

Thank You For Coming

If you are our guest, we have a special gift for you after today's service. So we can get to know you better, please fill out both sides of this tear-off section and bring it to the Information Center near the columns. We have a gift bag ready for you.

name _____

address _____

city state zip _____

home phone _____ business/cell phone _____

email _____

birthdate _____ occupation / school grade _____

___ male ___ female
___ married ___ single ___ widowed

are you a church member? ___ yes ___ no

where? _____

___ I am a first time guest at FBC
___ I am new to the Lafayette area
___ I want to be enrolled in Bible Study
___ I want more info about Bible Study

I attended at
___ 9:45 a.m. ___ 11:11 a.m. ___ 6:00 p.m.

today's date _____

spouse's name _____ birthdate _____
Is spouse present today? ___ yes ___ no

child's name _____ birthdate _____

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From Our Pastor

Welcome to First Baptist Church! If you are our guest, please take a moment to complete the guest registration attachment that you will find in your bulletin. After completing, tear at the dotted line and bring to the volunteers at our Information Center. We have a gift there for you. I look forward to meeting you. I'm out today on a family trip, but I hope to meet any guest real soon.



Our preacher today is Bro. Ray Swift, our Administrative Pastor. I am praying as I am away that all who are present will have an awesome encounter with the Living God.

Next Sunday, we are turning our attention to Easter. Easter is on Sunday, April 16, this year. On the Thursday and Friday of Holy Week, our Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra along with **Ballet Magnificat** will present a musical oratorio titled, *Saviour*. **Ballet Magnificat** is a professional Christian ballet company that has been described as the premiere Christian dance company in the United States. Their professional touring companies have performed both nationally and internationally.

I have been listening to this music in preparation for preaching now through Easter. It is stirring and worshipful. This musical work is about God's passion for His people. The story, which takes us from creation through resurrection, is a picture of God pursuing His people.

To prepare us for our own reflection and celebration of Easter, I want to explore the same theme of **Saviour** for our preaching times between next Sunday and Easter. I want to pursue that same idea that we see woven into Scripture that God's passionate pursuit of us did not start at the cross. His passionate pursuit of us that calls us to relationship started at creation.

Steve

February 26, 2017

Sermon Notes

Discipleship Tested Matthew 8:18-23

"They seized Him, led Him away, and brought Him into the high priest's house. Meanwhile Peter was following at a _____." Luke 22:54.

- I. Calls the Believer to _____
"Teacher, I will follow You wherever You go."
- II. Calls the Believer to _____
"First, let me go"
- III. Calls the Believer to _____
"Why are you fearful, you of little faith?"

Application

It is better to be a follower who _____ than one who _____ to follow.

What do I need to change so that I can attach myself to Jesus and follow Him at any and all cost?

First Look
with Steve Horn
For prospective and new members
History, Beliefs, and Opportunity for Ministry
Sunday, March 12
5:30 PM
Meet in room D101

a day of worship
Steve Green
Sunday, March 19
Both morning
worship services
Free concert at
6:00 pm

First Baptist Lafayette
February 26, 2017
We're glad you're here!
Today's Message:
Discipleship Tested
Matthew 8:18-23

Morning Worship

9:45 a.m.

A Strong Tower
First Baptist Choir and Orchestra

Responsive Reading
Come, Thou Almighty King
Glorify Thy Name
Majesty

Welcome & Prayer

Broken and Spilled Out
First Baptist Choir and Orchestra
Jessica Koski and Rusty Savoie

Message

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Administrative Pastor Ray Swift

Invitation

Where He Leads Me

Offertory Prayer

Glenn Emfinger, Deacon of the Week
Amazing Grace
First Baptist Orchestra

11:11 a.m.

Open Up the Heavens

Welcome & Prayer

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery
This Is Amazing Grace

Offertory Prayer

Spirit Of The Living God

Message

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Invitation

Jesus Loves Me

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The flowers are given in memory
of Bobbi Culter
by First Baptist Church.

Family Fellowship Supper

Menu for Wednesday, March 1

Chicken Florentine Penne Alfredo
Antigua Blend Vegetables Salad
Garlic Bread Dessert

Children's Menu:

Chicken Nuggets Potato Chips

Congratulations

To Carlos and Christine Garcia in the birth of their son, Christian Maxwell Garcia.

Thank You

We would like to thank the First Baptist family for the many expressions of love in the recent loss of Edna Hathorn. We greatly appreciate Wanda Carlton and the ladies of the church who provided food during this time.

The family of Edna Hathorn

This Week

SUNDAY, February 26

8:00 AM Library and Coffee Shop Open
8:30 AM Sunday School 1
Deaf Sunday School
9:45 AM Classic Worship
Sunday School 2
Hispanic Sunday School
11:00 AM Sunday School 3
Hispanic Worship
Chinese Sunday School
11:11 AM eleven:11 Worship
12:30 PM Chinese Outreach
4:00 PM DivorceCare
GriefShare
4:30 PM Adult Discipleship
Preschool & Children's Choirs
English Outreach (Chinese)
Library Open
6:00 PM Evening Worship
Bible Drill (grades 1-6)
B.L.A.S.T. (3-5 year olds)

TUESDAY, February 28

Church Office Closed

WEDNESDAY, March 1

4:45 PM Family Fellowship Supper
6:00 PM Midweek Service
Hispanic Bible Study
The College Hour
Choir Rehearsal
Orchestra Rehearsal

THURSDAY, March 2

9:00 AM Precepts Bible Study
Ladies Morning Bible Study
Prayer Blanket Ministry
6:00 PM Precepts Bible Study
Ladies Evening Bible Study

Flower Calendar

Flowers may be placed in the Sanctuary in memory or in honor of a loved one by calling 233-1412. Cost of the arrangement is \$60.00.

Sympathy

To Danielle Hinze in the death of her mother, Ronda Hinze.

To Ray Culter in the death of his wife, Bobbi Culter.

Parking Lots Closed This Week

Some of our parking lots will be resurfaced and striped this week. If you are coming for weekday meetings you will not be able to park in the lot on Lee Avenue at Barry Street, or the lot on Lafayette Street in front of the gymnasium and school buildings. The lot closest to the church office (at the covered drive through), as well as the other lots on Avenue B will be open. The lot behind the Fellowship Hall and the College House lot will also be available. We apologize for the inconvenience, but look forward to the improvements.



Mother's Day Out Registration Now Underway

This fall, Mother's Day Out will be offered on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Mother's Day Out provides a Christ-centered environment for ages 6 weeks through PreK4 to grow and develop. A Bible-based curriculum is used to help preschoolers develop a love for learning, to know and love God, and to become more like Christ and pursue God's purpose in their lives.

Fun days include Muffins with Mom, 50's Day, Sports Day, Donuts with Dad, A Taste of Louisiana Day, Dr. Seuss and Book Week, Costume Days, Snuggles and Snowcones, Patriots and Picnics, Umbrella Parade, Pancakes and Pajamas and much more.

Family Celebrations include Thanksgiving and Christmas programs, parades and parties, and a year-end Graduation.

Registration is now underway. For more information email allyson.theriot@fbclaf.org or call 593-3695.



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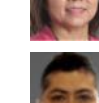
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Your Response

At the invitation time in each service we offer an opportunity for you to publicly make one of the following decisions...

- ...to accept Jesus Christ as your personal Savior.
- ...to join First Baptist by baptism.
- ...to rededicate your life to Christ.
- ...to dedicate your life to vocational Christian service.
- ...to transfer your membership from another Baptist church.
- ...to join First Baptist from another denomination.

I would like more information on...

- how to become a Christian
- how to become a member of FBC
- opportunities for service at FBC
- specific ministry areas including:
 - senior adults
 - single adults
 - jr/sr high
 - prayer
 - Chinese
 - married adults
 - college
 - grades 1-6
 - music
 - media
 - Spanish

I have a request...

- for prayer
- for the staff

I heard about First Baptist from...

- family member
- direct mail
- television
- billboard
- church website
- facebook
- friend
- yellow pages
- radio
- newspaper
- internet ad
- other

We pray for and visit those who are in the hospital. If you know of someone who needs a visit, please list the information below.

name of person needing visit

hospital or location to visit

dates of hospitalization

name and phone of person submitting request