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# First Servant Weekly

Dr. Drew Chapman, Senior Pastor

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



## SERMON ON THE MOUNT

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

### This Sunday's Message by Senior Pastor Drew Chapman

Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.  
Life groups at 9:45 a.m.



## BREAKFAST on the Beach

John 21:15-17



### "All God Has Next" Steps from Easter Sunday's message, "Breakfast on the Beach":

**This week**, I will name my "charcoal fire". Where is it in your life that you believe you've failed? This week, spend some time honestly identifying the failure, shame, or moment you keep going back to...the thing that has made you feel disqualified.

**This week**, I will read John 21:15-17 and replace Peter's name with my name. I will let Jesus remind me of the grace that is offered because of the empty tomb.

**This week**, I will commit to attending FBC for the next 6 weeks. Peter's transformation didn't happen overnight; it happened over time in community with people on the same journey.

Missed last Sunday's message?  
View it [HERE](#) on our YouTube Channel.



### Volunteer with VBS!

Click [HERE](#) or use the QR code in the image above to complete an interest form to serve in this summer's Vacation Bible School at First Baptist. VBS is scheduled for Monday, June 15 - Thursday, June 18 from 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. A training session for volunteers will be **Sunday, May 3** at 12:30 p.m. in Room FB306.

**Pre-registration for kids is coming soon!**

### First Baptist's Mission

*We Exist to Glorify God and Make Disciples by  
Leading all Generations to Seek the Good of My Neighbor\*  
and all God Has Next.*

### Our 2030 Vision

Our dream for 2030 is to see the leaders of FBC Tuscaloosa develop other spiritually mature leaders who live their faith daily and lead others to do the same. In December 2030, our dream is to celebrate

- At least **700,000 "All God Has Next" Steps** taken
- More than **24,000 neighbors\*** impacted
- **400 families** healthier
- At least **70 sent** into ministry and missions
- A minimum of **4 churches strengthened** in and around Tuscaloosa

### Our Values

- We Stand on Scripture
- We Welcome the Stranger
- We Invest in Relationships
- We Live Open-Handed
- We Glorify God in Everything



### Wednesday Night Schedule for April 8:

**5:00 p.m.**

Wednesday Night Meal (\$6, adults; \$4, 11 & under)

**4:30 p.m.** Library Open

**4:30 p.m.** Care Notes

**5:45 p.m.** Preschool and Kids' Music Groups

**5:45 p.m.** ESL Classes

**6:00 p.m.** Wednesday Night LIVE (Students)

**6:00 p.m.** Women's Bible Studies

**6:00 p.m.** Adult Bible Study with Keith Pugh

**6:45 p.m.** Preschool/Kids' Hyfi Groups

**6:45 p.m.** Worship Choir/Orchestra

**8:00 p.m.** College Worship

**THIS WEEK'S MENU**

**Meal A:**

BBQ, baked beans, potato salad, Texas toast, cookies with ice cream, drink

**Meal B:**

Pizza, side, dessert, drink



Looking for ways to Serve?

See the list below for current needs within our church.

**First Impressions Team**

Volunteers needed to serve as greeters on Sunday mornings

Contact: Caroline Carpenter  
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**Production Team**

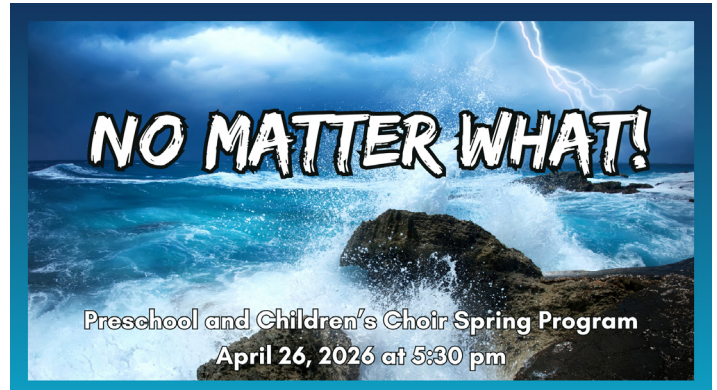
video, audio, lighting, livestream, TV

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### Scholarships Available

Attention all High School Senior + Graduate Students: The **Hoy W. and Clara M. Hamilton Charitable Scholarship** fund provides annual scholarships in higher education to deserving members of First Baptist Church Tuscaloosa. A completed application is required to apply. Contact Camille Epps at [camille.epps@regions.com](mailto:camille.epps@regions.com) for more information. FBC's Scholarship Team will select the candidates to whom the scholarships will be awarded. The deadline to apply is **May 1, 2026**.



### Children's Choir Spring Program Sunday, April 26

5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

presented by the Preschool and Graded Children's Choirs

### Bonus rehearsal this Sunday, April 12

There is a bonus rehearsal for the Children's Choir program on Sunday, April 12 from 2:00-4:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary for all children who have instrument parts, speaking parts, Scripture reading, solos, in an ensemble, etc.

Parents: If your child needs to attend you will have received a rehearsal schedule from Erin Keith. Please refer to the schedule for rehearsal times for your child.



Click [HERE](#) to register or scan the code.

### The next Discover First is Wednesday, May 13.

Discover First highlights 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. Discover First is not just for new members; its for anyone desiring to deepen their connection and find their place of service. Child care and Wednesday night meal are provided. (Meal served at 5 p.m., Discover First begins at 6 p.m.)



### Mission and Ministry Plan

#### Offering Details - Week of April 5

|                        |                     |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| Given for: Budget      | \$140,947.06        |
| World Mission Offering | \$4,885.60          |
| The 721 Fund           | \$1,460.60          |
| Designated             | \$7,892.49          |
| <b>Total Given</b>     | <b>\$155,185.75</b> |



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

## Senior Adult Ministry

**Prime Time Singers:** April 16, 30 at 10 a.m.  
**Game Day:** Tuesday, April 21; 10-2  
**BUNCO:** Thursday, April 23; 2-4 p.m.  
**Petals from the Past Day Trip:**  
 Tuesday, April 28; leave from FBC at 9 a.m.

## Everyone Takes One

As part of our 2030 Vision we hope to see over 700,000 "All God Has Next" Steps taken over the next four years. A Next Step can be the followup steps from each week's sermon, a step related to the "I Am" statements in the eight Outcomes, or any step forward you take in your walk with Christ, like inviting someone to church, making your prayer life stronger, joining a group or mission team, etc.

**Share Your Story:** Scan the QR code or use [this link](#) to share a "Next Step" you have taken and how God worked through it. Sharing your story can help encourage others to take their Next Steps as well.

SHARE YOUR

# story

**EVERYONE TAKES ONE**

*What "All God Has Next" Steps have you taken?*

*How has God worked through those Next Steps in your life and the lives of others?*



Scan the QR code to share your "All God Has Next Steps" story and encourage others.

## Sewing Ministries

Instruction provided. Non-sewing tasks available! Groups meet in Room FB300.

### Mission Dolls Workshop:

Thursday, April 23; 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
 Help create salvation dolls to share on mission trips and in Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes.

### Alice's Mission Dresses Workshop:

Friday, April 24; 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
 Come help sew or prepare fabric for assembling into dresses and shorts for mission trips and shoeboxes. Donations of fabric or funds to purchase fabric also needed.

### Sweet Dreams Pillowcase Workshop:

Friday, May 1; 9 a.m. -12 p.m.  
 Help create colorful pillowcases for kids in Children's Hospitals and at camps for cancer patients.

## Everyone Takes One

Our Challenge: Take one step in each of these 8 Outcomes this year. See the [Spiritual Health Assessment](#) for the steps.

### 8 Outcomes

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|----------------|-----------------|
| Live Dependent | Lead Visibly    |
| Live Joyful    | • Lead Humbly   |
| Live Connected | Lead Generously |
| Live Sent      | Lead Somebody   |

## Lead HUMBLY

Serving others first and leading with a teachable heart

### I Am:

- Putting the needs of others before my own.
- Welcoming feedback and correction from others.
- Praying before making decisions or offering direction.

Consider where you are and **take a step** forward this year in at least one of the "I Am" statements above.

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We currently livestream our Sunday services on **Facebook** and **YouTube** ([youtube.com/@firsttuscaloosa](http://youtube.com/@firsttuscaloosa)). Recent sermon videos and complete Sunday morning worship videos are also on our YouTube channel. Be sure to click the "Subscribe" button.



**Sunday, April 12**

|            |                            |
|------------|----------------------------|
| 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            |
| 2:00 p.m.  | Children's Choir Rehearsal |
| 3:00       | Women's Precept Study      |
| 4:30       | Revelation Choir           |
| 5:30       | Adult Bible Study          |
| 6:00       | D-Groups for Students      |
| 6:00       | College Worship Team       |

**Monday, April 13**

|           |                           |
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| 8:00 a.m. | Second-Hand Rose Ministry |
| 10:00     | Beginner Watercolor Class |
| 11:30     | Women on Mission study    |
| 2:00 p.m. | Legacy Fitness            |

**Tuesday, April 14**

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| 7:00 p.m. | TEA with T online study |
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**Wednesday, April 15**

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| 7:00 a.m. | Men's Prayer Group           |
| 9:30      | Women's Bible Studies        |
| 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            |
| 5:45-6:40 | Preschool/Kids' Music Groups |
| 5:45      | ESL Classes                  |
| 6:00      | Students: Wed. Night LIVE    |
| 6:00      | Women's Bible Studies        |
| 6:00      | Adult Bible Study            |
| 6:45      | Preschool/Kids' Hyfi Groups  |
| 6:45      | Worship Choir/Orchestra      |
| 8:00      | College Worship (Wells FH)   |

**Thursday, April 16**

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| 7:00 a.m. | Deacon Team Leaders Meeting |
| 9:00      | Quilters group              |
| 9:30      | ESL Classes                 |
| 10:00     | Men's Bible Study           |
| 10:00     | Prime Time Singers          |

**Friday, April 17**

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| 6:00 p.m. | Chinese Church Fellowship |
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View the previous week's service at  
11 a.m. Sundays on WVUA TV.

**WORLD MISSION OFFERING**  
SUPPORTING GLOBAL OUTREACH EFFORTS

Annie Armstrong Offering  
Lottie Moon Offering  
Myers/Mallory Offering  
Uganda Partnership  
Thailand Partnership  
Pakistan Partnership  
Clarkston Partnership  
Lifeline Children's Services  
Iglesia Biblica Partnership

**GIVEN: \$36,979**      **GOAL: 180,000**

**Partnerships supported by FBC's World Mission Offering:**

- **Uganda** - Partnership with the Seger Family serving in Gulu, Uganda  
*Pray for the Segers and for the FBC team that will serve with them in May.*
- **Thailand** - Partnership with the Derbyshires serving in Chiang Mai, Thailand  
*Pray for the Derbyshires and for the FBC team serving with them in July.*
- **Pakistan** - Partnership with Spiritual Growth Assemblies  
*Pray for our neighbors in Pakistan.*
- **Clarkston** - Partnership with several Tuscaloosa churches working together to serve the NAMB's Send Relief Atlanta Ministry Center  
*Pray for those serving and served by the Atlanta Ministry Center.*
- **Iglesia Bíblica Bautista** - Partnership with our own Spanish-language church to reach our neighbors in Tuscaloosa/Northport  
*Pray for Pastor Eliobin Rodríguez Leyva and the IBB members as they share the Gospel and serve in our community.*

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