

The First Baptist Evangel

October 26, 2014



First Baptist Church of West Point is seeking to be a caring community of faith under the leadership of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Celebrating the presence and love of God in worship,

Nourishing persons in faith and discipleship, and

Reaching Out to the community with Christ's unconditional love.

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Welcome

We welcome you to worship at First Baptist this morning. Please help us be more faithful in our ministry to you, and get to know you better, by taking the time to put your name on the attendance pad found on your pew.

Visitors, please feel free to provide as little or as much of the information requested on the pad. We promise to only contact you if you ask us to, and to only send information as you request.

Members, if you have had a change to your mailing address, email, or telephone number please let us know by supplying that information on the pad.

Please Especially Note for Today...

Don't forget to move your clocks back next Saturday night.

Deacon Nominations will be held on November 9th. A sample ballot can be found on page 11.

Handbells will meet today. Joyful Noise will meet from 4:00-4:45 PM. Adults will meet at 4:45 PM. New players are welcome. Joyful Noise players are from first grade up.

Practice for the joint Christmas Cantata will be held this evening here at 6:00.

Please join us this week for Wednesday night supper and activities. You can still make a permanent reservation by calling or emailing the church office or you can call the church office weekly if you plan to come for Family Night Supper.

Ministry Leaders

Nursery Workers

Today: Stephanie McLain
Next Sunday: Dale Frazer
November 9: Mikki Dallas

PEW Ministry Leaders

Today: Debra Downs and
Thomas Hill
Next Sunday: Mikki Dallas
November 9: Susan Groover

Offertory Prayer Leader

Today: Dantz Frazer
Next Sunday: Jack Combs
November 9: Chuck Smith

Weekly Schedule of Activities

Sunday, October 26th

9:45—Sunday School
11:00—Worship
4:00—Children's Handbells
4:45—Adult Handbells
6:00—Christmas Cantata practice

Wednesday, October 29th

5:30—Prayer Meeting
6:00—Family Night Supper
Menu: Hot Dogs and Chili
6:30—Team KID
6:30—Youth 4/12
6:35—Choir Practice

Sunday, November 2nd

9:45—Sunday School
11:00—Worship
4:00—Children's Handbells
4:45—Adult Handbells

Chuck Smith is responsible for the opening and closing of the church during the month of **November** followed by **Joe Hill** in **December**.

*Preserve me, O God, for in you
I take refuge.*

—Psalm 16:1

Celebrating the Presence and Love of God in Worship

October 26, 2014

11:00 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOM TUCKER

ENTERING INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

HANDBELLS

CALL TO WORSHIP

TOM TUCKER

Praise the LORD!

Praise, O servants of the LORD,
praise the name of the LORD!

Blessed be the name of the LORD

from this time forth and forevermore!

From the rising of the sun to its setting,

the name of the LORD is to be praised!

—Psalm 113:1-3

PRELUDE

DANIEL SMITH

For your meditation:

Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

—Hebrews 13:5

INVOCATION

TOM TUCKER

PSALM

ANN KERR

Psalm 91

- ¹ He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.
- ² I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress,
my God, in whom I trust."
- ³ For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler
and from the deadly pestilence.
- ⁴ He will cover you with his pinions,
and under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.
- ⁵ You will not fear the terror of the night,
nor the arrow that flies by day,
⁶ nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness,
nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.

- ⁷ A thousand may fall at your side,
 ten thousand at your right hand,
 but it will not come near you.
- ⁸ You will only look with your eyes
 and see the recompense of the wicked.
- ⁹ Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—
 the Most High, who is my refuge—
- ¹⁰ no evil shall be allowed to befall you,
 no plague come near your tent.
- ¹¹ For he will command his angels concerning you
 to guard you in all your ways.
- ¹² On their hands they will bear you up,
 lest you strike your foot against a stone.
- ¹³ You will tread on the lion and the adder;
 the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.
- ¹⁴ “Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him;
 I will protect him, because he knows my name.
- ¹⁵ When he calls to me, I will answer him;
 I will be with him in trouble;
 I will rescue him and honor him.
- ¹⁶ With long life I will satisfy him
 and show him my salvation.”

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GREETING THE ASSEMBLY OF THE SAINTS

TOM TUCKER

You whom I took from the ends of the earth, and called from its farthest corners, saying to you, “You are my servant, I have chosen you and not cast you off”; fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

—Isaiah 41:9-10

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE (#430)

SUNSHINE

“Sunshine in My Soul”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

TOM TUCKER

What is your only comfort in life and death?

That I with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ; who, with his precious blood, has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly

Father, not a hair can fall from my head; even more, all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by his Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready, henceforth, to live for him.

—*The Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION TOM TUCKER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON TOM TUCKER

Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

—Romans 8:34 & 2 Corinthians 5:17

GOD’S WILL FOR OUR LIVES TOM TUCKER

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

—Micah 6:8

MISSIONS EMPHASIS JANICE DALLAS

OFFERTORY HYMN (#409) HARRIS

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

OFFERTORY PRAYER JOE HILL

OFFERTORY ANTHEM FBC CHOIR

“Gracious Spirit”

OFFERTORY RESPONSE OLD 100TH

“Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(Children ages 3-5 may leave for PEW Ministry during this hymn.)

GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION TOM TUCKER

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON HOWARD BRYAN

John 9:1-12

¹As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. ²And his disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” ³Jesus answered, “It was not that this man sinned,

or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” ⁶Having said these things, he spit on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man’s eyes with the mud ⁷and said to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

⁸The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” ⁹Some said, “It is he.” Others said, “No, but he is like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” ¹⁰So they said to him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” ¹¹He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed and received my sight.” ¹²They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

JOE DOWNS

Acts 28:1-10

¹After we were brought safely through, we then learned that the island was called Malta. ²The native people showed us unusual kindness, for they kindled a fire and welcomed us all, because it had begun to rain and was cold. ³When Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks and put them on the fire, a viper came out because of the heat and fastened on his hand. ⁴When the native people saw the creature hanging from his hand, they said to one another, “No doubt this man is a murderer. Though he has escaped from the sea, Justice has not allowed him to live.” ⁵He, however, shook off the creature into the fire and suffered no harm. ⁶They were waiting for him to swell up or suddenly fall down dead. But when they had waited a long time and saw no misfortune come to him, they changed their minds and said that he was a god.

⁷Now in the neighborhood of that place were lands belonging to the chief man of the island, named Publius, who received us and entertained us hospitably for three days. ⁸It happened that the father of Publius lay sick with fever and dysentery. And Paul visited him and prayed, and putting his hands on him healed him. ⁹And when this had taken place, the rest of the people on the island who had diseases also came and were cured. ¹⁰They also honored us greatly, and when we were about to sail, they put on board whatever we needed.

SERMON

TOM TUCKER

“God’s Detours”

HYMN OF RESPONSE (#582)

SURABAJA

“Send Me, O Lord, Send Me”

DEPARTING TO SERVE

OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP AND REACHING OUT

- Joyful Noise practice today at 4:00 and Adult Handbells at 4:45.
- Christmas Cantata practice is tonight at 6:00.
- Remember to set your clocks back next Saturday night.

PASTORAL PRAYER

TOM TUCKER

THE CHARGE

TOM TUCKER

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

—Colossians 3:15

THE BENEDICTION

TOM TUCKER

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

—1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

POSTLUDE

DANIEL SMITH

The pastor is available after the service at the front of the sanctuary for anyone who would like to talk more about today's message, learn about faith in Christ, church membership or for prayer. You may also make an appointment by calling the church office at 706-645-2969 or emailing him directly at tucker@fbcwestpoint.com.

Sermon Notes

“God’s Detours”

2014 Deacon Nomination Ballot
 First Baptist Church, West Point, GA

Resident male members 21 years of age and over having been a member of FBCWP for at least one full year are eligible to be elected deacons. Please draw a circle around three (3) names for whom you wish to nominate for the coming deacon election. Ballots with more than three names circled will not be counted. You may nominate less than three.

Abercrombie, Phil	Hill, Thomas*
Adams, Bill	Kemp, Richard*
Cantrell, Lamar	Kerr, David*
Clark, Charles	McLain, Phil*
Dallas, Chad	McLain, Brad
Downs, Joe*	McLane, Dan*
Graben, Justin	Thompson, Joe
Groover, Robert*	Thompson, Steve
Head, Billy*	

Ineligible to Receive Votes
 (Rotating Deacons)

<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Jack Combs	Dantz Frazer	Chuck Smith
George Hester	Howard Bryan	Donny Bolton
Roger Hales	Joe Hill	

*Ordained deacon

Nourishing Persons in Faith and Discipleship

Caring for One Another

As you intercede for others this week please lift up these particular concerns from here in our own congregation:

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| ● Mildred Shaver | ● Emma Myers |
| ● Geneva Bartlett | ● Lillian Barber |
| ● William & Margaret Breedlove | ● Charles & Mary Clark |
| ● Florine Henderson | ● Richard & Pat Kemp |
| ● Dot Jacobs | ● Paul and Ann Fiquette |
| ● Byron & Mary Ann McEachern | ● George Hester |
| ● Jessica Bolton | ● Justin Graben |
| ● Margaret Bartlett | |

Be sure to join in Family Night Activities on Wednesday evening. We'll have Prayer Meeting at 5:30 followed by our Family Night meal at 6:00. Choir practice, TeamKID and Youth 4/12 will meet after the meal. Please call the church office if you plan to eat supper.

Wednesday night Prayer Meeting offers us a chance to share our concerns and join together in prayer over them, as well as a few minutes of focused Bible study. This fall we will be exploring the Beatitudes. Come join us in the chapel at 5:30.

Please join us at the Bolton's next Sunday afternoon for our Fall Fellowship. See page 13 for more details.

The Bulletin Board

November Birthdays

3—Devon Cushin
7—Michael Hill
10—Wilmer Simpson
14—Paul Fiquette, Jr
19—Pal Barber
23—Debra Downs
23—Jeri Smith
24—Richard Kemp
25—Linda Combs
27—Catherine Curry
30—Althea Head

It's time to...



next Saturday night!



Looking ahead...

Church wide Fall Fellowship
Sunday, November 2nd

3:30 PM

at Donny and Jerri Bolton's
1185 Magnolia Lake Circle, Lanett

Weiner roast & activities for the
children

Grab your lawn chairs or a quilt
Hot dogs & buns will be provided
Bring drinks or a side dish.

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