First Baptist Church, **DeFuniak Springs FL**

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A Fellowship of Encouragement

Rev. Tim Burnham, Pastor Rev. Dean DeMarra, Worship Pastor Brendon Murphy, Student Director



Join us at 5:00 PM for the all-you-care-to-eat Wednesday Fellowship Buffet catered by

McLain's Family Steakhouse Restaurant.

Every Wednesday the menu features:

fried chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, rolls, salad, dessert.

Additional menu items are featured as follows:

February 7: Baked Ziti, Limas, Corn

February 21: Chicken Pot Pie, Sliced Carrots, Limas

February 28: Chicken and Dumplings, Greens, Squash

Cost: \$5.00 youth/adults; \$3.00 children (ages 4-10); children ages 3 and under dine free.

SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY SERVICES/ACTIVITIES:

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Sundays:

Sunday School 9:15 AM 10:30 AM Morning Worship **Evening Worship Service** 6:00 PM High School Bible Study

Wednesdays:

Kidz Choir 4:30 PM 5:00 PM Fellowship Buffet Prayer Meeting, G.A.s, 6:00 PM R.A.s, Youth - Called to Serve Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:50 PM

Fridays:

JFMS 3:00-5:00 PM

> And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love.

The Encourager

First Baptist Church, DeFuniak Springs, FL From Your Pastor,

"LOVE PEOPLE"

Some religions are religions of death. Our Christian faith is life. Some religions are religions of hate. Ours is love. Is there a sweeter word in human vocabulary than love? God is love. His Son is the expression of His love, and we are the expression of His Son. One of the most important ingredients of staying power in the Christian life is a genuine God-given love for people. They are at once our greatest joy and greatest heartache, are they not?

God's love is unconditional, universal, and genuine, We can be no less in the work of His kingdom.

Be engaged in the lives of people around you. Be available to people and be approachable with people.

To love people is to get involved in their lives. Walk with people. Hurt with people. Listen to people.

This is how meaningful relationships are built in life, family and church.

People who see Christ's love in us are drawn to Him!

"God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him. This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins. Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other." 1 John 4:9-11 NLT

> WE LOVE OUR CHURCH FAMILY. Tim and Charlene



February 2018

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VALENTINE'S BANQUET

Wednesday, February 14, at 6 PM

Steak Dinner cost \$5/each

Sign up sheet in Mall. Purchase tickets in the office.

First Christian Academy

What an honor for our students to welcome POW Lt. Ewart Sconiers and celebrate his journey home! Our focus this month was on John 15:13. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for his friends. The pictures below are from his homecoming parade and our FCA students learning about the Civil War and Forestry/Wildlife from the Chautauqua exhibits. Nothing beats the excitement of hands-on learning and adventure!







February activities

Feb. 9, 2018 - Science Fair for Grades 4-7 (Fellowship Hall--- Open to public that morning, but closed after lunch for judging)

Feb. 19, 2018 - Presidents' Day- No school Feb. 23, 2018 - Pizza Day



In His Service, Cherelle Weeks; Principal First Christian Academy/216 E. Live Oak Ave. 850-520-4604/www.fcadefuniak.com

New Members

Joanna Cosson joined on Jan. 7, 2018, by statement.

Sandy Fountain joined on Jan. 28, 2018, by statement.

Laurie Fowler joined Jan. 7. 2018, by statement.

Carl Hauquitz joined on Jan. 9, 2018, by baptism.

Leslie Hauquitz joined on Jan. 9, 2018, by baptism.

Sara Napier joined on Jan. 7, 2018, by statement.

Danielle Orenish joined on Jan. 7, 2018, by statement.

Linda White joined on Jan. 28, 2018, by statement.

Buddy White joined on Jan. 28, 2018, by statement.

peacons of the week for February 2018

Morning Prayer

4th—*Robbie Kroll,830-1375; Dylan Laird, 399-1188

11th—*Bob Lancaster, 892-6565; James McHenry, 892-2365

18th—*Hunter Page, 892-4406; Joel Paul, 836-4084

25th—*Jerry Stafford, 859-2111; Leonard Thorn, 834-4875

February 2018

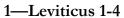
The Month At - A - Glance

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 First Thursday Circle 9-11 am	2	3
4 Deacons' Meeting 4:30 am	5 FCA Board 4 pm	6 Grateful Hearts 9 am Stewardship Meeting 12 pm Facilities Meeting 6 pm	7 Church Council 5 pm	8	Gideons' Dinner/Mtg 6:30 pm	10
11	12 FCP Board 4 pm	Murray Burke 9:30 am	14 Noon Group 12 pm Valentine Banquet 6 pm	15 Pioneer Luncheon 12pm	16	17
18 Baptist Men's Day Breakfast 8 am/ Chili Cook-off after the evening service	19	20 Facilities Meeting 6 pm	Business Meeting 6 pm	Sunshine Group 6:30 pm	23	24
25	26	27	28			

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Read the Bible Through in 2018!

FEBRUARY:



2—Leviticus 5-7

3—Leviticus 8-10

4—Leviticus 11-13

5—Leviticus 14-15

6—Leviticus 16-18

7—Leviticus 19-21

8—Leviticus 22-23

9—Leviticus 24-25

10—Leviticus 26-27

11—Numbers 1-2

12—Numbers 3-4

13—Numbers 5-6

14—Numbers 7

15—Numbers 8-10

16—Numbers 11-13

17—Numbers 14-15

18—Numbers 16-17

19—Numbers 18-20

20—Numbers 21-22

21—Numbers 23-25

22—Numbers 26-27

23—Numbers 28-30

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24—Numbers 31-32

25—Numbers 33-34

26—Numbers 35-36

27—Deuteronomy 1-2

28—Deuteronomy 3-4

FLOWER CALENDAR

Next Available Dates: February 4, 11, 18, March 4, 11, 18, 25

Make your reservations on the calendar at the reception desk in the mall.

FAITH FAMILY FREEDOM

Eric Horner Concert

Sunday, February 4, at 6 pm



Tell Somebody Six Week Series

A Six Week Series on Sharing Our Faith Starts Feb. 11, at 6 pm

Sunday School Clinic

Feb. 12, 5:30 - 7:00 PM.

All preschool, children, youth and adult workers can come together for dinner, motivation & encouragement

Baptist Men's Day Sunday, February 25th

MEN'S BREAKFAST 8 AM MEN'S CHILI COOK-OFF AFTER THE EVENING SERVICE

THERE IS A SIGN-UP SHEET IN THE MALL AREA For each event. Contact Jack Cole 585-6707, IF you have any questions.



Baptist
Women's Day
Breakfast
March 4th, 8 AM

Ladies
Spring Tea
April 19th,
6 PM

STUDENT MINISTRY

THE WAY c dfs youth ministry newsletter

FEBRUARY

GLOBAL YOUTH CAMP SUMMER DATES
JULY 16TH-22ND



FEB. 14TH-Students are serving (fundraiser for Glodal)



8:00am

7:30AM (OLD SANCTUARY)



FEB. 24TH- CHURCH

WORKDAY SATURDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS!

STEREOTYPES

A STUDY THROUGH THE BOOK OF RUTH

Brendon Murphy 850-307-294

FCP Open Enrollment begins Tuesday, February 20, 2018.

Contact April Murphy, for more information, aprilmurphyfcp@gmail.com 951.1225.



April Murphy, Director

First Christian Preschool

A Ministry of

First Baptist Church

225 South 11th Street

Pregnancy Support Center "Baby Bottle Boomerang"

Our annual "Baby Bottle Boomerang" is underway. We are asking everyone to please take a bottle (or as many as you wish) home and fill it with spare change, dollars, or checks made out to the Pregnancy Support Center, over the next few weeks. You will be joining us as we help moms provide items necessary for their babies.

Please return them to the Church Office on or before Feb. 25th.

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Donations Given In Memory/In Honor during the weeks of: December 17, 2017 – January 28, 2018

• BUILDING FUND

In memory of Carlton Rhodes by Leonard Matthews

FIRST CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

In memory of Lamar Alford by Nancy Holder by Dennis and Debra Hoppe by Martha Ingle

<u>In honor of Jim Crawford</u> by Wilburn and Mary Jo Hendrix

In memory of Virginia Pridgen by Jan Adams

In memory of Don and Martha Wennerberg by Wilburn and Mary Jo Hendrix

• FIRST CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

In memory of Doug Adams by Leonard and Sue Thorn

In memory of Gladys Holley by Leonard and Sue Thorn

In memory of Virginia Pridgen by Leonard and Sue Thorn

In memory of Jean Yarbrough by by Leonard and Sue Thorn

• GENERAL BUDGET

In memory of Lamar Alford by Ruth Gray

In memory of Arnold Caylor by Ruth Gray

In honor of Ruth Evans by Melissa Pilcher

In Deepest Sympathy 🐇



We extend our deepest love and Christian sympathy to:

- The family of Lamar Alford, upon his death on January 24, 2018.
- The family of Arnold Caylor, upon his death on January 12, 2018.
- Cherelle Weeks and family in the loss of her aunt.

Work Day

(Clean up of the old sanctuary)
Saturday,
February 24,
7:30 AM

There is a sign up sheet in the mall area.

Sunday School
Attendance Report
December 24, 2017 —
January 28, 2018

Dec.



Dec. 31 — 134

January 7 — 146

January 14 — 138

January 21 — 155

January 28 — 153

24 - N/A

Volunteers needed for

Vacation Bible School

June 11-15.

There is a sign up sheet in the mall area.



Year End Report of Offering for December 24 — December 31, 2017:

Budget Offering \$ 28,001.58

Designated Offering \$ 9,756.42

Total Offerings \$ 37,767.00

Total Budget Received To Date \$ 562,506.00

Building Fund Offering Received \$ 2,240.00

Balance in Building Fund \$ 80,404.66

Report of Offerings for January 7 — January 28, 2018:

Budget Offering	\$ 38,513.46
Designated Offering	\$ 11,507.93
Total Offerings	\$ 45,982.52
Total Budget Received To Date	\$ 32,801.19
Building Fund Offering Received	\$ 1,000.00
Balance in Building Fund	\$ 81,219.57

February Birthdays:

- 1 Deborah Curry
- 2- Pat Owen, Karen Shive
- 3 Cate Campbell, Barbara Capps
- 4 Charles Burney, Audrey Weeks
- 5 Terry Dawkins, Eli Warner
- 6 NONE
- 7 Brad Drake
- 8 Sara Lane
- 9 Verlyn Balkcom, Peggy Caylor
- 10 Mark Weeks
- 11 Shirley Fortunato
- 12 Tyler Griggs
- 13 NONE
- 14 Molly Heald, Richard Lewis, Griffon Murphy
- 15 NONE
- 16 NONE
- 17 Jerri Manning
- 18 Faye Kinsey
- 19 Tristan Merchant, Merilee Manning
- 20 NONE
- 21 NONE
- 22 Ken Baker, Ashely Ellis, Barbara Gibson, Robby Kroll, Joseph Cogswell
- 23 NONE
- 24 Jo Ann Bierbaum
- 25 Terry Pilcher
- 26 Misty Lindsey
- 27 Janet Brack, Harriett Hurley
- 28 Bill Bierbaum, Chuck Williams



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