



The Beacon



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Mission Statement: "Our mission is to love God, love people, and make disciples of Jesus Christ."



Sunday Morning Worship Service at 11:00 a.m.



WATCH VIDEO

To watch a video of the latest Sunday morning worship service, go to www.facebook.com/thehillbaptistchurch/ or www.thehillbaptist.com and click on "Online Service" which is located on the top right of the page. The service will be posted each Sunday.



The Church Office will be closed on Thursday, November 26.

(No Wednesday Evening Activities on Nov. 25)



Come join us at 9:45 a.m.
Classes for all ages.



Cook-Noegel WMU Group
November 5 at 6:30 p.m. in
Room 206.



Every Wednesday Night at 6:30 p.m.

Adults will meet in the Social Hall. Youth will meet in the Milledge Road Parking Lot. Children will meet on the 2nd floor in Children's area.

-OR-

JOIN US
ONLINE

facebook **zoom**

CHILDREN'S
MINISTRY

Truellen will be posting a video that will be viewed for Sunday School and made available online.



Saturday, November 21
5:30– 8:00 p.m.



Dear Church Family,

If you're like me, once November begins you start thinking about Thanksgiving. For many, Thanksgiving is a time to gather with friends and family for a wonderful meal. However, this year will look very different. In a recent article dealing with holidays in our "new normal" it stated that,

Fifty-three percent of consumers say their family holiday get-togethers will proceed amid the pandemic, but 47% say their get-togethers will be canceled, according to a Morning Consult survey of 2,212 U.S. adults conducted in early September; 74% say they'll be having a smaller gathering than usual. Meanwhile, 68% say they'll be traveling less than usual for the holidays, with most people reporting they aren't planning to travel for or around Thanksgiving (75%) or any winter holidays (72%).

This Thanksgiving is going to look different for many. Due to the health risk we have decided not to have our church family Thanksgiving meal that usually occurs the Sunday before Thanksgiving. In my conversations with many of you, I know that many of your get-togethers will be very different this year as well. You may cancel your traditional plans or you may decide to meet outside or perhaps even meet virtually.

Even though the day will look different one thing should remain the same. We should give thanks. Paul writes to the Christians in Thessalonica in 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18,

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

We must be intentional in giving thanks. If we simply look at the circumstances we will probably be tempted to complain and get discouraged. However, if we look to God we will be reminded that although our circumstances change He remains the same. Because of His unchangeableness, we can move into Thanksgiving confident of His love for us, His presence with us, and that in Christ we have a future and a hope.

I want to encourage you this Thanksgiving to be thankful, be grateful, and get creative in how you can celebrate Thanksgiving with your friends and family. In whatever way you chose to celebrate the holiday this year let us be sure to give thanks!

In Christ,

Pastor Ron Jones



November 11
at 6:30 p.m.
in the Social Hall



November 29
at 6:00 p.m.



Dear Church Family,

These last few months that we have been "shut-ins" have been made easier by you and your many kindnesses. Whether you called, sent cards, came by, brought food, grocery shopped, picked up prescriptions, or took us to doctors appointments...to name a few things...we are deeply grateful.

We appreciate being able to go to church by computer. We have a hymnal and we sing right along with you!

God willing, we hope to be back with you in the near future. Until then, continue to hold us in your prayers, just as we continue to pray for you.

Fred and Ann Gunter



Thanksgiving is Every Day!

Give thanks is a common phrase of which we sometimes fail to say and practice in our daily lives. We will be singing a song during November that has as part of the text, "Give Thanks with a grateful heart". What might that look like and how might it cause our lives to be fuller and richer?

My suggestion is that we use God's words from our Bible to give us direction and keep our mind and heart thankful all the time. Psalm 9 states, "I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds" Psalm 106:1 urges us to "Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. That phraseology is used again in I Chronicles 16:34. What wonderful reminders to our every day thoughts and actions. God's gracious acts toward our daily lives can make a tremendous praise offering for our thankfulness.

Come Ye Thankful People Come, Count Your Blessings, Thank You Lord, and Now Thank We All Our God are just a few hymns we should commit to memory to remind us of God's provisions for which we can be thankful. Our health, relationships, occupation, food and shelter, and especially our church family are activities and possessions we often take for granted and are blessings of thankfulness in disguise.

This month as we sing songs of thanks and read scriptures of God's gracious goodness, let us never grow weary or tired of thanking Him every day for all we have and all we enjoy!

Praise God from whom ALL BLESSINGS flow! Hallelujah, Amen!

Floyd Montgomery
Director of Music Ministry

New Women's Prayer Group



Saturday, November 21
10:00 a.m.
at The First Baptist
Church
(outside, near the
baseball field)



Message from Financial Management

The Financial Report summary for September 30, 2020, has been included in this issue. The generosity of our congregation is evidenced by the fact that General Fund receipts through September exceed receipts for the same period of 2019, in spite of the current pandemic. Our annual budget is funded through General Fund receipts. Meeting this year's budget projection is our goal as we build the foundation to support the church's 2021 mission of serving our church family and the community.

Members and other frequent donors will be receiving contribution statements with a listing of January through September of 2020 financial gifts to the church. We ask you to give your talents and financial resources to support this church as you are individually guided by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



RightNow Media is like the Netflix for video based Bible studies and children's programming. Our church has purchased a subscription which enables all our members and guests to receive free access to thousands of Bible studies and programs. You can get access to this free resource by going to this link:
<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/thehillbaptistchurch>



If you would like to have information posted in the newsletter, please provide your information to the church Administrative Assistant by the 15th of each month. Please send an email to office@thehillbaptist.com or call the church office at 706-736-8446.

**THE HILL BAPTIST CHURCH
FINANCIAL REPORT
September 30, 2020**

GENERAL FUND

	September 30, 2019	September 30, 2020
Contribution to General Fund to Date:		
Tithes & Regular Offerings	\$170,578.72	\$173,689.40
Memorial/Honorarium/Bequest Gifts	\$505.00	\$4,120.00
Online Processing Fee Donations	NA	\$52.00
Total Contributions To General Fund	\$171,083.72	\$177,861.40
Online Contribution Processing Fees Paid	NA	(\$407.03)
Net General Fund Receipts	\$171,083.72	\$177,454.37
 Budget-Fiscal Year to Date (Based on straight line %)		\$188,741.97
Average Monthly Budget Requirement		\$20,971.33
Budget Expenditures to Date		\$162,967.66
 Budget Receipts Over (Under) Budget		(\$10,880.57)
Budget Receipts Over (Under) Expenditures		\$14,893.74
Budget Expenditures Over (Under) Budget to Date		(\$25,774.31)
 GF Balance-Checking Account-Beginning of Month		\$71,042.09
Contribution Receipts During Month		\$14,545.21
Disbursements During Month		\$12,582.19
Credits from Budget Disbursements in Prior Fiscal Years During Month		\$0.00
Transfers to General Fund Contingency Reserve During Month		\$0.00
Transfers from General Fund Contingency Reserve During Month		\$0.00
GF Balance in Checking Account-End of Month		\$73,005.11
General Fund Contingency Reserve Balance (Unallocated)		\$222,710.16
General Fund Balance - End of Month		\$295,715.27

DESIGNATED FUNDS, ETC.

Contributions to Designated Funds and Special Offerings During the Month	\$3,855.00
Contributions to Designated Funds and Special Offerings Year-To-Date	\$25,320.50
 Restricted Funds	Ending Balance
Wednesday Night. Supper Fund- In Checking Account	\$0.00
Troupe Street Rental House Account-In Checking and Savings Accts	\$31,019.82
Miscellaneous Receipts/Disbursements-Checking Acct	\$1,604.73
Designated Gifts/Funds in Checking Account	\$41,508.00
Designated Funds, etc., in Savings/Money Market Accounts	\$96,535.05
Designated Funds, etc., in Certificates of Deposit	\$0.00
Balance - End of Month	\$170,667.60
 ALL FUNDS BALANCE - END OF MONTH	\$466,382.87

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On Call

Minister on Call

Rev. Ron Jones
706-945-7619

If you cannot reach the minister
on call, please call the deacon of
the week.

Deacons on Call

November 1
Steve Mullins

November 8
Ken Curry

November 15
Roy Jones

November 22
Ed Stalnaker

November 29
Steve Mullins

Fellowship Club

Canceled until further notice.



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Fall Intern: Ron Jones, III

Memorial & Honorarium Gifts

The church appreciates these donations:

Memory

Helen Story

Honor

The Sunshine Class

That have been received since the previous issue of the
Beacon. The names of donors have been provided to the
family contact for the deceased person or to the honoree.

Prayer List

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