



first baptist church

CHATTANOOGA GATEWAY

A place to be. A place to serve.

October 15, 2025

401 Gateway Ave., Chattanooga, TN 37402

423.265.2257

www.fbcchattanooga.org

Worship Care Workers

October 19, 2025

for babies, toddlers, & preschoolers

Alishea Hixson, Lynne Mayfield
Emily Laseter



Deacon Greeters

1. Lynn Strong
2. Angie Johnson

SPECIAL THANKS

If you didn't notice last Sunday, be sure to look at the parquet flooring in the Sanctuary. It now has a beautiful sheen from the many, many extra hours Charles Holt spent refinishing it. Take a moment and let him know how much his hard work is appreciated!

Sunday, October 19, 12:30-2:30PM

All 3rd-5th graders, this Baking Party is for you! We are meeting in the Youth

Area for a lunch (\$5) of pizza chips and a baked treat. We are baking a group of desserts, some for ourselves and others for the homebound of our church family. We will also share a small devotional together. Questions? Contact Megan Long at 423.661.0599 or meganlong0550@gmail.com.



Deacons Nominated to Serve Term 2026-2028

Mary Jayne Allen	Dawn Oakes	Sean Pickett
Reggie Alley	Vic Oakes	Tina Shoop
Alishea Hixson	Andy Schwall	

Deacon Emeriti: Sandra Longer and Dan Mayfield

Approval of Deacon Slate by church vote, Sunday, November 9
Blessing of Deacons, Sunday, November 16, during Worship

Sunday, October 12, 2025

Sunday School / Bible Study 9:30AM

10:50AM

SONGS OF COMMUNITY
DARRYL MILLER, ORGAN

11:00AM

Dr. Thomas Quisenberry
Genesis 32:22-31
Match of the Century



Worship at First

Streamed and in-person



FBC Fall Festival is right around the corner and we are looking for donations of individually-wrapped candy to give our kids for their Trunk-or-Treat. We ask that **all candy is nut-free** to accommodate our kids with nut allergies. You can drop off your **candy donations in the bright orange bin** located in the Narthex. Thank you for helping to make this annual event the best!

GriefShare

Surviving
the Holidays

provides encouragement, support, and valuable tools to navigate the season.

Join us for this 2-hour seminar

**The holidays are
challenging when you're
grieving a loss.**

sponsored by
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
401 Gateway Ave, Chattanooga,
TN 37402

Saturday, November 8
10:00AM-12:00PM
Office Entrance, RM E213

Register:

www.griefshare.org/events/275961

Contact Jim Schwall at
423.280.7998 with any questions.

Church Family Concerns

(Updated from prayer requests and by office staff; not listed in order of priority)

The multitude of folks all over the world without food, water, shelter, safety
Those affected by divisiveness in our country
Those affected by Typhoon Halong in Alaska
Those affected by the recent explosion in Hickman Co, TN

Michelle Carroll

Martha & Doug Eaves

Robin Gray

Maggie Hansel

Abigail Hixson

Lavon Kendrick

Barbara Koller

Joe Koller

Tom McCullough

Teena Ray

Jody Stanford

Jaxson Tester

Penny Tullock

Carlie & Mark Wojnovich

Ronald Adkins, Anthony Henderson's father

Brad Bost and family

Casey Brown, Jane & Joe Everett's neighbor

Brent Edwards, Vivian Langford's son

Russell Ellis, Rose Ellis's husband

Rachel Fagan, Stephanie & David Daley's niece

Kim Fite, Emily Laseter's mother

Montana Freeman, Robin Gray's daughter

Dave Haibach, Steve Yantis's friend

Debarah & Brad Harbuck

Doris Heath, Grady Worley's cousin

Ronald Kirkendoll, Sharon Webster's brother

Marcy Kunf, Kelly Kunf's mother

Teresa Longer, Sandra & Charlie Longer's daughter-in-law

Margie Mayfield, Dan Mayfield's mother

Elaine McGee, Grady Worley's sister

Holly Harris Misirly, Sharon & Emily Tousek's relative

Sara Newsome, Carol Prevost's sister

Tony Ott, Martha & Doug Eaves' son-in-law

Vickie Porterfield

Verbie Prevost's sister, Carolyn (hospice)

Jan Ramsey, Rodney Strong's friend

Connie Robinson, Lynn Strong's friend

Macy & Sean Rowe, Esther Carter Johnson's friends

Robert Sitton and family

Bill Smith, Jan & David Varnell's friend

Lonnie Smith, Ron Smith's brother

Michael Strong, Rodney Strong's brother

Joseph "Stroud" Watson & family, father of Bryony Stroud-Watson (SFA)

Cathy Suarez, Rusty Rouse's friend

Shirley Thomas, Cordelle Terrell's friend

Connie Trowbridge, Sean Pickett's cousin

Rachel Walker, Tim Burton's niece (Haiti)

Tommy Williams, Sean Pickett's friend

Sherry Wright, Grady Worley's cousin

Condolences to Mary Earl and family in the death
of her husband, Ron Earl.

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Tyler Cain, Virginia Condry Ledman

Jamie Fitch, Matthew Hellier

Coty Kissinger, Michael Land

Keith Mays, Nathan Skidmore



OCTOBER 8

Fall break – no evening activities

Furniture Needed!

The Truck Ministry has formed an unofficial partnership with the Families in Transition Program of the Hamilton County Department of Education. This program is for families with children who are living in their cars, shelters, campgrounds, or motels. As they transition into housing, they need furniture, household items, linens, etc. If you have any of these items you can donate, please contact Herb Hooper at 423.580.0851. Thank you so much for your support!



FINANCE REPORT (for October 15, 2025)

Budget receipts in the mail	\$ 15,689.00
Budget receipts digitally/online	6,825.00
BUDGET RECEIPTS for the week	\$ 22,514.00
Designated offerings	2,861.59
Total offering for this week	\$ 25,375.59
YTD BUDGET receipts	\$739,474.66
YTD Expenses	\$963,385.31



With this QR code, you can donate to our budget, pay for event tickets, give to a mission opportunity, and more. Please contact the church office with any questions.



NOTE-WORTHY FRIENDS

(They'd love a note from you.)

Linda & Dan Johnson
113 Valleybrook Rd
Hixson, TN 37343
Barbara Koller
7600 Springs Ln, Apt. B
Peachtree Corners, GA 30092
Vivian Langford
1023 East Valley Dr
Rossville, GA 30741

Oct. 15 Lucy Herrod
Delores Markham
Oct. 16 Richard Sullivan
Oct. 17 Emory Boshears
Joe Koller
Carol Prevost
Hannah Weaver
Oct. 18 David Hixson
Ronny McNeil
Oct. 19 Janice Bond
Kathy Stewart
Oct. 21 Anita Decosimo
Oct. 24 Doug Eaves
Oct. 25 Jim McAfee
Lily Thibault
Oct. 26 Cindy Elam
Oct. 27 Libbie Weaver
Oct. 28 Sharon Carter
Christina Dotson
Marc Thomas
Oct. 29 Adam Weaver
Oct. 30 Wayne Hartman
Agnes White



On our **October Habitat for Humanity workday**, we returned to Olive Street to resume work on the 1150 square foot, four bedroom, two bath construction we left in June. Most of the exterior work had been completed, but there were lots of opportunity inside. We installed the window sills and trim, hung and trimmed interior doors, installed the baseboard, and completed the stairs to the deck. This home may be completed by other teams prior to our next workday, but if so, there will be another awaiting us. Hope you can join us on Friday, November 14, beginning at 8:30AM. For more information, see Jim McAfee or call 423.802.5011.



Saturday morning worship, CBF TAG Tri-State Assembly, October 3-4
Annual Business Session for TN CBF (part of TAG)



ON THE CALENDAR, OCT. 16 – OCT. 31

Thursday, October 16

Shower Ministry	2:00PM
Finance Committee Mtg via Zoom	4:30PM

Sunday, October 19

Chancel Choir Rehearsal	9:00AM
Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
Fellowship Time/Library Open	10:30AM
Songs of Community	10:50AM
Worship – Sanctuary	11:00AM
Cool Kids Collective	12:30PM
Marketing Task Force	4:30PM
Youth Choir Rehearsal	4:30PM
Youth Supper	5:30PM
Youth Bible Study	6:00PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:00PM

Tuesday, October 21

Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM
Moving Forward CJC Classes	5:30PM
Deacon Council Meeting	5:30PM
Tuesday Book Group	6:00PM

Wednesday, October 22

Fellowship Time (BYOF)	5:30PM
Preschool Music/Missions	6:15PM
Children's Choir	6:15PM
Youth Gathering	6:15PM
Epiphanies (study/discussion/action)	6:15PM
Midweek Study (Pastor led)	6:15PM
Gym Time	7:00PM
Committee on Committees (tentative)	7:20PM

Sunday, October 26

Chancel Choir Rehearsal	9:00AM
Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
Fellowship Time/Library Open	10:30AM
Songs of Community	10:50AM
Worship – Sanctuary	11:00AM
Fall Festival	5:00PM

Monday, October 27

Moving Forward CJC	5:30PM
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Tuesday, October 28

Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM
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Wednesday, October 29

Fellowship Time (BYOF)	5:30PM
Preschool Music/Missions	6:15PM
Children's Choir	6:15PM
Youth Gathering	6:15PM
Epiphanies (study/discussion/action)	6:15PM
Midweek Study (Pastor led)	6:15PM
Gym Time	7:00PM

Thursday, October 30

Shower Ministry	2:00PM
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Our congregation partners with the
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
and CBF of Tennessee. cbf.net



FBC Ministerial & Support Staff

Dr. Thomas Quisenberry	Senior Pastor	
Rev. Jeff Parker	Minister of Music & Worship	
Rev. Kelly Kunf	Interim Minister of Youth & Children	
Ms. Megan Long	Intern, Youth & Children	
David Daley	Facilities Supervisor	423.648.2548
Lila Knauth	Financial Associate	423.648.2547
Patty Spells	Church Administrative Assistant	423.265.2257
Lizzie Alford	Education Administrative Ass't	423.648.2542
Frances Marandi	Music Administrative Assistant	423.648.2543



DOGWOOD DAY

Monday, September 22



Morning Celebration
Recreation
Service Project
Wiping down bedframes
and mattresses plus
removing cobwebs
Art (leaf-shaped clay trays)
Swim time

