



MONTHLY

AUGUST 2026

MESSENGER

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Worship Schedule

Sunday School 9:45 am
Sundays 11:00 am & 6:00 pm
on Wednesday 6:30 pm
TeamKID 6:00 Youth Group 6:30
Adult Choir 7:25

BRIAN FREE & ASSURANCE

DATE Sun. 8.16.26 **TIME** SS @ 9:45 am
Worship @ 10:45 am

PLACE
HOMECOMING CELEBRATION
Dresden First Baptist Church

INFO join us for music, message, meal

    WWW.BRIANFREEANDASSURANCE.COM

Note from our Associate Pastor, Christian Carr chracarr@gmail.com

Summer break is coming to a close, and our children are soon heading back to school. Will you keep them in your prayers this month? They have had a great break from their normal busy schedules, but now they are starting back into their normal routine. Our children, as they see their friends at school who may not know Christ, have an opportunity to be salt and light. This is not an easy task. They need your prayers. They will face challenges this school year. They will have to hold fast to their faith. We can encourage them with our thoughts and prayers. Will you make it a point to pray for the children, students, and young adults who are going back to school in August?

One way we do this as a church is we have a Blessing of the Backpacks. This is a time set aside to pray for our students and teachers before their school year begins. We hope you take part in our Blessings of the Backpacks on Sunday, August 9th. We ask that your children bring their backpacks that Sunday morning to Sunday service to be prayed over. You can also bring school supplies as we will donate school supplies to DES, DMS, and DHS.

Dates to remember:

August 9th: Blessing of the Backpacks

August 10th: First Day of School

August 18th: Joy Meeting

August 19th: TeamKid Begins

August 24th: First Day of classes at UTM

August 27th: SS Banquet

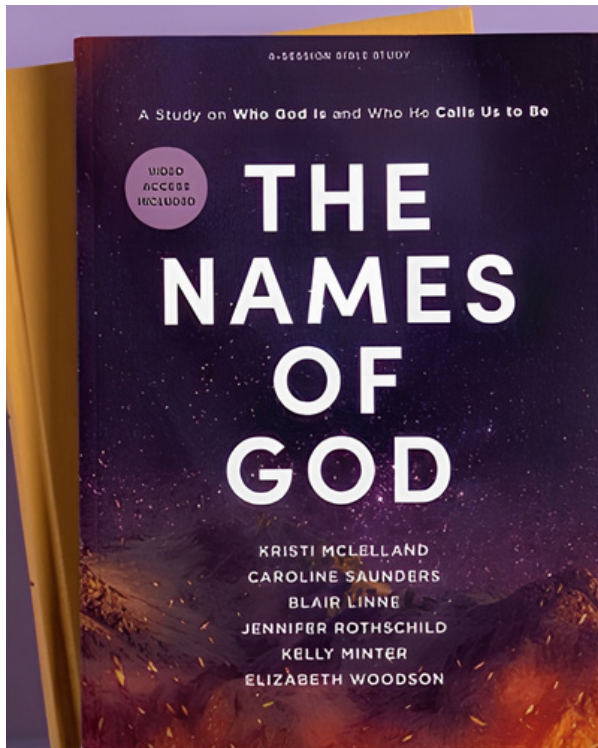
In Christ,



Henry Scheid (letter)
Kolten Allen (baptism)
Mati Boyd (baptism)
Natasha Boyd (baptism)

Matthew 5:14-16

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that[a] they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.



**Join us for
this 8-session
Bible study!**

Where: First Baptist Church Dresden

When: Beginning August 23rd

Times: Each Session is offered 3 times each week:

Sundays at 4:50 pm and

Wednesdays at 10:00 am and 6:10 pm

Cost: Around \$25 or \$35 depending on reg/spiral book

DO NO PAY NOW. We will determine cost after we receive any discount upon ordering. You can pay when you receive your book.

Deadline: Register at fbcddresden@gmail.com or by calling 731-364-2212 by Sunday, August 2nd.



Lifeway Women

Worship in Music Robert Nanney, Min. of Music rnanney@utm.edu

August is almost here with the start of the new school year and exciting musical events and opportunities for all ages.

As we close out July, we're excited again to host the Good, Old Gospel Singing at our church at 7 p.m. Friday, July 31. I hope you will attend and invite family and friends. Tommy Moore always does such a great job of hosting and emceeing this event.

The month of August will signal the return of TeamKid each Wednesday night. Jeanie and I will again go from room to room, sharing and teaching music to each age group.

We're also excited about our annual Homecoming celebration on Sunday, Aug. 16, featuring one of the most renowned Southern Gospel groups in the nation, Brian Free and Assurance. You may remember that for several years Brian Free was the tenor for Gold City quartet. Since forming Brian Free and Assurance, he and his group have been honored with multiple Dove Awards, Brian's 2017 induction into the Gospel Music Association Hall of Fame and a Grammy nomination in 2024.

As is our custom, we will start the worship service a bit early, at 10:45, and the group will present a 40-minute concert before Bro. Don preaches. I hope you'll invite friends and family for this special service! Come early for the best seat and join us for a delicious Homecoming meal in our Family Life Center afterward.

Also in August, with school starting and the new church year approaching, we will again provide an opportunity for folks of all ages to get involved in one of several aspects of our music ministry. We will place surveys in the front foyer giving everyone the opportunity to express interest in serving on one of our praise teams, the adult and youth hand chime choirs, the children's tabletop bells choir, the adult choir and participating in the Christmas musical. This includes all ages, from first graders through senior citizens.

Looking ahead to September, we'll start rehearsing our Christmas cantata, which has already been ordered and delivered. It's a new, very dynamic and worshipful musical that will inspire and touch your heart. We'll also have a listening party prior to rehearsals beginning with the date to be determined. Jeanie is in the process of choosing the Christmas program, which will again involve all ages.

In late September, Tommy Moore and I will be leaving for a 10-day mission trip to Germany to sing at churches around the country with the Tenn. Baptist Men's Chorale and help train music ministers in that country to direct choirs, lead in worship and form praise teams. We covet your prayers as we prepare, leave for Germany on Sunday, Sept. 27, and return on Tuesday, Oct. 6.

God bless you all!



Calls to Worship with Jeanie Nanney, Coordinator

The Adult Praise Team has worked overtime this month to provide the Call to Worship as we continue to face the challenge of having enough members of our other groups to sing. Four members of the APT sang "God Bless the USA" on July 5th followed by six of us singing "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship" on July 12th.

On July 19th, three members of the Younger Children Praise Team along with two of our fourth graders sang "The Butterfly Song" with delightful graphics to accompany each verse provided by Dennis Moon. It was a great way to start the service.

At this writing, we are trying to pull together enough of our Youth Praise Team to sing on July 26th. If that doesn't work out, we may have to call on our Adult Praise Team one more time to come to our rescue.



Outreach Ministries



Submitted by Sheila Swearingen, JOY coordinator

The JOY group had a great meeting on July 21st beginning with Bro. Phil Mitchell, Director of Missions, leading us in a timely devotion. Following a delicious meal, Tommy and Karen Wilson told the group about their recent mission trip to Cleveland Tennessee and answered questions regarding this trip and other disaster relief ministries in which they've been involved. Our church is blessed to have the Wilsons and their servant hearts as they minister far and wide to those in need.

On August 18th we will be blessed by a music program given by Jay Wainscott. Our devotional will be rendered by Alex Robinson, Associate Pastor of Fulton First Baptist. Jay and Alex are no strangers to our congregation as they both grew up in our midst. It is wonderful to see young people following Christ and working to further His kingdom and we look forward to receiving a blessing at our August meeting. Please join us. We'd love to see you there. Just call and let us know you're coming!

We love you all. The JOY committee.



Submitted by Judy Cleek and Linda Pollard, Livley Ones Directors

Our next outing is Fall Jubilee, September 28-30, in beautiful Gatlinburg nestled in the heart of the Smokies! Plans for this annual event began in April, and we have a great group of 14, which includes several from other Baptist churches in the area. We are SO thankful for Tommy and Karen Wilson who will be joining us, and Tommy has graciously agreed to serve as our driver. It's going to be a wonderful three days of singing, preaching, and a great line-up of Gospel musicians and Christian comedians. Featured speaker will be Dr. Robert Jeffries from First Baptist Dallas.

We will soon be planning our trip to Reelfoot Lake for a tasty meal at Boyette's in October, and then the holiday events will follow! Be sure and join us as we stay "on the move!"

Check out the Lively Ones board in the north hallway for future outings and sign-up! We'd love to have you join us for senior adult fun and fellowship!



WOM will not meet in August. I want to remind everyone that all women of the church are invited to come to our meetings. Our next meeting is Sunday, September 13, 2026 @ 4:50 pm. Hope to see you there! Submitted by Denise Boane, WOM Director

Blessing Box - take what you need, leave what you can, above all be blessed. Donations are appreciated to keep the box full; a donation box is in the church front foyer. Ideas of donations are at the Welcome Center table. You can also give monetary donations through the church office or online to help purchase items.

**MEN'S
PRAYER
BREAKFAST**

August 1 | 8 am

Ladies You are Invited To
SEW FAITHFUL

Friday, July 31, 2026

Beginning at 9:00 am until Noon and

Saturday, August 1, 2026

From 9:00 am until Noon.

Volunteers from Northside Church in Jackson will return to Tanzania at the end of August and we want to send as many kits with them as possible. Our goal for this trip is 100 kits. With your help - one day, both days or even just an hour - we can send more.

Come work with us - we need you!!

Gifts to the Church

In Memory of Dolores Quinton by: John & Melanie Johnson, Anonymous, Kenneth & Janice Gatewood (Bldg)

In Memory of Deborah Perkins by: John & Melanie Johnson, Richard & Barbara Ferrell, Kelley & Sheila Swearingen, Don & Judy Cleek, Kenneth & Janice Gatewood (Bldg)

In Memory of Linda Perkins by: Don & Judy Cleek, Kelley & Sheila Swearingen (Bldg)

In Memory of Ron Gardiner by: Kelley & Sheila Swearingen (GCF)

In Memory of Margaret Hawkins by: John & Melanie Johnson (Bldg)

Thank you cards to the church family are posted at Information Station Board



- 1st Ron Phillips
- 2nd Josie Gallimore
- 3rd Jim Moseley, Beverly Foster, Suzie McWherter
- 4th Kerry Adams
- 6th Jeanie Nanney, Kourtney Sawyer, Lisa Morgan
- 7th Misty Evans, Kenneth Gatewood, Tom McWherter, Donnie Cantrell
- 8th Tommy Sledd, Marty Dunn
- 11th Richard Ferrell
- 13th Audrea Washburn, Albany Cianfarani, Robbie Perkins
- 14th Michael Markle
- 17th Donald Perkins
- 18th Shelley Green
- 19th Leanna Clark
- 20th Eric Brooks, Lee Young
- 22nd David Carpenter
- 24th Asher Guerrero, Nathan Sawyer
- 25th Gerald Caldwell, Jonathan Davis, Kale Rempel
- 26th Benjamin Pettit
- 27th Carrie Esch
- 31st Ella Brooks

August Volunteers

August 2

Nursery AM: Kristin, Abigail, Gracie Kibbler, Pam Caldwell, Kenra Simpson | PM: Pat Phillips | Wed. 5: Ginger Forrester | Kids Worship Albany Cianfarani

Greeters: Mitch & Bendy White, Jim Moseley

Deacon: Larry Pollard

Safety & Security: AM: Nyle Carlton, Troy Hollis | PM: James Washburn | Wed. 5: Eric Brooks

August 9

Nursery AM: Courtney Workman, Deborah Ams, Adam & Tamara Harrison | PM: Lisa Harris | Wed. 12: Audrea Washburn | Kids Worship: Jesse Gallimore

Greeters: Richard & Barbara Ferrell, Grant Turner

Deacon: Rick Finney

Safety & Security: AM: John Gallimore, Mark Williams | PM: Larry Pollard | Wed. 12: Chris Poole

August 16 Homecoming

Nursery AM: Renza Adams, Keely Vaughan, Gwen Joyner, Carrie Esch | Kids Worship not meeting

Greeters: Tommy & Maureen Sledd, Rick Workman

Deacon: Ben Moore

Safety & Security: AM: Brian Mathis, Andrew Pritchett | Wed 19: Jake Bynum, Ben Moore

August 23

Nursery AM: Timi Woodward, Charley Sawyer, Lisa & Myra Grace Morgan | PM: Becky Anderson | Kids Worship: Kristin Kibbler

Greeters: Angie Plunk, Deborah Ams, Michael Turner

Deacon: Kenneth Gatewood

Safety & Security: AM: Rick Workman, Richard Ferrell | PM: Don Cleek | Wed. 26: Rick Finney, Keith Forrester

August 30

Nursery AM: Alyssa & Ella Bynum, Lisa Williams, Misty Gilmer | PM: Audrea Washburn | Kids Worship not meeting

Greeters: David & Kim Bailey, Will Kibbler

Deacon: James Washburn

Safety & Security: AM: Randy Morgan, Bruce Slusser | PM: David Bailey

August Offering Ushers: Kelley Swearingen, Stephen Gray, David Boane, Austin Davis, Wyatt Davis, Alex Bynum



We Need You! If you would like to serve on any of these ministries, please see Janet in the church office to be added to the rotation.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Deacon Nomination Month be in prayer for nominations and those elected to serve						1 8 am Men's Breakfast 10 am-12:30 pm Jesus & Jammies 9 am-12 pm Sew Faithful
2 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship 5 pm Deacons Meeting 6 pm Worship	3	4	5 6:30 pm Youth Group 6:30 Prayer/Bible Study 7:20 Choir practice	6	7	8
9 Blessing of the Backpacks 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship 2-3:30 pm Bridal Shower for Maggie Oliver 6 pm Worship	10 	11	12 6:30 pm Youth Group 6:30 Prayer/Bible Study 7:20 Choir practice	13	14	15
16 Homecoming 9:45 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship No Evening Services	17	18 11:30 am JOY	19 6 pm TeamKID Starts 6:30 Youth Group 6:30 Prayer/Bible Study 7:30 Choir practice	20	21	22
23 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship 4:50 pm Ladies Bible Study 6 pm Worship	24	25	26 10 am Ladies Bible Study 6 pm TeamKID 6:10 Ladies Bible Study 6:30 Youth Group 6:30 Prayer/Bible Study 7:30 Choir practice	27 6:30 pm Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Banquet	28	29
30 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship/Lord's Supper 4:50 pm Ladies Bible Study 5 pm Church Council 6 pm Worship	31					



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 Live Stream available on facebook.com/dresdenfbc-live
 and [www.dresdenfbc.org/Live Stream](http://www.dresdenfbc.org/LiveStream)
 on Sundays at 11 am & 6 pm and Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
 Sunday 11 am Radio Broadcast on 95.1fm
 Sunday School lesson 10 am on live stream options

Three Ways to Give



At Church
 offering plates or
 boxes in foyer



Online
dresdenfbc.org/Give



By Mail
 PO Box 176
 Dresden

DFBC Staff available if we can help in anyway

Dr. Don McCulley, Pastor
 Christian Carr, Associate Pastor
 Dr. Robert Nanney, Min. of Music
 Cooper Allman, Student Ministry Interim
 Janet Robinson, Ministry Assistant
 Lisa Harris, Custodian

Thank you for your faithful giving . 2 Corinthians 9: 6-8