

Dear Church Family,

As you all are aware, our brother in Christ, Taylor Head, has resigned from his role as Youth & Education Minister at First Baptist Church. Taylor faithfully served our youth and congregation during his time with FBC. We love him and he will be dearly missed (especially by the youth!!). We are so thankful to Taylor for all the love he has poured into the youth of FBC, all the help with behind the scenes logistics (AV!) and for the times he led with the praise team.

Please join us in sending Taylor into this next chapter of life with a love offering! We will be collecting this now through October 31st. Please designate your gift as “Taylor Love Offering.”

“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.”

Galatians 6:10

Thank you for your generosity.

In Christ,
FBC Personnel Committee

Church Calendar ~ Weekly Schedule

Sunday Morning, October 25th

8:30am Worship
9:45-10:45am Bible Study for All Ages
9:30-10:50am Media Center
11:00am Worship

Sunday Evening, October 25th

5:00pm Fall Festival

**FBC FALL
FESTIVAL**

Wednesday Morning, October 28th

10:00am-12:00pm Media Center

Wednesday Evening, October 28th

5:15-6:00pm Churchwide Fellowship Meal
6:00-7:30pm Nursery (birth-3yr-olds)
6:15-7:15pm **Mission Friends**
• Mission Friends (4 yr.-K) Preschool Hall
• Girls in Action (1st-3rd) Children's Hall
• Girls in Action (4th-6th) Children's Hall
• Royal Ambassadors (1st-6th) Lg Rm 222
6:15-7:30pm Youth Bible Study (7th-12th)
6:15-7:15pm Adult Bible Study (Sanctuary)
6:15-7:15pm Praise Team Practice
7:15-8:30pm Adult Choir Practice



Come to Our Shoebox Packing Party

DATE: 11/18/26 TIME: 6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Family Life Center

APOLOGETICS...

Bible study FOR ALL!

Next class: **November 1st**

- Sunday evenings at 5pm in the Sanctuary.
- Social with refreshments to follow in the FLC!



ALWAYS BEING PREPARED TO MAKE A DEFENSE

Financial Report for October 19, 2026

YTD Budget Requirement (WK 3)	\$ 47,683.86
YTD Budget Receipts	\$ 41,715.50
Budget Over / <u>Under</u>	\$ 5,968.36
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$ <u>15,894.62</u>
Actual Budget Offering	\$ 12,226.50

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October 21, 2026

WMU Red Box

For many incarcerated women, a shoe box full of toiletries may be the only Christmas gift they receive. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, join us in collecting toothpaste to add to these boxes.

Now through the November 1st, help us reach our goal of 100 tubes of toothpaste!

Toothpaste requirements:

- 6 to 9 ounces
- Leave in original box.
- Multipacks are acceptable as well!
- With fluoride, preferred.
- No charcoal!

Toothpaste can be dropped off on the table in the Gathering Space.

Thank you so much for your help!

FBC FALL FESTIVAL

OCTOBER 25, 2026
5:00-7:00 PM

HOTDOGS, GAMES, PUMPKIN
PAINTING, FUN &
FELLOWSHIP

YOUTH PRAYER BREAKFAST

presents

DINNER AND A WORD
@Journey church (old movie theater)
7-8pm

01

FREE TO ALL MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLERS
*bring a friend or 10 and let's gather and encourage

02

SAME TIME, SAME PLACE, EVERYTIME
3 DIFFERENT DATES

03

OCT 27

NOV 24

“He who rejects Me and does not receive My sayings, has one who judges him; the word I spoke is what will judge him at the last day.”

John 12:48

A letter from the Pastor

Hello First Baptist,

I hope this note finds each of you well. I am so excited about the upcoming fall festival! It is going to be so much fun, and I want to encourage each of you to come and join in. The deacons will be providing the food, and we have many different games and activities to enjoy this year. People from every age group will find something to entertain them.

Next Sunday we will resume our normal Sunday night schedule with our apologetic study starting at 5pm in the sanctuary. If you have not been coming for that, you should! We spend some time looking into things that help define and defend our faith, then we take some time for refreshments in the FLC. The fellowship time has been wonderful, and we have many people to thank for providing such wonderful treats.

This is our last Sunday in October, which means that the Christmas season is right around the corner. As an update the youth leadership council and I decided that we would take the weeks leading up to Christmas to teach our youth about God's plan for the coming birth of the Savior. They will be studying the reason for Christmas from eternity past into the present day.

This Sunday morning, we will be finishing up John 12 and preparing to follow Jesus into the upper room on the final night of His earthly life. Everything changes once Jesus and His disciples go behind closed doors in the upper room, so much so that John spends the next 6 chapters discussing the events of this one night. I am looking forward to navigating through this upper room discourse as we begin to hear our Lord speak specifically to believers. See you Sunday!

Blessings,

Pastor Matt

Operation Christmas Child Volunteers Needed!



October 25

During Fall Festival: "Decorate A Christmas Child Shoebox Lid"

Volunteers needed to help keep the decorating tables supplied and shoeboxes available for the children.

November 18

Operation Christmas Shoebox Packing Party

Volunteers needed to sit at a table and check shoeboxes to make sure they are filled, put rubber bands on them, or label them as a girl or boy box. Many volunteers can make this process move smoothly and quickly!

Sign-up sheets for both of these opportunities to serve are on the bulletin board outside the church office.



WANT TO DIVE
INTO YOUR BIBLE?

Join us for Bible Study
Wednesday evenings at 6:15pm
in the sanctuary!

Serving the Week of October 25, 2026

**Nursery Workers, please include Sunday night,
let's make sure we have at least 2 people per service.*

Nursery Workers ~ Susannah Berry, Jason Berry, Jennifer Mitchell,
Nat & Lisa Woolard, Amanda Barnes

Children's Church ~ 8:30am ~ Kayla Fox

~ 10:30am ~ Debbie Harris

Deacon of the Week ~ Gabe White

Deacon Team Members ~ Zack White, Gene Fox

Benevolence Team Helper ~ Tuesday, October 27 ~ Amy Rieg

Audio/Visual Ministry Team ~ Luke Alligood, Fred Anderson, Emerson Asby, Chandler Bradley, Jesse Davis, John Davis, Carol Evans, Don Fann, James Fitts, Jimmy Harris, Carla Mitchell, Wyatt Renfrow, Levi Setzer. **We are always looking for folks interested in serving in the Audio/Visual Ministry, call Jesse Davis (946-8074) or Carol Evans (946-1724) and ask them about the specifics of the different areas available. COME JOIN OUR TEAM!**

Coats for the City



Collection Dates: Now through October 28, 2026

New or gently used heavy coats that can withstand a New York City winter. No holes, tears or stains. Zippers should work and all buttons should be present. Men's, women's and children's coats (preferred sizes are S, M, L and XL). Monetary donations can also be given to help purchase new coats.

If you would like to donate, please drop off coats in the box under the bulletin board in the church office hallway.

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meals...

Cost: \$7.00 Adult Plate
\$5.00 Child Plate

Sign up on the church office
hallway bulletin board, or call/text
to get on the list by Monday at 4pm.

October 28th

