



**This Sunday, August 24:**

Message by Pastor Drew Chapman:

**Different on Purpose: "Against the Flow"**

Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

Life Groups at 9:45 a.m.

**Next Steps from Sunday, August 17**

Below are the Next Steps from Pastor Drew's message, **"Different on Purpose: Not Who I Thought I Was"**.

**1.** This week, I will give my life to Jesus and receive new life. *If you've never trusted Jesus as Savior, don't wait. Reach out to a church staff member or complete this [Next Steps form](#) to request followup.*

**2.** This fall, I will commit to a LifeGroup. *If you're not in a LifeGroup, commit to find one. Visit a few before making a decision. If you're already in a LifeGroup, then commit to show up each week and be engaged. Maybe you need to be sent out by your group to start a new LifeGroup, or begin leading.*

**3.** This week, I will allow my life to be a living sacrifice for God. *When something frustrating or difficult happens this week, pause before reacting. Ask yourself, "What might God be skimming away in me right now?" Then, reflect Jesus in your response.*



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**MAN  
CHURCH**

with  
**Rick  
Burgess**

**Sunday, August 24**  
Wells Fellowship Hall  
Meal starts at 5 p.m.; followed by worship and  
an encouraging message for men of all ages.  
No cost.  
**Invite someone to come with you!**

**Join us on Wednesday Nights  
this Fall!**

**SCHEDULE - AUGUST 20:**

**5:00 p.m.**

Wednesday Night Meal - *Fried chicken tenders, French fries, baked beans, tossed salad, Texas toast, strawberry cake*

**5:30 p.m.**

DivorceCare (Room FB311)

**5:45 p.m.**

Preschool/Kids' Music Groups

English Classes (Downstairs from Sanctuary)

**6:00 p.m.**

Adult Bible Study with Keith Pugh (Room MB246)

Students' Wednesday Night Live

Women's Ministry Bible Study (Room FB308)

**6:45 p.m.**

Hyfi Activities for Kids/Preschoolers

Worship Choir/Orchestra Rehearsals

**8:00 p.m.**

First College Worship (Wells Fellowship Hall)

# DISCOVER FIRST

**Wednesday, August 27**

6:00-7:30 p.m.

Click [HERE](#) to register.

First Baptist now offers Discover First on the last Wednesday of every month from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Discover First consists of materials developed by our staff highlighting our church's mission, ministry, and beliefs. You will learn how to plug in, what it looks like to be a member here, and how you can connect and serve. Child care and your Wednesday night meal are provided! (Meal served at 5 p.m.)

## GAME DAY Parking at First Baptist Church

**Season  
Pass**

**\$125**

Purchase from  
church office.

A season pass guarantees you a space in our fenced lot at 7th St. & 23rd Ave. for all **SEVEN** 2025 UA football home games.

Proceeds benefit the United Appeal Fund, which supports community ministries.

**Open  
Parking**

**\$25**

Per Game.  
Pay as you park.

Park at First Baptist and catch the shuttle to the stadium at the Downtown parking deck!

This football season we will once again offer parking in our lots for University of Alabama home games. The proceeds from parking help support ministry efforts in our community and help with mission trips led by our various ministries.

**Please support our ministries by parking in the FBC lots when you come for UA games. Fee is only \$25 per game.**

We can accept cash, check and credit/debit (using Stripe app). We also offer season passes for \$125 that provide you with a space in our fenced lot for each game (\$175 value). Please note that an FBC parking hangtag does not serve as a game day parking pass. Game day passes are purchased separately as part of our fundraiser.



DivorceCare meets Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in Room 311, Family Ministry Building. To learn more about this support group, visit [divorcecare.org](http://divorcecare.org). **New sessions begin August 20.**

## 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).

You can also view recent messages on the **sermons** page on our website, [firsttuscaloosa.org/sermons](https://firsttuscaloosa.org/sermons).

## College Worship Moves to Wednesday Nights this Fall!

Beginning **August 20** our weekly College Worship will meet Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in Wells Fellowship Hall.

See below for all the ways for College students to connect with First Baptist this month:

## AUGUST [AT] FIRST COLLEGE

**WED 13TH** ..... CHAPEL WORSHIP

**SAT 16TH** ..... RIVERWALK COOKOUT

**SUN 17TH** ..... SUNDAY SERVICE

**MON 18TH** ..... LATE NIGHT BREAKFAST

**WED 20TH** ..... COLLEGE WORSHIP

**FRI 22ND** ..... FRESHMEN LAKE NIGHT

**SUN 24TH** ..... SUNDAY SERVICE & FAMILY GROUP KICKOFF

**WED 27TH** ..... COLLEGE WORSHIP

**SUN 31ST** ..... SUNDAY SERVICE

DETAILS WILL BE ON INSTAGRAM

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## Mission and Ministry Plan

### Offering Details - Week of August 17

Given for: Budget	\$93,213.01
World Mission Offering	\$1,976.64
The 721 Fund	\$2,068.27
Designated	\$1,786.27
<b>Total Given</b>	<b>\$99,044.19</b>

### Gifts in Memory of:

Joe Armour, Greta Bambarger, Shirley Chalkley, Nancy Kelly, Mary Nelson

To access our secure giving portal, scan this QR code or visit [firsttuscaloosa.org/give](https://firsttuscaloosa.org/give) and click "Give Online".



## Women's Bible Studies

### BEGINS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20:

#### ***The Coming Golden Age***

by Dr. David Jeremiah, led by Linda Humber  
Meets Wednesdays, **11:30 a.m.**, Room FB313  
Study book, \$8 - available at first meeting

#### ***Looking for Lovely: Collecting the Moments that Matter***

led by Lanelle Marchant  
Meets Wednesdays at **6 p.m.** in Room FB308  
Study guide, \$15 - available at first meeting

### BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2:

**TEA with T** (Teaching, Encouragement and Accountability with Teresa Pugh)  
Topic: "A Faith that Works", a study of James  
Meets online Tuesdays at **7 p.m.** via Zoom.  
Contact [Byates@fbctuscaloosa.org](mailto:Byates@fbctuscaloosa.org) for the Zoom invitation to join the study.

### BEGINS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3:

Precept Study: **James**  
led by Karen Garrison  
Meets Wednesdays, **9:30 a.m.**, Room FB311  
Click [HERE](#) to purchase the workbook, or visit [shop.precept.org](http://shop.precept.org).

#### ***The Way of Wisdom: a study of Proverbs***

led by Beth Yates  
Meets Wednesdays, **9:30 a.m.**, Room FB308  
Study guide, \$25 - available at first meeting

### BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7:

Precept Study: **Revelation, Part 3**  
led by Robin Ford  
Meets Sundays at 3 p.m. in Room FB313  
Click [HERE](#) to purchase the workbook, or visit [shop.precept.org](http://shop.precept.org).

### BEGINS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8:

**What We Know About God: Theology Proper**  
by Arnold Fruchtenbaum  
Monthly Women on Mission Study  
Meets the second Monday of each month at 11:30 a.m. in Wells Fellowship hall

## Alice's Mission Dresses

### WORKSHOP: Friday, August 29

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. in Room FB300  
Come and help prep and sew dresses and shorts for upcoming mission trips. Instruction available.

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.



## Church Center Directory

Earlier this week all First Baptist **members** should have received an invitation by email to join the private Membership Directory listing within the Church Center app. Once you opt-in you will be part of the directory and able to view the contact information of other members who have also opted in. You must choose to be part of the directory in order to have access for viewing.

Once you receive the invitation email, follow the links and instructions within the email **to give permission and to choose what contact information for your family is visible** to other members. You can even upload your own photos!

In preparation for this added feature, we recommend you go ahead and install the Church Center App on your phone or tablet if you have not already done so.

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). (The directory will also be accessible from the desktop version of Church Center.)



## Parents' Weekend

September 20-21

**First Baptist Tuscaloosa**  
721 Greensboro Ave.  
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Family Ministry Building:  
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**Sunday, August 24**

8:30 a.m. Worship Service  
 9:15-10:30 Spanish Worship - Chapel  
 9:45 Life Groups  
 10:00 Chinese Sunday School  
 10-10:30 Library open (next to gym)  
 10:40 Spanish Sunday School  
 11:00 Chinese Worship - Chapel  
 11:00 Worship Service  
 5:00 p.m. Man Church  
 6:00 College Family Groups Kickoff

**Monday, August 25**

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

**Wednesday, August 27**

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group  
 11:30 Women's Bible Study  
 2:30 p.m. Legacy Fitness  
 5:00-5:50 Family Night Meal  
 5:30-7:00 DivorceCare  
 5:45-6:40 Preschool/Kids' Music Groups  
 5:45 ESL Classes  
 6:00 Live! for Students  
 6:00 Women's Bible Study  
 6:00 Adult Bible Study  
 6:45 Preschool/Kids' Hyfi Groups  
 6:45 Worship Choir/Orchestra  
 8:00 College Worship (Wells FH)

**Thursday, August 28**

9:00 a.m. Quilters group  
 9:30 ESL Classes  
 10:00 Men's Bible Study

**Friday, August 29**

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



It's Christmas in August! If you are interested in being part of this year's *Sounds of Christmas* presentation, join us on Saturday, August 23 at 9 a.m. in the Choir Room (third floor, Main Building) for an introduction to the music selections for this year.

**School Supplies for Shoeboxes**

During August we are collecting **school supplies** for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. We will use these supplies at our **Church-wide Packing party** in November. As you are purchasing school supplies for your own children, or as you find items on sale this month, consider picking up a few items to donate.



*Needed items include:*

pencils	pencil sharpeners	rulers	colored pencils
pens	small notebooks	scissors	pencil cases
crayons	coloring books	markers	index cards
erasers	solar calculators		

*Looking ahead:* In September we will collect WOW toys, and in October accessories and clothing (bags, socks, t-shirts, flip-flops, hats, etc.)

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