

VITAL SIGNS

Sunday, January 4, 2026

Sunday School Total.....481
First Day Worship.....356 (35)
11:00am Worship.....142 (15)
Worship Total.....498 (46)

Sunday, January 11, 2026

Sunday School Total..... 467
First Day Worship.....367 (31)
11:00am Worship.....148 (21)
Worship Total.....510 (52)

Sunday, January 18, 2026

Sunday School Total.....405
First Day Worship.....297 (36)
11:00am Worship.....129 (19)
Worship Total.....426 (55)

Sunday, January 25, 2026

Sunday School Total..... ICE
First Day Worship..... ICE
11:00am Worship..... ICE
Worship Total.....ICE

JANUARY 2026 BUSINESS MTNG

Budget YTD.....\$1,428,948.24
Received YTD.....\$1,464,329.46



Upcoming Bridal Showers-

~Sun, March 22~
1:30pm-3:00pm
Maddy Angle, bride-elect of
Hayes Malone

~Sat, March 28~
10:00am-11:30am
Kaylie Fuqua, bride-elect of
Clayton Collums

~Sun, March 29~
1:30pm-3:00pm
Alex Mackey, bride-elect of
Rob Ferguson

~Sun, April 26~
1:30pm-3:00pm
Riley Wardlaw, bride-elect of
Emery Tedder

DISCIPLE NOW 2026 POSTPONED!

Due to the ice storm,
D-Now has been
rescheduled for
March 20-22, 2026.

More information
will follow as we
get closer to
time.

Friendly
Reminder

FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER MENU for FEBRUARY

Wed, February 4-
Spaghetti, Green Beans, Garlic Bread,
Salad Bar, Desserts

Wed, February 11-
Pot Roast with Potatoes & Carrots, Rolls,
Salad Bar, Desserts

Wed, February 18-
Smoked Chicken Leg Quarters,
Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Rolls,
Salad Bar, Desserts

Wed, February 25-
Cheeseburger Macaroni, Broccoli and Cheese,
Corn, Rolls, Salad Bar, Desserts

11:00am USHERS for FEBRUARY 2026 (* indicates prayer door)

February 1-
*Sam Dowdy, Jay Hughes,
Matt Koon, Micah Grubbs,
Scott Emison, Roger Gentry

February 8-
*Doug Ferguson, Adam Gentry,
Rickey Littlejohn, Ross Montgomery,
Kevin Morrow, Justin Moss

February 15-
*Wally Henry, David Ray,
Joe Brown, John Scott Blanchard,
Ellis Reeder, Jay Reeder

February 22-
*Ben Howard, Clark Sexton,
George Stegall, Jody Stringer,
Eddy Taylor, Jay Russell

**If you are unable to fulfill your duty
as usher, please contact the head usher
or find someone to fill in for you.

FEBRUARY BUS PICKUP & DROP-OFF

February 1- Tyler Bingham
February 8- Melissa Ferguson
February 15- Keith Davis
February 22- Felicia Pollard

DEACONS ON CALL for FEBRUARY 2026

February 1-
Craig Downing
Larry Young
Tommy Wood

February 8-
Mark Griffith
Ben Ashley
Richie Chrestman

February 15-
Kevin Morrow
Terry Wood
George Rutledge

February 22-
Ellis Reeder
Billy Montgomery
Sam Gibbs



First Baptist Church
31 W. Washington Street
Pontotoc, MS 388

February 2026

BUILDING THE KINGDOM WIDE AND DEEP

CHILDREN'S CAMP PAYMENT

If you are paying for
Children's Camp
by installments,
the 3rd camp payment of
\$100 is due to Danielle by
February 1st.

70th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are invited to a
70th anniversary reception
honoring
George & Betty Higginbotham
on Sunday, February 8, 2026
from 1:30-3:00pm
at Cayson's Venue.
Your attendance is your gift.



**BROTHERHOOD
BREAKFAST**
Sunday, February 22 at
7:30am in the
Fellowship Hall

FCA FUNDRAISER

If you enjoy playing Mahjong,
this fundraiser is for you!
We are hosting a fundraiser to benefit FCA
on Sat, Feb. 7 in the Fellowship Hall.
Please call Tammy Montgomery or
Anita Wood for information.

You are invited to a
Reception
honoring

Abbie Jo McLellen & Rhodes Anthony
in the Fellowship Hall of
First Baptist Church, Pontotoc
on Saturday, February 14, 2026
at 5:00pm.

Come celebrate the groom and
bride-to-be for an evening filled with
love, laughter, and happy moments!
Rhodes and Abbie Jo are registered at
Southern Traditions, New Albany,
The Red Door, Pontotoc,
and Amazon.

SUPER SPUD LUNCHEON

Join us in the
Fellowship Hall on
Sunday, Feb. 8 for our annual
Super Spud Luncheon hosted
by our Brotherhood.
Plates include large spuds
with all the fixins'-
Chili, cheese, sour cream,
bacon, etc.
All donations go to Missions.

Deacons Meeting
on Sunday, February 15 at
3:30pm in the
Fellowship Hall

SENIOR PARENT MEETING

If your graduate is planning to
participate in Baccalaureate,
please plan to attend this
meeting on Wed, February 25
at 7:30pm in the Youth Room



Senior Adults

Join us on Monday, February 16
at 12:00pm in the Fellowship Hall
for our Senior adult Luncheon.

Special guest will be
Beth Norton. She will discuss
"myths of aging".

Bring a dish of food and join us!!





FIRST THINGS FIRST

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Clay Stegall-
Associate Pastor

Justin Cobb-
Minister of Youth

Danielle Davis-
Minister of Children

Zach Keller / Mickey Gentry—Ministers of Music

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Dr. Ken Hester, Pastor

February 2026

Parson to Person

They say that January is a tough month. It has the post-holiday blues, the cold, the dark days of little sunlight, and we had a winter storm. I feel like we could use a good February.

I want to take a moment and list out some things for which I am thankful. I am thankful for:

Electricity—The wonderful host of things it powers.

Rechargeable batteries—The fact that I can recharge devices that have become so useful in my life is amazing. I didn't have rechargeable things growing up.

Gas power—Many have been able to cook, stay warm, and take a hot shower due to gas power.

Hot shower—After a hard day's work, a hot shower is amazing, especially when it is cold. Wherever the hot shower exists, there are happy people.

Coffee—I have drank coffee for decades. But, in the cold days of winter, coffee is best. I have even developed a knack for instant coffee. By the way, instant coffee makes brewed coffee even better. Just thanks upon thanks.

Pontotoc—People looking after people. I know there are many other great communities in the world, but, I don't live there. I have often said it before this ice storm and I will say it again now, "I sure am glad I live in Pontotoc."

First Baptist Church—This church has provided not only practical help, but also a place where prayers have been offered, laughter has been shared, and love has been expressed.

The Lord Jesus Christ—It is truly and solely because of His sacrificial act of redemption that I have escaped my deserved place in eternal torment. I owe Him everything. He owes me nothing.

I, obviously, have left out family. It's not because I am not thankful for them. Everyday I express thanks to the Lord for them. But, in recent days, I have been hit with other things that I have become surprised of and deepened in my appreciation.

I believe it is important for us to take the time and think about the blessings that surround us today. I get that a number of us are still a bit inconvenienced. At this writing, I still don't have power. And yet, my heart is full.

Take a moment. Be thankful.

Blessed beyond measure,
BroKen



February 2026



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 FCA FUNDRAISER In FH |
| 8 SUPER SPUD LUNCHEON in FH 1:30-3:00pm RECEPTION honoring George & Betty Higginbotham | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 Reception honoring Abbie McLellen & Rhodes Anthony in FH |
| 15 3:30pm DEACONS MEETING in FH | 16 12:00pm SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON in FH | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22 7:30am BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST | 23 | 24 | 25 7:30pm SENIOR PARENT MEETING RE: BACCALUAREATE in Youth Room | 26 | 27 | 28 |
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