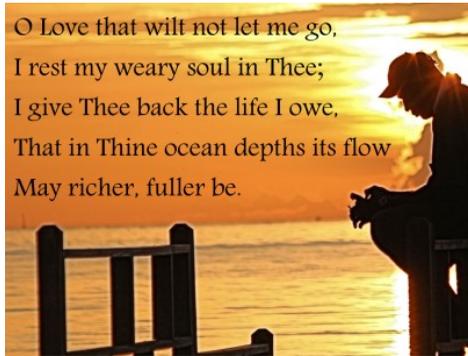


## ***This Week with Pastor Chuck***

*Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, "Where are you?"* Genesis 1: 7-9

If you are looking, as I am, for a note of grace in the story of Adam and Eve, it is in the reality that God continues to look for us when we are missing, when we are hiding, and when we have broken faith with Him. He is always asking the question that love raises - where are you? Where *are* you?



O Love that wilt not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in Thee;  
I give Thee back the life I owe,  
That in Thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be.

Don't you remember the story Jesus told of the father who was looking for his younger son who had left home. You know of his anxiety and his concern because, when he glimpsed his son in the distance, he ran to greet him, to welcome him home, while shouting to all in the household to make ready for a celebration - his son had come home!

God is always looking for you and for me in the face of our sins and in spite of our sins. When Adam and Eve were ashamed of themselves and sought to hide their nakedness, which they had never noticed before, they fashioned some aprons out of fig leaves. Fig leaves are not a very comfortable garment because at certain points in their growth fig leaves have the consistency of medium grade sandpaper. It was not the comfort of cotton. But when they were banished from the Garden, the scriptures says, "*God clothed Adam and his wife with garments made from skins of animals.*"

Love is the most powerful influence of all. Love is at the heart of our faith. With the coming of Christ, God said, finally, fully, and completely, "*This is how much I love you.*" He is always waiting for us to respond to that love. Take heart that God is always looking for us, trying to find us again and again, asking the question, "Where are you?"

O Joy that seekest me through pain,  
I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
And feel the promise is not vain,  
That morn shall tearless be.

O Love that will not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
That in thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be.

I pray that you today will listen carefully for the voice of God speaking those never-ending, never-failing words of love and hope. And there experience, a life richer and fuller than you ever dreamed possible.. It is possible, in Jesus Christ! Remember that this week, all week. **Pastor Chuck**

## **Welcome to First Baptist Church of Shawmut**



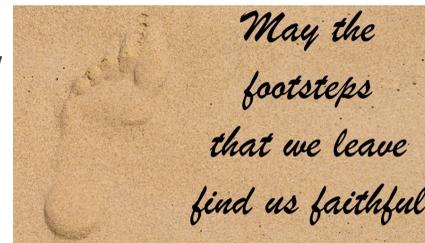
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### **From Hazel Hendrick's History of Shawmut Baptist**

We're pilgrims on the journey of the narrow road and those who've gone before us line the way. Cheering on the faithful, encouraging the weary, their lives a stirring testament to God's sustaining grace.

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us run the race not only for the prize but as those who've gone before us, let us leave to those behind us the heritage of faithfulness passed on through godly lives.

*Oh, may all who come behind us find us faithful, may the fire of our devotion light their way. May the footprints that we leave, lead them to believe, and the lives we live inspire them to obey*



*May the  
footsteps  
that we leave  
find us faithful*

After all our hopes and dreams have come and gone, and our children sift through all we've left behind, may the clues that they discover and the memories they uncover become the light that leads them to the road we each must find.



*Welcome to*

# **First Baptist Church** *of Shawmut*

***The Church that Love Builds***



## **Happy 110th Anniversary**

**First Baptist Church Shawmut**

Founded October 1908

**October 7, 2018**



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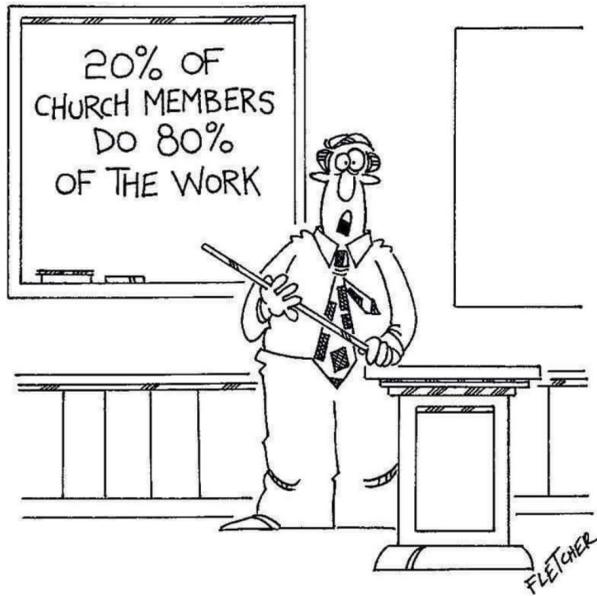
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*This Week @ Shawmut*

**Wednesday Morning Prayer Meeting:** Held this week at Valley Manor. Come join the prayer, fellowship, and Bible study!; **Golden Heirs:** Tuesday October 9 at 11:00AM with New Birth Ministries; **Game and Movie Night:** Friday October 12 beginning at 6:00PM; **Homebound Person of the Week:** Josephine Caldwell

**Lunch-to-Go Sylvia Word Manor Fundraiser Tickets (\$7.00)**

On sale today after the service to help support Shawmut Methodist's Ministry to Sylvia Word Manor. Please meet with Pastor Chuck in the Sunday School Office, immediately after the service today, to obtain your tickets (Cash or Check made out to Shawmut Methodist). Your poppy seed chicken plates may be picked NEXT SUNDAY after the church service, across the street in the Shawmut United Methodist Church's Fellowship Hall.



**"So the question is: 'How to get that 20% to press on to greater achievement?'"**

*From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love. Ephesians 4:16*

# Morning Worship Service

**Hymn #5** *I Sing Praises*

**Hymn #33** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

**Hymn #140** *Great is the Lord*

## Morning Prayer

**Choir** *The Longer I Serve Him*

**Hymn #528** *My Faith has Found a Resting Place*

**Hymn #139** *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

## Worship in Giving

*Thank you for your support this year of the Myers-Mallory State Missions Fund Offering. Our goal this year is \$2,500. To date, \$1,515.00 has been given*

**Message** *Brother Chuck*

## Closing Hymn

At a Glance

Sun	8:00AM	Deacon's Chairs' Breakfast
	9:45AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Morning Worship
	5:30PM	Discipleship: <i>Revelations &amp; the End Times</i>
	6:30PM	Evening Worship
Tues	11:00AM	Golden Heirs
Wed	10:00AM	Morning Prayer Meeting at Valley Manor
	6:30PM	wednesdays@shawmut
Sun (14th)	9:45AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Morning Worship
	4:00PM	Deacons Meeting
	5:30PM	Discipleship: <i>Revelations &amp; the End Times</i>
	6:30PM	Evening Worship

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<b>Counters</b>	Hutchins/ Williams	Myers/ Passmore
<b>Deacon of the Week</b>	Carey Meadows 706 518 5766	Ronnie Carter 225-715-9930

**WMU Quarterly Meeting:** Tuesday October 16 at 7:30PM (ET) at Antioch Baptist Church, Lafayette. Mission Project is for cleaning supplies for Alabama Children's Home: **Construction Zone Breakfast and Intergenerational Bible Competency:** Sunday morning October 21 at 9:30AM; **Community Thanksgiving Service:** Sunday November 18th at First Baptist Church Shawmut. We, with the help of Shawmut Christian Church, will be responsible for the reception this year. Shawmut-Fairfax Christmas Cantata: Sunday evening December 16th, this year at Fairfax Baptist

**Christian Service Center** (5340 Cusseta Rd, Lanett, AL 36863) and **Sav-a-Life** (711 N 4th Ave, Lanett, AL 36863 ) will receive your tax-deductible gifts by mailing your checks directly to them. This is the preferable means of supporting these valuable ministries verses giving *through* First Baptist Church of Shawmut. Please generously support them! They will happily issue you year-end statements. *Thank you!*