



CONNECT WITH US

We are glad that you are with us in worship today.

If you're new to the FSBC Lawrence family, you may have some questions. It just so happens that authenticity and communication are a couple of our key values here, so feel free to ask us anything. Our pastors would love to meet you and we would love to see you find a home here at First Southern. First, just let us know that you're here by filling in the Connection Card; tear it from the bulletin and place it in the offering plate. If you need to find a restroom, nursery, or Bible Study classroom, stop by the welcome counter in the foyer; they will be glad to help you. During the week visit our website - www.fsbcfamily.com to find out a little more about us.

We have two key statements on which we build our ministry.

Statement of our purpose;

Because Jesus Lives! FSBC exists as a local body of Christ; to worship God; to share the love and Good News of Jesus Christ with our community and the world; to encourage and equip believers in the faith; and to serve others with mercy and love.

Statement of our mission;

Connecting people with God and one another.

We Are Family!

Family. As a church, we promote the importance of the traditional family, the values set forth in the Bible about family and raising your kids up in the faith (Deuteronomy 6). Additionally, as a church, that's what we say we are, a family. In fact, our website is FSBCFamily.com. It is one thing to say we're a family, but another to live it out that others may see.

A little over eight years ago, Brandy and I joined the First Southern Baptist Church family. We have only been a part of two other church families in our 15 years of marriage. Time and time again I have seen this family step up, united to meet the needs of another member that was struggling with loss, medical issues, pain, financial instability, or just a rocky road. I have been floored by how giving of their time, energy, prayer, and financial resources this family is. Brandy and I have been the recipients of that generosity on more than one occasion, but especially this past summer amid a crisis with our youngest child.

We are both very grateful, beyond words, at the kindness we have been shown. This past summer, family stepped up and filled the gaps. People did things I would have never dreamed of asking them to do, but they did it, because we're family, and carrying one another's burdens is what God calls us to do. We have both learned a great deal about what it means to be a real family.

But I don't think I could ever define family more succinctly than what I witnessed last Sunday morning when we as a church FAMILY gathered around the Hammerschmidt family to pray. As Joe gave the invitation to gather round, the seats emptied, and like a flood, this family gathered to love and pray for a those in need. It was only through choked back tears at the sight of the family that Joe voiced a prayer. It truly was an act of great love from a family.

Little did we know, eight years ago, how much of a family FSBC really is. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of the family.

Andy Miller
Student Pastor

For interactive Scripture Readings, Sermon Notes, and other helpful links, scan this QR code to direct you to the First Southern Baptist Church YouVersion Bible App Page. You may download the YouVersion Bible app and search for LIVE EVENTS and then select this week's sermon. This information is on the web as http://bible.com/events/271986



Spotlight on Missions

During the month of September the emphasis for the World Mission Offering is State & Associational Missions.

Theme: Our Mission Field: Every town, city and campus

Half of the offering remains in the association for mission causes and the other half is used for mission causes in Nebraska and Kansas such as:

- Helping churches discover places where churches need to be planted.
Helping mission teams to do the legwork for discovering new places to be planting.

Mission Offering Envelopes are located in the chair holders.

Financial Peace University

What if there was a way to approach money with peace instead of fear? What if you could have hope again instead of despair?

FSBC will be offering Financial Peace University Sunday evenings (9 sessions) beginning September 17 at 6:00 pm. (See Insert)

Go to www.daveramsey.com for more information and to register and/or order your kit.

Blitz Choir

The 11:00 service on September 24th will be led by the Blitz Choir. Come add your voice to those that will lead us in this celebration.

Three rehearsals will get you ready to sing the songs that will carry our worship; September 6th, 13th, and 20th. Let Alden know that you intend to be involved!

First Wednesday Meal
September 6 - 5:15 pm

Please sign up today by doing one of the following:

- Use the tear off portion of the bulletin. Check the 1st Wednesday meal box and give your name and number attending.
Call the church office at 843-8167.

Signing up is important so that we will have enough food for everybody. Deadline for making reservations is Tuesday, September 5, by noon.

Cost: \$3 per person with a maximum of \$12 for a family

Important Note

September is the start of a new year for our Bible Study Classes and Small Groups.

If you are not involved in one of these discipleship environments you are strongly encouraged to check one out. There are classes and small groups meeting throughout the week. Check the weekly schedule or speak to one of the Pastors for further information.

God uses these learning environments as a part of the transformation process, so make every effort to get involved.

CONNECTING POINTS

- Please attend the FSBC Family Annual Backyard Grill & Games next Sunday. The Deacons will grill hamburgers while the rest of us play (or watch) games like kickball, washers, ladder golf; you know - those games you might play in the backyard. Come at 5:00 and enjoy the fellowship and backyard fun.
The Sunday Ladies Bible Study resumes on September 10. The September 10 meeting will be from 3 - 5 pm. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board by the church office.
The Men's Bible Study Group will resume their meetings on Monday, September 11 at 7 pm.



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September 3, 2017

11:00 A.M. SERVICE

Welcome

Singing Together *He Keeps Me Singing #425*
There Is Power in the Blood #132

Scripture *Isaiah 43:15-21 (ESV)*

Morning Prayer

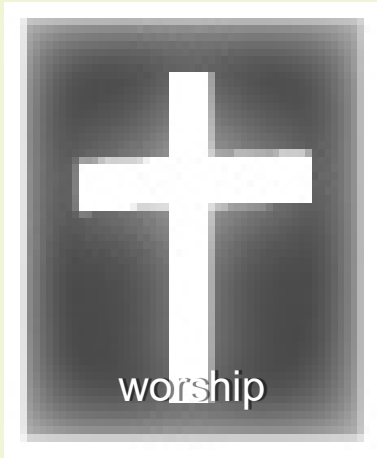
Giving Together

Singing Together *I Know That My Redeemer Liveth #191*
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross #144

Message Joe Stiles
A New Beginning

Song of Response *My Jesus, I Love Thee #210*

So also Jesus suffered and died outside the city gates to make his people holy by means of his own blood. So let us go out to him, outside the camp, and bear the disgrace he bore. For this world is not our permanent home, we are looking forward to a home yet to come. Hebrews 13:12-14 (NLT)



A New Beginning

What is God teaching you today?

CALENDAR



SUNDAY, September 3
9:45 am Bible Study
11:00 am Worship Service
MONDAY, September 4
Office Closed
WEDNESDAY, September 6
5:15 pm First Wednesday Meal
6:00 pm Adult Bible Study
6:00 pm Team Kid, GAs, RAs
6:00 pm Students (7th-12th)
6:00 pm Traditional Choir
7:00 pm Blitz Choir
8:00 pm Worship Team Band
SUNDAY, September 10
8:30 am Traditional Service
9:45 am Bible Study
11:00 am Worship Service
2:00 pm Memorial Service for
Charlie Dillon's mother
Ladies Bible Study
3:00 pm
5:00 pm Backyard Grill & Games

Stay up to date on all scheduled events by visiting the church website at **fsbcfamily.com**. From there you can check the calendar, connect to staff blogs and read the Sunday bulletin in case you misplaced your printed one.

In Christian Sympathy
♦ Larry Gish and his extended family in the passing of his mother.

FSBC Family Update
Please check the FSBC family update information on the bulletin board by the church office for items such as:
♦ Sign Up sheet for Sunday Ladies Bible Study.

Coming Next Week...



CONNECTION CARD

Please complete this card and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to a pastor.

Name(s): _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Please circle the age group and school grade that applies to you and your family:

-Age- -School Grade-
0-3 4-5 K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
-Age-
18-23 24-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60+

How did you learn about First Southern?

Which service are you attending?
8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

I am a guest of: _____

Please check all that apply:
☐ college student—yr. _____
☐ first time guest
☐ second time guest
☐ looking for a church home
☐ new to the community
☐ I would like to talk with someone about my relationship with God.
☐ I would like to learn more about FSBC. _____
☐ I am signing up for the 1st Wednesday Meal on September 6

PRAYER REQUESTS

The pastors will be praying for your request this week.
If you would like a name added to the church prayer list please call the office at 843-8167.

I request prayer for... _____
