

# Worship Choir

Let your voice be heard!

Sunday nights

6:30 PM

Bro. Chris is in the process of choosing our Christmas music. Your heart will receive a blessing and so will those who worship with us.

# Connect Groups

Sunday 5:00 PM

**Chris Lee Group:**

Anderson Hospital Visit

**Tammie Havard Group:**

Senior Adult/Shut In Care

**Andrew Black Group:**

Ministry partnership with

West Lauderdale Elementary School

**KevinThompson Group:**

Youth Ministry

# Fellowship's Service Times

## SUNDAY

Sunday School	9:00 AM
Morning Worship	10:00 AM
Connect Groups	5:00 PM
Children's Choir	5:00 PM
Worship Choir	6:30 PM

## WEDNESDAY

Fellowship Meal Time	5:45 PM
AWANA (ages 3- grade 6)	6:15 PM
Refresh Worship	6:30 PM



Saturday, September 15

8:00 AM

The pavilion will be moved and additional parking curbs added.

Help continue the renovation process and get your daily workout!



September 23, 2018

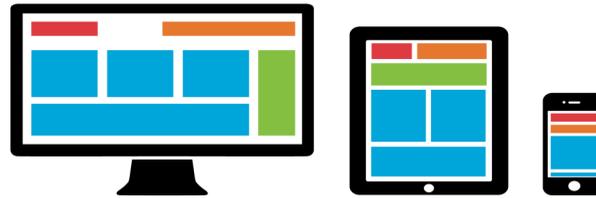
See You at the Pole Rally

Highland Baptist Church

6 PM to 8 PM



Pick up a few extra items when you shop for the Blessing Box.



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Margaret Lackey Offering is a State Mission Offering taken in August  
Church Goal: \$1000



Honoring  
Jordan Jones  
September 9—2 PM

Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed. ~Proverbs 16:3



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# Children's Corner



**AWANA** Wednesday Nights 6:15 PM  
Children ages 3 through 6th grade.

September 26th is **Fan Night!**

Come dressed in your favorite sports attire and show your team spirit.

FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH



Coming Soon!

G.R.O.W is the After School Program coordinated by the Andrew Black Connect Group. It will meet on Wednesday afternoons before AWANA.

This program is designed to assist students, at West Lauderdale Elementary, needing extra homework instruction.

If you would like to assist with this program contact Hallie Harris.

## Review of Finances:

### August 2018

○ Monthly Offering.....	\$31,225.42
Yearly Offering .....	\$301,128.47
Building Fund This Month .....	\$7,304.00
Building Fund To Date .....	\$815,531.28
○ Building Expense To Date .....	\$259,042.82
	\$556,488.46



Wednesday

September 19

Coffee Pot Café  
Enterprise MS

Bus leaves at 10:15 am.

Doug will need to give them a count, so please sign up.



*An afternoon filled with fun, games, prizes & food, Sept. 15th from 3-5. Sign-up sheets are located in the Sr Adult SS classes and on the back table in the Worship Center. We look forward to seeing you!!*



# Pastor's Reflections

Bro. Corey Fontan

A recent survey by Lifeway research revealed that a majority of churchgoers believe that the Bible commands us to tithe. However, those tithes and offerings don't always make it to the church offering plate. About 48 % of Protestants who were surveyed believe that their "tithes" can go to a Christian ministry rather than directly to their church. Even about 18% say that their donations to a secular charity still counts as part of their tithe. As Scott McConnell of Lifeway Research said: *"For many churchgoers, tithing is just another term for generosity."*

However, there is a major disconnect here. The Bible defines a tithe for us as "a tenth". It is a tenth of our income. In addition, the Bible tells us that it is not just any tenth, but that it is to be the *first* tenth. We give this before we give anything else. Also, the Bible spells out where the tithes should go. In the Old Testament, the tithes were used for the priests and the temple. The New Testament shows us that the collection was for the church. It was collected each week, on Sunday, and was given for the support and ministry of the local church. For further reading, I commend to you 1 Corinthians 16: 1-4 and 2 Corinthians 8-9.

So, what should we do? Well, first, we should give and the first of our giving is our tithes. These are undesignated funds and these are what supports the ministry of the church. Above that, as the Lord provides and leads, we give our offerings. This is extra that we give for specific designated areas, such as the building fund. As the Lord blesses us, we bless our church's programs. Above that, we have the opportunity to give to other charities and programs, but they do not supersede our giving to the local church.

Other charities do important work, but nothing is as crucial as the work of the local church. Let's strive together to advance His kingdom through our giving!

# From the Personnel

## Committee

Staff Recommendation

### From the Personnel Committee:

After months of meeting and numerous discussions, the **Personnel Committee** is making a recommendation to the church that the previous ministry staff position of "Minister to Youth" be amended to "Pastor of Family Ministry" and that said position will encompass ministry to children, youth, young adults and their families. The job description is available for pickup in the Worship building.

The **Personnel, Youth, and Children Committees** of Fellowship Baptist Church make a joint recommendation that the church call Kevin Thompson to the staff position of Pastor of Family Ministry, effective September 23. This call has been discussed at length with each of these committees, as well as the ministry staff, and the deacons and it has received unanimous support from all of these involved.

This staff position was already included in the 2018 budget and will remain the same for the remainder of this fiscal year.

We will enter into a special- called business meeting at the conclusion of our service on Sunday, September 16 to vote on Kevin by secret ballot.

**Special - Called Business Meeting**

September 16

To vote on Kevin Thompson as

Pastor of Family Ministries