

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30am 11:00am

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45am

EVENING CONCERT Shelly E. Johnson 6:00pm

WEDNESDAY

There will be no Wednesday night activities this week join us at Freddie Blitch Farms for Journey to Bethlehem.

fbc-statesboro.org

December 10, 2017

912-764-5627

From the Pastor

Thank You from the Waters Family

Please allow me to express my thanks for the kindness and love you've shown to us following the death of my father last week. His burial service was last Sunday in Warner Robins, and we were greatly encouraged by the cards, acts of kindness, and personal contacts we received.

Both mom and dad passed away within the last five years, so I find myself with no living parents, just like many of you. This is an awkward feeling, but we are pressing forward with God's sustaining grace and with the kindness of a wonderful church family at First Baptist Statesboro. Once again, you have surrounded us with love and buttressed us with prayer. For that, we are more grateful than words can adequately express.

Christmas Eve at First Baptist Statesboro

On the morning of Christmas Eve, we will have a single service at 10:00 am with no Sunday School but will host our two Christmas Eve services as usual. Our Family Nativity service begins at 5:00 pm and the Candlelight Communion Service starts at 6:30 pm.

Every year I learn of families whose first visit to First Baptist Church was on Christmas Eve, mostly because a friend or coworker personally invited them as guests. Is there a family in your circle of relationships that needs to be invited as your guest this Christmas Eve? For your convenience, we are providing "invite cards" that you can give to these families, so pick some up today and bring someone with you on Christmas Eve.

Christmas at the Courthouse - December 15

Local churches will gather on the Bulloch County Courthouse lawn for a brief service of Scripture reading, prayer, and carol singing on Friday, December 15, at 6:00 pm. I plan to be present for this community prayer event, and I invite you to join us for this special time too.

--- John Waters

Today at FBC

- Your Name
- What A Beautiful Name
- Noel
- Go Tell It On The Mountain
- Christmas Is Beautiful Shelly E. Johnson
- O Come All Ye Faithful



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 take a moment to meet our Pastor after the service.

CHURCH WIDE

Young-At-Heart Christmas Luncheon

---December 12; 12:00pm; Perry Fellowship Hall; \$7; entertainment by FBC Senior Adult Choir.

Family Night Supper December 13

---No Family Night Supper this week.

Church Office Closed

---Church office will be closed December 25 - January 1.

End of Year Giving

---Your giving to the ministry of First Baptist church provides 100% of the resources for our church. To qualify as a tax deductible contribution, your gift must be received in the financial office or postmarked no later that December 31. On-line and mobile gifts must also be made before midnight on December 31.

FLOWERS

---The flowers are given this Sunday to the glory of God and in loving memory of Terrell Reddick by his wife, Linda and children: Jay and Farrah Reddick, Joey and Lisa Fennell and grandchildren.

Christmas Is Beautikul December 10 Special Guest Shelly E. Johnson and FBC Choirs #fbcboro

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Journey to Bethlehem

---December 13; Freddy Blitch Farms; 6:00pm.

STUDENT MINISTRY

MOVE Conference

---Parent meeting December 17, 7:30pm; Waldo's Cafe.

FBSM Ski Weekend 2018

--- January 12-15, 2018; information & sign-up online.

IMPACT Camp

---June 11-15, 2018; \$50 deposit; sign-up online.

MUSIC MINISTRY

An Instrumental Christmas

---Sunday December 17; 6:00pm; Worship Center.

Ernie Haase and Signature Sound

---Sunday January 21; 6:00pm; Worship Center.

MEN'S MINISTRY

Wild Game Supper

---January 25; now accepting donations of wild game, call Ricky Allen at 912.489.7922 for more information.

MEMBERSHIP

Requesting Church Membership

---First Baptist Church would like to welcome Newman and Dawn Pryor.

SYMPATHY

---We express our deepest sympathy to the family of Mrs. Runette H. Davis in her passing.

FOR THE RECORD - DECEMBER 3, 2017

Attendance	
Morning Worship	1053
Sunday School	873

Year -to-Date General Fund		
Receipts	\$2,524,412.55	
Goal	\$2 799 219 08	

Gifts Received	
General	\$66,675.26
Designated	\$13,427.83
Building	\$9,495.00

Long Term Debt

Balance Owed....\$ 2,768,729.64

Lottie Moon Missions Offering
To Date.....\$12,868.75

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