

The Vision

First Baptist Church
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Sunday Worship Times

Morning Worship @ 10:15 am
Evening Worship @ 7:00 pm (2nd & 4th)
Small Groups @ 5:30 pm (1st & 3rd)

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

STAFF

Church Phone. 682-3538
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Dr. Robert Hodson, Pastor. 681-0393
Steve Livingston. 225-2821
Worship Leader & Family Ministries
Chris Roth, Youth & Outreach Director. 214-0233
Belinda Shoff, Secretary
Chastity O'Neal, Secretary
Staci King, Financial Secretary/Treasurer

Church Office Hours
Monday-Friday
8:00 am - 12:00 pm
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Staff Meeting
Monday 1:30 pm



**FOR FEBRUARY
MONDAY
February 24th**

Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday, February 4th
Church Council @ 7:00 pm

Thursday, February 6th
Building Committee Meeting @ 7:00 pm

Sunday, February 9th
Business Meeting @ 5:00 pm

Monday, February 10th
Finance Committee @ 7:00pm

Sunday, February 23rd
Deacon's Meeting @ 6:00 pm



February 10th
12:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

PRAYER WARRIORS

Teacher gifts for February need to be in the Church Office by
Wednesday, February 12th for delivery on
Thursday, February 13th.

CRAFTERS

Thursday, February 13th
9:00 am

Ladies' Luncheon

Thursday, February 13th
12:00 pm
Come & Go

Sandy McDown's Home (1304 Crestwood Dr.)

Menu: Chicken Salad Sandwiches, Chips, dessert

FLOC

Family Life & Outreach Center

The Building Fund balance as of January 1 was \$200,644.70.
We will receive a special offering for the building fund on
March 29. Please be in prayer as we follow the Lords direction
for our church.

To Know Christ and to
Make Him Known



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Sweetheart Sock Hop & Dessert Auction

Sunday, February 9th

5:30 pm

Entertainment: Elvis



Bring your sweetheart & your favorite dessert and enjoy a dinner of traditional 50's diner food of hamburgers & fries. Stay to bid on some deliciously sweet desserts to help fund our Youth Projects. A Sign up sheet is in the Gathering Area for the supper or call the Church Office at 682-3538.

Charity Concert Featuring Branson's Famous

"Baldknobbers"

Saturday, February 8th

2:00 pm & 7:30 pm

Thiebaud Auditorium

Tickets: \$20

Seating is general admission.

Tickets are on sale now and may be purchased in the Church Office.

100% of all proceeds made from the ticket sales through our church will benefit our youth group.

Sponsored by: Barton County Community Foundation

Family Ministries

Annie S. Hawks, a wife and a mother of three from Brooklyn, New York, loved writing poetry. In the 1870's while attending Dr. Robert Lowry's Hanson Place Baptist Church (wow what a church name), she was encouraged by Dr. Lowry to begin writing Sunday school songs for children. "I need Thee Every Hour" was written on a bright June morning in 1872. Annie later wrote, "One day as a young wife and mother of 37 years of age, I was busy with my regular household task. Suddenly, I became so filled with the sense of nearness to the Master that, wondering how one could live without Him, either in joy or pain, these words, 'I Need Thee Every Hour,' were ushered into my mind, the thought at once taking full possession of me."

The next Sunday, Annie handed these words to Dr. Lowry, who wrote the tune and chorus while seated at the little organ in the living room of his Brooklyn parsonage. Later that year, it was sung for the first time at the National Baptist Sunday School Association meeting in Cincinnati, Ohio, and published in a hymnbook the following year.

After the passing of her husband sixteen years later, she testified that she found great comfort in the words of her song. She wrote, "I did not understand at first why this hymn had touched the great throbbing heart of humanity. It was not until long after, when the shadow fell over my way, the shadow of great loss, that I understood something of the comforting power in the words which I had been permitted to give out to others in my hour of sweet serenity and peace."
(Morgan, R 2003 'Then Sings My Soul' Thomas Nelson Publishers pp.179)

Thanks to her Holy Spirit inspired words, we are reminded that there is not an hour of the day that we do not need our God. In the kitchen of our homes, the office of our employment, the fields of our labor, we need Him. We need Him in our schools, our courtrooms, our hospitals and on the street corners of our lives; in our marriages, in our parenting, our friendships and churches; in our beginning and at the graveside, yes we need Him. Take time to confess with all your heart:
"I need Thee every hour, Most gracious Lord; No tender voice like Thine can peace afford,
I need Thee, O I need thee; Every hour I need Thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee!"

Looking Ahead

February 4	7:00 pm Church Council
February 8	2:00 pm Baldknobbers @ Thiebaud 7:30 pm Baldknobbers @ Thiebaud
February 9	5:00 pm Business Meeting 5:30 pm Youth Dinner & Dessert Auction
February 10	12:00 pm Bloodmobile
February 13	9:00 am Crafters 12:00 pm Ladies' Luncheon
February 16	5:30 pm Small Groups
February 17	<i>President's Day</i>
February 18	5:00 pm YAH Meeting
February 23	6:00 pm Deacon's Meeting
February 26	6:30 pm Ladies Bible Study
February 27	1:30 pm Ladies Bible Study

"Trustworthy" Overcoming Our Greatest Struggles to Trust God By Lysa Terkeurst

Are you exhausted trying to keep everything under control because you fear God won't come through? When hard times come and it seems God is deviating from the plan we assume our lives should follow, we're much more likely to want to tame God, not trust Him.

No human can carry the weight of being their own god, but so many of us try. Ladies, join us in this study of 1 and 2 Kings, as we identify the places of distrust in our hearts and how to overcome them, loosen our grips on control and rely on God, and find relief from fear or doubt. We will find God trustworthy.

There are two opportunities to participate in this study,
Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm beginning Feb. 26
or
Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm beginning Feb. 27.

Books cost \$10. Sign-up through the church office by
Sunday, February 23.

MINISTRY OF PRAYER CHURCH FAMILY

Sue Ann Noll Dick Scroggs Doug Robertson Terry Moore
Don Morey Eugene Stump Mary Walker Nicholas Ray
Mae Cooper Laurann Robertson

EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY

John Bauer, brother-in-law of Ed & Brenda Onstott
Stasha Hackler, daughter of Shauna Hackler
Evie Bruffett, granddaughter of Ron & Melanie Bruffett
Bea Smith, aunt of Gary Stevens Becky Howell, friend of Teresa Roberts
Regina Banwart, daughter-in-law of David & Peggy Banwart
Marty Collier, member of Grace Place Justin Weis, friend of Linda Gardner
Elizabeth Banwart, cousin of David & Peggy Banwart
Noah Mason, cousin of Belinda Shoff
Dallas Beem, father of Darin Beem
Fred Plain, brother of Sheila Stevens
Renee Whitley, sister of Alan Ray
Jessica Query, sister-in-law of Kerri Beshore

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Richard Jones - Army, son of Dwayne & Linda Jones
Austin Potter - Marines, son of Dan & Tanya Potter
Brandon Lipe - Chicago, IL, grandson of Noel & Lynn Grigery
Joey Rossiter - North Carolina, grandson of Sue Hobson
Merissa Schmidt - Pentagon, granddaughter of Wanda Reno
Landon McManis - Moody AFB, GA, grandson of Albert & Justine McManis
Mark Jones - Okinawa, Japan, son of Dwayne & Linda Jones
Patrick Beetler - Camp LaJeune, NC, son of Sherry Stettler
Capt. Cody Rossiter - Germany, grandson of Sue Hobson
Nathan Davis - National Guard, husband of Sarah Davis

MISSION OUTREACH

Pastoral Staff Lamar's Unchurched Building Committee

YAH Meeting

Tuesday, February 18th

5:00 pm

Meal: Breakfast Buffet

Program: Bingo

Centrifuge 2020

Secure your spot now! Summer will be here before we know it and that means it's time to start planning for Centrifuge.

Centrifuge is June 15-19

Cost: \$60

Contact Susan Ray or Chris Roth with questions or if you want more information.

Youth & Outreach

Dear First Family,
I am writing this letter to you on a Monday afternoon, having just spent the weekend at a Men's Encounter retreat. It was a very powerful weekend focused on being the leaders that God has called us to be. Not only as leaders in this church, but also as Husbands, Fathers, and Dad's in our homes. God is wanting to work through each and every one of you to lead and be examples in our church and at home. Do you seriously think God can't use you? Noah was a drunk. Abraham was too old. Jacob was a liar. Moses had a stuttering problem and was a murderer. David had an affair and was a murderer. Jonah ran from God. Here are a few key steps that will help each of us to step up and be the men God has called us to be.

- 1. Repentance**-Ephesians 1:7-In Him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with God's grace.
- 2. Free from the Past**-John 12:32-All men deserted Him, so that all men might be drawn unto Him.
- 3. Forgiveness**-Titus 3:3-7-At one time we too were foolish, but when the kindness of God appeared, He saved us through His mercy and grace.
- 4. Keep Jesus as the center of everything.**-Hebrews 12:1-3 - Let us throw off everything that hinders us and run to the

father.

5. Pursue purity in all you do. - Romans 13:12-13 - Let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.

6. Spiritual Warfare - Realize each day is a battle between good and evil. Put on your armor!

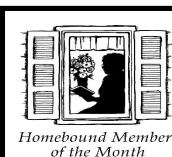
7. Freedom-Galatians 5:13 - For you were called to freedom, brethren: do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for flesh, but through loving and serving one another.

8. Be the husband and father God called you to be. Realize each day that your bride and your children are gifts from God. Love them, lead them, and teach them in God's ways.

9. Be fishers of men. We are called by God to be fishers of men, not just keepers of the aquarium.

I am looking forward to serving God and growing His church with each of you. I truly believe that God can use each of us to grow His church and glorify Him. Remember, we can't stay where we are and go with God. God is on the move in a mighty way! I believe He has great things planned for FBC Lamar.

To God be the Glory,
Chris Roth



February Homebound

Maple Senior Living
LaDean Lawrence

Community Youth Event

"Rachel's Challenge"

Wednesday, February 19th

Middle School Assembly: Time TBA

High School Assembly: Time TBA

Community Event: 7:00 pm

Rachel's Challenge is an organization that works to reduce violence. It is led by Darrell & Sandy Scott. Rachel Scott was the first student killed in the Columbine High School shooting in 1999.

Vital Signs for December, 2019

Average Attendance for December
Morning Worship - 275
Sunday School - 166
Evening Worship - 21

Treasurer's Report for December 2019 Business Meeting
Total Income: \$50,506.50
Total Expenditures: \$41,932.12

Young Christians Weekend

Saturday, April 4th

At Silver Dollar City

Cost: \$25.00 to reserve tickets

Deadline to Register: Sunday, March 21st

We will leave the Church @ 7:00am and return to the Church around 11:00 pm

Youth will need money for lunch at the Park and we will stop at McDonald's in Ozark on the way home.



Vital Signs for January, 2020

Average Attendance for January
Morning Worship - 266
Sunday School - 168
Evening Worship - 50

Treasurer's Report for January 2020 Business Meeting
Total Income: \$48,683.33
Total Expenditures: \$55,530.41