

# Welcome!

We are so glad you are here! Please take a moment to complete the guest card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or give it to a staff member as you leave. More info is available in the foyer. If you have questions about our church, feel free to visit our welcome center. Someone will be there to help you!



## Revival

I want to thank each of you for being faithful to attend the revival services. It was a great week! Many of you expressed how God spoke to you. That is always exciting to hear. May we all continue to pray and seek what God wants us to do!

## Fall Festival

Our fall festival is next Sunday, October 25, 5-7 p.m. in the back parking lot. Have you signed up to help? Have you volunteered your vehicle for "Trunk or Treat?" If not, please do so. Numerous people are needed for this event to be a success. Sign-up sheets are in the Sunday School trays.

## Committee on Committees

The Committee on Committees will begin meeting to organize all committees for the 2016 year. It is imperative that, as a church member, you serve in some capacity. Some of you have already filled out a form as to where you want to work. Thank you! However, others have not. Please notice that on the form there are numerous committees and check where you want to work. If the church is to carry out all ministries, numerous people are needed. Forms are available on the table outside the church office. After completion, place the form in the box.

## Something To Ponder

I heard it the other day, and it caught my attention: "It is better to construct the future than to varnish the past." A lot of people spend all their time varnishing the past, picking up old experiences, old relationships, old successes, and old failures, and shining them over and over again. This is why Paul said, "One thing I do, forgetting what lies behind, I press on toward the mark." The past, however delightful or disastrous, is behind us. Varnish it all you can, you still cannot bring it back. All we have is the future, the limitless opportunities before us out of which we can construct new experiences and new relationships, and new successes. Remember, it is better to construct the future than to varnish the past.

## Business Meeting

Tonight is our quarterly business meeting. Please pick up a packet and proposed policy changes off the table outside the church office. Comments and questions are welcomed. See you at 6 p.m. in the sanctuary.

*It is a privilege to serve as your pastor. Call if you should ever need me. May God Bless!*

—Bro. Larry

# Connect

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## Attendance 10/11/15

### Morning

Sunday School .....219  
Guests .....4  
Contacts .....117  
Worship Attendance .....268

### Evening

Sun Revival .....125  
Mon Revival .....132  
Tues Revival .....109  
Wed Revival .....119

### Weekly

Men's Prayer Breakfast .....8  
Ladies' Bible Study .....8



It is our desire for every person to become a disciple of Jesus Christ who loves God and people. We believe this happens best in a biblical community in which people are learning God's Word, sharing the good news of Jesus Christ, ministering to each other, and serving together. At FBC, **Sunday School** allows you to connect with people in a similar season of life as you seek to live a lifestyle that looks more and more like Jesus. Join us on Sundays at 9 a.m. to find a class that is right for you. For more info, pick up a Sunday School brochure in the vestibule or outside the church office. Questions? Call 205-625-3191 or email Cindy at [cindy@oneontafbc.org](mailto:cindy@oneontafbc.org).

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First Baptist Church exists to demonstrate the love of Christ in our community and our world through worship, evangelism, discipleship, missions, and ministry.



# First Baptist Church OF ONEONTA

*Finding God in Life & Community*

Sunday October 18, 2015



# Celebration OF WORSHIP

## 10:15 AM

Prelude ..... Charlotte Langner  
 Song ..... *Our God Saves*  
 Invocation ..... Wayne Gibbons  
 Welcome/Fellowship ..... Micah Head  
 Hymn No. 138 ..... *At Calvary*  
 Hymn No. 514 ..... *When We All Get To Heaven*  
 Prayer  
 Giving of Tithes and Offerings  
 Celebration Choir/Praise Band..... *I'm Going Home With Jesus*  
 Soloist ~ Susan Sanderson  
 Children are Dismissed to First Kid's Worship  
 Hymn No. 6 ..... *Holy, Holy, Holy*  
 Song ..... *10,000 Reasons*  
 Song ..... *We Fall Down*  
 Message ..... Larry Gipson  
 Song ..... *Holy Spirit Rain Down*  
 Postlude ..... Sara Towns

## 6:00 PM

Prelude ..... Sara Towns  
 Prayer  
 Business Meeting  
 Welcome/Fellowship ..... Larry Gipson  
 Song ..... *Lord I Lift Your Name On High*  
 Hymn No. 453 ..... *Since I Have Been Redeemed*  
 Prayer  
 Giving of Tithes and Offerings  
 Instrumental Praise ..... Charlotte Langner  
 Song ..... *I Love You Lord*  
 Hymn No. 182 ..... *What A Friend We Have In Jesus*  
 Bible Study ..... Larry Gipson  
 Closing Prayer

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE FLOWERS PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY** are in memory of **Anita Gibbons** by the family.

**WOMEN ON MISSION (BARRON)** will be traveling to tour the WMU Building in Birmingham on Tuesday, October 20. Please meet at the church by 7:45 a.m. so we can leave by 8:00 a.m.

**!!ATTENTION!!**  
**CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE FOLLOWING POLICIES:** Security Committee, Flag Committee, Hospitality and Greeting Committee, and Admission to Church Membership. Copies of these policy changes are available on the table outside the church office. We will vote on these changes in the Business Meeting tonight.

**GUY'S NIGHT OUT** will be October 20th at 6:00 p.m. at Al & Mick's in Snead. Good food and fellowship!

**SPIRITS OF PRAISE**  
**Oct. 29** ~ Travel to Mt. Cheaha State Park  
**Nov. 12-13** ~ Overnight Alabama Road Trip

**WORLDCRAFTS IS COMING!**  
**Sunday, November 1**  
**2:00-4:00 p.m. ~ Fellowship Hall**  
 Join us where compassion meets art and shopping is combined with hope. Come and explore authentic, handcrafted items from ALL over the globe, taste international foods, and purchase wonderful Christmas gifts.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD ANNUAL PACKING PARTY** will be November 8 at 5:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Mark your calendar! We always enjoy participating in this event and receive such a blessing. More details will be coming soon.

**VETERANS DAY LUNCHEON** will be on November 11th in our fellowship hall at 12 noon. The speaker is Keith Travis. He is a 2006 retired Colonel from the U.S. Army. Keith serves as the Chaplain Denominational Endorser for the Southern Baptist Convention. Tickets are free, but must be obtained from the church office. Please help us advertise for this special event.

**THE VISION IS CONTINUING!**  
 Total Received: **\$35,483.53**  
 (Since 06/01/2014)



Serving begins at 5:15 p.m. Join us for food and fellowship. **Please call the church office for reservations by Tuesday afternoon. Be sure to fill out the "NEW" Meal Ticket for the 2nd quarter.**

**Menu for Oct 21:** Pot Roast, Baby Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Roll, Dessert & Drink.

**Kids Menu:** Corn Dog, Chips, Dessert & Drink.

**Menu for Oct 28:** Country Fried Steak w/gravy, Cream Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Salad, Dessert & Drink.

**Kids Menu:** Chicken Fingers, Cream Potatoes, Dessert & Drink.



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD ITEMS FOR OCTOBER:** Toothbrushes, bar soap, washcloths, Kleenex, floss, etc. Drop off your items at the **Donation Station** located in the stairwell next to the church office.



**JOIN US ON OCTOBER 25 FOR FOOD, FUN AND GAMES!** Go ahead and start cleaning those trunks, begin thinking how you want to decorate, and get ready for our annual Fall Festival. **We are accepting candy donations at the Donation Station. Also, we need cakes, cookies and other sweet treats for the Cake Walk.** Please contact Pam Dean regarding the Cake Walk items. We always have a great turn out and need everyone's help.

**BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK** will be returning in January to FBC. This is a great ministry and we had an awesome response last year. Once again you will be able to donate items to be packed and/or come help pack the bags. A list of items is available outside the church office. Watch the bulletin for the schedule in January 2016 for the opportunity to bless others!



## THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST

### Sunday, October 18

9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 10:15 a.m. Worship  
 11:30 a.m. Welcome & Security Committees meet in Sanctuary  
 2:00 p.m. Ballroom Dance Lessons ~ The Branch Home  
 3:00 p.m. Nepal Mission Trip Meeting  
 4:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
 4:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting  
 5:30 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study ~ Room 210/Divorce Care  
 6:00 p.m. Bible Study/Business Meeting

### Monday, October 19

10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study (Camp) ~ Room 210

### Tuesday, October 20

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast @ Miller's Soda Shoppe  
 8:00 a.m. Women on Mission (Barron) ~ travel to Birmingham  
 6:00 p.m. Guy's Night Out ~ Al & Mick's ~ Snead

### Wednesday, October 21

5:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting  
 5:15 p.m. Meal  
 6:00 p.m. Praise Band/Children's Graded Choirs  
 6:30 p.m. 180 Youth Room  
 6:45 p.m. Bible Study/Celebration Choir/RAs, GAs, & Mission Friends

## TODAY, OCTOBER 18, 2015

**Audio** ..... Michael Towns  
**Visual** ..... Linc Marcum

**Deacon Visitation Team**..... Bob Gordon & Doug Smith

### Nursery Workers

Babies & Toddlers..... Paige & Emily Nash  
 2s & 3s ..... Rhonda Melvin & Becky Corso  
 Evening ..... JoJo Holt

**Security Team**..... Mike McMinn

**Welcome Center** ..... Penny Gebbs, Paige Nash & Ellis Reid

**Worship Invitation Assistant**..... Judy Camp & Bill Hopewell

## NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2015

**Audio** ..... Wayne Shaddix  
**Visual** ..... Daryl Wheeler

**Deacon Visitation Team**..... Bill Hopewell & Ramzi Malek

### Nursery Workers

Babies & Toddlers..... Richard & Sonya Walker  
 2s & 3s ..... Redonia Clements & Amy Phillips

**Security Team**..... Anthony Nash

**Welcome Center** ..... Pam Dean, Wayne Bynum & Polly Gargus

**Worship Invitation Assistant**..... Mollie Anderton & Jimmy Register

## ON THE HORIZON

**Oct 25** 5:00 p.m. Fall Festival  
**Oct 26** 6:30 p.m. Women on Mission (Night Group)  
**Oct 27** 10:00 a.m. Spirits of Praise Singing  
**Oct 29** 9:00 a.m. Spirits of Praise travel to Cheaha State Park  
**Nov 1** 11:30 a.m. **Daylight Saving Time Ends**  
 2:00 p.m. Sunday School Luncheon  
 Women on Mission WorldCrafts Event  
**Nov. 8** 10:15 a.m. Deacon Election  
 4:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting  
 5:00 p.m. Operation Christmas Child Packing Party  
**Nov. 10** 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission (Green)  
 6:30 p.m. Girls' Night Out  
**Nov. 11** 11:00 a.m. Veterans Day Luncheon