



1st CONNECTIONS

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Dear Church,

Our seminary motto was 2 Timothy 3:14-16 which declares that the holy scriptures “are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.” It continues with “all scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness” so that the person who follows God “may be mature and well-equipped for all good works.” In other words, God, through the words of scripture and the person of Jesus Christ, shows us the way of salvation and then grows us into mature followers and good living.

There is another verse of scripture I love: “As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another” (Proverbs 28:17). We not only learn from the words of the Bible, we learn from talking about them with each other. All of this is the purpose of Bible studies on Sunday mornings and the wide array of classes on Wednesday nights. IF YOU REALLY WANT TO GROW SPIRITUALLY, AND IF YOU’RE SEEKING INSPIRATION TO LIVE FULLY, THE OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND RIGHT HERE.

Make yourself familiar with the full schedule, and choose classes which interest you most. And if you’ve never tried Wednesday evenings with us, please try us now. There really is something for everyone, including dinner!

Here’s the Wednesday evening schedule (below) for now through Thanksgiving.

Your friend & pastor,

- CHURCHWIDE DINNER** | 5:00pm in the Banquet Hall
- NURSERY** | 5:45pm - 7:15pm for Birth to 2 Years
- CHILDREN’S CHOIRS** | 5:45pm in the Nursery and Children’s Wing
- CHILDREN’S MISSIONS** | 6:30pm - 7:00pm in the Nursery and Children’s Wing
- STUDENT MINISTRY**
- 5:30pm - 6:15pm - Jubilation Student Orchestra and Beginning Strings
- 5:15pm - Hang out in the Youth Room
- 6:15pm - 7:30pm - Youth Worship and Small Groups (Youth Auditorium)
- SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSAL** | 6:45pm - 8:30pm in the Sanctuary Choir Loft
- ADULT STUDIES**
- AUGUST 24th - SEPTEMBER 14th**
- Midweek Reflections (6:00pm in the Chapel)** The Disciple Life: A Casual Worship Experience for all Adults *Churchwide, no Adult Studies meet.
- SEPT 21st - OCTOBER 12th (4 Weeks) at 6:00pm**
- Christian Contemplatives (Parlor)** Join Dr. Bill Coates, Ruth Demby, Liz Coates, and Rachel Freeny in a discussion of 4 Christians from contemplative traditions that have shaped followers of Jesus around the world with their insights and practice. Learn more about what personal contemplative can be for you in your life of faith.
- Early Christianity: The Experience of the Divine (Seekers #241)** A DVD study by Luke Timothy Johnson facilitated by Mark Todd.
- Family Fellowship (Banquet Hall Lobby)** For parents of children in Cherub Choir to come for an abbreviated bible study following choir with their kids. From 6:15pm-7:00pm Will Dyer will lead a discussion of the bible story your child will be learning the coming Sunday in Wee Worship!
- Chapel Time (Chapel)** A worship service for Senior Adults led by Bruce Fields, Dr. Ron Grizzle, and Della Ruth Johnson.
- GriefShare (Room #205)**

WORSHIP

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Sunday, September 4th

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Expensive Friends

OT: Jeremiah 18:1-11 NT: Philemon 1:1-25

MUSIC MEDITATION: Brooke Morters, Solo

OFFERTORY: *On Eagle’s Wings*

Alicia Donnell, Flute Solo

CHORAL WORSHIP:

There Is Room in My Father’s House

Agape Choir (8:30am) Sanctuary Choir (10:50am)

Sunday, September 11th

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Unlimited Patience (8:30am)

OT: Psalm 14 NT: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

God and Science, Creation and You (10:50am)

OFFERTORY PRAISE: *Every Praise*

Exaltation! Orchestra (10:50am)

Della Ruth Johnson, Organ and Mark Green Piano (8:30am)

CHORAL WORSHIP: *God of Heaven*

Hope Choir (8:30am) Sanctuary Choir (10:50am)

1st @ 1st Luncheon

Food for Thought, After 10:50am Worship in BH Lobby

Sunday, September 18th

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Peaceful and Quiet Lives

OT: Psalm 113 NT: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

MUSIC MEDITATION: *A Broken Man Like Me*

Bruce Fields, Vocal/Guitar Solo

OFFETORY PRAISE: Dr. John Kerrick, Violin

CHORAL WORSHIP: *This Is My Father’s World*

Rejoice Choir (8:30am) Sanctuary Choir (10:50am)

Sunday, September 25th

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Contentment

OT: Jeremiah 32:1-3, 6-15 NT: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

MUSIC MEDITATION: *Open Hands, Open Arms*

Duet: Jerry Johnson and Mark Green

OFFERTORY PRAISE: *Here I am to Worship*

Exaltation! Orchestra

CHORAL WORSHIP: *This I Pray*

Rejoice Choir with Kim Abrams, Soloist (8:30am)

Sanctuary Choir with Kim Abrams, Soloist

and Exaltation! Orchestra (10:50am)

SEPTEMBER

thursday, september 1st **BEGINNER CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP**
Each Thursday at 9:00am Room 205. Led by Liz Coates

thursday, september 1st **FLC: QUILTS FOR KIDS WORKSHOP**
10:00am-2:00pm at the Family Life Center. Contact: Betty Wright at northeastgaq4k@gmail.com.

monday, september 5th **CHURCH OFFICE AND FLC CLOSED: LABOR DAY**

wednesdays, september 7th and 14th **MIDWEEK REFLECTIONS: THE DISCIPLE LIFE**
6:00pm-6:35pm in the Chapel.

friday, september 9th and saturday, september 10th
NURTURING THE NATURAL / GROWING GARDENERS
Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm and Saturday, 8:30am-12:30pm. In the Banquet Hall and at the Gardens on green, 711 Green Street. A conference for anyone who influences the life of a child. Learn more at www.hallmastergardeners.com. Questions? Kathy Lovett at williamlovett@bellsouth.net.

friday, september 9th - sunday, september 11th **STUDENTS: LEADERSHIP RETREAT**

Saturday, September 10th and Sunday, September 11th **ALL ORCHESTRA WEEKEND**
Contact Steve Coldiron if interested, 770-534-7354 or stevecoldiron@fbcgainesville.org.

saturday, september 10th **FLC: CONTRA DANCE**
Lessons at 7:30pm, dance from 8pm-11pm. \$10 adult/\$5 teens + non-dancers/\$20 family maximum/FREE for children. Tickets sold at the door. Visit www.atgaga.com or contact the FLC at flc.fbc.gainesville@gmail.com for more information.

sunday, september 11th, 18th, 25th, oct 2nd **CHILDREN: BIBLE SKILLS CLASS**
12:00pm-2:00pm in the Children's Great Room 205. For 2nd-5th graders.

sunday, september 11th **1st @ 1st LUNCHEON AND FOOD FOR THOUGHT**
After 10:50am Worship in the Banquet Hall. Moved from September 4th because of Labor Day.

sunday, september 11th **DEACONS MEETING**
6:00pm in the Kindred Spirits Room.

monday, september 12th **ESTES DOZIER MISSIONS MEETING**
10:15am in the Parlor. Baker Hill, retired missionary (32 years in West Africa and Quebec) and also son of missionaries to Nigeria, will share. He is on the board of an MK organization (Nigeria Faithful Works, nigerifaithful.org) that sponsors projects in the country where they grew up, Nigeria, and the organization recently sent him to Nigeria to check on an ongoing project to improve biomedical technology in several Baptist hospitals, and also to initiate a project to furnish a water supply to a new hospital in an isolated area of the country. He will be presenting photos and stories from this experience.

monday, september 12th **LANIER YOUNG SINGERS**
5:15pm to 6:30pm on Mondays. A choir for students grades 6-12, learn more at fbcgpaa.org.

Wednesday, September 14th **LIVING CHRISTMAS TREE 2016 KICK-OFF**
6:45 pm in the Choir Loft. If you have sung with us in the past, please join us again this year! Contact Cathy at mckinney.cathy@gmail.com so we can have a folder of music ready for you. If you have ever wanted to sing with the LCT choir, make this your year!

saturday, september 17th **DASH THROUGH THE DECADES 5K + 1 MILE WALK/RUN**
The race begins at 2 Dog Restaurant. Registration/Package Pick Up starts at 7:30am. 1 Mile begins at 8:15am and 5K begins at 9am. Visit Active.com, the FLC, or stop in the morning of the race to register. More information available at www.fbcgainesville.org.

sunday, september 18th **STUDENTS: SONDOWN**
6:00pm-7:30pm in the Youth Area. Join us for dinner as we get ready for the coming week!

september 23rd & september 24th **EMPORIUM**
In the FBC Banquet Hall. Friday from 10:00am to 6:00pm and Saturday from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Come shop with more than 70 vendors as we support this year's beneficiary Whispering Angels Youth Ranch. All proceeds will go directly to this wonderful organization!

tuesday, september 27th **EMPTY BOWLS LUNCHEON**
11:00am-1:00pm in the Banquet Hall. Program begins at 11:45am. Tickets available for a minimum donation of \$25. Tables available for a donation of \$500 or more. Come support the Georgia Mountain Food Bank! Visit www.gamountainfoodbank.org for more information.

wednesday, september 28th **CHILDREN: LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION NIGHT**
6:30pm - 7:00pm in the Children's Wing.

friday, september 30th **ADULTS WITH SENIORITY: LUNCH BUNCH**
We will depart at 9:00am for the Appalachian Grill and Tellus Science Museum in Cartersville.

SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER

- 02 Children's Bible Skills
- 06 FLC: Quilts for Kids Workshop
- 08 FLC: Monthly Contra Dance
- 14-16 Students: Fall Retreat
- 19 Children's Missions: Firefighters Appreciation Night
- 21 Adults with Seniority: Lunch Bunch
- 22 Women: Souls to the Street
- 26 Children: Trunk or Treat
- 30 1st Grade Bible Presentation

FBC would like to express our deepest sympathy to the following:

Nita Fuller and Peggy Conley in the death of their husband/brother **Larry Fuller**

Joseph and Ashley Gee and family in the death of his grandmother **Willie Rae Gee**

Tim Knight in the death of his father **Harvey Knight**

Nancy Duncan, Jamie Wood, and Carrie Owens in the death of their father/grandfather **Jack Pethel**

Sandra Edwards and Terri Armour in the death of their nephew **Justin Mastry**

Welcome NEW MEMBERS!



Walker Bailey



Keith and Tracie Maxey



Laura Seymour & Judy Mancuso
Jamie and Carley

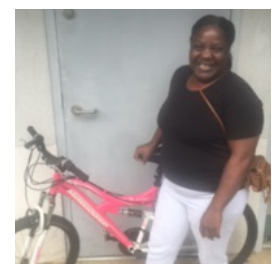
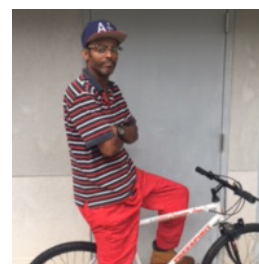
SUNDAY GIFTS

July 17th, 2016
Wkly Req: \$58,869.00
Wkly Rec: \$50,387.20
Yr Req: \$1,707,201.00
Yr Rec: \$1,600,829.78
Deficit: \$106,371.22

July 24th, 2016
Wkly Req: \$58,869.00
Wkly Rec: \$46,777.21
Yr Req: \$1,766,070.00
Yr Rec: \$1,647,606.99
Deficit: \$118,463.01

July 31st, 2015
Wkly Req: \$58,869.00
Wkly Rec: \$43,146.00
Yr Req: \$1,824,939.00
Yr Rec: \$1,690,752.99
Deficit \$134,186.01

August 7th, 2016
Wkly Req: \$58,869.00
Wkly Rec: \$75,313.65
Yr Req: \$1,883,808.00
Yr Rec: \$1,766,016.64
Deficit \$117,741.36



Thanks for donating many bikes for those in recovery. So many can now make it to meetings and work!