



First Baptist Church

Valdosta, Georgia

First Family Chimes

Love God, Love Others, Love the World



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Sunday, December 3, 2023
Sunday School/Bible Study—9:15AM

Worship Service—10:30AM
Family Life Center
Sanctuary

Evening Classes—6:00PM



"Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and call his name Immanuel."
Isaiah 7:14 ESV



Dr. Chuck Owens

Sermon This Sunday

Message from God's Word

Rev. David Cummings will be the guest speaker at the Traditional Service, Sunday, December 3.

Dr. Chuck Owens will lead in worship at the Family Life Center this Sunday, December 3.



Rev. Davis Howell

Student Ministry

- December 10—Spaghetti Lunch
- December 20—Cake Auction
- December 28-29—MOVE Conference
- April 1-5—Boston Mission Trip
 - June 3-7—IMPACT
 - July 8-13—FUGE

We will have fundraiser opportunities for the Boston trip, beginning with a spaghetti lunch after church on December 10.

During lunch on December 20, we will have a cake auction.

Students will serve at a fish fry on January 29.



Rev. Justin Devereaux

Children Ministry

Special Reward Trip—December 16 for children's dedication to the Christmas play. Dress rehearsal at 9:30, lunch will follow. Then, hop on Santa Train for a magical ride.

Wednesday, December 13
PJ Party—Store Night in AWANA

FBC Family Ministry Night at the Movies "Journey to Bethlehem"

Wednesday, December 20, 2023 at 6:00 pm

Cost: \$10 (bring money for concessions)

K-5th: Meet upstairs in Children's Building for Supper

6th-12th: Meet upstairs in FLC for Supper

Bus to Movie: 6:30 pm

Pickup: 9:00 pm—Kids at Children's Building and Students at FLC



Rev. Terry Sampson

Education/Administration Ministry

Sunday Night Bible Study

Terry Sampson will conduct a study in II Corinthians on December 3 and December 10 at 6:00PM in the Harrell Sunday School Classroom.

Ladies' Sunday Night Bible Study beginning January 7

Norma Jean Johnson will conduct a Bible study entitled, "Mothers and Daughters of the Bible Speak."



Dr. J. Michael Dennis

Music Ministry



Missions Ministry

- Thailand Prison Ministry & Children's Ministry-Bangkok & Chiangmai - January 9 through January 23, 2024

Week of Prayer for International Missions

December 3-10, 2023

Southern Baptists observe a Week of Prayer for International Missions each year before the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering emphasis. Join your heart with others to pray for missionaries around the world who are faithfully sharing the gospel.



Rev. Mac Weaver

First Family News



Sanctuary Flowers

*The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary to the
glory of God and in loving memory of
Elydia (Lydia) Stiefel by the
Common Ground Sunday School Class.*

Sanctuary Flowers

If you are interested in placing flowers in the Sanctuary in
memory of or in honor of someone on either of the following
dates, please call the church office at
229-242-0484.

December 17 and December 31.

Night to Shine Registration is Live!

Explore all the details about Night to Shine on our dedicated web-
site. Find information about the event, schedules, and more at
fbcvaldosta.org/nts

Prayer Walk

Please join our FBC Prayer Team on a prayer walk
December 3 at 5:00pm in Fellowship Hall. This can be a
meaningful and spiritual way for a church to come together.

Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Chuck Owens, Senior Pastor

Rev. Terry Sampson, Minister of Education & Administration

Rev. Justin Devereaux, Minister to Children & Families

Rev. Dr. J. Michael Dennis, Minister of Music

Rev. Davis Howell, Student Minister

Rev. Adam Setser, Minister to Young Adults

Rev. Mac Weaver, Missions Pastor

Rev. Dennis Massie, Church Pastoral Ministry

Nolan Brown, Praise & Worship Leader

Linda Hart, Office Manager

Becky Royals, Church Secretary

Cathy Harrison, Wedding Coordinator

Melissa Stephens, Events/Evangelism Coordinator

Elliott Lenz, Church Accountant

Caitlin Moore, Pianist

Dr. Kenneth Hutchinson, Organist

Terri Warren, Preschool Coordinator

Teresita Carver, Custodial Staff

Helana Bennett, Custodial Staff

Angelia Miller, Food Service Coordinator

Ministries this Week

Activities Calendar

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| Sunday, | December 3 |
| 9:15am | Sunday School |
| 10:30am | Contemporary Worship |
| | Family Life Center |
| | Traditional Worship |
| | Sanctuary |
| 5:00pm | Prayer Walk |
| 5:45pm | Worship Arts Ministry |
| 6:00pm | Bible Classes |
| Monday, | December 4 |
| 9:00am | Food Ministry |
| Tuesday, | December 5 |
| 9:00am | Mothers Morning Out |
| Wednesday, | December 6 |
| 12:00 Noon | Prayer Meeting |
| | Lunch |
| 6:00pm | AWANA |
| 6:00pm | First Voices Choir |
| | Practice |
| Thursday, | December 7 |
| 9:00am | Mothers Morning |
| Saturday | December 9 |
| 9:00am | Food Ministry |
| 9:00am | Lilies Clothing Minis- |

Church Office will be closed:
Monday, December 25
Tuesday, December 26
Friday, December 29
Monday, January 1

Wednesday, November 29

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| Prayer Meeting | 54 |
| AWANA | 41 |
| Students | 29 |
| Choir Practice | 25 |

Sunday, November 26, 2023

Stewardship

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| Weekly Budget Needs | \$ 32,481.39 |
| Budget Receipts | \$ 28,996.33 |
| (Under) Weekly Needs | \$ 3,485.06 |
| Budget Needs to Date | \$ 1,559,106.72 |
| Budget Gifts to Date | \$ 1,411,867.62 |
| % of Budget Needs to Date—90.5% | |
| <i>(These figures are based on weekly expenses & contributions.)</i> | |

Bible Study

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| PreSchool/Children | 46 |
| Students | 26 |
| Adults | 169 |
| Online | 10 |
| Total Attendance | 251 |

Worship Service

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| Sanctuary | 114 |
| Family Life Center | 139 |
| Children's Worship | 42 |
| Total Attendance | 295 |

Food Ministry

| | October | YTD 2023 | Grand Totals |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------|--------------|
| People served ages 0-18: | 83 | 888 | 63,685 |
| People served ages 19-64: | 144 | 1,434 | 72,432 |
| People served ages 65 & up: | 194 | 1,969 | 48,133 |
| Total People Served: | 421 | 4,291 | 184,245 |
| Total Meals Given: | 8,481 | 86,676 | 3,851,243 |

Evening Worship

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| WAM | 31 |
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Deacon Ministry

Deacon Schedule

December 3

Jared McGahee—FLC
Tim Johnson—Sanctuary

December 10

Jeremy Davis—FLC
Joey Griffin—Sanctuary



Nursery Schedule

December 3

Meredith Adams
Alyssa Pate
Carol Wisenbaker

December 10

Ashley Fielding
Kelly Shiver, Meredith Moon

**Worship Celebrating Christ—The Light of the World
Traditional Service—December 3, 2023
10:30AM**

Prelude.....*Dr. Kenneth Hutchinson Organ*

*O Magnify the Lord.....*Hymn 134

*Joy To The World.....*Hymn 181

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Rev. Davis Howell

1st Sunday of Advent

Rev. Ron Hatchett and Mrs. Sara Hatchett

*O Come All Ye Faithful.....*Hymn 199

*Love Divine All Loves Excelling.....*Hymn 172

Intercessory/Offertory Prayer

Rev. Dennis Massie

(Children are invited to attend Children's Church.)

Offertory.....*Ms. Caitlin Moore*

*Bethlehem Promise, Bethlehem Joy.....*First Voices

Message from God's Word

Rev. David Cummings

*At The Cross.....*Hymn 255

Benediction

(Our Benevolent Offering will be taken following the service).

Contemporary Service

Cornerstone

Welcome & Offering

Rev. Davis Howell

*Build My Life
Goodness of God*

**Close in Prayer
Pre Sermon Video**

Message from God's Word

Dr. Chuck Owens, Pastor

Response Song
Build My Life

Announcements

Sunday Evening Classes

Worship Arts Ministry—5:45PM
Sunday Night Students—6:00PM
Adult Bible Study—6:00PM

Upcoming Schedule for December

Sunday, December 3

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 10

First Voices & Orchestra Christmas Musical-Sanctuary-10:30AM
 Spaghetti Lunch Sponsored by Student Ministry

Sunday, December 17

Regular Services

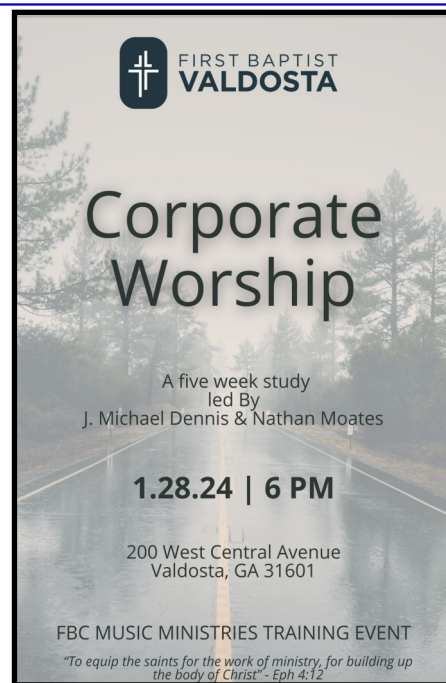
6:00PM- Worship Arts Ministry Christmas Program— FLC

Sunday, December 24

One Morning Service at 10:30 a.m. in Family Life Center
 Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service-
 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Sunday, December 31

Joint Worship Service in the Sanctuary at 10:30 a.m.
 We will not have Sunday Evening Classes



Prayer Walk

Please join our FBC Prayer Team on a prayer walk December 3 at 5:00pm in Fellowship Hall. This can be a meaningful and spiritual way for a church to come together.



Prayer Meeting—December 6 **Wednesday Noon Lunch**

**Menu: Pork Chops, Hash Brown Casserole,
 Steamed Vegetable Medley, Salad Bar,
 Dessert - Donation: \$8.00**



Wednesday Night Supper

December 6 at 5:15pm
 Family Life Center

Menu: Chicken Tenders, Mac & Cheese,
 Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Dessert
 \$5.00 per person, Family Limit: \$15.00



Christmas Poinsettias

We are now taking orders to place a poinsettia in the Sanctuary and/or Family Life Center in memory of or in honor of someone special. Forms are available in the foyers of the Sanctuary and in the lobby of the Family Life Center. Please return the form and \$20 to the church office. Poinsettias may be picked up after the Christmas Eve Candle Light service.