



# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH STATESBORO

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30am  
11:00am

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45am

## WEDNESDAY

5:00pm Family Night Supper

5:30pm Kidz Praise

6:15pm Student Ministry

6:30pm Midweek Kidz Ministry

6:30pm Adult Bible Studies

6:30pm Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal

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### From the Pastor

#### 135 Years of Ministry

This Sunday marks the 135th anniversary of First Baptist Church Statesboro. Founded in 1882, this community of believers has faithfully preached the Gospel and ministered to others as one generation was followed by another. The ministry of this local church has endured world wars, economic crises, shifting cultural trends, and natural disasters, all while pointing people to Jesus and caring for others with compassionate, loving care.

Aren't you glad to be a part of a church that has such a rich history? The congregation we know today as First Baptist Statesboro stands on the shoulders of the faithful generations who preceded us, and the impact of ministry today is rooted in the work and dedication of generations past.

You may not personally know the Sunday School teachers, pastors, deacons, volunteers, and families who have gone before you, but the same Jesus we serve today is the same Jesus they served over this past history. As we celebrate 135 years of ministry, let's be thankful to God for His grace and favor, and let's renew our commitment to continue reaching people across the globe and across the street.

#### Disaster Relief for Houston

If you want to provide monetary support for recovery efforts in the greater Houston area following Hurricane Harvey, you may give directly through First Baptist Church. Simply designate your gift as "disaster relief" or "Hurricane Harvey," and every dime and dollar will be forwarded to support for victims through our Disaster Relief Ministries of the Georgia Baptist Mission Board.

Additionally, let's pray for the disaster relief volunteers who will deploy from our church and other congregations to assist in relief efforts. If you are interested in learning about how to be trained as a disaster relief volunteer for future emergencies, you may contact our state missionary, Stuart Lang, at [slang@gabaptist.org](mailto:slang@gabaptist.org).

--- John Waters

### Today at FBC



- Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)
- Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee
- 10,000 Reasons
- Great Is Thy Faithfulness
- Here I Am To Worship
- Were It Not For Grace

Barry Collins

*Faithful through the ages*



*years*



First Baptist Church Statesboro  
1882 - 2017

HELPING YOU START & STRENGTHEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS

# THE PROCLAIMER



## WELCOME

### Thank you for joining us today!

---If this is your first time joining us, we want to get to know you better. Fill out the welcome card and meet our Pastor after the service.

## CHURCH WIDE

### No Worship Service Tonight

---Enjoy the time with your family.

### Labor Day Holiday

---Church office will be closed September 4 for Labor Day.

### Missions Luncheon

---September 5; 12:00pm; special guests Kenneth and Katrise Murphy; lunch \$7.

### Wednesday Night Supper September 6

---Fried and baked chicken, yellow rice, vegetable blend, green beans, garden fresh salad, rolls, pie, tea/coffee/lemonade.

### 9/11 Patriot Day Prayer Service

---September 11; 12:00pm; Join us on the courthouse lawn for "11 Prayer Points for 9/11".

### Church Conference

---September 17; following evening worship.

### Family Cookout at Mill Creek

---September 24; Mill Creek Park; activities at 4:00pm; meal at 6:00pm.

## MEMBERSHIP

### Requesting Church Membership

---First Baptist Church would like to welcome Whitney Hughes, Spencer Manuel, Sunny Deal, Jordan Taulbee, Aaron, Amanda, Nick, and Madeline Langes.

## CONGRATULATIONS

### Lainey Brooke Waters

--- We celebrate the birth of Lainey Brooke Waters, born to Emily and Ross Waters on August 28.

## FLOWERS

---The flowers in the welcome area are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Sissy Dekle by Mr. and Mrs. Remer Dekle and family.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

### First Grade Bible Brunch

---September 17; 9:45am; for more information on this special family time please contact the Kidz Ministry Office.

## STUDENT MINISTRY

### MOVE Conference

---December 29-30; Macon, GA; \$50 deposit due by September 17.

### See You at the Pole

---September 27; information available at The Gathering.

## COLLEGE MINISTRY

### Confluence Conference

---September 22-24; McDonough, GA.

### Passion Conference

---January 1-3, 2018; Philips Arena; \$50 deposit to register.

## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

### Senior Adult Week

---September 11-15; information at the Welcome Desk.

## MUSIC MINISTRY

### 55+ Adult Choir Practice

---September 5; 1:30pm; choir room.

## MEN'S MINISTRY

### Men's Ministry Kickoff Dinner

---September 7; 6:30pm; Perry Fellowship Hall; Cost \$5.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

### Rejoice! Women's Bible Study

---Each Wednesday morning at 9:00am in the Multipurpose Room; beginning September 6.

## FOR THE RECORD - AUGUST 27, 2017

### Attendance

Morning Worship.....1384  
Sunday School.....919

### Year-to-Date General Fund

Receipts.....\$1,807,268.77  
Goal.....\$1,999,442.20

### Gifts Received

General.....\$34,196.68  
Designated.....\$4,878.68  
Building.....\$11,335.00

### Long Term Debt

Balance Owed....\$ 2,899,202.58

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