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SUMMER SERMON SERIES

# HOSEA

Failure, Forgiveness and Faithfulness

## This Sunday, July 20:

Pastor **Drew Chapman** will preach from Hosea 11:1-11: "Why Would God Still Want Me?".

## Next Steps from Sunday, July 13

Below are the Next Steps from Drew Chapman's message, "False Loves and Broken Promises". To view last Sunday's message, click [HERE](#) or visit [youtube.com/@firsttuscaloosa](https://youtube.com/@firsttuscaloosa).

1. This week, through prayer, I will ask God to search me and reveal any area where I am self-reliant. Any area where I am rebelling against his word?
2. Each day this week, I will write down three specific things I'm thankful for that God has provided. Let this list drive your prayer time.
3. This week, if there is any area of my life that is not humble, I will take steps to humble myself.



## Summer Schedule - SUNDAYS

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Meet & Greet - Wells Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. Life Groups



- **Sav-A-Life** baby bottles fund drive: FBC members donated just over **\$3000**.
- **Eyeglass Collection for Thailand Trip:** Collected **several hundred pairs of eyeglasses**, enough to fill three suitcases!
- During Vacation Bible School the kids raised **\$2,139** toward construction of a chapel in Mississippi.
- **Foster Care:** This summer our kids and families packed **48 backpacks** filled with supplies for kids in state care awaiting foster homes. We also provide **support and encouragement to foster families** with multiple Foster Care nights throughout the year.
- Thank you to those who serve meals at the **Community Soup Bowl**.
- **Alice's Mission Dresses** and **Prayer Shawl Ministry** and **Sweet Dreams Pillowcase Ministry:** These ministries have had workdays to create items for future ministry, including **375 dresses and 40 pairs of shorts**.
- **Mission Dolls** - Numerous workshops to create dolls for future ministry, such as at a local nursing home.
- Senior Adults donated items for the **King's Home** Thrift Store.
- **Mission Trips:** College students are serving in Thailand and other areas this summer.
- Funds donated to the ministry of the **Derbyshire family** serving in Thailand.

See page four to find additional ways you can serve others.

## Pray for FBC's Thailand Mission Team Members: Emily Patat, Karalina Mann, Cole Floyd

They are partnering with other churches in the Tuscaloosa area to serve alongside missionaries in Thailand **July 14-23**. The team is participating in collegiate evangelism and outreach, putting on a flag football camp, and hosting various dinners and game nights in order to build relationships and connect those people to the local Thai church.

MAGNIFY. MATURE. MINISTER. MULTIPLY.



The Tuscaloosa Jubilee is just a few weeks away. Don't miss this special evening of heartwarming worship favorites with the FBC Worship Choir, Orchestra and Soloists.

## Summer Wednesday Nights

**5:00 p.m.** Family Night Meal

**6:00-7:15 p.m.** Activities for all ages

### Wednesday, July 16

#### 5:00 p.m. Meal

Chicken salad, pimento cheese sandwiches, chips, banana pudding

#### 6:00-7:15 p.m.

- Worship Choir/Orchestra Rehearsal
- Adult Study - **Colossians**, led by Jeff Harkin; Room MB246
- Women's Bible Study - **Encountering God**, Room FB311
- Kids' Ministry: Family Painting Night, Room FB306 (register [HERE](#))

### Kids' Ministry:

#### Summer Wednesday Nights for Families

**July 16:** Painting Night (5:45 p.m.) Families will each create a painting together. Snacks included. No other childcare.

Click [HERE](#) to sign up.

**July 23:** NO CHILDCARE (Kids' Ministry at Camp)

**July 30:** NO ACTIVITIES

**August 6:** NO ACTIVITIES

### Student Ministry Summer

**July 16:** Water Day

**July 21-22:** High School Atlanta Adventure

Visit [townstudents.org/events](http://townstudents.org/events) for more information.



### Wednesday Night Meal

**7/16:** Chicken salad, pimento cheese sandwiches, chips, banana pudding

**7/23:** Potato Bar with fixings, tossed salad bar, peach cobbler

**7/30:** No evening activities

**8/6:** No evening activities

**8/13:** Hamburgers and hotdogs, French fries, cookies with ice cream







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### Mission and Ministry Plan

#### Offering Details - Week of July 13

Given for: Budget	\$90,052.91
World Mission Offering	\$1,665.00
The 721 Fund	\$720.00
Designated	\$637.00
<b>Total Given</b>	<b>\$93,074.91</b>

#### Gifts in Memory of:

Joe Armour, Joanne Lukasik

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Use [this link](#) to join our new **Church Family Updates** email list and opt-in to receive **sympathy notifications, birth announcements** and **prayer requests** by email each week. You can also scan the QR code to opt-in to receive these email messages.



Visit [YouTube.com/@FirstTuscaloosa](https://YouTube.com/@FirstTuscaloosa) for sermon videos and to watch the complete Sunday morning worship services. You can also visit the **sermons** page on our website, [firsttuscaloosa.org/sermons](http://firsttuscaloosa.org/sermons).

### Sunday Livestream

Our Sunday worship services are available by **livestream on Facebook and YouTube**. Find us on Facebook **@FirstTuscaloosa** or visit [youtube.com/@firsttuscaloosa](https://youtube.com/@firsttuscaloosa).

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### Reminder for First Baptist On-line Givers

Please be reminded: If you give to First Baptist using an automatic deduction method through our Shelby Systems giving portal, please convert your automatic deduction to Planning Center's Church Center App.

- Instructions for downloading and setting up your account on the Church Center App are available below.
- Our payment processing arrangement with Shelby Systems will end on **Wednesday, July 23**.

### Church Center Membership App

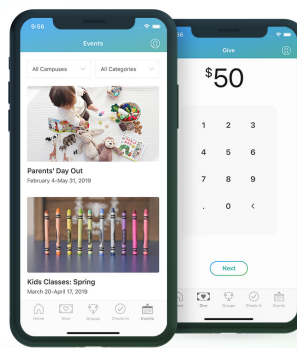
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On your mobile device use the QR code or [this link](#) to begin the setup process and add the app to your phone or tablet, or use this link to view and use the desktop version: [firsttuscaloosa.churchcenter.com](http://firsttuscaloosa.churchcenter.com)

#### church center

- Service Times
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- Community Connection
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**Sunday, July 20***Family Dedication during worship*

7:00 a.m.	Deacons' Meeting
9:00	Worship Service
9:15-10:30	Spanish Worship - Chapel
10:00	Chinese Sunday School
10-10:30	Meet and Greet
10-10:30	Library open (next to gym)
10:30	Life Groups
10:40	Spanish Sunday School
11:00	Chinese Worship - Chapel

**Monday, July 21***High School Atlanta Adventure (21-22)*

8:00 a.m.	Second-Hand Rose Ministry
12:00 p.m.	Painting Class
2:00	Legacy Fitness

**Tuesday, July 22**

7:00 p.m.	Summer College Worship
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**Wednesday, July 23***Centri-Kid Camp (July 23-27)*

7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group
9:30	Women's Bible Study
2:30 p.m.	Legacy Fitness
5:00	Wednesday night meal
6:00	Women's Bible Study
6:00	Adult Bible Study
6:00	Worship Choir/Orchestra

**Thursday, July 24**

9:00 a.m.	Quilters group
10:00	ESL Conversation Cafe

**Friday, July 25**

9:00 a.m.	Alice's Mission Dresses Workshop
6:30 p.m.	Chinese Bible study/fellowship

**KAIROS Prison Ministry****August 21-24***at Aliceville Federal Corrections Institution for Women***WAYS YOU CAN HELP:**

**PRAY:** Choose a specific 30-minute time of prayer anytime between August 21 at 4 p.m. through August 24 at 4 p.m. Email Beth Yates with your chosen time and she will add you to the Prayer Vigil Sheet.

**CREATE:** Please take one or more blank prayer chain links and write out a Bible verse, a simple prayer or a word of encouragement and sign your first name. Several coloring sheets will be available for you and/or your kids to color. You can also decorate a poster with an encouraging Bible verse, pretty and coloring artwork, etc. Only use colored pencils, crayons, and/or markers. No glue, glitter, stickers, etc., allowed inside the prison.

A table with blank prayer chain links and blank coloring sheets will be set up near the elevators on the third floor of the Family Ministry Building. The deadline to return these items is **Wednesday, August 13.**

**GIVE:** The total cost for the weekend is \$4800 (\$150 per participant). That covers supplies for team training meetings, lodging for the team, and the weekend at Aliceville FCI. Make checks payable to First Baptist Tuscaloosa and put Kairos in the memo line.

**Alice's Mission Dresses****WORKSHOP: Friday, July 25**

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. in Room FB300

Come and help prep and sew dresses and shorts for upcoming mission trips. Instruction available.

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