

# THE CALENDAR

Expressing the Mission and Ministry of First Baptist Church  
Chippewa Square Savannah, Georgia



## Family Promise®

at FBC

January 27 – February 3

### Upcoming Events

#### **FAMILY PROMISE**

*Sunday, January 27 - Sunday, February 3*

Family Promise is a program that helps homeless and low-income families achieve sustainable independence by partnering with community organizations for housing, skills training, and job placement. At FBC, we agree to house the families currently served by the program and provide dinner to the families three weeks out of the year. Please contact Shannon Willhite if you can serve as an overnight host for our upcoming week of service.

#### **CLASSICS**

*Tuesday, February 12 at 11 a.m.*

The February program, "Matters of the Heart," will be presented by our own Liz Palles. Liz will speak to the group about estate sales. A catered lunch will follow. Please contact the church office to make a reservation.

#### **SAVANNAH BOOK FESTIVAL**

*Saturday, February 16*

Once again, First Baptist will serve as a host location for the Savannah Book Festival on Saturday, February 16. The entire festival runs from Thursday, February 14 through Sunday, February 17. You can find more information at [savannahbookfestival.org](http://savannahbookfestival.org).



#### **CONGREGATIONAL LUNCH**

*Sunday, February 17 at 12:15 p.m.*

Plan to stay for lunch after worship and enjoy a time of fellowship with your FBC friends. The meal is served after worship in Lewis Hall, with a suggested donation of \$10.

# WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT PROGRAMING



## Mission Connections - January 23, and 30

We will hear from many of the groups with whom we partner.

Organizations joining us will include:

Emmaus House

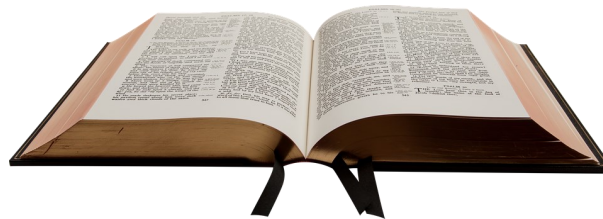
Congregations in Service

Strengthening Families

Union Mission

## Literary Approaches to the Bible - February 6, 13, 20, and 27

presented by Rob Kilgore



## Our Church Family

Please contact the church office or pastors with any prayer requests or pastoral care needs.

### In Memoriam

Joan Chambers Usher  
August 6, 1932-December 2, 2018  
Member for 58 years

### In Memoriam

Joseph Terrell McNellage  
November 19, 1951-January 20, 2019  
Member for 38 years

# News

## ANNUAL CHURCH CONFERENCE SUMMARY

The Annual Church Conference was held on Sunday, January 20, 2019. The following is a brief summary of what was covered in the meeting.

- Christopher Hendricks, chair of the **Pastor Search Committee**, reported that the nine member committee continues its diligent work toward finding our next pastor. The committee has reviewed over 60 applications and is seeking the best candidate for our congregation. Please keep the committee in your prayers as they move forward.
- The **Spiritual Formation Committee** led a portion of the Wednesday Night Adult Programming in the fall of 2018.
- The architect and construction consultant continue to work on the **Sanctuary Renovation Project**. We hope to have estimates for various work packages available for review by the Diaconate in February. Examinations of the Education Building exterior will also be included in the presentation.
- The **Personnel Committee** presented a policy that mirrors the national Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA), which protects employees who have been on staff for at least one year in cases of extended absence, beyond the apportioned sick leave, due to illness, caring for immediate family members, and births/adoptions. The policy was approved by the congregation.
- It was reported that FBC held its first **non-member wedding** this past weekend. We currently have four other non-member weddings scheduled in the next year. Each wedding produces \$1,600 of income for the church. The ad-hoc Non-Member Wedding Committee has plans to further market this service to the community.
- The **Endowment Committee** reported a balance of \$2,015,706.11, which represents a loss of \$51,125.66 for fiscal year 2018. The **Finance and Stewardship Committee** reported that the church ended the year with \$109,362.71 on hand. It was noted that this surplus partially reflects the reality that we are not operating at full staffing capacity and received \$135,000 in 2018 from the Wade Layton Trust.



The following persons have birthdays during the month of February:

- February 1- Frank Beard
- February 5- Liz Palles
- February 7- Will Hodges
- February 9- Gwen Snow
- February 10- Ray McClain  
Stan Smith
- February 11- Shirley Allen  
Janis Lewis
- February 12- Madeline Campbell  
Bennie Faulk
- February 15- Victoria Finland  
Cilie Sutton
- February 16- Lynn Harrison
- February 17- Joe Wade
- February 20- Jacqueline Dion  
Carson Justice
- February 22- Chris Frech
- February 28- Sheila George

### Family Night Menu

Wednesday, January 30

Chicken pot pie, green salad,  
rolls, dessert

*Vegetarian option: vegetable  
pot pie*

### Hospitality Host

Emily Garrard

### Family Night Menu

Wednesday, February 6

Spaghetti and meatballs, salad,  
crusty garlic bread, dessert

*Vegetarian option: Eggplant parm*

### Hospitality Host

Nancy Lazard

### Schedule of Activities January 27-February 2

#### SUNDAY, January 27

9:45 Sunday School  
11:00 Morning Worship  
Family Promise Guests Arrive

#### WEDNESDAY, January 30

5:00 Family Night Activities  
7:00 Adult Choir

### Schedule of Activities February 3-9

#### SUNDAY, February 3

9:45 Sunday School  
11:00 Morning Worship

#### WEDNESDAY, February 6

5:00 Family Night Activities  
7:00 Adult Choir

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**Sunday, January 27**

**Preaching**

Jeff Howard

**Greeters**

Eve and Lem Brawner

**Children's Time**

Sarah Davis

**Lay Reader**

Ginger Pruden

**Musical Leadership**

Adult Choir

James Richardson, organ

**Nursery Volunteer**

Tricia Craig

**Sanctuary Flowers**

Given to the glory of God  
and in memory and honor of  
loved ones  
by Linton and Lynell Gay

**Deacons Serving in February**

Reed Creaser, captain

Phil Campbell

Scot Pool

John Rabun

Dale Willhite

**Ushers Serving in February**

Reed Creaser, captain

Glenn Arnsdorff

Dale Willhite

**February Responsibilities**

Audio: Phil Campbell

Ordinances: Wyc Rountree  
and Ashley Williams

Sanctuary: Reed Creaser

**Sunday, February 3**

**Preaching**

Josh Brewer

**Greeters**

Bill and Donna Plunkett

**Communion**

**Sunday**

**Lay Reader**

Eve Brawner

**Musical Leadership**

Adult Choir

Kyle Ballantine, organ

**Nursery Volunteer**

Rebecca Sutton

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