

Financial Snapshot

As of March 31, 2023, tithes, offerings, and other gifts totaled \$190,456 against a budget of \$249,702. Our expenses through March were well-managed at \$249,780 resulting in a net operating loss of \$59,324 for the month. Our YTD net operating total is \$12,123. Thanks for your financial support of our ministries!

Please visit us at [DiscoverFBC.org/give](https://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



PATTI'S
PLAYGROUND

\$30,000
DONATED

We are continuing the 3-month campaign to raise a goal of \$81,000 to fully renovate the current Preschool Playground (located in the center courtyard of the Preschool building). So far we have \$30,000 raised. The playground itself will bear the name “Patti’s Playground.” The Weekday Program and Preschool Ministry of First Baptist Church are marked by the legacy of Patti Fowler who is still a vital part of our preschool ministry. Gifts for the playground may be made to the church and designated for “Patti’s Playground.” Thank you all that have donated thus far!



Dear Church,

Over the course of my six years as the Pastor of our church, I have experienced so many incredible moments. I get to be there for the most sacred times in the life of our people. As a pastor I am privileged to be there when babies are born, when couples get married, and when we say goodbye to loved ones who have died. My work is filled by walking through sacred time with friends who are seeking to follow Jesus well in the world.

On April 16th, 2023 I think I experienced a new moment that stands as the defining experience of my time as Pastor. On that beautiful Sunday morning, I had the honor (and that’s a word I do not use lightly) of baptizing nine people into the life and faith of Jesus Christ. Those nine entered into the water as my friends, and the left the waters as my brothers and sisters in Christ. They walked into the pool as those who were dead because of sin and death and they emerged with a newness of life that comes only through faith in Jesus. It’s always a powerful experience to baptize people, but this particular day was more meaningful than most. I say that because two of those who were baptized happen to be my daughters, Miriam and Evie. Words are not adequate to describe how meaningful it was to celebrate their baptism with all of you! It lifted my soul to look out into our congregation and see the men and women who are going to help raise these girls in the love and nurture of Jesus Christ. It was a moment that I will never forget.

In this edition of the Discovery, I want to celebrate and highlight those who were baptized. I want you to celebrate those who were baptized. But more than that, I would love for you to take a look at each of their faces and then offer a prayer of Thanksgiving to God on their behalf.



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CHURCH OF AUGUSTA

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MAY 2023

The Discovery

May



It is a wonderful time to be a part of the First Baptist Church of Augusta. As always, I am so proud to be your pastor. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Grace and Peace,
Will Dyer, Senior Pastor

Baptism SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH



Evie Dyer

Miriam Dyer

Missy Kitchens

Andrew (Drew) Higgins

Reeves Higgins

Charleston (Tyler) McGahee

Jacob Parker

Julia Scott

Emsley Jones



FIRST GRADE
BIBLE PRESENTATIONS

MAY 14 @ 9AM & 11AM

First Grade Bible Presentation Ceremony
SUNDAY, MAY 14TH | 9:00AM AND 11:00AM

Each first grader in attendance who is a Sunday School member will be presented with a NIRV bible as a gift from the church.

Email Leah Galey at lgaley@fbcaugusta.org for more information.

BASEBALL NIGHTS

ATLANTA BRAVES
TRUIST PARK
MAY 27, 2023

GREENJACKETS
SRP PARK
JUNE 10, 2023

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Baseball Nights

Atlanta Braves VS. Philadelphia Phillies
at Truist Park
SATURDAY, MAY 27 | 12:30 PM

Game is at 4:10PM, we will leave the church in a chartered bus at 12:30PM.

\$40, includes ticket and bus.

Augusta GreenJackets VS. Myrtle Beach Pelicans
at SRP Park
SATURDAY, JUNE 10 | 6:05PM

Meet at the ballpark. Fireworks after the game.

Tickets are \$12. Tickets are available for purchase at the Receptionist desk in the Welcome Center.

Upcoming CHILDREN'S EVENTS



VBS

June 5-9

Register Now!

Vacation Bible School 2023
Hero Hotline – Called Together to serve God
JUNE 5TH – 9TH | 9:30AM-12:30 PM

Ages 3 years old by 9/1/2022 to completed 5th Grade

Register Now
<https://discoverfbc.org/preschool-and-children/>
All participants must register online.

Youth Camp
Awanita Valley Retreat Center | Marietta, SC
JUNE 11-16

Here is the breakdown of the sign-up schedule:

- Regular Pricing: \$200 through May 14
- Late Registration: \$225 after May 14

Register Now: <https://discoverfbc.org/students/>

Camp Kid Jam
Lander University Greenwood, SC
JUNE 15-18

This will be for our children CURRENTLY in 3rd-5th grades

Register Now
<https://discoverfbc.org/preschool-and-children/>

Junior and Senior Mission Trip
Hurricane Relief Freeport, Bahamas
JULY 15-21

Graduate RECOGNITION SUNDAY

On Sunday, May 21 we will celebrate our high school graduates. During the 11:00 service, we will recognize our graduates and hear about their plans following the upcoming graduations. Following the service, we will have a luncheon for our graduates and their families that will be held in our Fellowship Hall.

Here is the list of graduates:

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| Judson Deal | Max McKay |
| Jackson Fortson | Caleb Messer |
| Luke Frain | Martha Kate Morrison |
| Reagan Galey | Katelyn Owen |
| Kendrick Gaudinier | Ann Marie Partl |
| Nadia Gaudinier | Anne Cathryn Pinson |
| Meg Knight | Kevin Thompson |

We hope you'll join us in celebrating these graduates!

Matt Hester,
Minister of Students



IF: Gathering

On April 22 women of all walks of life gathered to worship and learn together for IF:Gathering. We walked through Psalm 23 verse by verse with a slew of wonderful speakers including John Mark Comer, Sadie Robertson Huff and Jennie Allen. If you weren't able to come this year, plan on joining us for IF:2024! Our next women's event is the Women's Heart Dinner on September 21. See you there!