

WEEKLY OFFERING RECORD

	10/07/18	10/14/18	10/21/18	10/28/18
Total Offering	8391.20	4507.00	2770.28	3101.06
Budget	7681.20	3551.00	2770.28	2751.06
Monthly Budget Requirement	28670.58			
Designated	710.00	956.00	0.00	350.00
SS Attendance	82	79	86	89

CHILDCARE SCHEDULE

November 4, 2018

Birth-Two

Terry Barclay

Preschool Praise

Terry Roberts

Children's Church

Jill Scott

November 11, 2018

Birth-Two

Buddy and Terry Barclay

Preschool Praise

Christine Garrison and Marilyn Kerley

Children's Church

Spencer and Christina Clagg

BUILDING CLOSING

November 4 Dee Williams

November 11 John Price

CHURCH STAFF

Brian Scott, Pastor

Elijah Tafao, Minister of Music

Jack Abbott, Minister to Students

Judy White, Ministry Assistant

Jean Helbig, Pianist

Rudolph Nemeth, Organist



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**THANKSGIVING DINNER
AND SERVICE**



November 18, 6pm

We are catering a portion of our Thanksgiving dinner this year. A local caterer will provide turkey and ham. Monetary donations are accepted.

Church family, please bring your favorite vegetable, salad and/or dessert.

Fill out the reservation form below and return to office by November 11.

THANKSGIVING DINNER RESERVATION FORM

Name _____

Number of reservation(s) _____ Donation enclosed _____

Place this form in an envelope in the offering plate or the church office by November 11.

Once again we read headlines that describe the horror and heartbreak of Saturday's synagogue shooting. I share the same need as many of you to find words of explanation and comfort and to move toward a Christ-like response. Neither words nor responses emerge quickly. I want to share two sentiments. First, to our larger faith community of family and friends who have been or are an active part of the Jewish community, I offer prayers, friendship, and support for you. May God's love and mercy surround you with strength and sustenance. May we find more ways to stand together in friendship for all to see. Second, I read a compelling response by outgoing CBF Coordinator Suzii Paynter. I share her strong words:

"Our words and deeds of compassionate and true friendship must follow our lament. We grieve for each family suffering loss and join hands in protection of houses of worship to forge bonds of solidarity to end hatred and violence. We condemn ideologies of white nationalism and white supremacy that motivate support for domestic terrorism against Jews, Muslims, African Americans, political rivals and persons of color."

"Our nation is beautiful in its tapestry of religious freedom and beautiful in the diversity of all people of goodwill that bless and do not curse their neighbors. We are reminded of Jesus' question ending his teaching of the Good Samaritan—'which of these people acted like a neighbor?' or in some translations 'which of these people became a neighbor?'"

"Shaking our heads in sorrow and grief is not a strong enough response to the actions of such violence and evil. Ideologies, words of hatred and murder are not the final response. In each community, we need responses of unmistakable public solidarity, friendship and condolences. As a witness and response to acts of violence, we need words of blessing, acts of neighborly love and generous, public goodwill. To quote the late Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, 'Morally speaking, there is no limit to the concern one must feel for the suffering of human beings, that indifference to evil is worse than evil itself, that in a free society, some are guilty, but all are responsible.'"

May we know that in the face of evil, God's way of faith, hope, and love prevail. Ps. 42:5 says, "Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God."

Hoping in God,
Brian

SYMPATHY

Pastor Scott and the church family wish to express its Christian sympathy to Gary and Christine Garrison in the death of his brother-in-law.

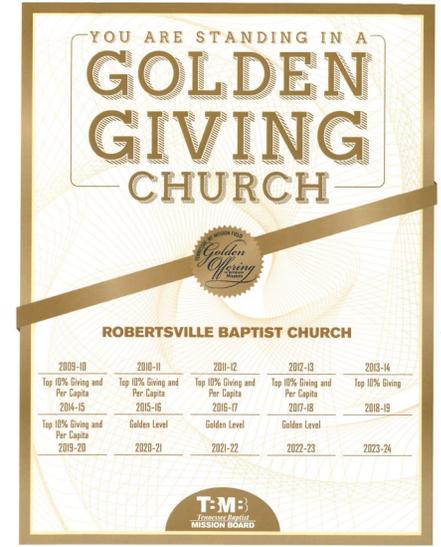
FUSION YOUTH MINISTRY



Fall Retreat was amazing! We had 13 youth and four adults go this past weekend. The rain cleared out and we had really nice weather. The theme for the weekend was Encountering God. On Saturday night we had five first time commitments! On Saturday night we had a candlelight service when each person went around encouraging one another. It was a powerful experience.

I want to thank those that sponsored youth to go on this trip and the other adults, Kelsie and Clint Suggs and Lauren Smith that went on this trip. I could not have done this trip without them! Please pray that God continues the work He was doing during the Fall Retreat!

Love in Christ,
Jack Abbott



PORTRAIT MAKEUP DAY

If you were unable to keep your portrait appointment and would still like to have your portrait made, please contact the church office this week. We need 25 families to be assigned a makeup date.

You may also submit a photo. If photo is made by a professional company, a release is required. Contact office with any questions.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

November 1 Starling Crabtree
3 Jackson Mitchell
6 Ann Hartman
11 Kathy Stewart
19 Velma Kelly
21 Stephanie Smith