

First Baptist Church

Valdosta, Georgia

First Family Chimes



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Sunday, March 19

Morning Services

Guest Speaker: Rev. Thaddeus Griggs



Reverend Thaddeus C. Griggs is an ordained Southern Baptist Minister of the Gospel who is in his 31st year of service. Rev. Griggs has pastored churches in Kentucky and Ohio. He also has served as a HealthCare Chaplain as a Hospice and Hospital Chaplain. Rev. Griggs is a graduate of the University of Kentucky (B.G.S.), the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (M.A.), the Christ Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio (5 units of C.P.E.), and trained as a Level II Bereavement Facilitator by the American Academy of Bereavement. He and Louise, his wife of 37 years, live in Hamilton, Ohio.

Contemporary Service-8:44 a.m.
Morning Worship Service-11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Classes-6:00 p.m.

Our Business Conference will be held at 7:00 p.m.
in the Fellowship Hall (by the Sanctuary).

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Sunday, March 26

Contemporary Service-8:44 a.m.
Churchwide Sunday School Brunch-9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship Service-11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Classes-6:00 p.m.



Dr. Chuck Owens

Sermon This Sunday

Message from God's Word

Guest Speaker: Rev. Thaddeus Griggs

"How Can I Make a Difference for God" (Matthew 21:2-16)

Pastor's Picks Book Study/Discussion

Our next Pastor's Picks Book Group Meeting is Sunday, April 2 at 5:00 p.m. in the Adult Education Building.

The book is entitled, "Chase the Lion" by Mark Batterson.



Dr. Drew Boswell

Children's Ministry



Student Ministry



**2nd Annual Fish Fry to Support
"Youth on Missions 2017"**

Monday, March 20 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.
in the Family Life Center
Donations will be accepted.



Mr. Jared Green



Rev. Mac Weaver

Education and Missions Ministry

FBC Spring Churchwide Brunch

Sunday, March 26 during the Sunday School hour,
9:45-10:45 a.m. in the Family Life Center.

Please bring a platter of a breakfast item of your choice. The church will provide eggs, grits, ham and sausage (as well as juices). Plan to come and have great food and meet/greet time as we fellowship together!

Church Construction Trip to Gatlinburg, Tennessee Information/Registration Meeting

Sunday, March 26 at 3:00 p.m. in the Adult 4 SS Department

Dates for the trip: July 15-22, 2017

Come prepared to pay a \$100 deposit.

Pine Ridge Indian Reservation Mission Team Planning Session

Wednesday, March 29 at 6:45 p.m. in the Family Life Center
(Immediately following Prayer Service)



Rev. Ron Hatchett

Music Ministry

Week of Spring Break-Wednesday, April 5

We will not have Preschool & Children's Choirs.

Quarterly Sunshine Club Luncheon is Coming Soon

Tuesday, April 11 at 12:00 noon

Cost: \$5.00 per person for a hot delicious meal with great entertainment and fellowship. April Entertainment: Uniquely talented instrumentalists—Bobby Godwin's Dixie All Stars (featuring our own, Don Kelley). Please mark it down on your calendars to come have a Clappin' Stompin' Good Time!

Wednesday Night Supper

Family Night Supper - March 22

Menu: Turkey and Ham, Potato Salad, Macaroni & Cheese, English Peas, Rolls, Tossed Salad, and Dessert
(Kid's Choice Menu Available)

Cost: \$6.00-Ages 14 & up; \$4.00-Ages 4-13;
\$20.00-Family Limit

Please make reservations or cancellations by **11:00 a.m. on Mondays**. On the honor system, since food is purchased and prepared for you, cancellations not made should be paid.

Family Night Supper - March 29

Menu: Mexican Night—Tacos, Taco Salad, Burritos, Enchiladas
(Kid's Choice Menu Available)



NOTE: We will not have Family Night Supper on Wednesday, April 5 (Spring Break Week).

First Family News



Expression of Sympathy

The staff and church family extend sincere Christian love and sympathy to the family of Kathy Smith.



Sanctuary Flowers

The beautiful flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today to the glory of God and in honor of the Church Staff.

Thank You



Dear Church Family,
Thanks to all of you for your love and concern during my recent illness—especially to all of our wonderful ministers! Their visits and prayers meant so very much to Charlie and me. We are blessed to have a staff such as we do. Also, all of the prayers, cards, calls, flowers, visits, and food from all of you were so appreciated.

I love each and everyone of you, *Laura Flythe*

New Staff Member

Welcome to Elena Tulainova, our new Financial Secretary. Elena received a Bachelor Degree in Computer Science at VSU in May 2013 and recently received a Master of Business Administration at VSU in May 2016. We welcome Elena to FBC!

Staff Anniversaries

Jared Green, Minister to Students, March 24, three years
Helana Bennett, Custodial Staff, March 24, eight years

Remembering Jamie Lynn Clary

March 13, 1984-May 1, 2010

*In memory and celebration of Jamie's birthday,
March 13, 1984, please support our*

Seventh Annual "Feed the Hungry"

with the First Baptist Church Food Ministry.

Tax deductible gifts can be made in Jamie's memory to

First Baptist Church Food Ministry

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Deacon Nominations

During the month of March, we will be accepting Deacon Nominations. The nomination may be placed in the boxes located in the foyers of the Sanctuary and Family Life Center or in the hallway by the church office.

Church Staff

Dr. Chuck Owens, Senior Pastor
Rev. Ron Hatchett, Minister of Music
Mr. Jared Green, Minister to Students
Becky Pritchard, Pianist
Cathy Harrison, Wedding Coordinator
Terri Warren, Preschool Coordinator
Linda Hart, Church Secretary
Elena Tulainova, Financial Secretary
Angelia Miller, Food Service Coordinator
Christian Miller, Custodial Staff

Rev. Mac Weaver, Associate Pastor
Dr. Drew Boswell, Minister to Children
Tammy Carter, Children's Ministry Intern
Lee Mikuta, Organist
Melissa Stephens, Events/Evangelism Coordinator
Karen Davis, Office Manager
Kim Thomas, Interim Financial Secretary
Teresita Carver, Custodial Staff
Helana Bennett, Custodial Staff

Activities Calendar

Sunday, March 19

8:44 a.m. - Praise 8.4.4. Contemporary Service-Family Life Center
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship Service
 4:00 p.m. - GROW Outreach
 6:00 p.m. - Sunday Evening Classes
 The Gospel Project (children)
 Resurge (youth)
 7:00 p.m. - Business Conference

Monday, March 20

9:00 a.m. - FBC Food Ministry Open
 Lilies (Clothing Ministry) Open
 6:00 p.m. - 2nd Annual Fish Fry-FLC
 6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts

Tuesday, March 21

9:00 a.m. - Mother's Morning Out
 7:00 p.m. - Literacy Ministry Classes (ESL, TCY, ARW)

Wednesday, March 22

2:00 p.m. - Church Library Open
 3:30 p.m. - Middle School Ensemble
 4:30 p.m. - Preschool and Children's Choirs
 5:00 p.m. - Family Night Supper-FLC
 6:00 p.m. - Prayer Service-Family Life Ctr.
 Men's Bible Study-Ad. Bldg.
 The Gospel Project (Children)
 Impact (Youth)
 MomsNext Meeting
 Master's Ringers (handbells)
 7:00 p.m. - First Voices Choir Rehearsal
 8:00 p.m. - Ensembles Rehearsal

Thursday, March 23

6:45 a.m. - Men's Fellowship Breakfast @Denny's
 9:00 a.m. - Mother's Morning Out

Friday, March 24

9:00 a.m. - Mother's Morning Out

Saturday, March 25

9:00 a.m. - FBC Food Ministry Open



**Extended Session
 Sunday, March 19**

8:30-Clay & Emily Browning, Jenny Sikes
 11:00-Terri Warren, JianLi Wu

6:00-Terri Warren

Sunday, March 26

8:30-Kim Bolton, Katie Bearden
 11:00-Terri Warren

6:00-Terri Warren

Prayer Room/Visitation Program

Deacons for Sunday, March 19

Chris Chastain and Jeb Massie

Deacons for Sunday, March 26

Norm Conant and Jack Williams



G.R.O.W. Outreach

Sundays

4:00-5:30 p.m.

in the Ad. 4 SS Dept.

Week of Spring Break-Wednesday, April 5

We will not have
 Preschool & Children's Choirs or
 Family Night Supper.



Online Giving is available
 through our website
www.fbcvaldosta.org

Food Ministry

Hours of operation are Mondays & Saturdays
 from 9am-12pm.

Sunday, March 12, 2017

<u>Bible Study</u>		<u>Wednesday</u>	
Preschool & Children	76	Children	9
Students	49	Youth	32
Adults	181	<u>Stewardship</u>	
Total Attendance	306	Weekly Budget Needs	\$28,090.51
<u>Worship</u>		Budget Receipts	\$25,336.83
8:44 Attendance	155	Under Weekly Needs	\$2,753.68
11:00 Attendance	201	Budget Needs to Date	\$308,995.61
6:00 Attendance	62	Budget Gifts to Date	\$290,787.32
<u>G2G Program</u>		% of Budget Needs	to Date
Weekly Receipts	\$22,506.50		94.1%
Accumulative Total	\$2,368,582.23		
	% of Goal-65%		
Amount of Debt	\$1,446,301.05		

	<u>Feb.</u>	<u>YTD 2017</u>	<u>Grand Totals</u>
People served ages 0-18:	245	555	45,220
People served ages 19-64:	289	670	50,807
People served ages 65 & up:	299	595	22,878
Total People Served:	833	1,820	118,889
Total Meals Given:	17,133	37,272	2,367,514

11:00 a.m.

Prelude, *Morning Has Broken*

In lighting our Deployment Candle we gratefully acknowledge our veterans and all active duty personnel who continue to guard our freedom, both home and abroad.

Master's Ringers

Come into His Presence - No. 584 - First Voices and Congregation

Invocation and Welcome - *Dr. Chuck Owens*

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise - No. 56
Saved, Saved - No. 469

FBC Youth Ensemble - *Open Up the Heavens*

Offertory and Pastoral Prayer - *Rev. Mac Weaver*

Offertory - *Crown Him with Many Crowns - Master's Ringers*
**During the offertory, please be silent and allow God to speak to you.*

(Children are dismissed to Children's Church.)

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee - No. 13
Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me - No. 166

Special Music - *Use Me Lord - First Voices*

Message from God's Word
"How Can I Make a Difference for God" (Matthew 21:2-16)
Rev. Thaddeus Griggs

Trust and Obey - No. 500

Doxology - First Voices and Congregation

Postlude

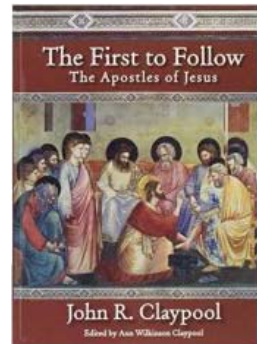
Mrs. Lee Mikuta, Organist

**Sunday Evening Classes
6:00-7:00 p.m.**

**The First to Follow
The Apostles of Jesus by John R. Claypool**

One of the first things Jesus did in his ministry was to reach out to the twelve individuals and draw them into a circle of close companionship with him. This series is about those twelve apostles, their relationships with Jesus and with each other, and what the dynamics of that community can teach us.

**Taught by Rev. Paul Day, Sr. and
meets in the Fellowship Hall by the Sanctuary.**



Sermon on the Mount

Come join us as we look at the characteristics of the followers of Jesus as taught by Jesus in the sermon on the mount.

The study will cover Matthew 5-7.

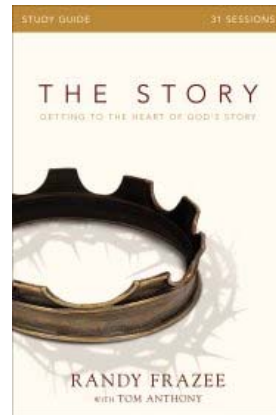
**Taught by Rev. Benny Olliff and
meets in the Adult Building Room 102.**

***“The Story, Getting to the Heart of God’s Story”
by Randy Frazee.***

(This class will continue from the Fall.)

Pastor and author, Randy Frazee, presents 31 ten-minute teachings on how the story of Scripture—God’s great overarching purpose—intersects with the story of your life.

**Taught by Rev. Ron Hatchett and Rev. Avery Kelly and
meets in the Adult Building Room 108.**



Sunday nights are high energy for Youth. There are games, funny videos, theme nights—things get a little crazy. And really fun. We dig deep in God’s Word and find that it intersects with our everyday life. This is where we belong. This is where we are at home. This is where we can let our guard down and start being real.

Led by Mr. Jared Green and meets in the Family Life Center.

The Gospel Project for Children will continue. The same lesson of The Gospel Project will also be taught on Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m.

**Led by Dr. Drew Boswell and meets
in the Children’s Building.**

