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DeFuniak Springs FL**

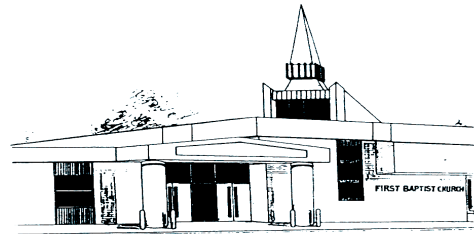
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The Encourager

First Baptist Church, DeFuniak Springs, FL

From Your Pastor



April
2018

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The Day that Changed

Our heart from hopeless to hopeful
Our mind from darkness to light
Our life from death to life

It is the day that offers a new beginning with a different ending.

And if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is useless and you are still guilty of your sins. In that case, all who have died believing in Christ are lost! And if our hope in Christ is only for this life, we are more to be pitied than anyone in the world.

But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead. He is the first of a great harvest of all who have died.

1 Corinthians 15:17-20 NLT

Join us this Easter Sunday as we celebrate the day that make new beginnings possible!

And invite someone to come with you

We love celebrating Easter with our church family
Pastor Tim and Charlene

SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY SERVICES/ACTIVITIES:

Sundays:

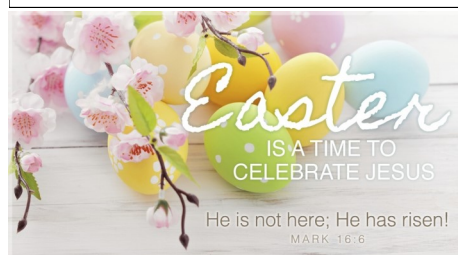
Sunday School 9:15 AM
Morning Worship 10:30 AM
Evening Worship Service 6:00 PM
High School Bible Study

Wednesdays:

Kidz Choir 4:30 PM
Fellowship Buffet 5:00 PM
Bible Study/Prayer, G.A.s, 6:00 PM
R.A.s, Youth, Mission Friends
Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:50 PM

Fridays:

JFMS 3:00—5:00 PM



Join us at 5:15 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:

April 4: Ham, Cabbage, Greens

April 11: Chicken Pot Pie, Greens Beans, Yellow Squash

April 18: Meat Balls in Gravy, Corn, Field Peas

April 25: Spaghetti, Baby Carrots, Green Beans

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



April 29, during
the Morning
Service. Contact
the Church office
if you would like
to dedicate a
child. Deadline
is April 18.

First Christian Academy

Our past three chapel services have been filled with lots of learning about The Last Supper, Good Friday, and Resurrection Sunday. What a blessing to teach about our risen Savior!



Upcoming Events in April

April 9-13 - Terra Nova Standardized Testing Grades 3-7

April 20 - Deadline for turning in orders for Boston Butt Barbecue Fundraiser (call me to place an order)

April 27 - Pick up Boston Butts at ACE Hardware 5:30 pm

April 29 - Living History Presentations 6:00 pm Sanctuary

Many blessings and thank you for supporting FCA!
Cherelle Weeks, Principal

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First Christian Preschool

Dear Church Family,

First Christian Preschool is grateful for the outpouring of love and support our church family provides our Preschool ministry! Each encouraging word, donation, time and prayers are felt daily!

Thank you to those who helped in a mighty way this past work day! The playground looks amazing thanks to you all! I am so blessed by my FBC Family!!



Much love,
April Murphy
FCP, Director
[850.951.1225](tel:850.951.1225)



April 2018

The Month At - A - Glance

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <i>Happy Easter</i> No evening service	2 FCA Board Mtg 4 pm	3 Grateful Hearts 9 am	4	5 NO First Thursday Circle	6 JFMS 3-5 pm	7
8 Deacons' Mtg 4:30 pm This Hope Concert 6 pm	9 FCP Board Mtg 4 pm	10 Murray Burke 9:30 am Stewardship Mtg 12 pm FCP Staff Mtg 5:30 pm Facilities Mtg 6 pm	11 Noon Group	12	13 JFMS 3-5 pm FC Preschool Ice Cream Social 6:15 pm	14 Adult 4 Coed Dinner 4:30 pm (Richardson's House)
15 Lord's Supper AM Service	16	17	18 Business Meeting 6 pm	19 Pioneers Luncheon 12 pm	20 JFMS 3-5 pm	21
22	23	24 Facilities Mtg 6 pm	25	26 Ladies Tea 6 pm	27 JFMS 3-5 pm	28
29 Parent child Dedication AM Service FCA Living History Spotlight 6 pm	30					

**Read the Bible
Through in 2018!**

April:



- 1—1 Samuel 18 - 20
- 2—1 Samuel 21 - 24
- 3—1 Samuel 25 - 27
- 4—1 Samuel 28 - 31
- 5—2 Samuel 1 - 3
- 6—2 Samuel 4 - 7
- 7—2 Samuel 8 - 12
- 8—2 Samuel 13 - 15
- 9—2 Samuel 16 - 18
- 10—2 Samuel 19 - 21
- 11—2 Samuel 22 -24
- 12—1 Kings 1 - 2
- 13—1 Kings 3 - 5
- 14—1 Kings 6 - 7
- 15—1 Kings 8 - 9
- 16—1 Kings 10 - 11
- 17—1 Kings 12 - 14
- 18—1 Kings 15 - 17
- 19—1 Kings 18 - 20
- 20—1 Kings 21 - 22
- 21—2 Kings 1 - 3
- 22—2 Kings 4 - 5
- 23—2 Kings 6 - 8
- 24—2 Kings 9 - 11
- 25—2 Kings 12 - 14
- 26—2 Kings 15 - 17
- 27—2 Kings 18 - 19
- 28—2 Kings 20 - 22
- 29—2 Kings 23 - 25
- 30—1 Chronicles 1 - 2

FLOWER CALENDAR

Next Available Dates:

- April 15, 29
- May 6, 13, 27

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

Thank You Notes ...

*Dear Church Family,
Sarah and I thank you for your prayers, calls and cards after my recent stay in the hospital.*

*Love to all,
Howard & Sarah LaPorte*

*Dear Church Family,
I would like to thank all of my new Brothers and Sisters in Christ at First Baptist for all of your thoughts, prayers, kind words, time, cards and letters after the untimely death of my brother, Eddis Bowers. You all have made me feel exceptionally Blessed to be a part of your family. Thank You All for the warmth of Your Love! My family truly thanks you too for coming to our side in time of need.*

*God Bless You All,
Connie Strickland*

First Baptist Church Workday

March 8, 2018



Pictured: Zane Welch, James Coffield, Wesley Wilkerson, James Hurley, Ben Watts, Paul Carter, Jack Owen, Lou Nelson, James McHenry, and Tom Pagels.

**STUDENT
MINISTRY**

THE WAY
fbc dfs youth ministry newsletter

APRIL

EASTER SUNDAY!
APRIL 1ST 10:30AM
INVITE A FRIEND!

April 8th- Compassion Experience! From 12pm-4pm Parents are encouraged to attend. This will be a mission minded experience after the worship service.



APRIL 28TH- CAR WASH FUNDRAISER! 8AM-2PM



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS!

**STEREOTYPES
DEBUNKED**

stay connected:



A STUDY THROUGH THE BOOK OF RUTH

Brendon Murphy 850-307-2941

**Deacons of the week
for April 2018**

- 1. *Bob Lancaster, 892-6565; James McHenry, 892-2365
 - 8. *Hunter Page, 892-4406; Joel Paul, 836-4084
 - 15. *Jerry Stafford, 859-2115; Leonard Thorn, 834-4875
 - 22. *Ben Watts, 859-9947; Dennis Beck, 401-4304
 - 29. *Bruce Butts, 892-5541; Jack Cole, 892-9918
- * Morning Prayer**

**Global
Youth Camp**

**July 16-22
Chatsworth, GA,
\$25 deposit.**

**Contact
Brendon Murphy.**

Pregnancy Support Center

The Pregnancy Support Center is honored to announce that to date we have collected approximately \$2,921.60 from the Baby Bottle Boomerang! 80 bottles have been returned out of the 110 taken. Remember, you can still return your bottle to the Church filled with change, cash or checks.

We love and appreciate all the members of First Baptist Church will like to say "Thank You" for your continued prayers and support to our Center, as we minister the heart of Jesus Christ to those facing an unplanned pregnancy.

Sharon Taylor
Director

Pregnancy Support Center
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Donations Given In Memory/In Honor during the weeks of March 4 - 18:

• **BUILDING FUND**

In honor of Ruth Gray
by Wilburn and Mary Jo Hendrix

• **FIRST CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL**

In memory of Florence Richardson
by Helen Supple

• **FOOD PANTRY**

In memory of Bill and Betty Brock
by Clyde and Marylene Rhodes

In honor of Florence Richardson
by Clyde and Marylene Rhodes

• **GENERAL BUDGET**

In memory of Jerry Alford
by Jerry and Gwen Stafford

In honor of Lamar Alford
by Jerry and Gwen Stafford

In memory of Bill Brock
by Jerry and Gwen Stafford

In memory of Mildred Johnson
by Ruth Gray

In memory of Florence Richardson
by Jerry and Gwen Stafford

In memory of Gladys White
by Ruth Gray

• **NURSERY REMODEL**

In memory of Rudy Backman
by Jan Adams

In memory of Alice Umphlet
by Jan Adams



JOIN US FOR
EASTER
CELEBRATE OUR SAVIOUR

Sunday School: 9:15 AM
Morning Service: 10:30 AM
No Evening Service

Sunday, April 8
Kidz Choir will be singing during the Morning Service



This Hope Concert



Sunday, April 8, at 6 PM



The Lord's Supper
Sunday, April 15,
10:30 AM




LADIES TEA
Thursday, April 26
at 6 pm

Sunday School Attendance Report



March 4 — 158
March 11 — 144
March 18 — 144

In Deepest Sympathy

We extend our deepest love and Christian sympathy to:

- ♦ Barbara Gibson in the loss of her mother, Gladys White;
- ♦ Jan Adams in the loss of her step-mother, Mildred Johnson;
- ♦ Kathy Robinson in the loss of her brother, Gary Brown.

New Members

Amie Coonis joined on March 11, by baptism.

Phyllis Seigler joined on February 11, by letter.

Robert Seigler joined on February 11, by letter.



Goal: \$4,700
Received: \$4,187

Report of Offerings for March 4 -25, 2018:

Budget Offering	\$ 45,025.73
Designated Offering	\$ 10,514.00
Total Offerings	\$ 55,539.00
Total Budget Received To Date	\$ 128,315.03
Building Fund Offering Received	\$ 1,142.00
Balance in Building Fund	\$ 88,509.66
Nursery Remodel	\$ 1,060.00
Received To Date	\$ 11,640.00

April Birthdays:

- 1 - Mac Carpenter, Corey Forde, Martha Given, Fred Lowery, Amy Thorne
- 2 - Wilma Gorr
- 3 - Larry Murphy, Telly Reodica
- 4 - Bruce Butts, Joe Dees,
- 5 - Danny Stevens, Cayley Willcox
- 6 - NONE
- 7 - NONE
- 8 - NONE
- 9 - NONE
- 10 - NONE
- 11 - Sue Thorn
- 12 - Kymberlyn Murphy, Gardis Watts
- 13 - NONE
- 14 - Daniel Paul
- 15 - Linda Trotman
- 16 - NONE
- 17 - Dawn DeMarra
- 18 - Michelle Garrison, Courtney Russell
- 19 - NONE
- 20 - Brendon Murphy
- 21 - Betty Andrews, Nancy Holder, Ansley Marshall, Gideon Strader, Leonard Thorn
- 22 - Miranda Wilkerson
- 23 - NONE
- 24 - NONE
- 25 - Tiffany Cosson, Wilburn Hendrix, Anna Thomas
- 26 - NONE
- 27 - Phil Kelley
- 28 - NONE
- 29 - Alan Given
- 30 - Lewis Coffield

