



*Prov. 16:3 (ESV). Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.*

Updated Church Calendar  
 There will be no church activities in the church building until further notice. Be creative in finding new ways to continue to minister in **Jesus' name.**

**The Lord's Supper will be observed on Easter Sunday** with individual sealed elements. You may pick up the portable elements at the church before Easter or call to have them delivered.

Bible Study Materials  
 If Sunday School material is needed, please pick up at the church office.

Devotional materials for children and families will be made available for pickup. Contact Candace for information.

Opportunities for Caring  
 This is an opportunity to serve one another in Christian love. The church wants to provide and help coordinate any effort to take care of the needs in and outside the church fellowship.

**Senior Adults**  
 I'd like to express my sincere thanks to the folks that help to make sure our Keenager Meetings happen each month. The call-captains who call to remind everyone each month about the meetings, the hostesses and hosts who set up and make sure the meal is prepared, and those that cook and bring food each month for "the best lunch in town." It's always a great day. For the foreseeable future, though, we are observing our government's request that we suspend public gatherings (they are calling it "social distancing"), so unless there is an announcement stating that we will meet during the month of April, that meeting is canceled.  
 Blessings, Brother Tim

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| Pastor                        | Dr. Paul Murphy  |
| Minister of Music/Sr. Adults  | Tim Lacey  |
| Minister of Youth & Education | Bryce Laird  |
| Director of Children          | Candace Shipp  |
| Secretaries                   | Jill Hawkins/Grace Jordan                                    |
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| Church website                | <a href="http://www.fbcwinfield.com">www.fbcwinfield.com</a> |



*In these uncertain times. . .*  
 People need the hope found in Jesus Christ.  
 People need the Gospel of Jesus Christ.  
 People need to love their neighbor like the Good Samaritan.  
 People need the church to be a light burning and not hid.  
*Therefore. . .*  
 Be the Church – love, serve, and pray for one another.  
 Stay in contact – with your Sunday School class and Deacon families.  
 Be a witness for Christ as to how a believer faces tests.  
 Worship online ([fbcwinfield.com](http://fbcwinfield.com)), by cable TV channel 8, or radio WKXM 97.7.  
 Continue the support of the church even if absent so that its mission might continue strong here and throughout the world.  
*Regarding changes. . .*  
 The church will communicate announcements through the church website, social media, and electronic means.

*Mt. 6:26-27 (ESV). Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?  
 And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?*

**Ways to Contribute to Winfield First Baptist Church**

*Traditional*  
 Cash and checks through the traditional church envelope system may be mailed or delivered to the church office during normal hours.

*Electronic and mobile*  
 Online Bill Pay from Your Financial Institution  
 This is quicker and easier than writing paper checks. You may schedule one-time or recurring gifts. You may send gifts through bill pay when away from Winfield or unable to attend on a Sunday. Bill pay is usually free of monthly service fees. Enrollment and set up is easy online with your bank by providing the church name and address: P.O. Box 237. You may use the memo line on bill pay to designate gifts to the General Fund, Building Fund, or other, and note the individual amounts of the total gift. The church will receive the funds through the mail from your bank and record your gifts as normal.

WFBC website: <http://www.fbcwinfield.com/>  
 You may give electronically through the church website by accessing the link to Paypal as a registered or guest user. The church will receive the funds through its Paypal account and record your gifts as normal. The church does not store the personal financial information. You may use the memo line to designate gifts to the General Fund, Building Fund, or other and note the individual amounts of the total gift.

**Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions**

Our Goal: \$11,000.00  
 Received to date: \$ 1,357.00

**A LOOK AT SUNDAY 03/08/2020**

SUNDAY SCHOOL 211  
 REGULAR OFFERING \$ 20,197.50  
 BUILDING FUND \$ 6,077.00

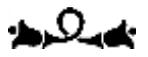
**A LOOK AT SUNDAY 03/15/2020**

SUNDAY SCHOOL 206  
 REGULAR OFFERING \$ 11,408.35  
 BUILDING FUND \$ 4,165.00

Loan Balance as of 03/17/2020:  
 \$ 200,035.76

Building Fund monthly payment:  
 \$18,637.43

Total Global Hunger offering received:  
 \$ 2,544.36



*Sincere Sympathy is extended to:*  
*Family of Dale Brasher, Sr. who passed away Thursday, March 12.*  
*Elizabeth Langston, Michael Langston and Family in the loss of their husband and father, Tommy Langston.*  
*James Nix and Family in the loss of his grandmother, Pearly Draper.*  
*We pray God's gentle comfort will embrace you during this difficult time.*

## From Our Pastor . . .

### *Christ Is Our Security*

*Is. 40:8. The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God stands forever.*

When the ground underneath shakes, we can go to the One who cannot be shaken. Eternal security rests in the eternal Word of God. When hopelessness arises, turn to the rock of Christ Jesus.

*Rom. 8:28 (NASV). And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.*

*God is too wise to be mistaken*

*God is too good to be unkind*

*So when you don't understand*

*When you don't see His plan*

*When you can't trace His hand*

*Trust His Heart*

*He sees the masterplan*

*He holds our future in His hands*

*So don't live as those who have no hope*

*All our hope is found in Him*

*We walk in present knowledge*

*But He sees the first and the last*

*And like a tapestry, He's weaving you and me*

*To someday be just like Him (Newsong)*

A great day of worship will be held this Sunday! Please note the information in this newsletter. There are ministry opportunities that await all of us. **Let's seize this moment to be God's light and hope in this time.**

Love one another, pray for one another, serve one another.

*Bro. Paul*

### ***New Arrivals!***

*Hayes & Margie McDonald are proud grandparents of twins, Ian and Kathleen Jordan, born to parents, Sarah & Taylor Jordan on January 22, 2020, in Seattle, Washington. Ian and Kathleen are welcomed home by Sadie, Garrett and Mallory.*

*Congratulations and best wishes to each of you on these blessings!*

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### **MUSIC NOTES**

What a blessing it is to serve our Lord and Savior! That God would allow me to be a part of His work in this world is amazing to me. We have a great opportunity to reach so many people through the live streaming of our worship services and Bible studies. Think about how many people will see and hear God's message as churches all over this world are now utilizing this method of spreading the gospel.

One of the changes that we have implemented is the temporary cessation of Sanctuary Choir. However, we will still make use of all of the great resources and talents that God has blessed our church with by including many soloists, and small groups in the worship broadcast.

**College Students** - Many of you are at home in Winfield now, while schools are temporarily closed for on campus activities. I would like to make sure you have an opportunity to be a part of the ministry of the church during this time. Will you contact me or Brother Paul if you are willing to share in any way in our Sunday morning or Wednesday evening services? Read a scripture passage, lead a prayer, give a testimony, sing or play an instrument. All of these are important, and can help remind our congregation to continue to pray for and support you and the other college age members of our church family.



For the next few weeks, Wednesday nights will be online at 6:30 p.m. with a different person teaching each week. We encourage you to worship together as families at home during this time.

If your child is interested in the leadership application for the youth, please contact me and I will forward you one. You can take a picture of the completed form and text or email that back to me. I am extending the deadline to April 1. There will be interviews to follow.

There will be opportunities for students to serve at the church during their time out of school. Contact the church office or myself if your child is interested.

All college students should be getting a letter with a questionnaire in the coming days. We are rebuilding our college ministry and this will help us serve our students the best we can. If you can fill out the questionnaire and send a picture of it to the number on the letter it would be very much appreciated.

Scholarship applications for high school seniors will be available on the church website soon ([fbcwinfield.com](http://fbcwinfield.com)). Please fill it out and email it back to the church office at: [wfbcc@centurytel.net](mailto:wfbcc@centurytel.net).

If there is anything your family needs, please contact the church office and we will be more than happy to help. If you have any questions about the situation of the student ministry right now please contact me.

To God be the Glory,

Bro. Bryce Laird



### Prayer Requests

> Let us lift up our nation and the world during this COVID-19 pandemic. Pray for wisdom and thoughtfulness in all decisions made by leaders of the various countries.

> Remember in prayer our state of Alabama leaders, county and city employees in positions of leadership as they carry out their duties.

> Pray for the medical community including physicians, nurses, hospitals, administrators, and lab workers who are on the front lines in triage and screening patients.

> Lift up our church and Staff as they seek ways to minister both to members and those in the community.

> Pray for the elderly and sick who are home for extended periods of time without contact with the outside world. Ask that they would be encouraged by the reading of scripture and calls from friends.