

Beginning October 4, we will resume our monthly business meetings, which will take place on Wednesday following the first Sunday of each month. This will be a time for the congregation to be updated on the business and finances of the church, vote on any recommendations that might be made, and be informed about upcoming events in the life of the church.

Beginning November 21, we will be having a monthly senior adult lunch gathering on the third Tuesday of each month at 11 am. My two brothers and I will be presenting a program of music and entertainment. Please help us spread the word to active members, inactive members. Friends. Neighbors, and even former members who still love our church and would enjoy getting together with friends for food and fellowship.

And finally, we hope to begin a new weekly young adult Bible study/lunch gathering very soon at 12:15 p.m. in the Morgan Building. If you know any young adults who would enjoy meeting some new friends, sharing some food, and studying the Bible together, please let me know.

I am excited about the future God has in store for us as we reaffirm why we are here; to worship the triune God together, share the gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed, make our church home to anyone who needs Jesus, minister to the needs of one another, grow deeper in our faith, love God with all that we have and are, love our neighbors as we love ourselves, and make disciples wherever we go.

With gratitude and joy,
Stephen

DEACONS MEETING:

The monthly Deacon's Meeting will be on **October 1** at 12:15 p.m. in the Howard Room.

DEACON OF THE MONTH:

The Deacon of the Month is Al McAbee.

BUSINESS MEETING:

Wednesday, October 4 and 7pm in the Howard Room

WEEKLY EMAIL UPDATES:

If you would like to receive weekly email updates from the church, please email Kim Spears at office@fbcpsdmntsc.org.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY:

October 1
11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

JOIN THE CHOIR:

The choir is beginning to rehearse for Christmas music and would love to have you join us. We meet each Wednesday evening at 7:30 in the choir room.

WORLD HUNGER LUNCH:

We ask that you join us on October 25 for our World Hunger Lunch. Donate the money you would normally spend eating out. All donations will be split evenly between PERC and the Ministerial Association. A sign-up sheet is in the hallway outside the church office.

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETING SERIES:

New Testament Lessons from Old Testament Prophets
Each Wednesday, at 7 pm in the Howard Room.

PICKELBALL WITH THE PASTOR

Each Tuesday at 6pm in the Family Life Center of Earle Street Baptist Church.

NURSERY SCHEDULE:

October 01 - Gloria McAbee
October 08 - Barbara Greer
October 15 - Gloria McAbee
October 22 - Christy Rose
October 29 - Barbara Greer

ONLINE OPTION NOW AVAILABLE:

You can now use a credit card, a debit card, or a PayPal account to make contributions to the church. A link labeled "Make online monetary contributions" is located on the church website main page. If you have any questions about using this method, contact Kim Spears in the church office.

You can also scan this QR code with your smart phone and it will take you directly to our PayPal to make a contribution.



GENERAL FUND BUDGET & CONTRIBUTION REPORT:

September 2023 Monthly Report
Budget: \$16,288
Received: \$7,635

TRUNK OR TREAT:

We will be having Trunk or Treat on October 31, 2023 from 6-8 p.m. Candy donations may be given to the church office. Please have cars set up for delivery by 5:45 p.m. in the church parking lot. This is a great way for our church to reach out to the children in our community.

MONTHLY SENIOR ADULT LUNCH GATHERING:

Third Tuesday of each month beginning November 21
11:00 a.m. in the Morgan Building
Program on November 21: The Clyborne Brothers
Catered Lunch (\$9 per person)
Contact the church office, Bettie Lown, or Sylvia Clyborne to make your reservation.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY / LUNCH:

If you or someone you know would be interested in starting a young adult Bible study and lunch each Sunday after the morning worship service, please contact Stephen Clyborne at pastor@fbcpsdmntsc.org or 864-354-8473

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

10:00 each Sunday morning
Children's Class: First floor, main building
Multi-generational Class: Morgan Building

PRAYER REQUESTS:

If you have a prayer request or have a pastoral care need, please contact our pastor, Stephen Clyborne, at 864-354-8473 or pastor@fbcpsdmntsc.org.



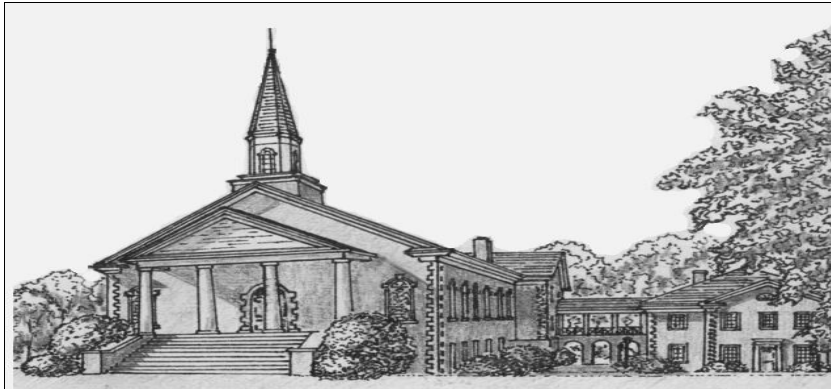


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FROM THE PASTOR

Sylvia and I are so grateful for the ways you continue to welcome and support us. Thank you for your unanimous vote to affirm me as your new permanent pastor. Now that we are official members of the First Baptist family of faith, we believe that we have found a new place to call home for this season of our lives. When I retired full-time ministry in January, I had no idea what God had in store for me. Now I know, and I am so honored to serve such a welcoming congregation of believers.

Sunday, October 1 is World Communion Day, a day when Christians all over the world celebrate our unity in Christ by sharing in the bread and cup of communion. This will be a special service, and I hope you will join us for it at 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

During the rest of October, we will continue and complete our sermon series Why We Are Here. So far in this series, we will have focused on worship, missions, fellowship, and ministry. In the remaining sermons, we will focus on spiritual growth, loving God, loving our neighbors, and making disciples.

October 8- "What Do You Want to Be When You Grow Up?" (Ephesians 4:7-16) – spiritual growth

October 15- "One Lord, One Love, and One Law" (Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Matthew 22:34-40) the first great commandment.

October 22nd- "Loving is Helping" (Luke 10:25-37)- the second great commandment.

October 29- "How Do You Make a Disciple?" (Matthew 28:16-20)- the great commission. (Continued on Inside)

October Calendar

- 1 – Sunday Regular Worship Day / Communion
12:15 p.m. Deacons Meeting
- 4 - Wednesday Evening Activities
- 8 - Sunday Regular Worship Day
- 11 - Wednesday Evening Activities
- 15 - Sunday Regular Worship Day
- 18 - Wednesday Evening Activities
- 22 - Sunday Regular Worship Day
- 25 - Wednesday Evening Activities
- 29 - Sunday Regular Worship Day
- 31 - Trunk or Treat

Regular Sunday Worship Order

- 9:30 a.m. Prayer
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Regular Wednesday Midweek Order

- 6:15 p.m. Children/Youth Meal
- 6:45 p.m. Children/Youth Activity Mission Friends
- 7:00 p.m. Prayer /Devotion for all
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

AA/NA Meetings in the Morgan Building:

Mondays and Thursdays 8:00 p.m.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

BIRTHDAYS

Andy McAbee	10/06	Edd Hiott	10/14
Theresa Scott	10/06	Lynn Helms	10/18
Lorelai Cloninger	10/07	Jane Davenport	10/28
Gerry Caraway	10/09	Brent Greer	10/30
Helen Davis	10/11	Bettie Lown	10/31

ANNIVERSARIES

Ron & Bettie Lown	October 9
Bryan & Tracy Harvey	October 14
Mike & Jean Nelson	October 29

MEMORIALS

In Honor of Shery Nelms

Barbara Stone