



first baptist church

CHATTANOOGA

GATEWAY

A place to be. A place to serve.

September 30, 2026

401 Gateway Ave., Chattanooga, TN 37402

423.265.2257

www.fbcchattanooga.org

Worship Care Workers

October 4

for babies, toddlers, & preschoolers

Jeanne Alley, Roberta Echols

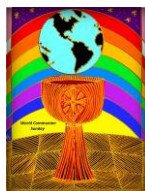
Karen Henderson



Deacon Greeters

1. Sandra Longer

2. Mary Jayne Allen



Worship at First

Streamed and in-person

Sunday, October 4, 2026

Sunday School / Bible Study 9:30AM

10:50AM

SONGS OF COMMUNITY

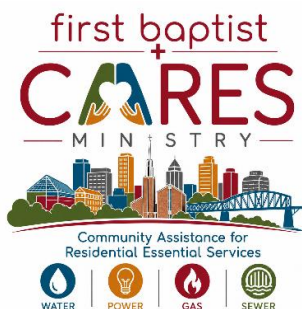
KENNETH WEBSTER

11:00AM

Dr. Thomas Quisenberry

Matthew 21:33-46

Entrusted



FIRST BAPTIST CARES

(Community Assistance for Residential Essential Services)

We are collecting an offering at the end of worship this Sunday, October 4, to support this ministry. Funds go to help those in need pay for utility bills. They are also used to supply 40 food boxes per month from the Chattanooga Area Food Bank to those needing food. Online donations are welcome as well. (See the QR code on p3.)

Our Missions Committee is looking for local ministries that we might support in addition to the ones many of us are already involved in through our church. Do you **volunteer regularly** for a ministry outside of our church? Or **serve on a board** at a place that needs volunteers? (Ronald McDonald House is an example of a place we've served in the past but, as far as we know, we have no current connections there.)

If you know personally of places that could use more volunteers, **email** Frances (frances@fbcchattanooga.org) and indicate that ministry including a short description of that place's needs.

There are also **blue sheets** in your Sunday School packet and around the lobby area for listing this information. Those need to be left in the nearby basket or returned to the office through your SS packet.

Thank you for your help in "discovering" new places to be the hands and feet of Christ.

Parents' Night Out

Friday, October 2, 6-10pm

-Cost: \$5/child, or \$10/family

-Check in at the Lower Lobby Entrance (Blue Tile)

RSVP to Lizzie by Sept. 30th
423-648-2542 or
lizzie@fbcchattanooga.org

Oktoberfest Adult Ministry Luncheon

Sunday, October 4

12:15PM

Fellowship Hall

\$10 ticket

Menu: Pork roast & brats, kraut, carrots, German salads, dessert

Tickets may be purchased during church office hours by Oct. 1.

If you choose to pay online, please email lila@fbcchattanooga.org to confirm the purchase.

Church Family Concerns

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

Folks all over the world without food, water, shelter, safety

Those affected by recent natural disasters

Those affected by acts of deportation

Those affected by mental health issues

Local, state, and national elections

Growth Task Force, Marketing Task Force

Stephanie & David Daley

Barry Dent and his grandparents

Sandy Hood

Brenda Hooper

Linda & Dan Johnson

Barbara Koller

Tommye & Don Manning

Wilbourne Markham

Lynne Mayfield

Barbara Nolen

Melissa Phillips

Cissy Rash

Annette Spinks

Imogene Stone

Penny Tullock

Sharon Wilkins

Tom Williams, Sr.

Carlinda, Cordelle Terrell's friend

Tim Burton's coworker

Rosemary Cheek, Patsy Renegar's sister

Larry Ford, Angie Ward's uncle

Doris Heath, Grady Worley's cousin

Anthony Henderson's father, Ronald (Anthony, FBC custodian)

Jeff Hudson, Chase Shiflett's dad

Maria Johnson

Nancy & Jim Lewis, Doug Lewis's sister-in-law & brother

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

Mark McGowan, Steve Yantis's friend

Holly Harris Misirly, Sharon & Emily Tousek's relative

Martha Patterson, Cheryl McAfee's sister-in-law

Dmitry Pikulik (Kyiv), relative of Serhii Pikulik

Kelby & Jordan Proctor

Sara Ellen & Ron Reid, Mary Jayne Allen's friends

Ron Renegar, Brenda Underwood's friend

Lance Robbins, Tom McCullough's friend

Rick Rushworth, the Markham's friend

Charlotte Slaughter, the Markham's friend

Ruby Smith, Hellen Gross's neighbor

Jerry Spinks, Leroy Spinks's brother

Cindy Storey, Carol Prevost's friend

Gara Strong, Rodney Strong's sister-in-law

Cathy Suarez, Rusty Rouse's friend

Lynn & Allen Welton, Wilbourne Markham's relatives

Condolences to the Family of Pollye Gross

Family of Barbara Hudson

Ken Boothe, John Steele's stepfather



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Sunday, October 11

Fall Break, no youth evening activities

Wednesday, October 14

Fall Break, no evening activities

Sunday, October 25

Fall Festival, 5:00-6:30PM

SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 30

5:30 pm Bring Your Own Supper Fellowship Hall

7:30pm Committee on Committees Conference Rm

Babies / Toddlers / Preschoolers

5:45 pm Childcare E106

6:15 pm Preschool Music & Missions E107

Children (K-5th grade)

6:15 pm Children's Choir E111

7:00 pm Gym Time Gym

Youth

6:15 pm Youth Gathering Youth Area

7:00 pm Gym Time Gym

Adults

6:15 pm Epiphanies E217

Transforming: The Bible and the Lives of Transgender Christians by Austen Hartke (pt. 2)

Facilitated by Jeanne Alley & Karen Henderson

6:15 pm Midweek Study FH:

Following the Call: Living the Sermon on the Mount Together, (ed. Charles E. Moore)

"Blessedness & Mourning"

Facilitated by Thomas Quisenberry

FINANCE REPORT

(for Sept 30, 2026)

MTD Receipts \$90,442.58

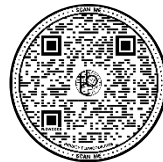
MTD Expenses \$99,873.84

MTD Deficit/Excess -\$ 9,431.26

YTD Receipts \$673,358.78

YTD Expenses \$925,581.92

YTD Deficit -\$252,223.14



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.)

Maggie Hansel
2502 Avalon Circle
Chattanooga, TN 37415

Sheila Hinkle
1300 Darlene Circle
East Ridge, TN 37412

Debbie Hixson
1020 Runyan Dr #226A
Chattanooga, TN 37405

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Tyler Cain, Jamie Fitch, Matthew Hellier
Coty Kissinger, Michael Land
Virginia Condry Ledman, Keith Mays
Sydney McDougal, Nathan Skidmore

Oct. 4 Billy Hewitt
Oct. 5 Esther Johnson
Oct. 6 Jack Good
Oct. 7 Rose Thomas
Oct. 8 Alishea Hixson
Naomi Miller
Oct. 9 Debbie Hamilton
Jenny Parker
Randy Warren
Oct. 10 Josie Carrell
Sheila Hinkle
Hugh Prevost
Oct. 13 Freida Carter
Lavene Guthrie
Oct. 14 Felicia Boyer
Teena Ray
Mike Willard
Oct. 15 Lucy Herrod
Delores Markham



We urgently need additional workers. Some of our most faithful workers are having medical issues. Of course there are scheduling conflicts, too. Tools and training are provided. There are many types of jobs on site for folks, any gender, any skill level. The main requirement is a desire to work to help low income families be able to have a place to call their home.

If you can spare the second Friday each month for this ministry, call Jim McAfee (423.802.5011) for information.

Media Library News

- If you love books and would love to help in our church Media Library, there is a volunteer worktime each Wednesday morning from 10:00AM to noon. Just pop in! If you can't volunteer then, but are available at other times (such as Sunday mornings), please let Cindy Elam know about your interest (423.2928.6552).
- Did you know that someone else might like to read the library book you still have sitting on your shelf, or on your table, or mixed in with your games, or under your bed..... We'd love to have them returned to us – no explanation needed!

Members' Message Board

October Needs List

CHATT Foundation

Center for Homeless Advancement for Today and Tomorrow

Kitchen

- Sugar, Coffee, Spices
- Vegetable Oil
- Napkins, Syrup
- Grits

Community Center

- Travel-sized Products (shampoo&conditioner)
- Deodorant&Lotion
- Laundry Detergent
- Razors

Case Management

- Paper Towels
- Cleaning Supplies
- Bleach

Maciellan Shelter for Families

- Disposable Plates and Cups
- Laundry Detergent
- Kids Snacks & Juices

Clothing Program

- Blankets
- Men's Tennis Shoes
- Jackets
- Socks & Underwear

Outreach

- Backpacks
- Tarps (Green or Camo)
- Trash Bags

chattfoundation.org

ON THE CALENDAR, OCT. 1 – OCT. 14

Friday, Oct. 2

Parents' Night Out 6:00PM

Sunday, October 4

Youth & Chancel Choirs Rehearsal 9:00AM

Sunday School/Bible Study 9:30AM

Fellowship Time/Library Open 10:30AM

Songs of Community 10:50AM

Worship 11:00AM

Adult Ministry Luncheon - Oktoberfest 12:15PM

Youth Choir Rehearsal 4:30PM

Youth Supper 5:30PM

Youth Bible Study 6:00PM

Chancel Choir Rehearsal 6:00PM

Monday, October 5

Marketing Task Force (via Zoom) 7:30PM

Tuesday, October 6

Prayer Shawl Ministry Group 10:00AM

Lunch & Learn 11:00AM

Moving Forward Chattanooga Classes 5:30PM

Wednesday, October 7

Master's Mats Group 10:00AM

Media Library Workers 10:00AM

FBC Serves at the CHATT Foundation 11:00AM

Fellowship Time (BYOF) 5:30PM

Preschool Music/Missions 6:15PM

Children's Choir 6:15PM

Youth Gathering 6:15PM

Epiphanies 6:15PM

Midweek Study (Pastor led) 6:15PM

Gym Time (School-age kids & youth) 7:00PM

Thursday, October 8

Shower Ministry 2:00PM

Friday, Oct. 9

Habitat for Humanity Workday 8:30AM

Sunday, October 11

Chancel Choir Rehearsal 9:00AM

Sunday School/Bible Study 9:30AM

Fellowship Time/Library Open 10:30AM

Songs of Community 10:50AM

Worship 11:00AM

Missions Committee Meeting 12:15PM

Chancel Choir Rehearsal 5:00PM

Tuesday, October 13

Prayer Shawl Ministry Group 10:00AM

Moving Forward Chattanooga Classes 5:30PM

Tuesday Book Group 6:00PM

Wednesday, October 14

Master's Mats Group 10:00AM

Media Library Workers 10:00AM

No Evening Activities – Fall Break

Our congregation partners with the
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and CBF of Tennessee. cbf.net

FBC Ministerial & Office Support Staff

Dr. Thomas Quisenberry	Senior Pastor	
Rev. Jeff Parker	Minister of Music & Worship	
Rev. Kelly Kunf	Interim Minister of 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



Before and after
photos of the new
stacked stone on the
chimney at
Dogwood Lodge.

Top to bottom:
Game Room,
Dining Hall
Lounge

