
First Baptist Church Builder

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FROM YOUR PASTOR

Great worship services again this past Sunday as we honored our graduates and our teachers and assistants and Bible Study Fellowship leaders! Special thanks to Jane Stone, Cindy Crowder, Barbara Stratton, Christie Bonds, Linda Minyard, and to all who prepared for the wonderful breakfast Sunday morning in honor of our teachers, leaders and workers. If you were away Sunday, you were missed, and I look forward to seeing you this Sunday.

We welcome Linda Soffer into our church fellowship as our newest member. Linda, we are so glad you have become a part of First Baptist!!

This Sunday is Memorial Day Sunday, a day in which we honor and remember those who perished during their military service. We also pray for the families of our fallen warriors. The willingness of America's veterans to sacrifice for our country has earned them our lasting gratitude. We will also remember our church members who died in the past year.

World Changers is coming to Pine Bluff 20-25 June, and First Baptist will have a huge role in their presence and ministry in our community. I will meet with volunteers on Sunday, June 5, following the morning service to discuss what is needed during World Changers week.

We will be hosting around 110 that week, providing a place for them to stay in our facilities, as well as shower units. They will have their own cooks to provide their own breakfast and dinner meals in our kitchen and fellowship hall. Several area churches will be helping us this week, especially in providing lunches for these folks as they serve in our community.

I am asking our Sunday School classes to provide lunches that Tuesday through Friday to four worksites (there will be ten worksites in Pine Bluff). Some examples of lunches could be Subway or Lybrand's or BBQ sandwiches, homemade sandwiches, pizza, chicken wings, in addition to fruits and Gatorade, water, or teas. Sunday School classes will be given further information about this this Sunday.

Here is what we still need for World Changers week:

- 1) World Changers will arrive on Monday, 20 June. I anticipate most to arrive around 1-4 p. m.. We need members to be on hand to greet our guests.
- 2) Since we anticipate providing lunches for four work sites, we need "delivery runners" to be at the church to deliver these meals and also to be "on call" ready to respond to other needs the World Changer workers at these sites may have.
- 3) We need people to go to the four work sites to pray with and for the workers and to pray with and share the Gospel with neighbors.
- 4) We need at least 2 men and 2 ladies Monday through Friday evenings from 5 – 10 p. m. to be on hand to take out trash and to help meet other needs that may be at the church.
- 5) We will have homemade ice cream on one evening around 7 p. m., so please bring your ice cream freezers. We will tentatively plan to do this on Tuesday evening.
- 6) We will have cold watermelons on Thursday evening for our guests.
- 7) World Changers will have a worship service in our fellowship hall on Wednesday evening, time to be announced. Our church is encouraged to attend this service. Thank you for your help with World Changers

We will have "Chosen" videos with fellowship snacks on Sunday evenings at 5:00 p. m. on June 12, July 10, and August 21. Bring yourself and food :)

Special thanks to Lynn King for his continued leadership with the Grief Share program on Tuesday evenings. If you would like to attend Grief Share, please get with Lynn for more information. Thanks Lynn!

The Arkansas Baptist Family Ministries and Living Well Counseling provides counseling in Pine Bluff at the Harmony Baptist Association office. Mr. Sean Culpepper, LPC-S, and Mrs. Allison Cook, LAC, are two counselors who serve the Pine Bluff area. For more information, or to call to make an appointment or to ask questions about this ministry, please call 501-729-0777. Or you can call your pastor to get more information.

God bless you and your families. I am glad to be your pastor. See you Sunday!

Here by Design

Dr. Bryan Bolton, Minister of Music and Children

Summer Vacation from Rehearsal! Another choir year is soon coming to an end. The Sanctuary Choir will be taking a well deserved summer vacation from rehearsals. No Wednesday night Sanctuary Choir rehearsals from June 22 through July 20! Our regular rehearsals will resume on July 27. This will be an excellent time for new members to join us and for former members to return.

Handbell Ministry to Make a Return. We may start gearing up The Handbell Ministry soon after Labor Day. Keep a watch for more information in future "Builder" newsletters. Join me in praying for the possible return of this special ministry.

Choir's Choice. The Sanctuary Choir will be giving an encore presentation of their favorite anthems from the 2021-2022 Choir Year. A top 10 list has been compiled and will be presented each Sunday, during the Summer months. The count-down will begin Sunday, July 17.



SAVE THE DATE!!!

Vacation Bible School

Saturday, July 23, 2022 | 9 AM to 1 PM



After two long years of waiting, VBS is finally returning to First Baptist Church this summer for **ONE DAY ONLY - July 23 from 9 AM - 1 PM!** We are offering this exciting day of Christ-centered

activities, music, crafts, a Bible story, and tons of fun to the children of Pine Bluff and their friends! At the conclusion of VBS, we will also have a family "cook-in" picnic in the Fellowship Hall.

Our VBS is for all children who have completed Pre-K (must be 5 by August 1, 2022) thru 6th Grade. **Register at www.fbcpinebluff.org/vbs.**

This year at our Spark Studios Vacation Bible School, kids will learn that they are Created In Christ and Designed For God's Purpose. The Master Artist is working to redeem, reclaim and transform us. Ephesians 2:10 says: "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." We are a masterpiece in process!

We are excited to be able to share Jesus with Children at VBS and we would love for you to join us. For more information contact Bro. Bryan at bbolton@cablelynx.com. A Volunteer Training meeting will take place on **Wednesday, June 22, 2022 at 6:00 pm** in the Choir Room.

Register for VBS - Kids and Volunteers - TODAY!!!

www.fbcpinebluff.org/vbs



June 19, 2022

To the glory of God
and in honor of

Hope Baby Bottle Projects
and in memory of our parents
Pinky and Frances Pierce
Joe L. and Clara Fowler

by

Tommy and Pam Fowler



Deacon of the Week

BUSTER CROOK

June 5, 2022

DAN CROWDER

June 12, 2022

TOMMY FOWLER

June 19, 2022

TOMMY GRACE

June 26, 2022

First Record

May 1, 2022

Budget Needs	\$11,075.98
Budget Receipts	\$14,716.00
TV Receipts	\$610.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$100.00
Other	\$632.50
TOTAL	\$16,058.50

May 8, 2022

Budget Needs	\$11,075.98
Budget Receipts	\$8,806.20
TV Receipts	\$580.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$55.00
Other	\$4,701.70
TOTAL	\$14,142.90

May 15, 2022

Budget Needs	\$11,075.98
Budget Receipts	\$9,127.50
TV Receipts	\$205.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$125.00
Other	\$1,532.08
TOTAL	\$10,989.58

May 22, 2022

Budget Needs	\$11,075.98
Budget Receipts	\$7,743.25
TV Receipts	\$105.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$50.00
Other	\$789.99
TOTAL	\$8,688.24

The Deacons' Meeting will be
Sunday, June 5 at
4:00 pm.

The Admin. Board will meet
Sunday, June 12 at
4:00 pm.

Sunday, June 19, 2022
will be



SUNDAY

*Undesignated offering
will go to
Neighbor to Neighbor.*

**Evening Service at
Trinity Village**
Sunday, June 26, 4:00 pm
Trinity Village Great Hall

Video Series

on Sunday Nights
with The CHOSEN
5:00 PM // Fellowship Hall

Video will be shown on
June 12
Bring a snack food to share.



Fill A
Bottle

to save a life
known by GOD

Hope of the Delta
Baby Bottle
Offering

May 8—June 19,
2022

Thank you

Dearest Brother Ken:

The Kinsmen would like to again thank you and your church family for allowing us to share God's word with you in our singing service recently. All praise that was given in the service was given to God.

We ask that you and your church remember us in your prayers as we continue our journey of sharing God's word wherever He leads us.

Sincerely,

The Kinsmen

Gary, Mark, Bill & Gerald

TEACHER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST



The Sunday School committee hosted a Teacher Appreciation breakfast in May. It was well attended and fun. Thank you again, Teachers!

Regular Schedule for Weekly Services

SUNDAY:

9:00 am	TV Broadcast on FOX 16 (one week delay)
9:00 am	Prayer room open
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Morning Worship Service

TUESDAY

6:00 pm	Griefshare (schedules to be announced)
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WEDNESDAY:

12:00 pm	Prayer Meeting
6:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Deacons 2022

Blasius Awonsang	318-278-4208	Lynn King	540-7400
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News from the Pews

Do you have news, weddings, grandchildren, graduations, retirements announcements for your church family? Please let the office know and we will get it out there in this space.

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Our website is live and online giving is available again. Listed below are the steps you should follow.

1. Click the GIVE button on our church website: www.fbcpinebluff.org
2. Click the Give Now button.
3. Enter the amount you want to give.
4. Give to the fund pre-selected for you or choose a different fund from the drop-down menu.
5. Select a frequency.
6. Enter your email address.
7. Click CONTINUE.
8. Select your account type:
Credit/Debit Card
ACH/Checking Account

Enter your payment information to complete the transaction. You'll receive email confirmation of your gift.

If you choose ACH, be prepared to give the routing number of your bank and the account number.



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