#### Last Sunday's Record - August 30, 2020

Offering: \$18,090.91 **January 1, 2020** 

Requirements: \$915,560.45 Receipts: \$869,279.01

#### **Deacon of the Week**

9/6 - Fred Porter 9/13 - Ward Calhoun 9/20 - Landry Adkins 9/27 - Tommy Allen

#### **Sermon for September 6**

"The Good Shepherd"
Psalm 23

#### **September 6 - Security Team 1**

Walter Rogers, Jr., Justin Anders, Wallace Heggie, Neil Henry

#### **CONTINUING PRAYER NEEDS**

Ginger Richardson (6/3/20)

Frances Dickson (6/14/20)

Pat McCubbin (6/22/20)

Mike Covert (6/23/20)

Ellen Rogers (6/23/20)

Neisha Alexander (7/6/20) friend of Gaile Culpepper

Matthew Stokley (7/6/20)

Rev. Jerry Meggs (7/6/20)

Louise Ellis (7/7/20) John Ellis' mother

Maudie Newsome (7/7//20)

Mel Bounds (7/7/20)

Paulette Hopkins (7/7/20) David Hopkins' mother

Judge Charles Smith (7/7/20) Friend of Leonard Cobb

Dee Negrete (7/7/20) Joe and Betty Ross' daughter

Margaret Roberson (7/7/20) Joe Ross' sister

Pete and Julie Bertrand (7/71/20) Albert Alston's friend

Geffery Swanson (7/9/2020) formerly of Meridian

Jim Singley (7/9/20) Louise Williamson's nephew

Raymon Leake (7/15/20)

Tim Thesman (7/15/20) Carol Wink's brother

JoAnn Braddock (7/21/20)

Sandra Johnson (7/21/20) friend of Sandra Dennis

Hays Monsour (7/21/20)

Emily Price (7/21/20)

Dorothy and Harry Little (7/21/20)

Les and Liz Prystup (7/21/20)

Rebecca King (7/21/20)

Lisa and Wayne Powell (7/21/20)

Carole Lewis (7/21/20)

Frances White (7/15/20)

Nancy Ray (7/15/20)

Mary Evans (7/15/20)

Freddie Poitevent (7/21/20)

Robert and Coweela George (7/21/20)

Debra Porter's sister and brother-in-law

Jim and Gloria Addison (7/21/20)

Ken Smith (7/21/20) Linda Smith's brother

The Cobb Family

Leonard Jones (7/21/20) Pam Maloney's father

Kelly Richardson (7/21/20)

Michelle Spedero (7/21/20) Diane Davison's daughter

Donna Rainey (7/21/20) Gaile Culpepper's cousin

Jack Follis (7/21/20)

Richard Lewis (7/22/20) Micki Harrison's father

Junior Killens (7/27/20) Marilyn Green's brother-in-law

Mildred Spratlin (7/2720) Jeanne Havard's mother

Family of Karlen Bagley (8/3/20)

Cindy Tucker (8/5/20) Mike Covert's friend

Holland Davis Barton (8/7/20) Dusty and Bailey Barton, parents

(friends of Mike Covert)

Katie Moore (8/10/20) Carilynn Causey's friend

(daughter of Dr. Jonathan Moore)

Joe White (8/12/20) Helen Webb's brother-in-law

John and Gwen Brent (8/12/20)

Naomi River Coker (8/18/20) newborn daughter of Erin and

Gabe Coker (Nathan VanHorn's sister and brother-in-law)

Harrison McClain (8/18/20) friend of Betsy Cobb

Nancy Haney (8/18/20) Debra Porter's friend

Haize Hinton (8/25/20) friend of Janice Covert

Patsy Lopez (8/25/20) Gloria Addison's sister

Karen Rush (8/26/20)

#### **NEW PRAYER REQUESTS THIS WEEK**

Frank Evans (8/26/20)

Bruce McGee (8/31/20)

Frances Olander (8/31/30) Sally Wilkinson's mother

Dr. Nathan VanHorn, Pastor

Rev. David Bishop, Associate Pastor for Music

Zach DePriest, Minister of Youth Caitlin Braud, Director of Children's Ministries

Dr. Raymon Leake, Pastor Emeritus

Rev. David McCubbin, Associate Pastor Emeritus

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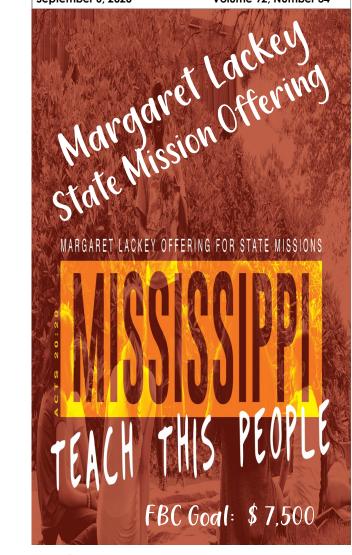
# THE MESSENGER



First Baptist Church Meridian

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## Church Family,

Here's a riddle: what do the baptism of Jesus, temptation of Jesus, arrival of Jesus in Jerusalem, and crucifixion of Jesus all have in common? Several answers may come to mind, but here's one that may not—in the Gospel accounts, all of these events are recorded using direct quotations from the book of Psalms.

If you've read the Psalms, you already know that they are a wonderfully rich collection of poems and songs. The Psalms were the hymnal of the early church (and, before that, the synagogue). The Psalms engage every human emotion experienced in relationship with (and in response to) God, who is big enough to accommodate all that we think, feel, and experience. But the Psalms are even more than that.

The Psalms serve as a window to God's ultimate work in Christ. They are not just something to look at, but rather—like a window something THROUGH which we look at something else: Jesus. The Psalms are directly quoted in the New Testament writings more than any other Old Testament book (68 times). Starting this Sunday, we will begin a sermon series in Psalms (through the month of November). My prayer is that God will use these beautiful poems and songs to enlighten our minds, enrich our hearts, and enliven our hands to walk more closely WITH GOD by finding our lives more fully IN CHRIST, to whom the Psalms ultimately point. I can't wait start this journey. I'll see you Sunday.

> Blessings, NV



#### Wednesday, September 9 @ 5:45 p.m.

with activities and Bible study for Adults, Children and Youth.

Remember to make your take-out supper reservations!

F260 WEEK 37 READING beginning 9/6/20

Monday - Mark 16
Tuesday - Luke 24
Wednesday - John 20-21
Thursday - Matthew 28
Friday - Acts 1
Memory Verses: Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:8

## FBC In-Person Sunday School beginning September 13

Students

Nursery and Pre-K - Nursery Suite Children 1 - 6 Grade - Children's Hall Youth - Youth Room

#### Adult 1

Foreman - Rm#214/Foreman Classroom E. Brewer - Rm#203/Crooks Suite Long - Rm#108/Long Classroom Henry - College Room (off gym)

#### Adult 2

Mabry - Rm#207/Mabry Classroom Adkins - Rm#202/Adkins Classroom Fellowship - Rm#212/Fellowship Classroom

#### Adult 3

Gloria Leake Class - Rm#110/Chapel G. Snowden - Adult 3 #220/Gathering Space Seekers - Rm#210/Seekers Classroom Davis' Men's Class - Fellowship Hall

#### Adult 4

Encouragers - Rm#113/Encouragers Classroom Pilgrim - Rm#114/Pilgrim Classroom Glen Deweese Class - Private Dining Room with Tommy Davis' Class

These areas will allow for appropriate social distancing at this time. Sanitation stations are at all entrances to the church.

MASKS ARE REQUESTED.

## Welcome to our newest member... Camryn Taylor

## Sympathies to...

Allan and Diane Tolleson, Tyler and Amy Covington, Chris and Ashley Dean and family in the death of Allan's mother, Modona Tolleson.

### Memorials...

#### **Benevolence**

In memory of: Aline Forbert Ward Calhoun, Jr. Karlen Bagley

#### **Music Fund**

In memory of: Joe Covington (Tyler Covington's grandfather)

#### Other Missions(Trinidad)

In honor of: Ellen Rogers Scott Hummel

### **Margaret Lackey State Missions**

In memory of: Lamar Reid

Congratulations to ...

Nathan and Ashley Carroll on the birth of their daughter, Catherine Elizabeth Carroll.

Randy and Melanie Carroll are the proud grandparents.

David and Pat McCubbin are the proud great-grandparents.



## JOINT WMU MEETING

WHO: Beaman, Hodgins, Meilstrup and Roundtable Groups

WHEN: Wednesday, September 16
immediately after

Noon Day Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
Plans will be made for fall meetings
and ministry projects.