



The Discovery

MAY 2022

Financial Snapshot



As of March 31, 2022, tithes, offerings, and other income for the year totaled \$752,776 towards our 2022 budget of \$3,000,005. Our expenses through the end of March totaled \$704,796 leaving a balance of \$47,980 of revenue over income.

Please visit us at DiscoverFBC.org/give to learn about the various ways to financially support the on-going ministries and mission activities of the church.

Sunday

MORNING SCHEDULE

9:00AM—Contemporary Worship

10:00AM—Bible Study

11:00AM—Traditional Worship

Celebrating our 2022 GRADUATES



Grayson Boyd – Evans High School

Walker Cely – Greenbrier High School

Andrew Elkin – Greenbrier High School

Myles Garnto – Greenbrier High School

Henry Graham – Lakeside High School

Ashlynn Jenkins – Augusta Christian

Cassidy McGill – Grovetown High School

Brynlee Melear – Greenbrier High School

Nora Menefee – Lakeside High School

Kate Parviainen – Lakeside High School

Davis Pinson – Lakeside High School

Riley Tom – Lakeside High School



Dear Church,

The statistics are startling. According to the Pew Research Group, a full 30% of Americans now identify with the religious label “none”. Over the past decade, this number has more than doubled and people are walking away from faith in record numbers. The church is at a crossroads. For almost the entirety of Christian history, the church has been in a place of cultural influence and significance. But things have begun to shift. While many Christians look at the signs of diminished cultural standing with dismay and heartache, I can’t help but wonder if God is using this time to help restore the Church to our earliest beginnings. As strange as it might seem, the Church of 2022 in America will live in a space that looks very much like the first century Church living in the midst of the Roman Empire.

More often than not I find myself wondering what God might be doing during this time of religious disaffiliation. Frankly, I have never been more excited for the future of the church. Do you think it is possible that God might be using this time to help restore the Church to our true purpose and mission? At First Baptist Church of Augusta, I know that God is doing an incredible thing. I believe that this might be the moment of a new awakening and in order to see what that might look like, I want to preach a new series throughout the month of May. But more than simply preach another sermon series, we have created a one month reading plan for the book of Acts, which is also accompanied by a daily devotional written by different members of our church.

I hope that you will make plans to be with us each Sunday. I also hope that as an entire church, we will take the month of May and read through the Book of Acts to see how, in the beginning, God did an incredible thing through the most unlikely of people. As one of my mentors taught me, in order to know where we are going, we have to know where we have been!

As always, I am proud to be your pastor. I can’t wait to see you on Sunday.

Grace and Peace,
Will Dyer, Senior Pastor

MAY SERMON SERIES

May 1

Acts 1:8 - Where We Have Been and Where We Are Going

May 8

Acts 9 - Seeing the Light

May 15

Acts 15 - From the Very Beginning

May 22

Acts 17 - Living and Moving

May 29

Acts 26-28 - It’s Not Always Smooth Sailing

BASEBALL Tickets

GREENJACKETS GAME

Friday, June 3rd | 7:05 p.m.

Tickets: \$9

Tickets will be available in the church office beginning Monday, May 2nd.

ATLANTA BRAVES VS. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

Thursday, June 23rd | 12:20 p.m.

Tickets: \$23

Church is providing the Charter Bus.

Seats in Section 147 – Home Run Deck.

Tickets will be available in the church office after Sunday, May 15

Contact:

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CELEBRATING Generosity

As we pass the first quarter of 2022, I want to take a moment and say “thanks” for your continued generosity in supporting the ministry and mission at FBC Augusta. Because of your faithfulness, we have been able to expand our ministries through adjustments in our staffing. We have added the new position of Minister to Senior Adults and Missions in the reassignment of Melissa Willis. We have then divided preschool and children’s ministry responsibilities over two staff positions. Martha Kate Hall will continue to lead our Weekday Education Ministry and begin to lead our overall ministry with Preschoolers and Families, as well. And we have created the position of Director of Children’s Ministry which will be responsible for coordinating and leading our ministry with children in K-5th Grade. Remember, because of your faithful contributions to the general budget, we can expand our ministries.

And your continued support of missions has allowed us to support various missional efforts, as well. In the first quarter of the year, the Missions Development Council has allocated funding for the following:

- A virtual mission trip through Mission on the Move in Honduras **(\$1,500)**
- Support of a mission trip to Honduras focusing upon strengthening the marriage relationships of Honduran pastors **(\$4,975)**
- Budget allocated to provide a summer mission trip for our students **(\$17,000)**
- Support for the Druid Park Community Health Center to provide lab work for patients **(\$10,000)**
- Budget allocated to Benevolence Ministry as we resume financial assistance with clients in our community **(\$22,500)**

The missional funding comes from your gifts through The Green Envelope Fund.

WOW! Let’s celebrate all we are doing in ministry and mission because of your generosity! This is how we connect people to Christ and our community of faith.

Blessings to You,
Jim Walls, Associate Pastor



SCAN ME

REGISTER NOW!

Calling all Explorers! Your light has come; “the Lord’s glory has shone upon you!”

Vacation Bible School will be June 6 - 10 from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. every day.

Registration is now open!

You may register by going to www.discoverFBC.org and following the links or scanning the QR code above.

YOUTH SUMMER EVENTS

YOUTH CAMP

June 12 - 17 | Copperhill, TN

Regular: \$200.00* from 3/27-5/15/22

Late: \$225.00* from 5/16-5/22/22

A \$50 non-refundable deposit is due at the time of registration. This payment can be mailed or dropped off in the Student Ministry Office.

**This year, the fee for camp has been reduced by \$100 through fundraising in the student ministry. We are thankful for the generous support of our church family. Information about registration can be found on the student ministry website at www.DiscoverFBC.org/students/*

YOUTH MISSION TRIP

July 17 - 23 | Huntsville, AL

Cost: \$150

Join us this summer as we return to Huntsville, AL to minister and serve with Lincoln Village Ministries. In addition to serving at Lincoln Village, our youth choir will have opportunity to perform in a couple of venues during the week. On our return trip home, we will stop in the Atlanta area for a Friday night trip to Stone Mountain, followed by a day at Six Flags. Lodging will be provided by FBC Huntsville. Sign up now at www.DiscoverFBC.org/students/

MASTER YOUR NEXT PARTY— *Creating Seasonal Appetizers*

Saturday, May 21 | 2 - 6 p.m.

The kitchen at FBC Augusta

Cost: \$30

Contact Elizabeth Chao to sign-up at echao@fbcaugusta.org. Space is limited to 15 participants.

Our guest Chef, Bobby Sheve, is a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America. He is a husband, father of two, and currently serves as an officer in the US Navy. Join us for this time of fellowship as you hone your cooking skills!

Menu

Flounder Nuggets with Dill Remoulade

Sea Scallops with Cajun Strawberry Sauce

Beef Carpaccio with capers,
parmesan and truffle oil

Grilled Chicken Skewers with
Pineapple Teriyaki Glaze

Watermelon Caprese Salad

Prosciutto Wrapped Mozzarella with
Strawberry Balsamic Glaze

Cold Peach Bisque

Pineapple Cheese Wontons

Goat Cheese and Caramelized Onions
Crostoni with Thyme Honey

Spicy Gazpacho with Cucumber Salsa



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