:

Jan 29: Chuck King/Phil Padgett
Feb 5: Brandi Bell/Nicola Hill

Greeters:

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

Hospitality Team:

Jan 29: Nancy Smith/Harriet Spangler
Feb 5: Anne & Benny Walker

THE PEOPLE CAME/THE PEOPLE GAVE

	Jan 1	Jan 8	Jan 15	Jan 22
Bible Study	52	102	118	114
Worship (All Services)	134	167	167	226
Offering	\$14,724.25	\$9,073.01	\$4,379.38	\$9,190.50
	<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: \$151,954.00
Total Received to Date: \$355,572.60 Non-Pledged Received: \$205,159.60

MEMORIALS

Eric Keith

Wade Raulerson

