

Sunday Small Groups are to:
TEACH the Bible to change lives

REACH the lost with the Good News of Jesus Christ and



CARE for people through prayer, ministry and fellowship.

11-23-2025

Attendance: 300

Visitors: 14

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Please submit your reservation by noon Tuesday before the meal on Wednesday.

NAME _____

Wednesday, December 3
5:15 pm to 6:00 pm

Vegetable Soup and
Cornbread

_____ Regular meal \$5.00 per plate

_____ Chicken tenders & fries
\$3.00 per plate

_____ Yearly reservation
_____ I prefer to make reservations on a weekly basis.

Payment is expected for cancellations after Tuesday, 12:00 pm.



Community Christmas Choir



Practice Dates

December 4 6pm - 8pm
December 13 10 am @ BCHS



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Join us for
WORSHIP
Sunday November 30

9:15 am Sunday Morning Small Groups

10:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

4:00 pm Youth Band (Summit)

4:30 pm Bible Drills (children's Dept)

4:30 pm Sanctuary Small Group (Sanctuary)

5:30 pm Adult Small Group (Conference Room)

5:30 Awana (Upstairs Children's Dept)

5:30 pm Youth Bible Study (Summit)

Wednesday December 3

5:30 pm Youth Pizza & Fellowship

6:30 pm First Kids Music & Missions (Multipurpose Rm)

6:30 pm Adult Prayer & Bible Study (Fellowship hall)

6:30 Adult Choir Practice (Choir Room)

6:30 pm Youth Bible Study (Summit)

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
101 South Second Street
Cochran, GA 31014-6806

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First
Baptist
Church
Cochran

November

14,000



FIRST — Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!! I pray you’re reminded of God’s extravagant kindness to all of us, especially His willingness to sacrifice His son Jesus on the cross as full payment for the penalty our sin requires. I pray you know the peace of His presence during the holiday and that your heart is slowly turned to the amazing narrative of the first coming of Christ by the time we gather for worship on the Sunday after Thanksgiving!!

SECOND — a reminder that our Holiday Season Sunday morning schedule begins this Sunday (November 30) and continues through Sunday morning, January 4: small groups meet @ 9:15 and one combined worship service meets in the sanctuary @ 10:30.

THIRD — I will not be with you on Sunday morning; Jeff will be filling the pulpit in my absence. After spending the Thanksgiving holiday with my family on SSI, I will be traveling to the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers, GA, for a time of physical rest, spiritual renewal, and spiritual guidance. In order to retreat @ this monastery, a person must agree to and adhere to the vow of silence taken by the monks. There is no TV on the premises and very limited WiFi access; retreating at the monastery is truly a solitary experience.

I want to ask you to pray for me while I’m on retreat. As a pastor, I find that I am reluctant to ask for prayers. “Why?” you might be asking. I think it’s a combination of things. Pride is definitely one reason, not wanting anyone to think badly of me because I’m physically and spiritually weary, or unsettled about God’s guidance as it relates to the future of FBC Cochran. Another reason I’m reluctant to ask for prayer is that I’m aware of the load many of you carry in your daily lives and I don’t want to add weight to the burden you already tote. (I know that sounds crazy...I don’t consider intercessory prayer any more of a burden than you do and yet I struggle with feeling this way!) Full transparency: the urgency of my physical travails invaded your prayer lives 12 yrs ago and I still wrestle with unwarranted feelings of obligation to this church for the amazing way God used you during that season in my life and my family’s life! I’m sure there exist subsets of reasons I hesitate to ask for prayers but these are the most glaring.

So I’m asking you to pray for me. You want specificity? I can do specificity! Ask God to drench my heart in the following ways:

- Physical rest and renewal.
- Mental rest and renewal...peace and clarity in my thinking.
- A torrent of passion for the priorities & purposes of God.
- Ears that hear and discern the voice of God’s Holy Spirit; discipline to sit quietly until all other voices are silent.
- Clear Biblical guidance related to “next” @ FBC; specifically the topic of a new building, location of the 8:30 service, ministry direction for the next 2-5 yrs, and positioning our church today in preparation for the mighty things God has planned for building His Kingdom through FBC in the future.

I know my tenure as your pastor is much closer to the ending than the beginning! For the past several months one of my frequent appeals to the Father has been, “Father, what do you want to accomplish through me @ Cochran FBC before You ask me to lay down the privilege of this mantle?” This is often followed by praying David’s request in Psalm 19:13, “Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me!” I never want to presume that I know the will of God in any matter pertaining to my personal life or the life of this church. But once God clearly reveals His direction, I want to boldly and enthusiastically move forward in harmony with the holy purposes of God.

Pray for me when you have a free moment. I’ve been trying to schedule this monastic retreat for two years! My yearning is to return to Cochran a renewed & inspired disciple. Grace & peace, love you. PK

Thank You

Julie Mullis would like to express her thanks for the beautiful flowers she received from the Floral Outreach Ministry

Deacon Ordination Service

December 8, 2025
6:30 pm

Fellowship Hall

First Kids December Schedule 2025

December 3rd - Movie Night @ Church
Everyone (babies-6th grade) Parents invited

December 10th- Christmas Caroling
Meet at Church 4:50pm
Leave at 5pm be back at 7:15pm

December 14th - 9:15 am
Birthday party for Jesus during Sunday School

December 17th - 6:30 pm
Church-wide Christmas Family Night

December 24th - 4:30pm-6pm
Christmas Eve Drop-in Communion

December Sunday Morning Schedule
9:15 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Worship Service, Sanctuary

CHRISTMAS

for the City

WHERE MUSIC MEETS THE MESSAGE

BLECKLEY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

DECEMBER 13 | 4 PM
DECEMBER 14 | 3 & 6 PM

HOSTED BY:
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
LIMESTONE BAPTIST CHURCH
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FBC
Legacy Builders
May all who come behind us find us faithful

Looking Ahead

December 9 - Christmas Dinner 6:30 pm
Sign up by December 5

December 12 - Ingleside Christmas Trip
Sign up by December 11
Leave church at 4:00 pm
Call church to sign up for both events



FBC Youth

WINTER RETREAT

FBC 2025
12/27-12/30
\$200