#### Last Sunday's Record

Sunday School: 224 Offering: \$48,349.82

#### January 1, 2023

Requirements: \$ 156,090.90 Receipts: \$ 201,383.37

#### **DEACON OF THE WEEK**

Feb. 12 - Jeremy Hill Feb. 19 - Brad Sykes Feb. 26 - Joe Kieronski Mar. 5 - Larry Roberts Mar. 12 - Joey Mabry Mar. 19 - Sam McCorkle Mar. 26 - Jet Scarbrough

#### Deacon's Breakfast - February 19

8:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall

## Sermon for Sunday, February 12

"Dealing with Discouragement" Jeremiah 20:1-13

#### **FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER - Feb. 15**

Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Fried Okra, Biscuit, Salad Bar and Dessert KIDS: Chicken Strips and French Fries Adults: \$5 KIDS (12 and under): \$3 Family Maximum \$20 SERVERS: Jim Williamson, Cathy Carpenter, Cary and Faith Vaughn

## **VOLUNTEER MINISTRY - February 12**

PRAYER LINE Volunteer - Melissa Mabry

Preschool Ext. Session Bobby and Patty Ann Bogue	<u>Launch</u> JJ and Emily Anders
Worship Welcome Leonard and Betsy Cobb J.B. and Theresa Griffith	<u>Greeters</u> Pam Maloney Freddie Poitevent
<u>Security Team 4</u> Van Goodman Landry Adkins Davis Miller Greg Monsour	Counting Committee  Neil Henry, chairman  John Morgan Mims Tyler Covington

## **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

#### **SUNDAY, February 12**

9:15 - Sunday School

10:30 - Morning Worship

4:00 - Acteens

- Uninvited Bible Study/E. Holloway
- YOUTH SUPER BOWL PARTY

#### **MONDAY, February 13**

12:00 - Missions Luncheon

#### **TUESDAY, February 14**

7:00 - Youth Bible Study/Jack's 9:30 - Abide Bible Study/*C. Laird* 

4:30 - Ladies' Bible Study/R. Scarbrough

#### **WEDNESDAY, February 15**

5:00 - FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER

- YOUTH BELLS

5:30 - YOUTH CHOIR

- Young Ringers

6:00 - Preschool and Children's Choirs

6:15 - Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

6:30 - MISSIONS (G.A.s, R.A.s, and Mission Friends)

- YOUTH WORSHIP

7:15 - Sanctuary Choir

## **THURSDAY, February 16**

7:00 - Youth Bible Study/Piggly Wiggly

#### **USHERS FOR FEBRUARY**

Tommy Cason, Leonard Cobb, Chris Dean, Van Goodman, J.B. Griffith, Alan Lamar, Jim Lauderdale, Ben Leake, Joey Mabry, Davis Miller, Greg Monsour, Freddie Poitevent, Larry Roberts, Brad Sykes, Gary Wilkinson, Jim Williamson



Dr. Daniel P. Caldwell, Interim Pastor Rev. David Bishop, Associate Pastor for Music Noah Greer, Youth Minister Caitlin Braud, Director of Children's Ministries Dr. Raymon Leake, Pastor Emeritus Rev. David McCubbin, Associate Pastor Emeritus

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# love is patient, love is kind.

IT DOES NOT ENVY,
IT DOES NOT BOAST,
IT IS NOT PROUD.
IT DOES NOT DISHONOR OTHERS,
IT IS NOT SELF-SEEKING,
IT IS NOT EASILY ANGERED,
IT KEEPS NO RECORD OF WRONGS.
LOVE DOES NOT DELIGHT IN EVIL
BUT REJOICES WITH THE TRUTH.
IT ALWAYS PROTECTS,
ALWAYS TRUSTS, ALWAYS HOPES,
ALWAYS PERSEVERES.

love never fails.

1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-8



In the "Love Chapter" of 1 Corinthians, Paul wrote about love that is put into practice. More than just

a feeling or emotion, Paul writes less about what love is and more about what love does. Transformed by the love of Jesus Christ, this kind of love should be a natural overflow of the believer's heart and evident in everything they do. The words used in 1 Corinthians 13 to describe love are the kind of active verbs Paul was challenging the Corinthian church to adopt: patience, kindness, humility, forgiveness, trust, hope, and perseverance. Love, Paul argued, was the greatest outward testimony of their inward transformation. At the beginning of 1 Corinthians 13, Paul writes, "If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. He then goes on to say that if Christians are able to prophesy, can understand the mysteries of the universe, and give to the poor but ultimately lack love, their actions are meaningless, and there is no spiritual gain. Love must be at the root of everything Christians do and evident in their actions.

Paul encouraged the Corinthian church to be patient in their love for each other and patient in their love for others. When members of the church are patient and committed to loving each other, there is unity, purpose, and strength. Furthermore, when Christians adopt a patient love for the world, they develop a kingdom perspective that allows them to see people through the eyes of Christ. Let's pledge, as a Church Family, to love like Jesus and to let His love shine in our actions to each other and the world.

**February** ... is our month to supply the shelves of the LBA Crisis Center. Boxes are in the Welcome Center.

## Students

Preschool 2 lb. rice 1 lb. spaghetti Grades 1 - 6 28 oz. spaghetti sauce Youth/College

## Adult I

Co-Ed 1, Mabry 5 lb. cornmeal Foreman, Henry 5 lb. plain flour

## Adult II

Fellowship, Adkins 48 oz. oil

## Adult III

Snowden, Davis/Williamson Meat Money Leake, Seekers 5 lb. sugar

## Adult IV

100 tea bags/24 family Pilgrim Class

## SPRING TOUR OF PRESIDENTS MARCH 11 - 17, 2023



From Little Rock to Dallas and College Station...we'll tour three Presidential Libraries and take in all the sites on the way. Itineraries are in the Welcome Center. Call David to sign up.

A \$50 deposit will reserve your spot on the bus! (Itineraries are at the Welcome Center Desk.)







Community Lenten Luncheons

# Thursdays at 12:00 p.m.

February 23 - St. Patrick's Catholic Church March 2 - Central United Methodist Church

March 9 - First Presbyterian Church Meridian

March 16 - St. Paul's Episcopal Church

March 23 - First Baptist Church Meridian

March 30 - First Christian Church

## Memorials...

#### Music Fund

In memory of: Maureen Jackson Bob White (Linda Vincent's brother)

In honor of: Cornelia Laird

#### Lottie Moon

In memory of: Maureen Jackson

**Ladies Bible Study** Sundays at 4:00 p.m. Beginning Sunday, February 12





Please welcome **Stan Buckley But God...Ministries FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON** 

Tuesday, February 28

12:00 noon

COST: \$5

Make reservations by calling the church or signing the list in the Welcome Center.



The FBC Choir is going to Paris and Normandy, France and wants you to come, too!

**DATES: June 9-18, 2024** 

Three days in Paris and on to Caen/Normandy to participate in the 80th

Anniversary Memorial Concert commemorating the D-Day Invasion.

Limited number of extra spots available. If you would like more info or to sign up, please contact David Bishop ASAP!