

# First Baptist Church



## Discover the Love of Christ

Frostproof, Florida

November 2018

### Pastor's Remarks

Dear Church Family,

Yes, fall is finally here and we have had a couple of days to prove it. Some of our winter guests are back and we welcome them. Many of them are faithful while they are here, and they are a delight to have.

Thanks to all of you who helped out with our annual "Trunk or Treat" event. Everyone who came through did not register, but we had a huge crowd. The weather was beautiful and there was plenty of candy, hot dogs, and fun. The "dunking" booth" was a big hit with the children.

I want to encourage everyone to be involved in a small group, which we call LIFE Groups. Here are some reasons why small groups are important to a believer's spiritual growth:

1. It helps you learn to get along with "family members". We need to remember that we are all "imperfect" believers and we need to experience the connection God intends for us to have with others. God expects you to love others in the same way that Jesus loves you.
2. It moves us toward maturity by engaging "one another". We are commanded to love each other, pray for each other, accept each other, forgive each other, and many other "one another's." You cannot grow to maturity just by attending worship services and being a passive spectator. In order to grow you need other believers.
3. A small group helps confirm your identity as a genuine believer. You are not the body of Christ by yourself. You need others to express that. Together we are the body.
4. A small group helps us as we take the love of Jesus into the world. We are not to just love one another, we are to take Christ's love to a lost world. Jesus had a small group as He walked this earth. Together is easier.
5. A small group helps us to stay on track. None of us are immune to temptation. We have the responsibility to keep each other on track. We are to be involved in each other's lives.
6. A small group is a place for you to discover, develop and use your gifts and talents. Your family needs you. God has gifted you and you have a ministry assignment that God wants you to do.

Don't rush by Thanksgiving on your way to Christmas. We have so much to be thankful for. So, be thankful on Thanksgiving Day, but why not find something specific everyday that you can express thanks to God for? Let's intentionally count our blessings, express thanks, and cultivate the act of giving thanks in all things.

In His love,

*Bro. Darrol*



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### Angel Tree Gifts

Each year our church supports Christmas gifts for children and students in our church and community. This year, the Angel tree names will be available in the foyer on Sunday, November 25, 2018.

Ages begin with babies to youth, pants, shirt, and dress sizes will be provided. Also, each card will list several hobby items. You may purchase gift cards, give a monetary gift, or purchase the gift.

Please have wrapped gifts returned to the office no later than Monday, December 17, 2018.

For information concerning Angel Tree gifts, please contact Mandy Long (863 589-8297) or Tina Scali (863 632-0284).

Your time and generosity is much appreciated.



### Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets

This year the Frostproof Care Center will prepare 150 food baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas.


They are asking each church to donate two food items, (150) each to help complete each basket. First Baptist will collect the following; turkey gravy and stuffing.

Food items may be dropped off in the foyer or office.

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Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name; make known His deeds among the people. 1 Chronicles 16:8 ESV



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Prayer Team, Smith Bldg. 5:30 pm	2	3
4 Deacons serving: Doyce Cotton John Cavanaugh	5	6 General Election Fellowship Hall 7-7pm	7 Awana & Student Refuge 6-7:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm	8 Prayer Team, Smith Bldg. 5:30 pm <i>Surviving the Holidays</i> 2pm & 6pm A Wing-Rm. 2	9	10 Joy Class Fellowship 4pm Smith Bldg.
11 Deacons serving: Freddie Senterfitt Bill Rankin	12	13 WMU 9am Fellowship Hall	14 Awana & Student Refuge 6-7:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm	15 Prayer Team, Smith Bldg. 5:30 pm	16	17 Men's Ministry Breakfast 8:30 am
18 Deacons serving: Dale Williams Ed Butler Community Thanksgiving Service Church of God -6pm	19	20	21 No classes Office closed	22 	23	24
25 Deacons serving: Garry Talley Larry Blackwelder	26	27	28 Awana & Student Refuge 6-7:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm	29 Prayer Team, Smith Bldg. 5:30 pm	30	

Visit our Church Library, our hours are: Sunday 9:15-9:45 am, 10:45-11:00 am & 12:00-12:15 pm.



## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2 John Irby 3 Ernie Pittman, Terry Fulton 4 Antspimo Gomez 7 Amanda Martin, Kasie Roberts 10 Greg Ervin, Carrie Starnes 12 Mary C. McDowell, Barbara McFarr 13 Josh Thompson, Cliff Lightsey, Diane Nicholas 15 Renee Sousa	16 Ruth Cavanaugh, Jason Smith, Kathy Plante 17 Chris Hill 19 Jimmy Wise 20 Mary Ann Harris 21 Betty Walters 22 Linda McKinney 23 Judy Ogburn 27 Veronica Bullock 30 Jonathan Ogburn
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Praise the Lord.  
Give thanks to the Lord,  
for he is good;  
his love endures forever.

Psalm 106:1, NIV



*Discover the love of Christ!*

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First Baptist Church of Frostproof

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**Connecting with God!**  
**Connecting with Others!**

## First Baptist Church Ministry

**Vision For FBC:** He desires us to be a church that impacts our community with the Gospel.

**Mission For FBC:** Making disciples, leading believers to become fully devoted followers of Christ.

**Strategy For FBC:**

- **Connect** with God through worship and with others through relationships.
- **Grow** spiritually and numerically through small group Bible study.
- **Serve** others by joining a team engaged in ministry.

### Service Schedules

#### Sunday

Life Group Classes 9:45am  
Celebration Worship Service 11:00 am  
Worship Service 6:00pm

#### Wednesday

Student Refuge and Awana 6:00 pm  
Adult Bible Study 6:30 pm

### Thank You Note

Dear church family,

Words cannot express our appreciation and gratefulness for all the prayers. As a family, we felt the strength, your love and most of all God's hand on Larry's life. God is and will always be faithful to His word.

All the visits, calls and cards are so encouraging to each of us.

Please continue to pray for me as I continue rehab.

Love in Christ,

Larry & Cheryl Hadden



All children and youth are invited to attend the Christmas Program practice at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall.

Our program this year is "Best Day Ever!". The program will be presented on Sunday, December 16, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

For additional information contact Michelle Young at (810) 650-7073.