

**First Baptist Church** 

Valdosta, Georgia

## **First Family Chimes**

Love God, Love Others, Love the World



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



**Dr. Chuck Owens** 

## **Sermon This Sunday**

### Message from God's Word

Rev. Davis Howell will bring God's message at the worship service at the Family Life Center.



Rev. Davis Howell

## **Student Ministry**

- December 15 Children's Christmas Play No Sunday Night Students.
- December 22 Normal Sunday School and Church No Sunday Night.
- **December 24 Christmas Eve Service at 5:00,**
- **December 29** No Sunday School Combined Service

#### **December 29-30 - MOVE Conference!**

We will leave for day 1 of MOVE from the church following the service. Students not at church that morning should be at FBCV by 11:30 for lunch. We will head to Wild Adventures around 12.



Rev. Justin Devereaux

## **Children Ministry**



## Sing! Children! Sing! Elementary Choir Christmas play 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.



Dr. J. Michael Dennis

## **Music Ministry**

"He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or morning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." (Revelation. 21:4)

Christmas is the promise that the God who came in history and who comes daily in mystery will one day come in glory. God is saying in Jesus that in the end, everything will be all right. Nothing can harm you permanently, no suffering is irrevocable, no loss is lasting, no defeat is more than transitory, no disappointment is conclusive. Jesus did not deny the reality of suffering, discouragement, disappointment, frustration, and death; he simply stated that the Kingdom of God would conquer all of these horrors, that the Father's love is so prodigal that no evil could possibly resist it."

Reflections for Ragamuffins by Brennan Manning



Rev. Mac Weaver

## **Missions Ministry**

Thailand Mission Trip January 6-18, 2025



We are collecting these vitamins to take with us to the House of Blessing in Bangkok when we go to Thailand on Monday, January 6. Thanks for your help!

## **First Family News**



The beautiful flowers placed in Fellowship Hall are to the glory of God and in loving memory of David Waller, Sr. and Cindy Waller Slaughter, by Sharon Waller (his wife) and their children, Deborah, Ray, David & Pam and their grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

#### **Sympathy**

We extend our Christian love and deepest sympathy to the family of Marcia Kelley in the death of her husband, Don Kelley.
Also, to the family of Lynn Taylor in the death of her mother,
Kathy Riggs.



#### **Annual Christmas Eve Dinners**

On Tuesday, December 24, we will have carry-out dinners available to those in our community who are less fortunate. **Volunteers are needed** to assist in the kitchen with meal preparation (open cans, serve, clean-up etc.). Please contact Willie Hodgins at 229-269-0447 or Chad Harrison at 229-630-9044.

#### **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

Caitlin Moore Parizek, Pianist Linda Hart, Office Manager

Becky Royals, Church Secretary
Cathy Harrison, Wedding Coordinator

Melissa Stephens, Events/Evangelism Coordinator

Elliott Lenz, Church Accountant

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	December 15
9:15am	Sunday School
10:30am	Contemporary Worship
	Family Life Center
10:30am	Family Worship
	Fellowship Hall
5:00pm	Children's Ministry
5:00pm	Student Ministry
6:00pm	Bible Classes
Monday	December 16
9:00am	Food Ministry
9:00am	Lilies Clothing Ministry
Tuesday	December 17
9:00am	Mother's Morning Out
Wednesda	y December 18
	n Prayer Meeting/Lunch
Thursday	December 19
9:00am	Mother's Morning Out
Saturday 9:00am	<b>December 21</b> Food Ministry

**Schedule for Food Ministry** 

Closed: December 23, 28, 30

Reopen: January 6, 2025

Wednesday, December 11		
Prayer Meeting/Lunch	61	
Choir	40	
Total Attendance	101	

## Sunday, December 8, 2024

Sunday		
Children Ministry	39	
Students	47	
Adults	180	
Online	10	
Total Attendance	276	

Worship Servi	<u>ice</u>
Family Life Center	208
Fellowship Hall	163
Total Attendance	371

<b>Sunday Evening</b>		
Adults	13	
Valdosta Kids	63	
Sunday Night Students	26	
Total Attendance	102	

#### Stewardship

Weekly Budget Needs
\$ 34,156.78
Budget Receipts
\$ 153,819.96
(Over) Weekly Needs
\$119,663.18
Budget Needs to Date
\$1,673,682.22
Budget Gifts to Date
\$ 1,587,023.02
% of Budget Needs
to Date—94.8%
(These figures are based on weekly expenses & contributions.)

#### **Food Ministry**

1	November	YTD 2024	<b>Grand Totals</b>
People served ages 0-18:	81	2,031	64,828
People served ages 19-64:	135	3,346	74,344
People served ages 65 & u	p: 178	4,411	50,575
Total People Served:	394	9,788	189,747
Total Meals Given:	7,860	196,471	3,960,629



## **Deacon Schedule December 15**

Jeremy Davis—FLC Tim Johnson—Fellowship Hall

December 22

Roy Burkett—FLC Jeff Summers—Fellowship Hall

# Nursery

#### **Nursery Schedule**

December 15

Beth Howell Sherry Bennett

December 22

Meredith Adams Alyssa Pate Carol Wisenbaker

## Worship Celebrating Christ—The Light of the World December 15, 2024 10:30AM—Fellowship Hall

Prelude	Mrs. Caitlin Parizek
Hark the Herald Angels Sing	Hymn 192
Opening Pra	yer & Welcome
Mr. & Mrs	of Advent (Joy) s. Scott Foust Shepherds' Candle
OffertoryThe Birthday	of A KingHymn 191
Gloria—The Wo Presented by the F	tmas Musical onders of His Love BC Music Ministries d Orchestra
A Joyful Chi	ristmas Medley
Sing We the So	ong of Emmanuel
Joy to	the World
	rscore & Nativity Song nnis & Bradley Dennis
	It (Gloria) Ieremy Davis
	hrone and Manager Throne Eva Dennis
	ore and Worthy and orthy of Worship
Crown Hin	n (Christmas)
A .Jovt	îul Finale

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### Contemporary Worship Service Family Life Center Sunday, December 15, 2024 10:30AM

Joy to the World

House of the Lord

King of My Heart

Offering

3rd Sunday of Advent (Joy)

Mr. & Mrs. Tony Topicz

Lighting Of The Shepherds' Candle (Joy)

Message From God's Word Rev. Justin Devereaux

Response Song

Close

#### **Schedule for December**

Sunday, December 15

**Third Sunday of Advent** 

10:30AM—First Voices & Orchestra Christmas Musical at

**Fellowship Hall** 

6:00PM—"Sing! Children! Sing! - FLC

Wednesday, December 18

**Prayer Meeting/Lunch** 

**Sunday, December 22 Fourth Sunday of Advent** 

Tuesday, December 24 & Wednesday, December 25

**Church Office Closed** 

**Tuesday, December 24** 

Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

5:00PM in Family Life Center

Sunday, December 29

We will not have Sunday School

10:30AM—Combined Worship Service in FLC

Tuesday, December 31 & Wednesday, January 1

Prayer Meeting—December 18
Wednesday Noon Lunch
Menu: Ham, Squash Casserole, Broccoli &
Cheese, Rolls, Dessert—Donation \$8.00

Night to Shine Friday, February 7, 2025, Rainwater Conference Center

Sponsor Information brochures are available in the lobbies of FLC and Fellowship Hall. For more infor-