

THE OPEN DOOR

First Baptist Church
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"To the angel of the church of Philadelphia write...behold I have before thee a door having been open, which no one is able to close." Revelation 3:7-8

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**BROTHERHOOD
Breakfast
Fellowship**

All men and boys are invited to attend!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13
7:30 AM IN THE CLC
SPEAKER: BILL GILLEY

The poster features a yellow background with a sunburst pattern and an image of a breakfast plate with toast, eggs, and butter.



**THE
LORD'S SUPPER**

Do this in remembrance of Me

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

The poster features a dark wood background with an image of a white ceramic chalice and a stack of white communion wafers.



SMALL GROUPS
Family Night

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 • 5-7PM
All kids and youth will join an adult small group at preferred location.

The poster features a background image of people reading books in a group setting.



Church Family,

I am excited about D-Groups starting this January. I shared a little bit this past Sunday about D-Groups, but I wanted to give you the information again.

What is a D-Group?

Sign-ups and Start Time: Sign-ups will begin at the end of October. D-Groups will begin in January.

Size: 3-5 members (Gender Specific)

Meetings: Meet once a week to discuss weekly Bible reading and journaling. D-Groups can meet on Sunday or Wednesday nights or any other time in the week.

Covenant: Members sign a covenant outlining expectations of being a member.

Time & Work - Commit to the time it takes to do the work and meet for one hour each week.

Confidentiality - You will not repeat what is shared in D-Group.

Prayer - You will pray for the members of your group.

Reproducing—D-groups begin with the expectation of multiplying.

Closed: D-Groups are closed. SS/Small Groups are open to encourage new members to come. Closed groups offer the opportunity for more in-depth growth and accountability.

Material: Weekly Bible reading plan (5 days a week). The Bible reading plan will move through a book of the Bible several verses at a time.

Journaling: D-Groups will use the S.O.A.P of journaling through the reading plan. (Scripture, Observation, Application, Prayer)

Memory Passage: 1 Memory verse each week.

We will discuss D-Groups this Wednesday night at the end of Prayer Meeting at 6:45.

In Christ,
Evan

New Members Class

New Members Class will meet on Wednesday, October 9th, 16th, and 23rd from 5:45-6:15 pm in the church parlor.

HAM JAM
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12
8:00 AM -2:00 PM

WE ARE ASKING VOLUNTEERS TO WORK ONE HOUR SHIFTS AT THE FBC BOOTH AT HAM JAM. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE SIGN UP OUTSIDE THE CHURCH OFFICE.

OPPORTUNITIES

PRESCHOOL EXTENDED SESSION

October 13

Younger: David & Dee Dee Bailey
Older: Don & Sharon McKay

October 20

Younger: Lane & Dana Moseley
Older: Austin & Hannah Aultman

DEACON OF THE WEEK

October 13

11 am Service – Alain Kaboré

October 20

11 am Service – Ryan McKay



Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday are give to the glory of God and in honor of Jean Griffith's 94th Birthday. They are given by the family of Wesley and Kat Griffith.

Foyer Flowers

The flowers in the foyer this Sunday are given in honor of Evan Humphries for all his leadership and love for us here at First Baptist Church.

Bereavement Ministry



One of the many ministries of First Baptist Church is our Bereavement Team. This is a ministry to people in our church at the loss of a loved one. People come together to help prepare a meal for the family. Thank you to our church membership for giving of your time and talents in this area of ministry. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, contact Cindy Brown or Dee Dee Bailey. You may also contribute to the ministry to help purchase food as needed.

Watchman Prayer Ministry

This prayer ministry focuses on praying for our country, state, city and church. We dedicate one hour each week to lift up each one of these to God. The need is great. If you would like to join us the sign-up sheet is in front of the office. The instructions are on the cabinet outside the library. If interested but do not feel like you can take a specific time, please take the information and pray. Read 2 Chronicles 7:14. Have questions; call Sue Keen 601 562 8450.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS



MENU FOR OCTOBER 16

Chicken & Dumplings
Green Beans
Green Salad
Rolls
Dessert

Kids Menu: Chicken Nuggets

Servers: Sandi Lewis, Laura Thrash

Cleanup: Gary & Sue Keen

Money Table: Patti Robey

CANDY DONATIONS

Fall Festival is coming soon! We need donations of individually wrapped candy to be used as prizes for the games. There is a box outside the church office for donations. Thanks for your help!



CAKE WALK GOODIES



We need your help in providing cakes, brownies, cupcakes, and cookies for our Fall Festival cake walk. The items do not need to be individually wrapped, but may be packed by the dozen or half dozen. Please bring them in a disposable container to the church office by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, October 30 or bring them to the Fall Festival the day of.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Any donated items can be placed in the box outside the church office. Donations can be made to the church office as each box costs \$10 to ship. Thank you for helping spread the Gospel through the gift of shoeboxes!

OCTOBER FOCUS ITEMS: TOYS/ACTIVITIES/WOW ITEMS

EXAMPLES INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO: BALL, DOLL/STUFFED ANIMAL, PUZZLES, SOCCER BALL & PUMP, MUSICAL INSTRUMENT, SMALL GAMES, BINOCULARS, COMPASS, ETC.

SHOEBOX PACKING

We will pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child on Wednesday, November 8 at 6:00 pm in the CLC.

Growing up Cole

Fall is my favorite season. Cooler temps, leaves changing color, football and pumpkins. Raking leaves was a given. With all the pecan trees in our yard, it was a necessity. Of course, jumping in the leaves after piled up was the reward for our hard work. Then the piles would be raked into the ditch to burn.

During the fall and closer to Halloween, the neighborhood store would carry the wax lips and wax mouth harps. It was a must to have these awful tasting once a year treats. After all, your friends would be sporting the red wax lips everywhere.

Of course Halloween was the big fall event. We didn't buy costumes...we made our own. From a hobo to a princess we used what we had. No plastic pumpkin for our candy. A paper sack from Underwood's would do the same thing and hold more candy. Now we were required to go by our grandparent's house. Let's be honest...they were the fruit givers. You know the people who gave out apples instead of candy. And, if you didn't pay attention, that apple could take out the bottom of your paper bag just like that!

Remember the black and orange wrapped taffy type candy. I think they still make it. We had a neighbor who made candied apples. Now that's fruit I can get behind. Pouring out the bag of candy that people gave you for free on the floor was the best. We didn't worry about where it came from...we knew all our neighbors.

Now is the perfect time to get active in church. We won't trick you but we will treat you to the love of Jesus.

See You Sunday,

Laura

MARGARET LACKEY STATE OFFERING

Church Goal: \$4,000

Given to Date: \$2,491



WEEK OF ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

Brotherhood Breakfast	7:30 a.m.
Deacons Meeting	8:30 a.m.
Media Center.....	9:15 a.m.
Special Time of Prayer.....	9:30 a.m.
Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
The Lord's Supper	11:00 a.m.
Small Groups (Family Night)	5:00 p.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

Revive Us Again Exercise Class.....	8:30 a.m.
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

B.A.L.L. Luncheon	12 Noon
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

Revive Us Again Exercise Class.....	8:30 a.m.
Wednesday Night Supper	4:45-5:45 p.m.
Media Center.....	5:30 p.m.
Children's Choir	5:30 p.m.
Preschool Choir.....	5:30 p.m.
New Members Class	5:45 p.m.
Chancel Choir	6:00 p.m.
Mission Friends.....	6:00 p.m.
Kid Blast	6:00 p.m.
Youth	6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting.....	6:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

Revive Us Again Exercise Class.....	8:30 a.m.
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

CMC Team Meeting	8:30 a.m.
Media Center.....	9:15 a.m.
Special Time of Prayer.....	9:30 a.m.
Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship Service.....	11:00 a.m.
Small Groups	5:00 p.m.

CLC HOURS MONDAY – FRIDAY 7 AM – 12 NOON

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Evan Humphries	Pastor
William Smith.....	Minister of Music
Austin Aultman.....	Minister of Students
Jackie Cheatham	Minister of Children
Laura Thrash.....	Financial Ministry Assistant
Tiffany Loper	Education Ministry Assistant
Tiffany Long	Child Ministry Center Director
Linda Griffis	Christian Life Center Director
Michael Duke.....	Upward Director
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WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

October 6, 2024

Budget	\$23,739.76
Lottie Moon.....	\$10.00
Wednesday Night Supper.....	\$605.00
Utilities Refund	\$175.00
Upward.....	\$235.00
Office Refund.....	\$2.10
B.A.L.L. Trip	\$3,096.00
Children's Ministry	\$25.00
Music.....	\$35.00
Operation Christmas Child.....	\$190.00
Ruth's Promise	\$250.00
Disaster Relief.....	\$110.00
Steeple Repair	\$1,000.00
CMC.....	\$200.00
Harvest Church.....	\$175.00
Renovate Church.....	\$50.00
Strength to Stand Conference.....	\$100.00
CLC Rental	\$250.00
State Missions	\$210.00
Annie Armstrong.....	\$10.00
Budget Offering Given to Date	\$132,161.72
Over Budget	\$5,211.26

WEEKLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT:	\$21,036.40
BUDGET AMT. RECEIVED 10/06/24:	\$23,739.76

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

	<u>October 6, 2024</u>		Present
Departments	Enrolled		
Preschool	35		25
Children	31		24
Youth	25		14
Adults	271		131
Total	362		194