



**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
STATESBORO**

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30am
11:00am

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45am

EVENING WORSHIP

6:00pm

WEDNESDAY

5:00pm Family Night Supper
5:30pm Kidz Praise
6:00pm Student Ministry
6:30pm Midweek Kidz Ministry
6:30pm Adult Bible Studies
6:30pm Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal

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March 18, 2018

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From the Pastor

The Power of a Personal Invitation

Whenever I receive a personal invitation to an event, I immediately associate that event with the person who invited me. And my willingness to attend becomes stronger when the person offers to meet me there personally or sit with me during the program.

Is it any different when we invite people to a church? This Easter, personally invite someone as your guest, and arrange to meet that person at a certain entrance or parking lot, and then plan to sit together in one of the Easter worship services. Your willingness to invite a friend or coworker personally just might be the tipping point of a great work God is planning to do in that person's life. Come to Easter Sunday, but don't come by yourself.

Easter Weekend Schedule

-Good Friday Night of Worship

We will host our Good Friday Service on March 30, at 6:30 pm. This will be a powerful experience focused on the suffering and death of Jesus. This service also includes the Lord's Supper.

-24 Hour Prayer Vigil

Beginning immediately after the Good Friday service, the 24 Hour Prayer Vigil is a time for us as a church to call upon God in private and/or group prayer. To sign up for one or more of the 30-minute time slots, see the display in the Elevator Lobby.

-Easter Sunday

We will host three morning services on Easter in the Worship Center, with no Sunday School. Please note the adjusted worship times of 8:00, 9:15, and 10:30 am. This schedule will allow us to engage a larger number of worshipers with times that fit conveniently with the majority of families.

-Personal Invite Cards

Pick up a few of the printed invite cards, give these to those anyone you ask to be your guest on Easter. I look forward to seeing you and your guests this Easter.

--- John Waters

Today at FBC

I Believe in the Church

- Glorious Day
- Jesus Paid It All
- One Holy Lamb
- O Praise The Name
- I Believe
- You Are My All In All
- This I Believe

**COME CELEBRATE
EASTER**
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH STATESBORO
8:00 - 9:15 - 10:30 AM

HELPING YOU START & STRENGTHEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS

THE PROCLAIMER



CHURCH WIDE

Family Night Supper March 21

---BBQ, potato salad, baked beans, garden fresh salad, yeast rolls, and chocolate delight.

Church Conference

---The regular monthly Church Conference for the month of April will be held April 8, immediately following the evening worship service.

Deacon Recommendation

---At the April 8 Church Conference the deacons will recommend that First Baptist Church partner with George Bullard to lead us in a spiritual weekend experience called a "Congregational Assessment & Learning Experience" on May 18-21, 2018.

This experience will prepare us to clarify God's vision for our church over the next 8-10 years and to identify strategic issues that need to be addressed as God leads us into the future. This grassroots process will use focus groups to ensure a broad and deep participation from the church body, as we sense where God is leading us in the years ahead.

Spring Missions Offering

---March 18 - April 29.

Church Offices Closed

---Church offices will be closed Good Friday.

FLOWERS

---The flowers are given this Sunday to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Wallis Cobb, Sr., Virginia Cobb, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Willbanks by Mr. & Mrs. Wallis Cobb, Jr. and family.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Easter Eggstravaganza

--March 28; Circle Drive parking lot; live bunnies photo op 5:15pm; Easter activities 6:00pm.

VBS Pep Rally

--Volunteer meeting; April 15; 3:00-5:00pm; Perry Fellowship Hall.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Celebration Choir and Orchestra Practice

---Wednesday; 6:30pm; Choir Room.

Joyful Singers

---Tuesday; 1:30pm; Choir Room.

Hymn Sing

---March 25; 6:00pm; Worship Center.

Good Friday

---March 30; 6:30pm; childcare provided.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Praise Moves: The Christian Alternative to Yoga

--- Mondays @ 5:30pm; Tuesdays @ 9:30 & 11:00am; Thursdays @ 11:00am & 5:30pm; Fridays @ 9:30am; All classes held in the Historic Sanctuary.

Caring Threads

---Tuesdays @ 10:00-11:30am; room B303.

MEMBERSHIP

Requesting Church Membership

---First Baptist Church welcomes Sheila Hotchkiss, Robbie & Tracy Batchelor, and Gina Drown.

FOR THE RECORD - MARCH 11, 2018

Attendance

Morning Worship.....1022
Sunday School.....755

Gifts Received

General.....\$49,933.16
Designated.....\$2,116.00
Building.....\$6,906.00

Year-to-Date General Fund

Goal.....\$571,269.20
2018 Receipts.....\$529,902.11
2017 Receipts.....\$511,114.60

Long Term Debt

Balance Owed....\$ 2,519,705.93

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