



First Baptist Monroe

# THE VISION

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**WARE IT IS**  
Todd Ware  
Senior Pastor

What a special day! On Easter Sunday I was blessed by a community sunrise service, three worship services at our church, a birthday party for my wife, and an egg hunt with our grandchildren. Even with Easter falling early this year, the weather was spectacular as the temperature reached into the 80s!

Several members of our church had families from out of town worshipping with them, which made for great crowds in each of our services. In addition to our guests, having the majority of our congregation present on the same Sunday was an encouraging reminder of what a gift it is to serve First Baptist Monroe! I am thankful!



**Todd & the Birthday Girl!**

## **It's Dine Around & Connect Time!**

Earlier this year we had over 100 of our congregation in different homes sharing a meal and connecting with each other. Many have told me how excited they were to participate and how they were looking forward to the next "Dine Around." Well, the next time is here!

On Sunday, April 14, we'll have our second Dine Around. To participate, go online or call the church office to register. After registering, you'll be notified next week as to which group you'll attend. Participants are randomly assigned to a group. Everyone will be asked by their host to bring a dish.

To accommodate everyone who wants to attend, we'll need quite a few host homes. If you are willing to open up your doors to a group between 8-12 people, contact Peggy Jordan at [peggyjordan100@gmail.com](mailto:peggyjordan100@gmail.com).

If you need assistance with childcare in order to attend, contact our children's minister, Maria Brannen at [maria@fbcmonroe.com](mailto:maria@fbcmonroe.com). We have a Kid Care Fund setup to help with these expenses.

If you have any questions, reach out to Peggy. She'll be glad to help!

## **Connecting Parents of Teenagers**

Joe & Ginny Gregg are teaching a new class for parents of teenagers. This class meets upstairs in our Educational Annex on Broad Street. Sunday School starts at 9:45am. If you have teens and are looking for a place to connect, join the Greggs this Sunday morning. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Joe at 678-977-3667.

## **Serving Through Relay for Life**

We are serving the Survivors' Meal in the gym at Felker Park on April 26th. Please register online if you would like to help serve. If you are a survivor, let us serve you! Survivors who would like to enjoy the Survivor's Meal can also register online.

## **Give to Go Update**

Take a look at our Give to Go Offering balance this week - we're thankful for the generosity of our people in giving to missions!!!

Learning, Loving & Living Like Jesus,  
Todd

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



**Carole Bowlden**  
1006 High Shoal Drive  
Monroe, GA 30655



**Deidre Williams**  
1954 Highway 78 NW  
Monroe, GA 30655

## PRESCHOOL WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

MARCH 31: TEAM LEADER: LISA GARRETT

### 8:30 Team

Infants:  
Shelly Blair  
Toddler/2's:  
Keeley Garrett  
3-5 year olds:  
Julie Barker

### 11:00 Team

Infants:  
**Volunteer Needed**  
Toddler/2's:  
Elizabeth Austin  
3-5 year olds:  
Janet Nelson



# Get Your Name Tag!



First  
Last

\$10 each  
Place your order online  
by clicking this box.

**VBS 2024 JUNE 3-7**

**BREAKER ROCK BEACH**

GOD'S ROCK-SOLID TRUTH IN A  
WORLD OF SHIFTING SANDS

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN



## Do Jesus Stuff.

Get your t-shirt  
today for \$10 in the  
**Fellowship Hall.**  
Sizes YXS - 3XL



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## One Sunday & Lunch on the Lawn Sunday, April 28th

Sunday School 9:15  
Worship 10:30  
Lunch immediately following  
Worship at 301 McDaniel St



Details & registration at [fbcmonroe.com](http://fbcmonroe.com)

## CONGRATULATIONS

## FBC BIBLE DRILLERS



# Prayer List

Doris Adams  
 Norma Barnes  
 Alan & Jayne Bolton  
 Bobby & Judy Burrow  
 Gail Carrell  
 Margaret Cooper (mother of Steve Akery & Rifa Millians)  
 Diane Davis  
 Sally Deese  
 Stephen Doss (brother in law of Todd & Teri Ware)  
 Jenny Ferguson (sister of Julie Sargent)  
 Diane Gove  
 Joe Graham  
 Shirley Guhl  
 Boyce Hall (brother in law of Todd & Teri Ware)  
 Sherry Hanes  
 Martha Harlan  
 Ja.R. Harwell  
 Roemelle Holloway  
 Shirley Johnson  
 Ann Jones (mother of Teri Ware)  
 Kathy Kamienski  
 Lois Kemper (friend of Susanne Young)  
 Chuck Leathery  
 Kay Legg (friend of Tim Anderson)  
 Verna Lovgren  
 Jayson Lowe (brother of Stacy McCullers)  
 Barbara Malcom  
 Ricky Mathis  
 Ruth McClellan (friend of Suzanne Young)  
 Paisley & Piper Mercado (newborn twins)  
 George & Rachel Moyers  
 Gloria Potter  
 Juan Prado  
 Chuck Pratt (father of Amy Prine)  
 Richard Purcell (friend of Tim Anderson)  
 Trisha Rackley  
 Marvin Reddish  
 Kim & Tom Reichelderfer (daughter & son of Lois Reichelderfer)  
 Steve Reynolds  
 Bob Richards  
 Richard & Rosemarie Sells  
 Tariq Shakoore  
 Dale Shinn  
 Sherlene Shiver  
 Harry Simmons, Jr.  
 Tappy Squires  
 Joshua Stachowicz (grandson of Evelyn Barganier)  
 Ryan Stokes (grandson of Monroe & Trammel Davis)  
 Barry Stone (husband of Sharyn Stone)  
 Dennis & Carol Story  
 Shelia Young  
 Drew Zarate (husband of Julia Workman Zarate)

## CHRISTIAN LOVE & SYMPATHY TO:

-Laurie Hix in the passing of her mother, Elaine Parham.  
 -Virginia Ashmore in the passing of her son-in-law, Mark Granger.  
 -The family of Shirley Deriso.  
 -Sean Ellerbee in the passing of his father, Corkey Ellerbee.

## GIFTS

**In Memory of Shirley Deriso**  
 given by Mrs. Willene McNeal  
 to the General Fund

**In Memory of Mike Hardy**  
 given by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Crane  
 to the Missions Fund

**In Memory of Tom Harlan**  
 given by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Crane  
 to the Missions Fund

**In Memory of Craig Harmon**  
 given by Mr. & Mrs. Russ Bailey  
 to the General Fund

**In Memory of Bob Malcom**  
 given by Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Strickland  
 to the General Fund

**In Memory of Royce McNeal**  
 given by Mrs. Willene McNeal  
 to the General Fund

**In Memory of James Paul**  
 given by Mrs. Willene McNeal  
 to the General Fund

## FLOWERS

This weeks flowers are placed in the sanctuary in memory of Jerry & Rosabelle Salley by their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

Anyone wishing to place flowers in the sanctuary during the month of April, please contact Carolyn Harkreader at 402-957-7336.

## GREETERS FOR APRIL 7

8:30 Mark & Marci Millians  
 10:55 Helen Mullins  
 11:11 Jimmy & Debbie Bolton

## NEXT WEEK

### SUNDAY, APRIL 7

8:30am Early Service in Sanctuary  
 9:45am Sunday School  
 10:55am Traditional Service in Sanctuary  
 11:11am Informal Service in Fellowship Hall

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

5:00pm Wednesday Meal  
 5:30pm Youth Bible Drill  
 5:45pm Kid's Bible Drill  
 6:15pm Discipleship Classes for all Ages  
 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal

### WEDNESDAY MEAL, APRIL 10

Salad Bar, Poppy Seed Chicken, Rice, Green Beans, Pineapple Casserole, Rolls, Dessert  
**Kids:** Same  
**Helpers:** Hal & Deborah Breedlove, Leigh Ann Malcom

## BIRTHDAYS

**APR 7 - 13**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

7 Sallie Eckles  
 7 Beverly Potter  
 8 Glenda Molton  
 9 Sharon Queen  
 9 Donna Ward  
 10 Keeley Garrett  
 10 Breanna Keesee  
 10 Trisha Rackley  
 10 Julia Waldo  
 11 Rita Burney  
 11 Elaine Burress  
 11 Emma Dopp  
 11 Spencer Hawes  
 12 David Jones  
 13 Jeremy Hughes

## DEACONS OF THE WEEK APR 4 - 10

Kevin Barrett & Bruce Millians

## SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK

Barbara Malcom  
 Great Oaks of Monroe  
 920 Highway 138 Room #323  
 Monroe, GA 30655

## LAST WEEK

March 31, 2024

### WEEKLY FINANCIAL NUMBERS

Weekly Budget Required .....\$32,874.44  
 Weekly Budget Receipts  
     Sunday Offerings .....\$43,610.05  
     Online Giving ..... \$5,350.00  
     Stock Gifts ..... \$0.00  
 Budget Required to Date ..... \$427,367.72  
 Budget Received to Date ..... \$374,741.63  
 Designated Gifts ..... \$51,976.00  
 Give to Go Goal ..... \$75,000.00  
 Give to Go YTD ..... \$99,510.43

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Adults ..... 255  
 Students ..... 17  
 Kids ..... 30  
 Preschool ..... 31  
 Total ..... 333



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**OFFICE HOURS**

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

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**AFTER-HOURS**

On-Call Pastor Care Number  
706-389-9804  
April 5-7  
Kyle Brown

**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

SHARE A MEAL & CONNECT  
WITH YOUR CHURCH FAMILY!

DINE  
AROUND



APRIL 14

REGISTER@FBCMONROE.COM

or click this box to register