



First Baptist Monroe

# THE VISION

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## WARE IT IS

Todd Ware  
Senior Pastor

Harry and Laverne Simmons joined First Baptist twenty years ago this summer. The two of them were meant for each other! Laverne went to be with the Lord in the Spring of last year. If you ever met Laverne, you'd remember your encounter. She was energetic, outgoing, and outspoken! She was a great blessing to our church family.

Laverne was an exceptional cook and enjoyed spending time in the kitchen. To honor and remember Laverne's life, Harry wanted to make a gift in her memory that would benefit our enjoying meals together as a church family.

To that end, Harry purchased new tables for our fellowship hall. They are incredibly nice and will serve our church family for years to come as we remember Laverne Simmons and the blessing she was to our church family. Thank you Harry! (The above picture includes Harry, his daughter Dominique, and son-in-law Mike Bennett.)



## Praise & Worship - August 4th

We will have our last combined morning worship service of our Lakeside Summer on August 4th. The Lakeside Finale will be held on the evening of August 4th as we gather for praise & worship at 5:00pm. The service will include praising the Lord through song, the sharing of personal testimonies, and giving people the opportunity to proclaim their faith through the waters of baptism.

If you are a new believer, a believer who has never experienced baptism by immersion, or a believer who did not grasp the meaning of your baptism, you can register to be baptized by clicking [here](#) or by calling the church office. One of our pastors will follow up with you concerning baptism.

After the service we will enjoy a Low Country Boil prepared by Joseph Hawes. Call the church office or click [here](#) to register. Donations will be received to cover the cost of the meal.

## Worship Time Adjustments - August 11th

Beginning August 11th, we will make a couple of changes in the start times of our worship services. Our Traditional Service will move from 10:55am to 11:00am while our Informal Service will move from 11:11 to 10:50am. The Early Service will continue to begin at 8:30am.

Much discussion has been given to the start times of our different services. These changes will accomplish two things while keeping live preaching in all three services. One, the Traditional Service will have a more traditional format with the sermon starting later in the service. Two, the length of time our youngest children are in childcare will be shortened considerably with the Traditional & Informal services ending closer to noon instead of 12:20pm.

## Dine Around

Our Summer Dine Around will be on Sunday, July 21st at 5:00pm in the fellowship hall. All ages are encouraged to attend the meal as no childcare will be provided. Register by Wednesday, July 17, so we can follow up with calls concerning what dishes people need to bring. Call the church office or click [here](#) to register. I hope you will join us!

Learning, Loving & Living Like Jesus,  
Todd

# FMT

FAMILY MISSION TRIP

July 5 - 13

Dennard, Arkansas

## Pray for our team!

- |                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Beth Baggett      | Zeke Hughes    |
| Bruce Baggett     | Hayden Melton  |
| Ellie Grace Brown | Holly Melton   |
| Karen Brown       | Greg Nash      |
| Kyle Brown        | Lisa Nash      |
| Stanley Brown     | Debra Smith    |
| Mike Eckles       | Ron Smith      |
| Sallie Eckles     | Greg Solsrud   |
| Harrette Hodges   | Martha Solsrud |
| Ginny Hughes      | Sophia Solsrud |
| Obie Hughes       | Mildren Torres |

## PRESCHOOL WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

JULY 14: TEAM LEADER: HOLLY ROBERTS

One Sunday

Infants:

- Susan Blair
- Amy Smith

Toddler/2's:

- Anna Hunt

3-5 year olds:

- Linda Head
- Ginger Whitley



# FIRST GRADE

## BIBLE PRESENTATION

August 4, 2024

register at [fbcmonroe.com](http://fbcmonroe.com)

2024

### Love Where You Live

July 15-19

# BIBLE PRESENTATION

August 4, 2024  
upcoming 7th Graders

register at [fbcmonroe.com](http://fbcmonroe.com)



# CPR TRAINING

Monday, Aug 5

9am

Cost: \$30

Visit [fbcmonroe.com](http://fbcmonroe.com)  
for details &  
registration  
Registration deadline:  
July 29



# Flip-Flop Sunday

Join us as we step up for our new year in Sunday School on Aug 4. Bring a pair of flip-flops to donate to Operation Christmas Child boxes.



Preschool and Kids Ministry



TO:  
**FDR's Little White House**  
Warm Springs, GA

LUNCH AT:

**The Bulloch House Restaurant**  
Warm Springs, GA

Register on the [fbcmonroe.com](http://fbcmonroe.com) or call the church office.

# Prayer List

## IMMEDIATE CARE:

John & Frankie Beckum  
 Penny Carithers (sister of Linda Head)  
 Tommie Anne Crissman (sister of Claudia Phillips)  
 Sally Deese  
 Jenny Ferguson (sister of Julie Sargent)  
 Shirley Guhl  
 David Hicks (friend of Willene McNeal)  
 Lois Kemper (friend of Susanne Young)  
 Faye Morgan  
 Beverly Potter  
 Steve Reynolds  
 Tariq Shakoar  
 John Vaughn (son-in-law of Susanne Autry)  
 Eric Webb  
 Virginia Wheeler (friend of Claudia Phillips)  
 Eddie Young (son of Elizabeth Young)  
 Shelia Young

## ONGOING CARE:

Doris Adams  
 Norma Barnes  
 Alan & Jayne Bolton  
 Bobby & Judy Burrow  
 Gail Carrell  
 Tyrone Carrell  
 Leigh Clark (daughter of Willene McNeal)  
 Margaret Cooper (mother of Steve Akery & Rita Millians)  
 Diane Davis  
 Susan Ferguson (friend of Vickie Gasaway)  
 Dianne Gove  
 Boyce Hall (brother in law of Todd & Teri Ware)  
 Sherry Hanes  
 Ja.R. Harwell  
 Roemelle Holloway  
 Shirley Johnson  
 Ann Jones (mother of Teri Ware)  
 Kathy Kamienski  
 Scarlett Kitchens  
 Kay Legg (friend of Tim Anderson)  
 Jayson Lowe (brother of Stacy McCullers)  
 Barbara Malcom  
 Ricky Mathis  
 Ruth McClellan (friend of Suzanne Young)  
 George & Rachel Moyers  
 Gloria Potter  
 Charlie Powell  
 Juan Prado  
 Richard Purcell (friend of Tim Anderson)  
 Trisha Rackley  
 Bob Richards  
 Richard Sells  
 Dale Shinn  
 Sherlene Shiver  
 Harry Simmons, Jr.  
 Tappey Squires  
 Joshua Stachowicz (grandson of Evelyn Barganier)  
 Barry Stone (husband of Sharyn Stone)  
 Dennis & Carol Story  
 Steve West  
 Mark Wilkinson, Sr. (friend of Herbie Malcom)

## CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY TO:

-David Queen in the passing of his brother in law, George Bodeep.  
 -Tom Wood in the passing of his brother, Mike Wood.



## STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

Todd Ware - July 15 (26 years)  
 Gloria Nguyen - July 17 (6 years)

## FLOWERS

This week's flowers are placed in the sanctuary in memory of AnnieBelle Fambrough's 100th Birthday on July 13th by Alex, Holly, Sadie & Hudson Roberts.

## GREETERS FOR JULY 14

Anne Smith, Randall & Sonya Laseter

## UPCOMING

### ONE SUNDAY, JULY 14

9:15am Sunday School  
 10:30am ONE Sunday Service in Sanctuary

### SATURDAY - SATURDAY, JULY 5 - 13

Family Mission Trip, Dennard, Arkansas

### MONDAY - FRIDAY, JULY 15 - 19

Love Where You Live

### SUNDAY, JULY 21

Dine Around - register [here](#)

### SUNDAY, AUG 4

Lakeside Finale! - register [here](#)

| BIRTHDAYS   |                   |
|-------------|-------------------|
| JUL 14 - 20 |                   |
| 14          | Carolina Austin   |
| 14          | Cindy Ballard     |
| 14          | Jill Harkins      |
| 14          | Ginny Hughes      |
| 14          | Chris Meeks       |
| 14          | Mark Sisk         |
| 15          | Gene Roberts      |
| 15          | Blake Wise        |
| 16          | Harry Arnold      |
| 16          | Harry Brown, Jr.  |
| 16          | Jack Brown        |
| 16          | Dudley Trollinger |
| 17          | Beth Johnson      |
| 18          | Elaine Millians   |
| 18          | Penny Moon        |
| 19          | Alex Boskoff      |
| 19          | Scarlet Gary      |
| 19          | Camie McGaughey   |
| 19          | Len Young         |
| 20          | Ellie Grace Brown |
| 20          | Amber Tibble      |

## DEACONS OF THE WEEK JULY 11 - 17

Cledus Jones & Wade Millians

## MISSION PARTNER OF THE WEEK

Team Up Mentoring

## SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK

Verma Ellington  
 Great Oaks of Monroe  
 920 Highway 138 Room 224  
 Monroe, GA 30655

## LAST WEEK

July 7, 2024

### WEEKLY FINANCIAL NUMBERS

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Weekly Budget Required  | \$32,874.44  |
| Weekly Budget Receipts  |              |
| Sunday Offerings        | \$17,925.00  |
| Online Giving           | \$11,565.00  |
| Stock Gifts             | \$0.00       |
| Budget Required to Date | \$887,609.88 |
| Budget Received to Date | \$798,427.65 |
| Designated Gifts        | \$885.00     |
| Give to Go Goal         | \$75,000.00  |
| Give to Go YTD          | \$108,245.43 |

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

|           |     |
|-----------|-----|
| Adults    | 219 |
| Students  | 15  |
| Kids      | 14  |
| Preschool | 31  |
| Total     | 279 |



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**OFFICE HOURS**

8:30am-5:00pm Monday-Thursday  
8:30am-1:00pm Friday

Office 770-267-5904 Fax 770-207-7383

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



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**AFTER-HOURS**

On-Call Pastor Care Number  
706-389-9804  
July 5 - 7  
Todd Ware

**BRUCE BAGGETT** Associate Pastor  
**ALEX BOSKOFF** Early Worship Leader  
**MARIA BRANNEN** Minister to Children  
**KYLE BROWN** Minister to Students  
**CHRIS BRYAN** Informal Worship Leader  
**DARLENE CHRISTIE** Director of Weekday School  
**BROOKE GOUGE** Family Ministry Assistant

**JOE GRAHAM** Church Administrator  
**KIM HENSEL** Ministry Assistant  
**CARROL HOLMAN** Financial Secretary  
**CURTIS MURDOCK** Traditional Worship Leader  
**GLORIA NGUYEN** Minister to College and Young Adults  
**TODD WARE** Senior Pastor

ALL AGES ARE INVITED TO SHARE A MEAL  
& CONNECT WITH OUR CHURCH FAMILY!

DINE  
AROUND



JULY 21

REGISTER@FBCMONROE.COM