Thinking about becoming a member of FBC Decatur and would like to know more about us? We will host a class with information about who we are, what we believe and what is expected of members. Get with Jason at the Connection Center for date, time and location. You may also contact him at the church office at 940-627-3235 or by email Jason@firstdecatur.us.

OTHER WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday Night Worship 6:00 pm in the Worship Center

the Worship Ministries of FBC

- Celebration Worship Choir
  Rehearsals: Wednesday evenings @ 6:30 - 7:30 in the Choir Suite
  Meet during the school year starts September 4

- Worship Team Vocal and Band
  Rehearsals: Wednesday nights @ 7:45 in the Worship Center
  Must audition with the Worship Pastor

- Media Ministry
  Sound, lighting design, graphic work, computer, camera operator, as well as production, recording, and broadcast of worship services. See our Worship Pastor, John Hogan, or Ty Allsbrooks for more information.

One-on-One with God is a 15 week mentoring program. Connect with God through prayer, His Word, and personal accountability. Contact Jason to learn more and request a mentor be assigned.

Discipleship Catalog for Adults and Families
Winter / Spring 2014
When you hear the word collide or collision, you immediately think about a car accident; yet when you consider the definition of collide, a number of visual images come to mind. Collide means: to come together with direct impact. When we stop and consider this phrase, isn’t that what church is all about? We come together each week hoping and praying God makes a direct impact on our lives and families.

Collide is what we call our discipleship courses. We have selected the courses listed in this catalog with the intention of you colliding with God and each other so that you can make a direct impact on our world. I encourage you to read through each course carefully and to prayerfully consider investing your time and life into one of these discipleship opportunities. You will find courses for families, men, women, and more. Some studies are a book of the Bible while others focus more on families or Christian disciplines.

Our desire is to see God’s people at First Decatur become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ. The vision is for you to have a passion for God, apply the Word of God, have an active prayer life, sacrifice yourself through mission endeavors, and continually reach out to others with the truth of the gospel. Come help us lead people to collide with the Word of God.

Where Faith and Family Collide,

Jason T. Atchley
Adult Ministries Pastor
First Baptist offers ESL classes for the community. The classes meet from September through May on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 in the Education Building. Free childcare is provided and there is a minimal charge for the class workbook. There are 3 levels of classes to meet needs of students: Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced. If you or someone you know is interested in teaching or taking a class, contact Dee Ann Archer at 940-735-0361.

Sundays @ 6pm
in the Summit

Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm
in the Summit

More Opportunities during the year include...

See You at the Pole
Mission Trips
Student Life Camp
Local Missions

Easter Retreat
DiscipleNow Weekend
Bi-Annual Ski Trip

6:00 pm Monday
One huge benefit of getting healthy is not just how you feel physically, but mentally and emotionally as well. Fit to Serve focuses on three things: a physical part, a nutritional part, and a mental part. All three are vital to long-term success in being healthy and fit. The entire meeting is an hour and a half. Members are encouraged to connect during the week to motivate and give accountability to each other. For men and women.

8 weeks beginning January 13
Reservations for childcare are required
Led by Stephanie Hogan - Family Life Center
Cost: $45

6:30 pm Monday
A women’s Bible study designed to put an end to the self-focused distractions of striving, comparison, and performance so that your life will accomplish more for God's glory, not because we are stronger, but because Christ in us, is stronger than all our problems. This study will guide women into biblical truth through exposition and story, so they live confident, transformed, Christ-radiating lives marked by His strength.

7-8 weeks beginning January 13
Co-Leaders are Gail Jones & Lillie Smith - Education Building # 117
Cost: $15
TUESDAY MORNINGS

6:30 am  Tuesday

Even if you go to church, it doesn't mean that you are being exposed (or exposing others) to the gospel explicitly. Sure, most people talk about Jesus, and about being good and avoiding bad, but the gospel message simply isn't there—at least not in a way that is specific and comprehensive. A call to true Christianity, to know the gospel explicitly, to teach it uncompromisingly, and to unite the church on the amazing grounds of the good news of Jesus!

Course will meet throughout the Spring beginning January 7
Led by John Hogan - Administration Building Conference Room
Cost: $12

IRON SHARPENS IRON

As iron sharpens iron, so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.

MORE INFORMATION . . .

5:30 pm  Sunday

Craving isn’t a bad thing, but we must realize God created us to crave so we’d ultimately desire more of Him in our lives. Many of us have misplaced that craving, overindulging in physical pleasures instead of lasting spiritual satisfaction. This study will equip you to stop beating yourself up over the numbers on the scale and make peace with the body you’ve been given, discover how weight loss struggles aren’t a curse but, rather, a blessing in the making, and reach a healthy weight goal while growing closer to God through the process.

7-8 week class beginning February 2
Led by Stephanie Hogan - Parlor
Cost: $12

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal

Served during the school year beginning January 8 @ 5:15
$5 Adults
$3 Children (12 & Under)
$20 Family

Sunday Mornings 9 am

Single Life: Chip Hakanson
Family Matters: Steven Maddox
The Journey: Vic Morton
SOS: Robert Roose
Abiding in Christ: Lori Sherwood
Treasure Hunters: David Mills
Empty Nesters: Karen Flesher
Partners on Mission: Chuck Greever
Prayer Warriors: Frank Maxwell
The Seekers: Teacher - TBA
Disciplers: Director - TBA
Joe Berry
Edwin & Melba Haney
W. M. Lewis
Jonnie Rutherford
Nell Ruis
Joyce Enis
Jim Keen
Jerry Howard
Stephen Wren
Eva Ray
Eva Ray Tindol
This class will teach you a biblical framework for growing your money, securing your family’s future, and leaving a legacy for generations to come.

7 week class beginning February 2
Taught by Jeff Sicking - Education Building # 110
Cost: TBD

Do you and your spouse sometimes feel defeated by life? You aren't alone. We are often faced with two choices. We can learn to overcome our circumstances or we can let our circumstances overcome us. You will gain new confidence to face every situation with hope and security in God. Discover the joy of being an over-comer.

8 week class beginning February 2
Led by Jason Atchley - Admin Conference Room
Cost: FREE

Grandparenthood is far more than rocking chairs. It is a second chance to do all of the "ought to's" and "should haves" that the busyness and demands of daily parenthood kept you from doing. It is living part of the idealistic dream of parenthood that real life, diapers, soccer practice, dance lessons, and waiting up for teenagers prevented you from doing. Grandparenthood allows you to play a key role in writing the history of a generation that you will some day leave in charge.

8 weeks beginning February 2
Led by Gerre Joiner - Education Building # 117
Cost: $8

Stages is a class designed for everyone at different stages in life. This class is not based on age or spiritual maturity but rather doing life together and learning from one another. We desire to be a multi-generational community of believers. Our current format is working through a book study. Some of those include: Crazy Love, Not a Fan, Radical and more. Come check us out!

Course will meet throughout the Spring beginning January 8
Led by Jason Atchley - Parlor
Cost: TBD

Join us as we journey through the Old Testament and see the Hand of God at work during 4000+ years of history. From Creation to the last prophet Malachi’s promise of the “Sun of righteousness,” the pages of scripture are alive with the work and people of God.

Course will meet throughout the Spring beginning January 8
Led by Pastor Ken May - Education Building # 115/116
Cost: FREE
6:30 pm  Wednesday

Volume 1 focuses on a man and his design. 33 starts with meaningful insights into the current state of manhood, which will help men navigate through some realities that have created cultural confusion. It follows by unfolding God's mandates for all men and offering a clear definition of authentic manhood that will help men on their journey. Each participant will learn the four "faces" of manhood and how to anticipate and transition through the specific seasons of life.

6 weeks beginning on January 8
Taught by Dean Miller - Education Building # 111
Cost: $15

6:30 pm  Wednesday

Financial Peace University (FPU) is a class on money taught by America's most trusted financial guru, Dave Ramsey.

9 weeks beginning on January 8
Led by Chip Hakanson - Administration Building Conference Room
Cost: $75

6:30 pm  Wednesday

A women’s Bible study designed to put an end to the self-focused distractions of striving, comparison, and performance so that your life will accomplish more for God's glory, not because we are stronger, but because Christ in us, is stronger than all our problems. This study will guide women into biblical truth through exposition and story, so they live confident, transformed, Christ-radiating lives marked by His strength.

7-8 weeks beginning January 8
Led by Suzette Jones - Education Building # 117
Cost: $15

COLLIDE COURSES
ON SUNDAYS

5:30 pm  Sunday

Some days living up to the whole good-Christian image seems impossible. You do the right things (well, most of the time), but you just don’t feel changed by your faith. Deep down, you’re still dealing with the ordinary struggles - control, insecurity, comparison, fear, anger, and unforgiveness - that hold you back from living free and loving well. The good news? You don’t have to “fix” yourself. You have access to the power of Christ. His power can transform your everyday weaknesses into your greatest strengths and gifts.

6 weeks class beginning February 2
Led by Candy Burden - Education Building # 111
Cost: $15