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November 11, 2026
401 Gateway Ave., Chattanooga, TN 37402 423.265.2257 www.fbcchattanooga.org

Sunday, November 15, 2026

Sunday School / Bible Study 9:30AM

Worship Care Workers
November 15
for babies, toddlers, & preschoolers
Steve Partridge, Roberta Echols

Deacon Greeters
1. Sandra Longer
2. Laura Warren

Worship at First
Streamed and in-person

10:50AM
Songs of Community
Jeanne & Reggie Alley

11:00AM
Dr. Thomas Quisenberry
Matthew 25:14-30
Faith in Practice: Engagement



Saturday, November 14 10:00AM-12:00PM E213 (Office Entrance)
To register, go to www.griefshare.org/events/306129
Please contact Jim Schwall with any questions (423.280.7998).

Ordination Sunday
November 15, 2026
Jessica Lynn Weaver







Happy 95th birthday to Agnes White on October 30!



Cool Kids Collective (grades 3-5) is meeting on **Sunday, November 15**, from 12:30-2:30PM for a **Baking Party**. We will meet in the Kids Hang-Out Room (E109) for lunch with hamburgers, fries, and our baked goods for dessert. Please bring $5 for lunch. We will be donning aprons and handling mixing bowls as we bake a group of desserts - some for ourselves and others for the homebound of our church family. While things are baking, we will play some games in the Gym. We will also share a small devotional together. Have questions? Contact Kelly at 561.252.2969 or kelly@fbcchattanooga.org.



EPIPHANIES Wednesday, November 11 6:15PM
Transitioning from summer to fall has its benefits (like cooler temps) and challenges (more illness). Learn how to minimize the challenges with Dr. Emily Clark, DAcCHM, L.Ac, NCBAHM at Epiphanies on Wednesday the 11th in E217. She'll share simple traditional Chinese medicine tools to help ease into the fall season.

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 acts of deportation
Those affected by mental health issues
Those affected by recent flooding in SE Tennessee
Unrest in our country and around the world
Growth Task Force, Marketing Task Force
Sylvia Colvin
Laura Cooper
Debbie Daniel, Michael Land and family
Christina Dotson, her mom & brother
Olen Grubbs
Sandy Hood
Brenda Hooper
Linda & Dan Johnson
Tommye & Don Manning
Delores Markham
Barbara Nolen
Melissa Phillips
Cissy Rash
Annette Spinks
Jody Stanford (Life Care, Ooltewah)
Lynn & Rodney Strong
Penny Tullock
Tom Williams, Sr.
Family of Patsy Back, Rebecca & Jakob Bruner's aunt
Family of Ken Boothe, John Steele's stepfather
Rosemary Cheek, Patsy Renegar's sister
Allen Coffelt, Jane & Doug Lewis's son-in-law
Davy Crockett, Sue Crockett's son
Jackie Dederer's family, Danielle Carrasco's mother
Devin Dent
Larry Ford, Angie Ward's uncle
Lodeema & Charles Gentry, Barry Dent's grandparents
Doris Heath, Grady Worley's cousin
Jeff Hudson, Chase Shiflett's dad
Dora Hunter, Jane Lewis's niece
Brian Krizan, Cindy Elam's son-in-law
Teresa Longer, Sandra & Charlie Longer's daughter-in-law
Tresa & Franklin McCallie
Holly Harris Misirly, Sharon & Emily Tousek's relative
Martha Patterson, Cheryl McAfee's sister-in-law
Sara Ellen & Ron Reid, Mary Jayne Allen's friends
Lance Robbins, Tom McCullough's friend
Rick Rushworth, the Markham's friend
Cheryl Russell and son, Jody Russell
Charlotte Slaughter, the Markham's friend
Beth Smith, Tim Burton's cousin
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
Rachel Foust Tomello, former FBC member
Lynn & Allen Welton, Wilbourne Markham's relatives
Daniel Willard, Mike Willard's brother

Hospitalized
Van Johnson (Esther & Reed Johnson) – Erlanger NICU



The *2026-27 Prayers of the People* will be published beginning with the First Sunday of Advent, November 29. Meanwhile, you may access current dates through cbf.net/pray.

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

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

SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 11

5:30 pm Fellowship Time (BYOF) Fellowship Hall

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
Dr. Emily Clark,
Traditional Chinese Medicine
Facilitated by Jeni Lee

6:15 pm Midweek Study FH:
Following the Call: Living the Sermon on the Mount Together, (ed. Charles E. Moore)
"Right Worship" and "Sexual Purity"
Facilitated by Thomas Quisenberry

FINANCE REPORT (for November 11, 2026)

MTD Receipts	$ 45,230.23
MTD Expenses	$ 33,299.17
MTD Deficit/Excess	$ 11,931.06
YTD Receipts	$ 807,446.99.
YTD Expenses	$1,070,083.64
YTD Deficit	-$ 262,636.65

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.



Nov. 11 Luke Oakes
Nov. 12 Kali Johnson Watson
Nov. 13 Joanna Quisenberry
Nov. 14 Sarah Laseter
Lois VanHooser
Nov. 15 Mark Wojnovich
Nov. 17 David Campbell
Erin Thibault
Nov. 18 Cheryl Brown
Maeve Mullins
Nov. 19 Ron Cooper
Ed Nichols
Nov. 22 David Crockett, Sr
Barbara Koller
Nov. 23 Carol Doucette
Brenda Hooper
Nov. 24 Cheryl McAfee
Nov. 25 Kris Kammerdiener
Nov. 26 Madeleine Mardis
Nov. 27 Melissa Laseter

NOTE-WORTHY FRIENDS

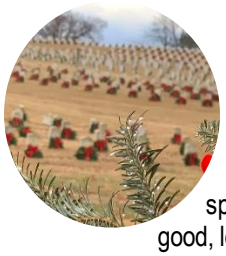
(They'd love a note from you.)

Agnes White
920 Burnt Hickory Rd NW #223
Marietta, GA 30064

Annette White
2937 Happy Valley Rd RM 107
Rossville, GA 30741

Jody (Joan) Stanford
5911 Snow Hill Rd RM 328
Ooltewah, TN 37363

Members' Message Board



Wreaths Across Chattanooga is a volunteer-led, nonprofit organization that honors fallen military heroes by placing remembrance wreaths in December on as many graves as possible of veterans at the Chattanooga National Cemetery. Each wreath is comprised of 10 balsam bouquets representing the 10 special qualities our veterans embody: belief in a greater good, love for each other, strength, honesty, humility, ambitions, optimism for America, concern for the future, pride in their duties, hopes and dreams that didn't always come true, but left them with no regrets. Wreath placement is a time to remember, honor, and teach. We remember our heroes, their service and their sacrifices. We participate to celebrate their lives. Each $17 wreath is placed at National Cemetery. From the purchase, $5 goes toward a wreath for an unknown.

The last day to order wreaths for this year is December 8.

- You may order online at chattanoogawaa.com.
- You may place cash or a check made out to Wreaths Across Chattanooga in an envelope labeled for Wreaths Across Chattanooga, and place it in the church offering place or bring it to the church office. Please include the name for any designated wreath as well as your name and phone number with the payment.

The Shower Ministry is in need of some additional **church bus drivers** on shower Thursdays. This service is provided to those needing a ride after showers are finished. To drive the church bus, you must be between 25-79 years old, have a valid driver's license, a copy of that license on file in the church office, personal liability insurance, no recent chargeable accidents, and pass the church bus driving test. Please contact Steve Yantis or Jim Schwall with any questions.

Greetings all, from Ellen Sechrest,
CBF Mission Leaders Network

The weather is crispy, the sunsets are earlier and the smells of autumn are lovely. Before you know it, we will all be in a frenzy preparing, stressing, shopping, cooking and worrying about the holidays. So, take some deep breaths and hang on!

Around this time, we begin to hear about **Giving Tuesday**. This year it is **December 1**, but I'd love it if you went ahead and joined me in donating early.

Your gift to our Giving Tuesday campaign goes directly to our **Offering for Global Missions.** Why is this important, you may be wondering? Every dollar given supports the presence of our field personnel to be on-site and to lead and partner in the ministries in those locations.

Our gifts provide the presence of our field personnel to offer love, shelter, food, training, friendship, health care, ESL, education, counseling, evangelism, outreach, church support and more through ministries around the globe. We get to be a part of these wonderful ministries through our gifts and prayers. I hope you will join me in donating now by using the above link Thank you!

~email from esechrest@cbf.net received Nov. 2, 2026

On the Calendar, Nov. 12 – Nov. 26

Friday, November 13	
Habitat for Humanity Workday	8:30AM
Saturday, November 14	
GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays	10:00AM
Sunday, November 15	
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	9:00AM
Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
Fellowship Time/Library Open	10:30AM
Songs of Community	10:50AM
Worship (Deacon Ordination)	11:00AM
CKC: Baking Party	12:30PM
Growth Task Force	4:30PM
Youth Choir Rehearsal	4:30PM
Youth Supper	5:30PM
Youth Bible Study	6:00PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:00PM
Tuesday, November 17	
Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM
Moving Forward Chattanooga Classes	5:30PM
Wednesday, November 18	
Master's Mats Group	10:00AM
Media Library Workers	10:00AM
FBC Serves at CHATT Foundation	11:00AM
Wednesday Evening Dinner	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 (School-age	7:00PM
House & Grounds Committee	7:15PM
Thursday, November 19	
Shower Ministry	2:00PM
Finance Committee (via Zoom)	5:00PM
Saturday, November 21	
Girls' Night Out (Youth)	5:30PM
Sunday, November 22	
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
SFA Fall Recital	2:30PM
Youth Choir Rehearsal	4:30PM
Youth Supper	5:30PM
Youth Bible Study	6:00PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:00PM
Tuesday, November 24	
Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM
Moving Forward Chattanooga Classes	5:30PM
Wed. – Thurs., November 25 & 26	
Office Closed - Thanksgiving	

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
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Lizzie Alford	Education Administrative Ass't	423.648.2542
Frances Marandi	Music Administrative Assistant	423.648.2543



Wednesday Night Dinner
November 18

Fellowship Hall beginning at 5:30PM.
No reservations are required.
The fee for each meal is $7 regardless of age.
There is a $20 family maximum.
Payment through our QR code will be accepted as well as cash and checks.

Menu

Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes
Seasoned Green Beans Biscuits
Dessert



During November, we are collecting $1 bills as part of our offering to be used to help fund items needed by our community that are not covered through our First Baptist CARES Fund. Last Sunday, we received $151 giving a current total of $258. We encourage you to place your dollar bills in the offering baskets as they are passed during Worship. Thank you!

