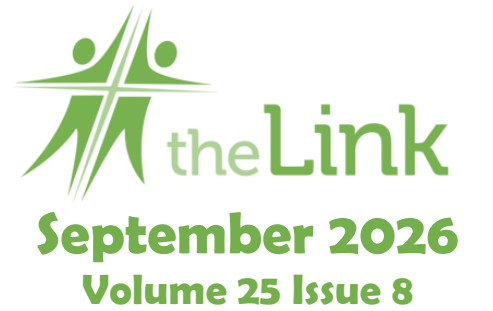




Our Church vans will begin picking up kids again on Wednesday nights starting on Wednesday, September 9th. If you have a child that needs a ride, please contact Ruth Wagner to get that set up.

We are also looking for drivers that could possibly begin picking up kids on Sunday mornings. If you are interested, please contact the church office for more information and to get a background check. Please be in prayer for our van ministry, as many of the kids would not be able to come to church if we did not offer transportation.

*How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?
Romans 10:14*



Awana Clubs kick off on Wednesday, September 9th
6:30 - 8:00 PM

PRE - K through 5TH GRADE REGISTER NOW!

Join us as we celebrate 20 years of teaching children about Jesus through our AWANA clubs.

*If you would like to volunteer to be a listener, please see Tina Prestage. We'd love to have you join our team!

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF POLK CITY

The purpose of this Church is to worship and enjoy the Lord Jesus Christ, share His plan of Salvation with the world, teach people how to live as Jesus followers, and share His love with everyone.

Regularly Scheduled Activities

Sunday:

Sunday School (For ALL ages) 9:00 AM
Worship Service 10:00 AM
Children's Church 10:00 AM
Choir Practice 5:00 PM
Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Monday:

Men's Prayer Meeting 6:00 AM
Ladies Prayer Meeting 9:30 AM
Visitation 6:00 PM

Wednesday:

Awana (3 years - 5th grade) 6:30 PM
Catalyst (6th - 12th grade) 6:30 PM
Adult Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 PM

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September 2026

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Hey Church Family,

As September arrives, school is underway, ministries are returning to their regular schedules, and many families find their calendars quickly filling. In the midst of all this activity, we must be intentional about keeping Christ at the center of our lives. During busy seasons, it is especially important to remember that the Christian life was never meant to be lived alone. God has given us the church so that we might worship together, grow in His Word, bear one another's burdens, and encourage one another toward greater faithfulness.

Every member of the body of Christ has opportunities to love, serve, and strengthen others. There are no small acts of service, because God uses the faithfulness of all His people to accomplish His purposes. As we enter this new season of ministry, perhaps the Lord is calling you to serve in a new way, join a Bible study, encourage someone who is struggling, or invite a neighbor to worship with us. We should never underestimate what God can do through a simple act of obedience.

I remain thankful for the unity and love the Lord is producing among us at FBC Polk City. May we continue to draw near to Christ and to one another, trusting Him to use our church as a faithful witness to the gospel in our community.

"And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together ... but encouraging one another." Hebrews 10:24-25

*Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,
Pastor Halston*

Hey Choir,

This year is flying by, as they always seem to do. I hope you are making the most of this year. If not I encourage you to join the choir and use the voice God has given you. We meet on Sunday afternoons at 5pm and this is open to everyone. Also, the Christmas choir will have a couple of special Christmas only rehearsals on Saturday, September 5th at 10 am and Wednesday, September 23rd at 8pm. I hope to see you singing for the Lord very soon.

Making a joyful noise,
Joey Hufschmidt



Tithes and Offerings for the
Month of July:
\$ 46,279.00

The Church office will be closed
in observance of Labor Day.
There will be no prayer meeting
that day.



The regional Sunday School Conference - *Growth Through Cell Multiplication* will be on Saturday, September 12th from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM at Eastside Baptist Church in Plant City. If you did not sign up but would like to go, onsite registration is available. The church will cover the cost. Be sure to bring money for lunch. The church van will leave at 7:45 AM.



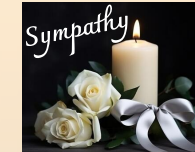
We will have our Annual Special Called Business Meeting on Sunday, September 27th during the evening service. We will be voting on our upcoming budget and committees/leaders/teachers.

All documents will be available for you to review on Sunday, September 20th at the welcome center in the foyer.



We're working on updating our list for those willing to help prepare food for bereavement meals after a funeral service. If you would like to help families during their time of loss, there is a sign up sheet available in the foyer.

If you have any questions, please see
Freda Chapman.



Hey guys and gals,

I wanted to let you know of a few things going on this month. First, we will be starting back at 6:30pm on September 9th and the vans will be running again. Also, **See you at the Pole** will be Wednesday, September 23rd in the morning at your school. I hope you will make an extra effort to get to school early and pray for your classmates, teachers, and your school as well as those around the world. We will talk more about this on Wednesday nights. Next, we are going to start collecting items to fill shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child so be on the look out for things to put in those boxes. Let's be a blessing to several children again this year. We're planning on packing 26 shoeboxes this year; 13 Boys and 13 Girls, ages 5-9 years old. We are also having a Youth Bash fun night on Wednesday, September 23rd. There are a lot of things happening right now so make sure you are here each Wednesday night for Catalyst at 6:30pm. Also, don't forget every Sunday, we have Sunday School at 9am.

See you soon,
Joey Hufschmidt
Youth Ministry Leader



Women on Mission will be volunteering at **Women On Mission** Lighthouse Ministries on Tuesday, September 8th. The church van will leave at 9:30 that morning. We had a great time serving last time we were there. Please be in prayer for our upcoming OCC Shoebox drive. Shoeboxes will be available on October 11th.

Mark 10:45 says, "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many."



Also, there is an Operation Christmas Child Workshop on Saturday, September 12 at 10 AM if you would like to attend. Scan the QR code for more information and to register.

Marty Scott
Women on Mission Leader

Calling all ladies!!!
Sisters of Strength will be meeting Tuesday, September 15th at 6 PM in the fellowship hall. Please join us for an amazing time of food, fellowship, and time in God's Word. Feel free to bring a dish to share.



In His Grace,
Dee Dee Schreibung
Women's Ministry Leader

Some of the ladies of FBC will be going to the Reflections Women's Conference at Lake Yale Baptist Conference Center at the end of this month. Please be in prayer for a time of renewal and refreshment. If you are going and have not paid your balance, please do so now.

Be on the lookout for information about next year's women's conference. Sign up sheets will be available in October, so if you're thinking about going next year, information will be available soon.

Calling all Men!
Our next Iron Disciples will meet on



Thursday, September 10th at 6 PM! Grab another guy and come for some great fellowship and Bible study... it's gonna be great!!!

Serving Him with you,
Brother Andrew
Men's Ministry Leader

Our welding program was a hit and it has been a blessing to watch these kids take interest in such an invaluable skill.

Now we're gearing up for hurricane season, so please let me know what we can do to help you prepare for the unseen. We are here to assist if we can,

Serving Him with you, Andrew
Making Fishers of Men...
Luke 5:1-11

We will begin collecting candy for our upcoming Trunk or Treat on Sunday, September 27th. We will have a bin available in the foyer for the candy. Please be sure the candy is individually wrapped.

REFLECTIONS
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
Allison Allen
ALLISON ALLEN is a dynamic Bible teacher, speaker, and author of *Shine and Thirsty for More*. She also co-hosts the Back Porch Theology podcast with Lisa Harper. A former Broadway actress, Allison now shares God's truth with passion and heart. We are excited to welcome her back to the Lake Yale stage!

September 25 - 27
October 2 - 4

\$265 per person
(based on multiple occupancy)
Group pricing and other price options available
Contact the office for more details

Matthew 6 : 28 - 29

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