

First Baptist Church

Valdosta, Georgia



First Family Chimes

Love God, Love Others, Love the World



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Sunday at First Baptist Church
Sunday School 9:15 AM
Combined Thanksgiving Service—10:30AM
Family Life Center
No Evening Service

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Dr. Chuck Owens

Sermon This Sunday

Message from God's Word

**Thanksgiving Family Worship
Combined Service
Family Life Center**

Student Ministry



Rev. Davis Howell

MOVE CONFERENCE 2024
December 29-30
Wild Adventures Theme Park
Students in grades 6-12
Limited spots still open for registration.

Children Ministry



Rev. Justin Devereaux

Santa Train for Elementary Choir
Saturday, December 14
Special reward trip as a thank you for choir members' dedication to our Christmas play!
Leave church at 11am, lunch on bus
Ride Santa Train with the Azalea Sprinter for magical ride in Nashville, GA. Return to church at 2:30pm

Worship Arts Ministry
Kicks off at 5PM followed by a bathroom break and a snack at 5:45 PM. AWANA will then begin at 6 PM, pick-up at 7 PM.



Sing! Children! Sing!
Elementary Choir Christmas play will be Sunday, December 15, 6:00pm at the Family Life Center



Rev. Terry Sampson

Education/Administration Ministry

Study in Isaiah

Benny Olliff is leading a study in Isaiah. The class is meeting in the Olliff/Moore Sunday School Classroom at 6:00PM.

Galatians for You

J. Michael Dennis and Nathan Moates are leading a study in Galatians. Harrell SS Classroom. Time: 5:45PM

No Sunday night classes November 24



Dr. J. Michael Dennis

Music Ministry

Christian worship should be trinitarian. In worship we address the triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—one God in three persons, the God of holiness, love, beauty, and power. God is the one who graciously invites our worship and then hears our response. God is the one who perfects and mediates our praise and petitions. God is also the one who helps us comprehend what we hear and prompts us to respond. In worship, then, we are drawn into relationship with God (the Father) through God (the Son) and by God (the Holy Spirit). Worship is an arena in which the triune God is active in drawing us closer, using tangible, physical things like water, bread, and wine; melodies, rhythms, and harmonies; gestures, smiles, and handshakes to nurture and challenge us. In worship we focus our attention on this self-giving God. This God-centered focus also keeps us from the temptation to worship worship itself.



Rev. Mac Weaver

Missions Ministry

**Thailand Mission Trip
January 6-18, 2025**

First Family News



Sympathy

Our prayers and deepest sympathy are extended to the family of Tommy and Erica Stone in the death of Erica's father, Rickey Savage.

Please welcome Gretchen and Mary Langdale as our newest members to First Baptist Church. Gretchen and Mary were baptized on November 10. Their parents are Jack and Gini Langdale.



Gretchen

Mary

Staff Anniversaries

Thank you to the following dedicated staff members for their years of service to First Baptist Church:

Cathy Harrison, Wedding Coordinator—27 yrs.-November 1

Nolan Brown, Praise & Worship Leader—1 yr.-November 1

Becky Royals, Church Secretary—6 yrs.-November 12

Linda Hart, Office Manager—12 yrs.-November 15

Church Staff

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 Parizek, Pianist

Terri Warren, Preschool Coordinator

Teresita Carver, Custodial Staff

Helana Bennett, Custodial Staff

Angelia Miller, Food Service Coordinator

CeCe Little, Food Service Assistant

Ministries this Week

Sunday	November 24
9:15am	Sunday School
10:30am	Combined Worship Family Life Center
Monday	November 25
9:00am	Food Ministry
9:00am	Lilies Clothing Ministry
Tuesday	November 26
9:00am	Mother's Morning Out
Wednesday	November 27
12:00 Noon	Prayer Meeting/Lunch
6:00pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	November 28
	Thanksgiving
Saturday	November 30
9:00am	Food Ministry



Church Office will be closed
Thursday, November 28 and
Friday, November 29.

<u>Wednesday, November 20</u>	
Prayer Meeting/Lunch	71
Choir Practice	22

Food Ministry

October YTD 2024 Grand Totals			
People served ages 0-18:	62	1,950	64,747
People served ages 19-64:	111	3,211	74,209
People served ages 65 & up:	155	4,233	50,397
Total People Served:	328	9,394	189,353
Total Meals Given:	6,528	188,611	3,952,769

Sunday, November 17, 2024

<u>Sunday</u>	
Children Ministry	35
Students	38
Adults	158
Online	10
Total Attendance	241

<u>Worship Service</u>	
Contemporary Service	171
Traditional Service	147
Total Attendance	318

<u>Sunday Evening</u>	
Adults	18
Valdosta Kids	61
Sunday Night Students	34
Total Attendance	113

<u>Stewardship</u>	
Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 34,156.78
Budget Receipts	\$ 142,144.25
(Over) Weekly Needs	\$ 107,987.47
Budget Needs to Date	\$1,571,211.88
Budget Gifts to Date	\$ 1,382,636.20
% of Budget Needs to Date	—88%
<i>(These figures are based on weekly expenses & contributions.)</i>	



<u>Deacon Schedule</u>	
November 24-Combined Service	
	Mark Howell
	Jerry Lupo
December 1	
	Keith Martin—Family Life Center
	Glenn Walden—Fellowship Hall



<u>Nursery Schedule</u>	
November 24	
	Ashley Daniel
	Misty Watkins
December 1	
	Ginger Paulk, Peggy Gayle,
	Staci Chastain

Worship Celebrating Christ—The Light of the World
November 24, 2024
10:30AM—Fellowship Hall

How Great Thou Art
Holy Forever
Thank You Jesus For The Blood
Offering
Prayer
Message From God's Word
Dr. Chuck Owens
Ordinance of the Lord's Supper
Scripture Readings
Davis Howell
Adam Setser
The Old Rugged Cross
Benediction

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Christmas Poinsettias

We are taking orders to place a poinsettia in Fellowship Hall and/or Family Life Center in memory of or in honor of someone special. Forms are available in the lobbies of Fellowship Hall and Family Life Center. Please return the form and \$20 to the church office. Poinsettias may be picked up after the Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.

**Samaritians' Purse Operation Christmas Child
295 Shoeboxes**



Chimes Delivery Update

We have some important news regarding our beloved Chimes! For many years, we have joyfully published and mailed the Chimes monthly, but as times have changed, so have our methods of communication. To ensure everyone stays informed and connected, we will now be sending the Chimes directly to your email inbox every week. **If you haven't been receiving the Chimes via email and would like to join our list, please reach out to the church office with your email address.** We want to make sure every member of our community feels valued and included in this transition. Additionally, you can always find the Chimes on our church website every Friday and paper copies will still be available during our worship services each Sunday. Also, please contact the church office if you would like for us to mail you a copy. We are committed to keeping you engaged with all the exciting news and events happening in our church family!

Night to Shine

Friday, February 7, 2025
Rainwater Conference Center
For more information about Night to Shine, visit

**We will not have lunch/prayer meeting on
Wednesday, November 27**