



FIRST BAPTIST ST. MARYS, GA

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OCTOBER 2024 NEWSLETTER



First Baptist Fall Festival 2024

Sunday, October 20th, from 1pm - 4pm

There will be so many things to enjoy, cotton candy, popcorn, cake walk and other fun games. Bring your friends, family and neighbors. The scarecrow stroll will be going on also, so it's going to be a wonderful fun outreach to our beautiful St. Marys community.

If you would like to help with Fall Festival this year, please contact Christy Carrington at 912-409-2449.



Sunday, October 13th, 2024 10:30am Worship Service

87th FBC Homecoming
Dinner on the Grounds



Come celebrate First Baptist's 87th year with us. We will be having our regular Worship service and then we will have Dinner on the Grounds after the service.

No Evening Services.

All info in the bulletin.

From the Heart of the Pastor

As I reflect on the past year, I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the opportunity to serve as your Senior Pastor. This past year has been a journey filled with growth, fellowship, and a deepening of our faith in God. I want to thank each of you for your love, support, and prayers during this time. It has been an honor to walk alongside you in ministry, and I look forward to many more years of serving together as we continue to seek God’s will for FBC St. Marys.

October is going to be a wonderful month of worship, fellowship, and outreach! I want to encourage everyone to mark their calendars and participate in the following special events:

October 6: Disaster Relief Offering

At the end of the morning service, we will receive a special offering to support disaster relief efforts. This is an opportunity to extend Christ’s love to those in need during difficult times. Please prayerfully consider how you might give.

October 13: Homecoming Service

We are excited to welcome *James and Jeanne Peoples* as our special guests for this year's Homecoming service. Join us as we celebrate God’s faithfulness in the life of our church. After the service, we will gather for a *dinner on the grounds*, so bring your favorite dish to share!

October 20: Fall Festival


Our annual Fall Festival promises to be an afternoon full of fun for the entire family! We will have games, booths, and bounce houses for the children, and we are thrilled to have *Evangelist Illusionist Shane Wilbanks* performing. This is a great opportunity to invite friends and neighbors to experience the joy and love of Christ.

October 27: Gideons International Speaker


We are blessed to welcome a speaker from *Gideons International* during our morning service. This ministry has a powerful impact worldwide by distributing God’s Word. Come ready to hear how the Gospel is being shared in remarkable ways.

Let’s make this October a month to remember as we gather together in fellowship and continue to serve Christ in our community. Thank you again for allowing me to serve as your pastor. I am excited to see what God has in store for us! And remember; we shouldn't come to church to worship, we should come to church worshipping!

In Christ,
Pastor Gary




Church Flowers for Sundays
If you would like to donate to the flowers that are placed in front of the pulpit on Sundays, you can do so by writing on your check or envelope that the money goes towards flowers. We have several very talented ladies that do a wonderful job putting these arrangements together. Thank you.





Mom’s Meetup
Friday, October 18th
9:00am -11:00am
Come join the other moms and have time of prayer, fellowship and a continental breakfast.


First Baptist Church is growing!
If you are expecting a baby in the near future, please let Ms. Ashli know, so she can have everything we need in the nursery to keep your baby happy. Congratulations on your new addition to your family!




Senior Adult Covered Dish Dinner
October 17th at 6:00pm
Bring a dish to share and enjoy some time together.

Trunk or Treat
October 30th at 6:30pm
The kids accompanied by Ms. Ashli and helpers will be going to the Methodist Church for their annual Trunk or Treat. Come and gets lots of candy!



Bible Character Sunday
October 27th
Our children’s department are encouraged to dress up as their favorite Bible Character. So plan to be here for this special Sunday!





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Gary Smith, *Senior Pastor, Music Ministries*
 Mike Gaskin, *Interim Music Director*
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You can worship with us online!
 On YouTube go to FBC St. Marys
 On Facebook go to our page FBCSM
 These links are also be available on our church
 website -> www.fbcstmarys.com
 Don't forget about Sunday School!
 Sunday Morning's at 9:15am

UNDESIGNATED	
Budgeted – Need to Date	\$290,675.88
Giving – Received to Date	\$302,034.84
Monthly – Budgeted Need	\$38,246.83
September - Giving Received	\$30,310.85



SUNDAY - October 6

- 8:45 am Sunday Morning Fellowship
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Morning Worship Service/Kidz Church
- 12:00 pm Outreach Informational Lunch
- 4:30 pm Griefshare/Young Couples Class
- 5:30 pm Evening Worship
- 6:30 pm Choir Practice

MONDAY - October 7

- 12:00 pm Lunch with Pastor Gary

TUESDAY - October 8

- 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAY - October 9

- 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper
- 6:30 pm Evening Bible Study/RA's & GA's/Youth Bible Study

THURSDAY - October 10

- 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study

SUNDAY - October 13 Homecoming Sunday

- 8:45 am Sunday Morning Fellowship
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Morning Worship/KIDZ Church
- 12:00 pm Homecoming Dinner on the grounds
No Evening Services

MONDAY - October 14

- 12:00 pm Lunch with Pastor Gary

TUESDAY - October 15

- 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAY - October 16

- 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper
- 6:30 pm Evening Bible Study/RA's & GA's/Youth Bible Study

THURSDAY - October 17

- 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study
- 6:00 pm Senior Adult Supper

FRIDAY - October 18

- 9:00 am Mom's Meet-up

SUNDAY - October 20

- 8:45 am Sunday Morning Fellowship
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Morning Worship
- 1:00 pm Fall Festival with Scarecrow Stroll
No Evening services

MONDAY - October 21

- 12:00 pm Lunch with Pastor at Hog-n-Bones

TUESDAY - October 22

- 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAY - October 23

- 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper
- 6:30 pm Evening Bible Study/RA's & GA's/Youth Bible Study

THURSDAY - October 24

- 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study

SUNDAY - October 27

- 8:45 am Sunday Morning Fellowship
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Morning Worship
- 4:30 pm Griefshare/Young Couples Class
- 5:30 pm Evening Worship
- 6:30 pm Choir Practice

MONDAY - October 28

- 12:00 pm Lunch with Pastor Gary at Hog-n-Bones

TUESDAY - October 29

- 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAY - October 30

- 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper
- 6:00 pm Kids and Youth going to Methodist church for Trunk and Treat