

THIS WEEK: OCTOBER 20

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: "Recovering Our Primary Calling"

PREACHER: John Pierce

SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 16:24-26

ANTHEM: Come Follow Me...arr. Joseph Martin

FAMILY DEDICATION FOR GIOVANNI, KATE
AND ELENA ESCOBAR

ACCESS THE ORDER OF WORSHIP EACH WEEK AT:
<https://fbcrome.com/orders-of-worship/>

FAMILY NIGHT MENU

OCTOBER 23

Mixed Green Salad, Country Fried Steak with
White Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Medley of
Vegetables, Apple Cobbler

CHILDREN'S OPTION:

Chicken Fingers, Chips

WEEKEND MINISTER ON CALL (OCTOBER 19 - 20):
Keith Reaves 706.506.9948

THE SPIRE

SUNDAY SERVICES

BROADCAST LIVE ON
COMCAST CHANNEL 44 AND
VIA WWW.FBCROME.COM

RESTOCKING BLOOM CLOSET



Women of FBC gathered together to help with
The Bloom Closet's seasonal reset.

NEXT WEEK: OCTOBER 27

SUNDAY WORSHIP

STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS: *The Joy of Giving*

SERMON: "Joy in Our Hearts"

PREACHER: Rev. David Brooks

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 19:1-10

SPECIAL MUSIC: Children's Choir

ANTHEM: I Know that My Redeemer Lives...arr.
Michael Cox

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FAMILY NIGHT MENU

OCTOBER 30

Baked Salmon with Lemon Butter, Rice Pilaf,
Roasted Asparagus, French Silk Pie

CHILDREN'S OPTION:

Chicken Fingers, Chips

WEEKEND MINISTER ON CALL (OCTOBER 26-27):
David Brooks 252.916.7174

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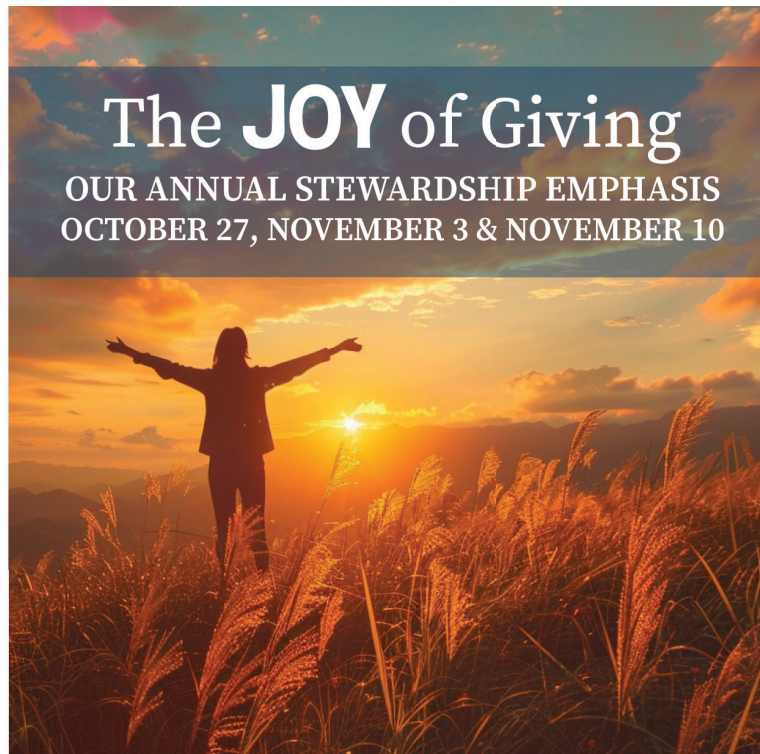
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JESUS WORLDVIEW SUNDAY

featuring **Dr. John Pierce**
Director of the Jesus Worldview Initiative
October 20 | 9:45am and 11:00am

During the Bible Study hour, we will learn from John Pierce about the Jesus Worldview Initiative and how we can follow Jesus more faithfully.

John will also be our pulpit guest during the morning worship service.



The JOY of Giving

OUR ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS
OCTOBER 27, NOVEMBER 3 & NOVEMBER 10

FROM OUR PASTOR

A couple of weeks ago, I had the privilege of spending five days in Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks in Wyoming for a retreat that was led by John Pierce. John, as you may know, attended our church when he was a student at Berry College and later served as an intern while he was in seminary. He went on to serve in campus ministry and eventually as the editor of Nurturing Faith Journal (formerly Baptists Today). He is now the Director of the Jesus Worldview Initiative (www.jesusworldview.org), and he has been leading retreats out west for the past seven years.



The purpose of the retreat was to pull away from the routine of daily life as a pastor in order to rest, reflect, and discuss what it means to be followers of Jesus who are seeking to lead others to do the same. The added bonus was, of course, the incredible scenery in big sky country that included towering mountains, canyons, waterfalls, geysers, hot springs, and abundant wildlife. I am grateful for the opportunity you gave me to be away for a week for the nurture and refreshment of my own soul.

While I cannot bring Yellowstone and the Grand Tetons back to you, I

am thankful that John Pierce, who led our retreat, will be joining us this Sunday during our Bible study hour and in worship to help us all reflect on how to live our lives with a Jesus Worldview. It might seem obvious that we should all view the world through the eyes of Jesus, but that is not always the case. Sometimes our words and actions reveal that we are Christians in name only, and not actually living by the example and teachings of Jesus. So, through the Jesus Worldview Initiative, John is calling us to greater faithfulness to Jesus and a deeper commitment to following Jesus, even when to do so goes against the grain of conventional wisdom and cultural expectations.

Join with others this Sunday as we hear from John Pierce and learn how we can deepen our commitment to walking with Jesus every day.

Your pastor and friend,

David

CHILDREN'S CORNER

PASSPORT

Empowering Students • Embracing the World • Extending Grace

PASSPORT REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Passport Kids Camp this summer is July 13-16 at Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Eatonton, GA. This camp is for kids who have completed 3rd grade-6th grade. Please let Kristen know if your child has interest in going with us. Partial and full scholarships are available upon request. Please don't hesitate to ask!

CBF GA WINTER RETREAT: JANUARY 10-12

3rd-6th graders are invited to a Winter Retreat at Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Eatonton, GA, the same place we go to Passport kids camp over the summer. Registration opens October 15, so please let Kristen know if you can attend. Partial and full scholarships also available.

STUDENT NEWS

STUDENT HALLOWEEN PARTY

Join us for our Halloween party on October 27 from 6 - 8 p.m. at the home of Chip and Beth Hood. More details coming soon!

WINTER RETREAT REGISTRATION OPEN NOW

Join us for our Winter Retreat at Timberline Mountain in West Virginia December 27- December 30. Our retreat theme is Limitless, which we will focus on breaking down barriers and stepping into the limitless potential of who God is calling us to be. This winter, we will lean into John 10:10 and learn what it means to have real, limitless life with Jesus!



GIVING TO GOD

SEPTEMBER 2024

Offerings Received	\$193,417.00
Budgeted Offerings	\$131,803.00
Budgeted Expenses:	\$170,111.00
Actual Expenses	\$154,742.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER MEETING THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

The Deacon-Led Ministry Prayer team is having a time of prayer the first Saturday of each month at 11 a.m. Meetings are held in the Prayer Room. For questions, please contact Hilary Reaves. The next meeting will be November 2, 2024.

HANDS OF CHRIST: CHRISTMAS EMPHASIS

“Serving Our Members, Serving Others”

Do you know an individual or family facing challenges (i.e., illness, addiction, grief, poverty, etc.) who may benefit from church community and support? If so, please to submit the individual or family by November 3 by contacting Kate Barron, 706-296-3453 or Amy Cox, 770-826-5714.



Save the Date!

26TH ANNUAL

Christmas at First Baptist

CONCERT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 AT 4 P.M.

EXTENDED FAMILY



These FBC ladies enjoyed a luncheon and spending time with each other. Pictured: Betty Higgins, Charlotte Vick, Charleean Bennett, Alvis Trotter

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MISSIONS

VOLUNTEER FOR BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY

Bridges Out of Poverty needs volunteers for the 6th Getting Ahead in a Just Gettin' By World program to provide childcare, meals and transportation every Thursday evening through late March. To volunteer please scan the QR code or contact Keith Phillips or Alice Clements.



WOMEN OF THE CHURCH



HOLIDAY COOKIE DECORATING WORKSHOP

Join us on November 19 from 6 - 8 p.m. in the Dining Room for this fun holiday event! The cost is \$20 per person and includes all needed cookie making materials and light refreshments. Enjoy a step-by-step decorating workshop from Ashleigh Vaughn, owner of Simpleigh Sweets Bakery, and go home with four beautifully decorated Christmas cookies, as well as instructions for how to re-create them! The registration deadline is November 4. Please scan the QR code to register or contact Kristen Mathis or Kelly Sanker.



SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, October 20, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Doris Higgins on the occasion of her birthday by Marty and Len Willingham, Chad and Hanna Willingham, Johanna Willingham and Tripp, Jennifer, Will and Chandler Bagby.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, October 20 are given to the glory of God and provided by the Jo Huffman Flower Fund.

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, October 27 are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of George and Natalie Reynolds on the occasion of their wedding anniversary by the Reynolds family.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, October 27 are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of David T. Brown by Ann Brown Ryan and Family.

October 19 - November 1

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, October 20

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)	9:00 am
All Adult Sunday Bible Study w/John Pierce, F.H.	9:45 am
Worship	11:00 am
Available on: FBC Website	
YouTube Channel	
Comcast Channel 44 <i>(delayed by one week)</i>	
Youth Choir, Choir Suite	12:00 pm
Student Small Groups & Dinner, F.H.	6:00 pm

Monday, October 21

Women's Bible Study Group, D.R.	10:00 am
Women of the Church Book Group, D.R.	1:00 pm
First Baptist Ringers, Choir Suite	5:15 pm

Wednesday, October 23

Family Night Dinner, F.H.	5:00 pm
Children's Choirs	5:45 pm
Adult Seminars	6:00 pm
Student Discipleship, Prayer and Hangout, Student. Rm.	6:00 pm
Children's and Collide Missions	6:30 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite	6:45 pm

Thursday, October 24

Bridges Out of Poverty, FH and Comm. Rm.	6:00 pm
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Sunday, October 27

Adult Faith Formation Committee, Conf. Rm.	8:30 am
Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)	9:00 am
Bible Study	9:45 am
Worship, Fall Stewardship Emphasis	11:00 am
Available on: FBC Website	
YouTube Channel	
Comcast Channel 44 <i>(delayed by one week)</i>	
Youth Choir, Choir Suite	12:00 pm
Student Halloween Party, Hood home	6:00 pm

Monday, October 28

Women's Bible Study Group, D.R.	10:00 am
First Baptist Ringers, Choir Suite	4:45 pm

Wednesday, October 30-Thursday, November 7

Senior Adult Trip to Tuscany

Wednesday, October 30-Friday, November 1

FBC Serves Community Kitchen

Wednesday, October 30

Family Night Dinner, F.H.	5:00 pm
Children's Choirs	5:45 pm
Adult Seminars	6:00 pm
Student Discipleship, Prayer and Hangout, Student. Rm.	6:00 pm
Children's and Collide Missions	6:30 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite	6:45 pm

Thursday, October 31

Bridges Out of Poverty, Community Rm, F.H.	6:00 pm
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