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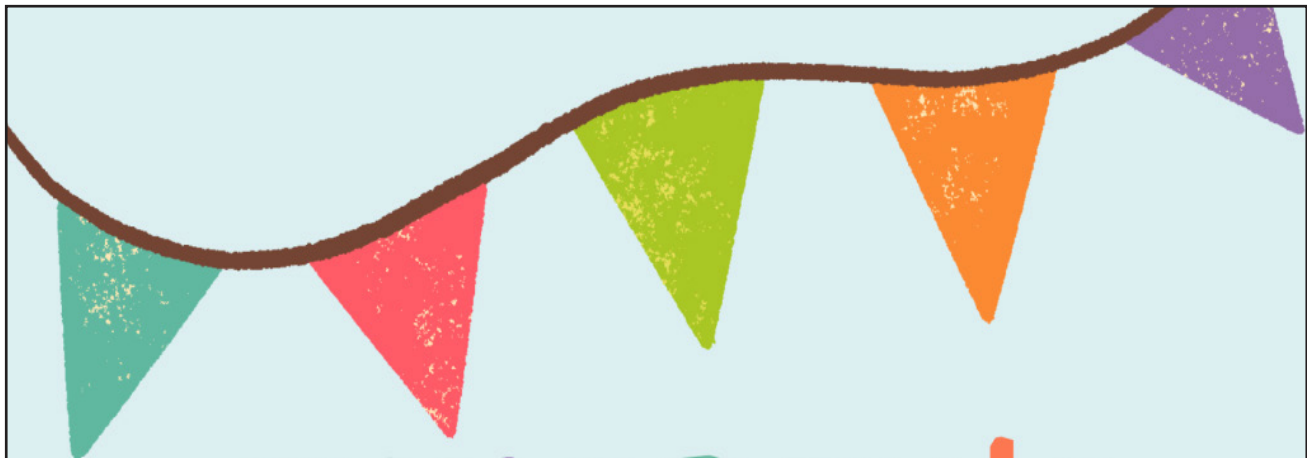
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The Weekly Newsletter of First Baptist Church, Paris, Tennessee

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CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

October 5

Featuring:

Combined Children's Sunday School in Orr Hall
1st Grade Bible Presentation
Parent-Child Dedication
Music Makers & Young Musicians Sing

From the Pastor's Desk

Recently, we celebrated Student Sunday in our church, and it was encouraging to see so many of our middle school and high school students serving the Lord in a variety of ways. From opening doors and welcoming us into the church building to leading us in worship, it was great to see their growing faith and trust in the Lord. We are blessed by the leadership of Stephen Burns and many other adults who invest in our students every week on Sunday mornings, Sunday nights, Wednesday nights and at other times throughout the week. Please continue to pray for these students and encourage them in their walk with the Lord.

We have designated this Sunday as Children's Day. Children will begin the morning by gathering in Orr Hall for a special combined Sunday School hour. During our worship service, our children's choirs will sing, we will present Bibles to our first grade students and we will share in a parent-child dedication. This day will provide us the opportunity to celebrate children as God's special gifts to families. I hope you will plan to share in the celebration this week.

During our worship service this week, we will also continue our journey through the Book of Daniel. In chapter four, we will consider the subjects of "Pride and Humility." I look forward to sharing this message with you and worshipping the Lord together.

In Christ,
Bro. Trent



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Submission deadline for
the next issue is
Monday, October 6, 2025



OCC requests help with shoebox assembly

The Operation Christmas Child ministry is requesting help with the assembling and labeling of shoeboxes on Tuesday, October 14.

Volunteers will meet in the gym at 9 a.m. and work until all shoeboxes are assembled.

The combined goal for FBC and TVCC is 5,200 boxes for 2025.

Senior ADULT Day

Sunday, October 19

Senior Adult Celebration

Monday, October 20

11 a.m. • Orr Hall

Special Guest:

Kevin Hamilton

Why We Need Children in Church

I recently came across an article from Lifeway with the title "Why We Need Children in Church." Of course, that was of interest to me, and I pray it is to our church family, too. The article shared these three valuable reasons for children's participation in church. Children are important to Jesus, and we know this because the Bible tells us so. Children's participation in church is vital, and we benefit from their inclusion. Including children in church helps them grow in faith.

Jesus welcomed the little children, and so should we. In, Matthew 18:5, Jesus said, "*Whoever welcomes one child like this in my name welcomes me.*" Each week as the Gospel is presented, we should want children to be present so that they too can hear, believe and obey God's Word. We can all give testament to the amazing ways God's speaks to and through children.

I am so grateful for a church that includes children in our services. The article also stated that when church leaders are mindful of the next generation as they plan worship services and other events the church benefits from the gifts of children and there is a vibrancy in childlike faith that encourages us to seek deeper understanding of our faith.

Including children in the life of the church reminds children of their value and provides opportunities to contribute. These opportunities to participate helps them to build relationships with Christians who are ahead of them on their faith journey. These personal relationships impact children and their faith for years to come.

This Sunday is Children's Day. We will have a special opportunity to include our children in worship. As a church, we will commit to support a young family who will be participating in Parent/Family Dedication, we will celebrate God's Holy Word by presenting Bibles to the first graders and we will worship as our first through fifth graders lead us in song. We will also have our weekly children's message and experience the pureness of their responses to God's Word and instructions.

Each Sunday we gather is a treasure, and this one is no exception. May we all look forward to welcoming our children and our Savior.

Blessings,
Ms. Angela

This Week At First Baptist

SUNDAY, October 5

CHILDREN'S DAY

- 8:00 Prayer Time
- 9:00 Sunday School
- 10:15 Morning Worship
- 6:00 Discipleship Groups

WEDNESDAY, October 8

- 5:00 Family Night Meal
- 5:45 Adult Equipping Centers;
Children's Choirs;
Students-The LOFT
- 7:00 Adult Choir Practice

SUNDAY, October 12

- 8:00 Prayer Time
- 9:00 Sunday School
- 10:15 Morning Worship
- 4:00 Deacons Meeting
- 6:00 Discipleship Groups

OCTOBER 14-16

Student Fall Retreat

WEDNESDAY, October 15



Fall Break for Local Schools
No Meal or Activities



Deadline for Student Fall Retreat

Sunday, October 5

**See Bro. Stephen for details*

QUARTERLY Business Meeting

Sunday, October 19
5 p.m. • Orr Hall

On the Agenda:

1st reading of proposed
2026 church budget

Quarterly DEACONS Meeting

Sunday, October 12
4 p.m.

First Baptist Church



313 N Poplar Street
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*One Block North
of the Court Square*

Sunday School

9 a.m.

Morning Worship

10:15 a.m.



Sunday, October 5

Sermon:

Pride and Humility
Daniel 4
Dr. Trent Bullock



OCC Items for September

Bandanas, Hair Accessories,
Jewelry, Underwear

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FINANCIAL REPORTS

September 28, 2025

Worship Attendance 329
Sunday School Attendance .. 305
Budget Required \$28,603.60
Budget Received \$24,113.00
Other Designated \$1,150.00
Total \$25,263.00



FBC Goal: \$12,000
Received to Date: \$3,762



October 8

Barbecue Pork
Baked Beans
Potato Salad
Coleslaw
Dessert

Alternate Menu:

Chicken Tenders/
French Fries/Dessert

Church Volunteers for October 5

Bus Ministry	Media Ministry	Security/Usher Ministry	
<u>Driver</u>	<u>Sound</u>	<u>Security</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
Roger Veazey	Barry Flood	Jamie James	Bill Anderson
	<u>Video</u>	Jim Madison	Stephen Burns
Children's Ministry	Scott Nanney	Bob Moultrie	Gideon Gielis
<u>Babies</u>		Steve Parker	Ben Glover
Leigh Ann Horton	<u>Media Room</u>	Milton Peale	John Hudson
<u>1-year-olds</u>	Michael Denman	Bo Sinclair	Bob Irby
Matt & Devin Craig	Philip Todd	<u>Offertory Prayer</u>	Homer Maddox
<u>2 & 3-year-olds</u>	Evan Twilbeck	Jeff Atkins	Scott Stephens
Glovers/Nalbachs			

Welcome Team Ministry Greeters for October

John Hudson, Dawn Scharff, Reece Veazey, Kallie Veazey

Bible Reading Plan

Week 40 (September 28-October 3)

Day 1 - 2 Kings 21; Philippians 4
Day 2 - Nahum 1; 1 Timothy 1
Day 3 - 2 Kings 22; 1 Timothy 2
Day 4 - 2 Kings 23; 1 Timothy 3
Day 5 - Zephaniah 3; 1 Timothy 4

Week 41 (October 6-10)

Day 1 - Jeremiah 1; 1 Timothy 5
Day 2 - Jeremiah 25; 1 Timothy 6
Day 3 - Jeremiah 29; Titus 1
Day 4 - Jeremiah 31; Titus 2
Day 5 - Jeremiah 32; Titus 3