# January Newsletter

# Mark Your Calendar 38<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEETING on Sunday, January 21st at 11:00 in the Sanctuary



Happy New Year!

Our Sanctuary Choir and Praise Band led us in worship so beautifully in our Christmas Music Celebration. I'm so thankful for each one of them.

We look forward to our new year (HOW can it be 2024??). Our choir is singing each Sunday and will resume rehearsals on January 10. Praise Band also resumes rehearsals in January and will be singing regularly.

We have some wonderful Celebration Sundays coming up in 2024. And we look forward to leading our great congregation in worship each Sunday.

If you've ever thought about being a part of the choir, now is the perfect time to come. Wednesdays at 6:15 in the Choir Suite (right behind the sanctuary). You will be blessed!

Because He Lives, Glenn Crosthwait

# Word From Bill

Happy New Year!

Looking Ahead

The year 2024 is here and with it comes opportunities for FBCJ. Opportunities to be the hands and feet of Christ in our communitv. Some we know and others God will make known to us. With your generous donations we will continue to support local organizations like CARES, the Good Samaritan Clinic, Habitat for Humanity, ACES, the Hope House, Joy House, No Longer Bound, and others. Our little Food Pantry has blessed more people in our community than we can imagine, as has our support for the School Snack Program. The Wednesday Night Community Meal is back, and we need your help getting the word out about it. The YMT expands our ministry beyond our local community. Let us not forget that the FBCJ Preschool reaches 150 families each week.

All these ministries are awesome but there are more opportunities in our county for us. You have shown that you have heard the parable of the Good Samaritan and followed the example that Christ gave us. Let us strive in 2024 to continue to tell Jasper and Pickens County that "You Are Loved" as we seek more ways to be like Jesus.

Bill

# **CHILDREN**

#### A NOTE FROM CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:

Happy New Year! We have celebrated Christmas and now it is time to move into a new year. With a new year comes new opportunities. We have so many exciting plans for this year and with that brings more ways to be involved and serve. As our program continues to grow, we are always in need of volunteers, if you are interested in joining the fun, please contact Erin at erinlovernmartin@gmail.com to find out the ways you can serve our children's ministry.

Join FBCJ kids every Wednesday from 6:00-7:00, Sunday at 9:45- Sunday school, 11:00-Worship

Want to keep up to date on all the activities? Follow us on social media...

Facebook-The First Baptist Church of Jasper Georgia FBC Jasper Children's Ministry Instagram-First Baptist Church of Jasper

Peace, Love, Joy- Erin

# Youth

Every Sunday we meet at 10Am for Sunday School! Wednesday nights in Youth Room at 6:00pm starting back January 10th.

# Happy January Birthday!

- 1 Kay Elrod
- 2 Mark Hinton, Kelsi Jones
- 3 Jeff Hyatt, Anthony Whitworth
- 4 Mollie Williams
- 7 Larry Doster
- 8 Joy Kiser
- 9 Ashley Burdick
- 11 Valerie Peel
- 12 Abbey Callahan
- 15 Lindsey Bailey
- 18 Seana Thompson
- 19 Sam Hammontree
- 20 Craig Boteler, Charlie Pittard
- 23 Jo Ann Wood
- 25 Kristen Childers, Haley Goble,
- 26 Aaron Foust
- 29 Charles Ray, Leigh Ann Williams
- 30 Will Pickett
- 31 Elana Eremin, Cassie Rasco



In Memory Of Jerry Lamar Callahan, Sr. Mattie Sue Callahan

## MEMORIAL & HONORARIUM CONTRIBUTIONS

In Honor Of Bill Stone Lana Callahan & Samantha Dunn Kirk & Laura Garner In Memory Of Janis McGhee Stancil Clay Cage

In Honor Of Carl & Melanie McCurdy Michael Henerson

In Honor Of Doris McCurdy Michael Henerson

## January Flowers

Jan 7-Bill Stone Jan.14th-Marcia McDaniel Jan.21st-Glenn Rasco Jan. 28th-Gail White

# January Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Happy Pew Pear 2024 Church Office closed	2	3 Senior Bible Study 10:30am Walker Hall	4	5	6
	Снг		REAK			
	Jim Garner	Kirk & Laura Gar- ner, Addie	Deborah Gay	William Gay	Vera Givens	
7	8 5:30 Finance 6:30 Deacon	9	10 Senior Bible Study 10:30am Walker Hall	11	12	13
	Rick & Taryn Goble Alez, Taylor, Haley	Amy Godfrey Sam & Drew Dotson	Rob & Tiffany Griffis, Fay	Bill & Stephanie Hall Sydney, Will, Zadie, Ray	Liz Hamrick	
14 Newsletter Deadline	15 MLK Day Pickens Co Schools out	16	17 Senior Bible Study 10:30am Walker Hall	18	19	20
	Jean Hanely	Karina Haney Cydney	Rick & Debbie Harris	Judy Haynes	Loretta Hicks	
21	22	23	24 Senior Bible Study 10:30am Walker Hall	25	26	27
	Diane Hinton	Mark & Debra Hinton	Emmett & Mary Housley	Joy Huddlestun	Jeff & Joy Hyatt	
28	29	30	31			
	Fred & Elaine Jacks	Rob & Carla Jarrett Braxton	Rick & Marcia Jasperse			

Pray for One Another: On the calendar you will find the names of Church Members to pray for five days a week. Please remember them in your daily prayers. (James 5:16)

# **2024-Deacon-Body**

#### Brenda Weaver, Chair

Reeder Burch Marty Callahan Lisa Duckett Samantha Dunn

#### Kyle Rasco Vice-Chair

**Deborah Gav** Rick Harris Pauline Maturo Marcia McDaniel

#### **Beverly Looney, Secretary**

**Judy Pinson** Gerald Reid **Brian Russell** John Luke Weaver

#### **DEACONS OF THE WEEK IN JANUARY**

Jan. 7	Samantha Dunn	Taylor Haney
Jan. 14	Deborah Gay	<b>Patton Childers</b>
Jan. 21	Marcia McDaniel	Kyle Rasco
Jan. 28	Samantha Dunn	Kirk Garner

Next Deacons Meeting: Monday, January 8, 2024 at 6:30 P.M.



#### **Lamplighters:** Women on Missions

will meet on Thursday, January 11th at 10:30 in Walker Hall. When Russia invaded Ukraine in 2022, Svitlana and Dima Brovko and their children were able to leave the Ukraine with only what they could pack into their suitcases. They made it to the United States with very little. Our church helped them furnish their home in Union County. Svitlana will be at our meeting to share with us updates from her family, the Ukraine, and her mission work. Everyone is invited to join us for this informative missions' meeting. Bring a sack you want to fellowship after the meeting.

# **School Snack Pack Program**



Our kids need our School Snack Pack Ministry now more than ever. Monetary contributions are always greatly appreciated, but if you would like to donate, we are in need of individually packed

snacks, ziplock bags, and plastic bags.

If you have any questions, please contact
Marcia McDaniel at 706-692-8364.

## Wednesday Night Dinner

We will be starting back on January 10th. Come join us for good food and fellowship!

Please don't forget to pre-resigter for the WND. It helps us know how many to buy and prepare for. If you have made a standing reservation NO Need to fill out a slip every week, just let me know if you will not be there. Any questions contact:

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