

First Baptist Church

Valdosta, Georgia

# First Family Chimes



200 W. Central Avenue  
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*Sunday, December 10*

Contemporary Service-8:44 a.m.

Morning Worship Service-11:00 a.m.

Children's Choirs Christmas Program-6:00 p.m.  
with reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall  
by the Sanctuary



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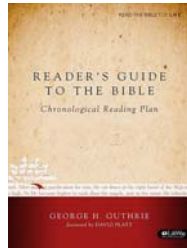
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Dr. Chuck Owens

## Sermon This Sunday

*Message from God's Word*



### **Reading the Bible Through in One Year**

Pastor Chuck will be reading the Bible through in one year beginning January 1, 2018. We will meet once a month to discuss the readings. If you would like to participate, we will have books, "Reader's Guide to the Bible-Chronological Reading Plan" by George H. Guthrie available. Cost is \$8.00. Sign up in the church office.



Rev. Jared Green

## Student Ministry

**Suwannee Christmas Lights/Dinner**-Saturday, December 9. We will leave the church at 4:30 p.m., view the lights at 6:00 p.m. , and have dinner.

Bring \$10 for admission and money for dinner.

**Disciple Now**-January 26-28, 2018-Registration is now open.

Go to <http://fbcvstudents.org/d-now-18/> to register.  
your students.

## PURE Ministry

### **Night to Shine**

It's Time to SHINE! Volunteer registration and guest registration is now open!

Night to Shine will be held on Friday, February 9, 2018.

Register online at [fbcvaldosta.org/night-to-shine/](http://fbcvaldosta.org/night-to-shine/)



Mrs. Jenny Dingler  
Ministry Coordinator

## Children's Ministry

**Kids' Night Out**-Friday, December 15 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the Children's Building.

Parents, do you need a kids-free night out?

Kids (ages 5 and up) can join us for a fun night of games, pizza, songs, crafts.

**There is no cost for this event.**

RSVP by December 13 to Candice Massie or Tammy Carter.



Rev. Terry Sampson

## Education/Administration Ministry

### Volunteers Needed for Grounds Committee

We are in need of volunteers to help with watering the potted plants at the Family Life Center. If interested, please call the church office. Thank you!



Rev. Ron Hatchett

## Music Ministry

Join Us In Choir Each Week

\*Children's Choirs Christmas Program-Sunday, December 10 at 6:00 p.m.

\*Children's Choirs will resume on Wednesday, January 10, 2018.

First Voices Choir meets at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays.

First Voices and Orchestra Christmas Musical  
Sunday, December 17 at 8:44 and 11:00 a.m.

## Wednesday Night Supper

### Family Night Supper - December 13

Menu: Ham, Macaroni and Cheese, Vegetable Medley,  
Rolls, Tossed Salad & Dessert  
(Kid's Choice Menu Available)

Cost: \$7.00-Ages 13 & up; \$5.00-Ages 4-12;  
\$24.00-Family Limit

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

\*We will not have Family Night Supper on  
Wednesdays, December 20 or 27.  
We will resume on January 3, 2018.\*



## First Family News



### **Expression of Sympathy**

The staff and church family extend sincere Christian love and sympathy to the family of Bett Peeples; and to Donna Bradley in the loss of her father.

### **Sanctuary Flowers**

The beautiful flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bill and Barbara Smith by the Smith Family and the Loyd Family.



### **Opening for Sanctuary Flowers**

We have an opening to place flowers in the Sanctuary on Sunday, December 31. If interested, please call the church office.



### **Christmas Poinsettias**

We are now taking orders to place a poinsettia in the Sanctuary in memory or in honor of someone special. Forms are available in the foyers. Please return the form and \$20.00 to the church office to place your order.

**Week of Prayer for International Missions  
and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering  
December 3-10  
FBC Goal: \$23,660.00  
(33.8% of our \$70,000.00 Missions Offering Goal)**

### **Church Staff**

Dr. Chuck Owens, Senior Pastor	Rev. Mac Weaver, Missions Pastor
Rev. Terry Sampson, Minister of Education & Administration	
Rev. Ron Hatchett, Minister of Music	Rev. Jared Green, Minister to Students
Rev. Dennis Massie, Church Pastoral Ministry	Tammy Carter, Children's Ministry Intern
Jenny Dinger, Special Needs Ministry Coordinator	Lee Mikuta, Organist
Melissa Stephens, Events/Evangelism Coordinator	Becky Pritchard, Pianist
Cathy Harrison, Wedding Coordinator	Terri Warren, Preschool Coordinator
Karen Davis, Office Manager	Linda Hart, Church Secretary
Elliott Lenz, Church Accountant	
Angelia Miller, Food Service Coordinator	Teresita Carver, Custodial Staff
Christian Miller, Custodial Staff	Helana Bennett, Custodial Staff

**Activities Calendar**

**Sunday, December 10**

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  
 4:30 p.m. - Thailand Team Meeting  
 5:00 p.m. - Forward Team Meeting  
 6:00 p.m. - Children's Choirs Christmas Program-Sanctuary

**Monday, December 11**

9:00 a.m. - FBC Food Ministry Open  
 Lilies (Clothing Ministry) Open  
 2:30 p.m. - Action #4-Holly Hill  
 6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, December 12**

9:00 a.m. - Mother's Morning Out  
 10:00 a.m. - GROW Ministry Outreach  
 7:00 p.m. - Literacy Ministry Classes (ESL, TCY, ARW)

**Wednesday, December 13**

2:00 p.m. - Church Library Open  
 5:00 p.m. - Family Night Supper-FLC  
 6:00 p.m.-Prayer Service-Family Life Ctr.  
 The Gospel Project (Children)  
 Impact (Youth)  
 MomsNext  
 Master's Ringers (handbells)  
 7:00 p.m. - First Voices Choir Rehearsal  
 8:00 p.m. - Ensembles Rehearsal

**Thursday, December 14**

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

**Friday, December 15**

9:00 a.m. - Mother's Morning Out  
 6:00 p.m. - Kids' Night Out

**Saturday, December 16**

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



**Extended Session**

**Sunday, December 10**

8:30-Amy Shiver, Sherry Personette  
 11:00-Terri Warren, Sandra Belue  
 6:00-Terri Warren

**Sunday, December 17**

8:30-Ashley Daniel, Shannon Fernandez  
 11:00-Terri Warren, Linda Hart, Sala Love

**Prayer Room/Visitation Program**

**Deacons for**

**Sunday, December 10**

Jeremy Davis and Mark Wisenbaker

**Sunday, December 17**

Chris Chastain and Jeb Massie



**G.R.O.W. Outreach**

Sundays  
 4:00-5:30 p.m.  
 in the Ad. 4 SS Dept.

**G.R.O.W. Ministry Outreach**

Tuesday, Dec. 12  
 10:00 a.m.



Online Giving is available  
 through our website  
[www.fbcvaldosta.org](http://www.fbcvaldosta.org)

**Food Ministry**

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

**Sunday, December 3, 2017**

**Bible Study**

Preschool & Children 81  
 Students 60  
 Adults 272  
 Total Attendance 413

**Stewardship**

Weekly Budget Needs  
 \$28,090.51  
 Budget Receipts  
 \$30,242.00  
 Over Weekly Needs  
 \$2,151.49

**Wednesday**

Children 10  
 Youth 23

Budget Needs to Date  
 \$1,376,434.99  
 Budget Gifts to Date  
 \$1,214,800.87

**Worship**

8:44 Attendance 199  
 11:00 Attendance 226  
 6:00 Attendance 57

% of Budget Needs  
 to Date  
 88.2%

**Nov. YTD 2017 Grand Totals**

People served ages 0-18:	355	3,367	48,032
People served ages 19-64:	366	3,531	53,668
People served ages 65 & up:	311	3,186	25,469
Total People Served:	1,032	10,020	127,089
Total Meals Given:	21,402	186,848	2,517,090

11:00 a.m.

Prelude, *Angels from the Realms of Glory-Page*

*Mrs. Lee Mikuta*, Organist

**2nd Sunday of Advent-Lighting of the Bethlehem Candle**

*The Moody Family*

Call to Worship

*Majesty (No. 297)*

First Voices and Congregation

Invocation and Welcome

*Dr. Chuck Owens*

**Praise and Worship**

*Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

No. 182

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

No. 184

**Pastoral and Offertory Prayer**

*Rev. Terry Sampson*

Offertory - *See Amid the Winter's Storm-Wagner*

(Children are dismissed to Children's Church.)

**Worship Music**

*As with Gladness Men of Old*

No. 193

*The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy*

First Voices

**Today's Message**

*Dr. Chuck Owens*

**Invitation**

*The Savior Is Waiting*

No. 412

*Doxology*

No. 668

*Postlude, O Come, All Ye Faithful-McDonald*

*Mrs. Lee Mikuta*

# Coming Events

## Thailand Mission Team Planning Meeting

Sunday, December 10 at 4:30 p.m.-Adult Educ. Bldg.-Rm.108

## The Giving Tree

Please take a tree ornament from the Giving Tree in the Family Life Center or Sanctuary foyer and purchase an item for specific needy children in our community for Christmas. Remember to record information on the form available by the tree. Please return gifts under tree unwrapped and tagged by Sunday, December 17. Thank you!



## Holiday Schedule

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### Wednesday, December 20

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We will have Prayer Service, The Gospel Project (children), Impact (youth).

### Sunday, December 24

One Morning Service-10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service-5:00 p.m.

### Wednesday, December 27

We will not have any regular Wednesday activities.

### Sunday, December 31

Sunday School-9:30 a.m. and

One Morning Service-10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

We will not have an Evening Service.

### Church Office Closed

Merry Christmas!

Friday, December 22 and Monday, December 25

Happy New Year!

Friday, December 29 and Monday, January 1