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Leading all Generations to Seek the **Good of my Neighbor*** and **all God has Next**

**Everyone is your neighbor!*



WON'T YOU BE A NEIGHBOR?

Four-Week Sermon Series

This Sunday, November 9:
Message by Pastor Drew Chapman
"Won't You Be A Neighbor?"

All God Has Next Steps
from last Sunday's message:
"Won't You Be A Neighbor: Loving Like Jesus"

1. I will pray and ask God to direct me to "divine appointments" each day. I will slow down and take advantage of these appointments.
2. I will seek out and engage someone in conversation who does not look like me or think like me.
3. I will personally invite someone to attend church with me this week.



Be a Neighbor NOVEMBER

Scan the QR code or use [this link](#) for a calendar with ways you and your family can "Be a Neighbor" each day in November.



FIRST HOLLY DAYS

CHRISTMAS Market

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7
10 A.M. - 6 P.M.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8
10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

The market features over 50 vendors with holiday decor and gifts, clothing, crafts, jewelry, food items and more. Invite a friend and enjoy lunch and fellowship as you visit the various booths in Wells Fellowship Hall, the Student Building and the connecting hallways.

Click [HERE](#) for a flyer to share as you invite others to join you. Printed copies are available in the church racks.

Church-wide Meeting to Present 2026 Mission and Ministry Plan Wednesday, November 5 6 p.m. in Room FB306

Attend this meeting on Wednesday night to learn the details of the proposed 2026 budget. Our Executive Pastor Kris Sullivan will present the plan, and answer questions. Members of the pastoral staff will also be available to share details about their Mission and Ministry Plan for the coming year. The church will also have an opportunity to consider the plan and submit questions to the church staff through email or phone call during the remainder of the month of November. During both church services on **Sunday, December 7**, the church will express its desire for the plan through a voice vote.

Click [HERE](#) to view the budget, or pick up a copy from the church office. You can submit your questions at any time to KSullivan@fbctuscaloosa.org.

Ways to Serve Our Neighbors

Attend the MINISTRY FAIR

Wednesday evening, November 12

5:00-6:00 p.m. in Wells Fellowship Hall

Visit info tables before or after your meal to talk with those who serve in community and church ministries, to learn more about ways to serve our neighbors and support our community partners.

Donate Winter Clothing

We are collecting gently used **winter clothing** for International College Students and their families. Please donate warm clothing, coats, jackets, hats, gloves, scarves, etc. in the church office by **Sunday, November 16**.

Any age/size is welcome (infant-adult).

Donate Food to One Mission

(for the St. Mark's Church Food Pantry)

Our ministry partner One Mission Tuscaloosa County works closely with St. Mark's and their Food Pantry. They are collecting food items to help them assist those in need. Suggested items: canned fruits and vegetables, boxed macaroni & cheese, cereal, instant potatoes, rice, peanut butter, canned meats, boxed rice blends, dried beans, pastas, spaghetti sauce, crackers, jelly, trail mix, loaf bread and instant milk. You can bring items to the church office, or deliver to One Mission's donation center: 238 McFarland Blvd, Northport.



Beginning Wednesday, November 5 you can pick up shopping lists and bags (or use your own bag) to provide a Thanksgiving Meal for a family through the Community Soup Bowl's Thanksgiving Project.

A. Fill a bag with these non-perishable items.

- 1 can Jellied Cranberry Sauce, 14 oz.
- 2 cans Corn, 15 oz.
- 2 cans Green Beans, 15 oz.
- 2 cans Sweet Potatoes/Yams, 15 oz.
- 1 box Mac & Cheese*, 14 oz. (family size)
- 1 pack Instant Mashed Potatoes*, family size
- 4-pack single-serve cups - Mixed Fruit
- 1 package Cookies, any variety, (family size)

*Choose items that don't require anything other than water.

B. Include a donation of \$10 to cover the cost of a pre-cooked ham for each family who receives a bag of food.

Completed bags must be returned to the church by Wednesday evening, November 19. Bags will be distributed during the Soup Bowl's Thanksgiving event on Sunday, November 23.



Join us on Wednesday Nights SCHEDULE for November 5:

5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Meal -
\$6, adults
\$4, kids 11 & under

4:30 p.m. Care Notes
Ministry (Russell Room)

5:30 p.m. DivorceCare
(Room FB311)

5:45 p.m.

Preschool/Kids' Music Groups
English Classes (Downstairs from Sanctuary)

6:00 p.m.

Budget Presentation in Room FB306
GriefShare Interest Meeting in Room FB304A
Adult Bible Study with Keith Pugh (Room MB246)
Wednesday Night Live for Students
Women's Ministry Bible Study (Room FB313)

6:45 p.m.

Hyfi Activities for Kids/Preschoolers
Worship Choir/Orchestra Rehearsals

8:00 p.m.

College Worship

THIS WEEK'S MENU

Meal A:

Chili, grilled cheese
sandwiches, chips/Fritos,
cookies with ice cream, drink

Meal B:

Pizza, side, dessert, drink

GriefShare Interest Meeting

Wednesday, November 5 at 6 p.m.

Room FB304A (meeting room in Women's Ministry Suite)
GriefShare is a small support group for men and women who have lost a spouse, child, family member, or friend through death. Please call or text Donna Barnes at 205-310-0877 for more information. You can also visit griefshare.org to learn more about the ministry of GriefShare.

Parents' Night Out

Friday, November 14, 6-9 p.m.

Free food and fun for preschool and elementary kids! Kids will experience blown up stories sharing life's biggest truths through **Inflatable Stories with Dr. Dan**. Use [THIS LINK](#) to sign up, or scan the QR code.



Congratulations:

Congratulations to Kerri and Lane Moss in the birth of a baby girl, Stella Ann Moss, on Thursday, October 23, 2025.

In Sympathy:

Our sympathy to Joey Falgout and family in the death of his brother-in-law, Brion Hardin.

Clarkston, Georgia Mission Weekend with Send Relief:

February 20-22, 2026

Limited spaces available; deadline to sign up is November 7.

Cost: \$200

(transportation, lodging, on-site meals)

Open to ages 14 and up.

Send Relief



WORLD
SUPPORTING GLOBAL OUTREACH EFFORTS
MISSION OFFERING

Annie Armstrong - North America
Lottie Moon - International
Myers/Mallory - State
Lifeline Children's Services

Uganda Partnership
Thailand Partnership
Iglesia Biblica Partnership

GOAL: 180,000 **GIVEN: \$100,779**

When you give to the World Mission Offering, you are helping to support our partners in Uganda, the Segers; and the Derbyshires in Thailand. Next year we are planning to once again send teams to those two locations to serve alongside these ministries. Learn about both trips below, and consider if God is leading you to go. (WMO gifts are not used to fund these mission trips.)

Uganda Mission Trip

Dates: May 12-23; Team Member Cost: \$2,400

Description: We're excited to partner with the Seger family, UG2 Ministries, and the Hope Alive Ministry Center! Come join us in reaching elementary and middle school children through a summer camp that includes arts and crafts, Bible lessons, games, and musical worship. In the evenings, you'll have the opportunity to lead Bible studies and enjoy games with high school and college students. Experience the beauty of Ugandan culture by worshiping with local churches on Sunday, eating at local restaurants, exploring downtown Gulu and the marketplace, and visiting sites like Aru Falls.

INTEREST MEETING: November 12 at 6 p.m.

Thailand Mission Trip

Dates: July 1-10; Team Member Cost: \$3,200

Description: Join us as we serve alongside the Derbyshires in Thailand! We'll partner with them and their local church to engage in collegiate evangelism and outreach by hosting a flag football camp, tournament, and several dinners and game nights. These events will create opportunities to share the gospel and build meaningful connections with students, supporting the ongoing work of the long-term missionaries serving there.

INTEREST MEETING: November 12 at 6 p.m.

Contact Beth Gianelloni for more info: bethany@fbctuscaloosa.org

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TAKE PERSPECTIVES
EXPERIENCE 15 POWERFUL LESSONS THAT HAVE EQUIPPED THOUSANDS OF EVERYDAY BELIEVERS WITH GREATER VISION, HOPE, AND PASSION

Class Starts JANUARY 12, 6-9 PM
CAPSTONE CHURCH
First Night is FREE

Scan QR Code For More Info/To Register or Reach Out to Kellie Patton

Perspectives

In Perspectives, participants learn how God moves, how the global Church responds, and the remaining task of world evangelization. Perspectives isn't a course solely about world missions. It's a study program rooted in Scripture clarifying each believer's remarkable opportunity to co-labor with God in His global purpose. You have an integral role to play in God's story. He delights when His people respond to His invitation to be a blessing to all the peoples of the earth.

perspectives.org/courses/tuscaloosa-al-spring-26/



Sunday, November 9

8:30 Worship Service
 9:15-10:30 Spanish Worship - Chapel
 9:30-10:00 Library Open (near gym)
 9:45 Life Groups
 10:00 Chinese Sunday School
 10:40 Spanish Sunday School
 11:00 Chinese Worship - Chapel
 11:00 Worship Service
 3:00 p.m. Women's Precept Study
 4:30 Revelation Student Choir
 5:30 Preschool/Kids activities
 5:30 Adult Bible Study
 6:00 D Groups for Students
 6:00 College Worship Team

Monday, November 10

8:00 a.m. Second-Hand Rose Ministry
 11:30 Women on Mission Study
 2:00 p.m. Legacy Fitness

Tuesday, November 11

9:30 a.m. Triple L Thanksgiving Brunch
 7:00 p.m. TEA with T online study

Wednesday, November 12

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group
 9:30 Women's Bible Studies
 11:30 Women's Bible Study
 2:30 p.m. Legacy Fitness
 4:30-6:00 Library Open (near gym)
 4:30-5:30 CareNotes Ministry
 5:00-5:50 Family Night Meal
 5:00-6:00 Ministry Fair
 5:30-7:00 DivorceCare
 5:45-6:40 Preschool/Kids' Music Groups
 5:45 ESL Classes
 6:00 Mission Trips Interest Meeting
 6:00 Students: Wed. Night LIVE
 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, November 13

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

Friday, November 14

6:00 p.m. Parents' Night Out
 6:30 Chinese Bible study/fellowship



Use this link to
build shoeboxes
online!

**Our Shoebox
Goal: 1500**

Pack Shoeboxes - Empty shoeboxes and instructions are available in Guest Services. Please pick up boxes to fill with toys and other small gift items for children in need around the world, or use your own shoebox (cardboard or plastic). Remember to include \$10 inside the box to help with the costs of shipping, distribution and evangelism materials, or go to samaritanspurse.org to make the donation online using their **"Follow Your Box"** tool. These funds go directly to Samaritan's Purse; we do not handle these donations or remove them from your packed boxes. **Please bring your completed boxes to church by November 16. You can place your boxes in Guest Services.**

Join the Church Packing Party

Sunday, November 16 during Life Groups - Plan to come to Wells Fellowship Hall between the worship services to pack shoeboxes as a family. Doors will open at 9:30; pack a few boxes before going to your Life Groups.

Serve at our Drop-Off Location

Use the QR code or [THIS LINK](#) to sign up to volunteer during Collection Week (**November 17-24**) as First Baptist serves as a Community Drop-Off Location for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. You can also find sign up sheets in Guest Services and the Family Ministry Building Lobby.

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