

# First Baptist Church

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**This Sunday, September 24, 2023**

9:00 a.m. service: Trent Calhoun

11:15 a.m. service: Mitchell DeHart

## Food on the First

We collect nonperishable food items on the first Sunday of every month for United Ministries of Clinton. Please bring your food donations to church with you Sunday, **October 1** and place in one of the marked containers. (See **inside** for another way to help United Ministries).



## State Missions



Please pray for missionaries serving in South Carolina and give to the Janie Chapman Mission Offering (SBC) and/or the Beverly Greer Offering for State Missions (CBF).

FBC Goal: \$3,500.00; **Received as of September 17:**

**\$700.00; Need: \$2,800.00**

**South Carolina WMU**  
God's mission. Our passion.

# The Stream

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*They are like trees planted by streams of water... (Psalm 1:3a)*

First Baptist Church  
Clinton, SC

Dr. Blake Harwell  
Senior Minister



"...love God...extend His love..."

September 20, 2023

## Ministry & More Ministry

I love this time of year (I know, I've said that before). While it's still technically "summer" (for another day or so) we've already seen the re-start of "regular" church life. Our Sunday night (9/17) programming saw 145 youth and adults on our campus--getting re-charged, growing, learning about and engaged in missions, singing, worshipping, having fun and moving forward. And yet that number is not the highest attendance we've registered this "fall."

If you can't tell, I'm very encouraged. We have forward-thinking, Jesus-loving people all over this place! An example: one Sunday (9/10) Jay announced a need in Kampala, Uganda that would enable a (current) prostitute to leave that life and earn a living while being disciplined by her sisters (like our Allie White!). The cost was \$1,000. Before the worship hour was over, that need was met! Another example? You are giving well so far this year. Thank you for your trust, your confidence that we are making a difference in the world and right here at home.

Speaking of home, there's a growing need in our community for

helping hungry people. Thank you, First Baptist, for your Food on the First contributions to United Ministries of Clinton! We give that food out every week! But, this month, (UMC) set records for the number of families seeking food assistance. One week, we broke our former "high demand" record twice! Would you (or your class) consider making a one-time financial contribution to UMC in the next few weeks? Why am I asking for money instead of food? Because UMC can buy food (all types of food—fruit, canned goods, boxed meals, and even meat) at Harvest Hope Food Bank at an extreme discount and then disperse that food locally.

And one more "home" issue: we are woefully short when it comes to meeting our goal for our State Missions offering. We have collected \$700.00. Whether you choose to give to the Beverly Greer or Janie Chapman offerings (they're both State Missions!), I want to encourage you to pray about, consider, and then give, as the Lord leads.

Blake, [bhawell@clintonfbc.us](mailto:bhawell@clintonfbc.us)

**Reminder: Pick up your Chicken Dinner Plate from the Family Life Center this Sunday, September 24 between 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. (Ellis-Harwell Mission Group Fundraiser)**

## Stewardship Report

*Week of Sept 3, 2023\**

Regular Receipts	\$14,028.42
Designated	\$ 1,843.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,871.42</b>

*Week of Sept 10, 2023\**

Regular Receipts	\$10,961.62
Designated	\$ 1,513.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$12,474.62</b>

*Week of Sept 17, 2023\**

Regular Receipts	\$ 12,178.24
Designated	\$ 2,564.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$14,742.74</b>

\*Electronic giving not included.

**2023 Weekly Budgeted Needs**  
\$ 17,906.87

To make a financial donation to FBC you can use your phone. Text 'fbclinton' and the money amount you want to give to 73256. 1. Click the link, 2. Complete your gift. Once you set up your giving information, you can give in a matter of seconds.

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6th—12th graders

Tara Webb, Minister to Students, (twebb@clintonfbc.us)

TRUTH

Sundays @ 5:15 p.m.

Join us for supper, worship and small groups.

September 24: It's a Luau

October 1: Pink Out Party

October 8: No TRUTH (Fall Break)

BigStuf Camp—Summer 2024

Registration will open soon.

See You at the Pole

September 27 @ 7 a.m.



5th Quarter Fellowship

September 29

(after football game until 11 p.m.)

Family Life Center

Invite your friends!



5th graders & below

Danielle Bell, Interim Director of Children's Ministries & FBC Weekday Preschool Director, (dbell@clintonfbc.us)

CHILDREN IN ACTION

Sundays

5:15 -7:30 p.m.

3 y/o to 5th graders, please join us for music, missions, scripture memory and service. Supper provided.

Nursery Volunteers

9:00 a.m.

11:15 a.m.

Sept 24 Scott & Sarah Grooms Autumn Roland

FBC Weekday Preschool



every Wednesday morning 8 - 11 a.m. for children 4 months to 23 months. Fee: \$80/month

with a one-time registration fee of \$50.00. If you would like to register your child for "Parents' Morning Out, you can pick up a registration form from the church office during the week. Questions? Call 833-2578.

Our FBC Weekday Preschool needs your help! We need to replace some of our preschool toys which have been around for many years. We have created an Amazon Wish List. You can scan the QR code located here to see the list and purchase toys. You can also give a monetary donation by placing your donation in a blue envelope and designating "Preschool Toys." Text tithing is also an option.



Budget Requests

It is about time for our Budget and Finance Committee to begin meeting to discuss the church's 2024 annual budget. We need your budget requests. If you are responsible for a ministry or

committee and have not turned in a budget requests, please email your requests to office@clintonfbc.us or drop it by the office during office hours. Deadline: October 6



Homebound:

Roslyn Martin

206 Calvert Ave

Clinton, SC 29325

Deadline: Sept. 25

Laurens Baptist Association

Project

Every year we help the LBA take up items to donate to The Connie Maxwell Children's Home in Greenwood, SC.

This year our item is Facial Tissue. You can bring your donations of Facial Tissue to the church on Sunday and place in the designated area (church parlor).

United Ministries of Clinton

United Ministries has had a record number of people coming in for food and your Food on the First donations are much appreciated. Please continue giving nonperishable food items. Another way to help is monetary donations. Could your Bible Study Class, Small Group, or family help out the hungry in our own community? (see below on how to give).

Pizza Money

Our college students and young adults meet every Monday evening for Pizza and wings, fellowship and Bible Study. They are growing in their faith and bringing their friends. Our college ministry/young adult budget, however, is exhausted. Can you help this ministry to continue? (see below on how to give).

To give to either one of the above Ministries (United Ministries or College Ministry/Young Adult) you can place your donation in a blue envelope and designate the ministry on the envelope or you can text 'fbccolinton' and the \$ amount to 73256. Be sure to select the fund you would like for your money to go toward.



Toys were purchased for our weekday Preschool in memory of Dana Harwell, Christy King & Charlie Roland by Billy and Kay Glenn.

Weekly Schedule

September 24

- 9:00 AM Worship
10:15 AM Bible Study
11:00 AM Begin Chicken Dinner Plate Pick-up
11:15 AM Worship
12:30 AM Deacon Retreat
4:00 PM CARE (The "E" Team)
5:15 PM Children In Action (3 yrs-5 gr)
5:15 PM TRUTH (6-12 gr)
5:30 PM The Meaning of Marriage
6:00 PM Experiencing God

September 25

- 3:45 PM Staff Meeting
6:30 PM The Branch

September 27

- 7:00 AM See You at the Pole
10:30 AM Bible Study
5:00 PM Acts 1:8 Prayer Time

September 29

5th Quarter Fellowship after the game

October 1

- 9:00 AM Worship
10:15 AM Bible Study
11:15 AM Worship
4:00 PM CARE (The "C" Team)
5:15 PM Children In Action (3 yrs-5 gr)
5:15 PM TRUTH (6-12 gr)
5:30 PM The Meaning of Marriage
6:00 PM Experiencing God



October 2

- 3:45 PM Staff Meeting
6:30 PM The Branch

October 4

- 10:30 AM Bible Study
5:00 PM Acts 1:8 Prayer Time

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