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EVANGEL

Newsletter of First Baptist Church, Jackson, TN





Ricky Clark - Our Interim Worship Leader

If you were in the worship service on August 25, you heard the announcement that Ricky Clark will be our interim worship leader, starting on October 6. He will be responsible for leading our musical worship on Sunday mornings, directing the sanctuary choir (including practice on Wednesdays), overseeing the orchestra, and leading our Christmas music program. Many of you already know Ricky since he served at West Jackson Baptist Church for 22 years and because his brother, Paul Clark, was a minister of music here at FBC. He is a highly skilled musician with a heart for leading God's people to worship.

Ricky's coming to our church is a reminder of God's good provision for us. We talk often about the doctrine of God's providence, meaning how God's hand is always at work in all situations. This is often in ways that we don't see or understand. Yet, God will also often grant us glimpses of the good ways that He cares and provides for His people. This is just one more of those reminders. Church, remember just how kind God is and how much He cares for us. As we continue forward, we rest in His sovereign goodness, knowing that He is working His perfect plan in all things.

Pastor Scott



LIVESTREAM

fbcjackson.org Sunday - 9 AM Central Use the "Watch Live" link

PAST SERMONS

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or

youtube.com/fbcjackson



FELLOWSHIP & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES



Men's Retreat September 20-21

All men 16+ are invited to attend this year's men's retreat. It will be held at the group lodge at Natchez Trace State Park September 20-21. We will hear from long-time pastor Danny Sinquefield, and worship will be led by Richard Kidd. This is a great chance to worship with, play games with, and get to know other FBC men from other Life Groups, stages of life, or just guys who sit on the other side of the sanctuary! Early bird cost is \$50 until August 31 then rates go up to \$60. College students and younger men may attend for \$30. Please visit **fbcjackson.org/men** for more information or to register.



Discover FBC - September 15

Have you been attending FBC and thinking about joining? Do you have questions about what it would mean to become a member of this church? You are invited to come to our Discover FBC session where you'll have the opportunity to hear from the pastors about the church, learn about membership, and ask any questions you have about life at First Baptist. We would love for you to be part of this class. The next Discover FBC session will be **September 15 at 10:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall**. You can sign up at **fbcjackson.org/connect/discover/** or at the Welcome Center.

Fall Women's Bible Studies - "Sermon on the Mount" by Jen Wilkin

There are two opportunities for you to participate in this fall's Bible study. Books can be purchased and picked up from the church office for \$23.75.

- Email LeeAnn Wyatt at laawyatt@aol.com to sign up for Tuesday 7:00 p.m. sessions beginning September 10, at her home.
- Email Karie Spencer at **klt873@hotmail.com** to sign up for Wednesday 9:30-11:30 a.m. sessions beginning September 11, at FBC. Childcare is available.

Restarting the Bereavement Team

Are you interested in preparing, serving, or cleaning up after meals for those in our church who have lost loved ones? If so, please contact the church office to let us know.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that over the past two years, we've had more than 50 people join our church family? From kids to senior adults, we've had a large number of people who have recently become part of our covenant church membership. If you've been at FBC for many years, this means that you see a lot of new faces—and if you are new to FBC, probably many of the faces are still new! Whether you've been here for decades or for just a few months, take a look around on Sunday (or any other time you're at church) and introduce yourself to someone you don't know yet. Not only will this strengthen our bonds as a church family, but you'll enjoy getting to know the people you meet. You can get a printed church directory from the church office. You can also get online access to member information and more at **fbcjackson.org/members**

FBC UNIVERSITY



FBCU sessions provide opportunities for learning and discipleship training. The eightweek classes for this fall are described below. Sign up for one at the Welcome Center. They will meet 5:00 p.m. on Sundays, starting September 15 and ending November 17. (There are no sessions October 20 or 27.)

What is the Church?

Scott Gilbert & Douglas Renfro

In this course, we will be exploring what the Bible has to say about the nature of the church. We will learn who we are, what we are, and how we are to relate to one another and to the world.

Discipleship

Oliver Stanley - Men's Class Jenn Gilbert - Women's Class

The aim of this course is to give practical, hands-on training in how to initiate and sustain intentional relationships with other believers with the expressed goal of growth in Christ.

Protestant Reformation Leaders and Truths

John Hoeldtke

In this course, we will study the revitalization of Christian truths and experiences that took place in the sixteenth century and see how they should continue to impact our lives today.

EMPLOYMENT NEEDS

Administrative Assistant

Help spread the word about our administrative assistant position by sharing our posts in Facebook and reposting in X. This person will serve at the front desk, greeting members/visitors, assisting the pastors and the church administrator, and performing other important tasks. If you are interested in this position or know a qualified person who is, **fbcjackson.org/hiring-adminassistant** has the job description and how to apply.

Children's Director

FBC is wanting to hire a part-time children's director. Interested candidates may apply by sending a resume and cover letter to **childrensdirector@fbcjackson.org**

Pastor to Families and Students

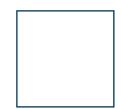
Interested candidates may apply at fbcjackson.org/hiring

September Birthdays

- 1 Sammy Bakeer
- 2 Betty Standridge
- 3 Wilma Parrish
- 6 Steve Burger, Gwen Wilson
- 7 Liseth Owen
- 8 Hannah Booker, Seth Hughes, Emily Gilbert, Bennett Wilson, Carolyn Lewis
- 9 Daniel Nance
- 10 Anne Goodson, Vernetta Anderson
- 11 Dianne Green
- 12 Ke'Darrie Brown
- 13 Kaylee Johnson, Liberty Lynch
- 14 Linda Long
- 15 Marlene Hix, Howard Newell
- 16 Barbara Bush, Jim Weatherford
- 17 Gwen Penny, John Lewoczko
- 19 Dan Bruce, Nick Wiggins, Andrew Adelsberger, Louise Lynch
- 20 Pam Austin, Carol Emery, Joel Owen, Timothy Van Neste
- 21 Frank Anderson, Bill Nance
- 23 Abigail Vance, Jo Caudill
- 25 Donna Aylor
- 27 Louie Hailey, Samuel Dougan, Billie Hunt, Mary Pittman
- 28 Vivian Nance, John Hoeldtke, Audie Lynch
- 30 Jenna Booker, Jennifer Johnson, James Stanley







MAKING, MATURING, & MULTIPLYING DISCIPLES

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Deacon Ministry

Deacons for the week of August 25
David Leisey

Mike Blesoe

Deacons for the week of September 1

Bill Nance Shaun Brown

Deacons for the week of September 8

John Moss Renno French

Deacons for the week of September 15

Neal Rager Paul Mount

Deacons for the week of September 22

Bill Thierfelder Howard Newell

Deacons for the week of September 29

Nic Vance Larry Standridge