

First Baptist Church Builder

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We welcome the Adger family to First Baptist Church!



We welcome Dalton Adger as our new Pastor. Dalton received the Bachelor of Arts in Christian Studies degree with Cum Laude honors in 2014 from Louisiana College in Pineville, LA. He is currently pursuing the Master of Divinity degree from Grace Theological Seminary in Conway, AR.

From January 2021 to the present, Dalton has served as Associate Pastor at First Baptist Church in Eunice, LA and as the Director of the Baptist Collegiate Ministry of LSU - Eunice in Eunice, LA. He previously served as Associate Pastor at First Baptist Church in Pollock, LA from August 2014 to January 2021.

Dalton and his wife, Tori were married on July 28, 2018. Together they have three children: Llewyn James (4), Anna Cathryn (2), and Eloise Joy (1).

Name Tag Sundays—September 10, 17, and 24, 2023

Be in prayer for Bro. Dalton, his wife Tori, and their young family: Llewyn James (LJ), age 4; Anna Cathryn, age 2; and Eloise Joy, age 1 as Bro. Dalton transitions onto our staff team. He will begin his ministry on Tuesday, September 5 with Sunday, September 10 being his first Sunday in the pulpit.

Please plan to be in worship during September to greet our new Pastor and his family. There will be stick-on name tags available on the round table in the Foyer each Sunday. Please fill one out to help the Adgers get to know you better.

We ask for your prayers as this new chapter opens in the life of FBC.



September 10-17, 2023

State goal: \$1.8 million
Church goal: \$3,000

TURNING POINTS

DIXIE JACKSON
ARKANSAS
MISSIONS OFFERING
2023



THE BEATITUDES

Blessings for a Joyful Journey

Dr. Bryan Bolton, Minister of Music and Children

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Mark Sunday, September 24 on your calendars now and make plans to attend our annual Hymn Festival. This year's



Thank You for Your School Supply Donations!

Thank you for your generous donations of school supplies to Coleman Elementary! Your kindness has been a tremendous help and is deeply appreciated by the faculty, administration, and students. Your support of our partnership to encourage the students and their families at Coleman Elementary is invaluable.

We hope to continue making a positive impact in the 2023-2024 school year and beyond. Stay tuned for more information on how YOU can help us make a difference.

Thank you once again for your generosity.



Extended Teaching Care (ETC) Returns on Sunday, September 10 during Morning Worship.

We are excited to announce that ETC will make its BIG return on Sunday, September 10 during morning worship. The purpose of the ETC is to support the Sunday morning ministries of First Baptist Church, Pine Bluff by offering a safe, caring, and age-appropriate childcare ministry for Babies, Creepers, and Preschoolers, ages 3-5. ETC is a program that extends Sunday school by having gifted leaders guide the kids to explore Bible truths through different learning centers and group activities.

ETC leaders, an email containing the rotation schedule for this quarter has been sent to you. Check your email and please be prepared.



Coming This Fall! The Relaunch of the Student Ministry's Parent Partner Discipleship Program.

We want to partner with our parents in creating a weekly plan for discipleship with the students in their homes. Each week, an email from me with step-by-step instructions for connecting with your students will go out, along with a plan to engage through prayer and intentional conversation.



September 10, 2023

To the glory of God
and in honor of

Dalton and Tori Adger
LJ, Anna Catherine, and Eloise Joy
by
Pastor Search Committee



Deacon of the Week

KENNY BONDS

September 3, 2023

TRAVIS CHISOM

September 10, 2023

JOE CLEMENT

September 17, 2023

TROY COLE

September 24, 2023

First Record

August 6, 2023

Budget Needs	\$11,508.31
Budget Receipts	\$9,794.00
TV Receipts	\$890.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$100.00
Other	\$271.00
TOTAL	\$11,055.00

August 13, 2023

Budget Needs	\$11,508.31
Budget Receipts	\$8,720.00
TV Receipts	\$55.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$75.00
Other	\$755.00
TOTAL	\$9,605.00

August 20, 2023

Budget Needs	\$11,508.31
Budget Receipts	\$6,355.00
TV Receipts	\$5.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$75.00
Other	\$153.60
TOTAL	\$6,588.60

August 27, 2023

Budget Needs	\$11,508.31
Budget Receipts	\$17,024.00
TV Receipts	\$0.00
Capital Needs & Repairs	\$75.00
Other	\$10,755.00
TOTAL	\$27,874.00

CHURCH CLOSING

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 4, for Labor Day

The Deacons' Meeting will be Sunday, September 10 at 4:00 pm.

The Admin. Board will meet Sunday, September 17 at 5:00 pm.

Sunday, September 17, 2023
will be



SUNDAY

*Undesignated offering
will go to
Neighbor to Neighbor.*

Evening Service at Trinity Village

Sunday, September 17, 4:00 pm
Trinity Village Great Hall

SYMPATHY

To Ginny and Joe Clement,
in the loss of her mother, Virginia
Huxtable.

To Kristine and David
Brooks, in the loss of her
grandmother.

To Joanne and Roger
Gregory, in the loss of her
brother, Gary Culver.

To Rodney Rodgers and
Marla Sizemore, in the loss of
Marlene.

Thank You

Ann and I would like to express our deepest appreciation and many thanks for the love and support you have shown to us throughout our 10 ½ years that we have served with you. It has truly been our joy and honor to minister with you through these years. We are exceedingly grateful to God for His leading and placing us at First Baptist Church. Your continual love and support will always be remembered by us. God honors those who love His servants. And God will bless you for being such a great blessing to His servants. You are a wonderful and loving church, and we truly love you.

We thank you for the wonderful retirement celebration of July 30. We were totally overwhelmed and humbled and grateful for how well this celebration was planned and attended. Many thanks to all who were involved in making this celebration happen. I know much time and effort went into this. Thank you.

Your many kind words of encouragement and beautiful cards and gifts and the generous love offering were all truly appreciated by us.

It's a great privilege to be a part of such an amazing church composed of members like you. Thank you again for your love and care towards me and Ann and toward each other.

As Ann and I enter into our new season of life, know that our love and prayers are with the church and with each of you individually. I encourage you to show the same love and support for your new pastor, Brother Dalton, and his family as they move onto the field of ministry at First Baptist. I am fully confident you will do this. Brother Dalton has my full and prayerful support, as I know he will have yours also. I will be available to assist him as needed.

This pastoral transition is the dawn of a new era for First Baptist, bringing a new vision and fresh leadership and new opportunities to the church and to Pine Bluff. Pine Bluff needs a Bible-centered, Spirit-filled, evangelistic, and loving First Baptist Church, and I encourage you to follow your new pastor as he leads First Baptist to be all that God wants it to be.

Many thanks to my dear friend Brother Mike Manning in his excellent service as Interim Pastor.

In conclusion, I encourage you to continue in the good works, putting God and His Word first, being faithful in worship, sharing the Gospel, loving each other, ministering to the community and to the hopeless, caring for the sick and shut-in, providing food to the hungry, and being God's presence and people in the community.

My brothers and sisters, "Do not grow weary in well doing for in due season, you shall reap if you faint not" (Galatians 6:9). God is still blessing First Baptist and as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor has entered into the human heart the things which God has prepared for those who love Him." (1 Corinthians 2:9)

Pray for us as we seek God's direction in this next chapter of our lives. For sure, Ann and I will continue to serve the Lord. Let us join together to continue to run a good race, with our "eyes fixed on Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith". God bless you all. Ken and Ann



You are invited to
a Baby Shower for
Meredith and Zack Boyce
September 24, 2023
Immediately after Church
Room #202
www.Myregistry.com



Regular Schedule for Weekly Services

SUNDAY:

6:00 am	TV Broadcast on KARZ 42 (one week delay)
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

MONDAY:

6:00 pm	Sanctuary Handbells Rehearsal (Will resume in September 11)
6:30 pm	Bible Study Fellowship Women and Men

TUESDAY:

6:00 pm	Griefshare, Rm. #202
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WEDNESDAY:

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

Deacons 2023

M. H. Bitely	718-3764
Kenny Bonds	540-7001
Travis Chisom	489-3881
Joe Clement	692-2659
Troy Cole	540-7393
Buster Crook	692-3976
Larry Daniel	540-7534
Tommy Fowler	501-517-0490

James House	692-7921
Billy Kittler	550-8910
Bruce Morgan	370-8318
Joe Nealey	329-8717
Mac Norton	718-2895
Jim Simpson	692-3282
Billy Stone	692-1191
Marc Stratton	329-6906
Vernon Walker	489-2683

News from the Pews

Jan and Dale Lovell's granddaughter, Sullivan Kolakowski, graduated from high school and spent some of her summer in the Phillipines on a mission trip.

Blasius and Edel-queen Awonsang welcomed their daughter, Eden in August.

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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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