

First Baptist Church of Pensacola  
Ministry Organizations

**First Baptist Church of Pensacola Mission Statement:**

At FBCP, we glorify the Father by following the Holy Spirit in telling the story of Jesus.

We seek to do this by leading people to...

- Discover personal faith in Jesus as their Savior.  
(Evangelism)
- Devote to Christ as their Lord. (Worship)
- Develop into mature followers of Jesus. (Discipleship)
- Demonstrate Christ-like love in attitudes and actions.  
(Fellowship)
- Deploy into the world as witnesses and servants of Jesus.  
(Missions)

**FBCP Beliefs and Biblical References for our Mission:**

We believe the local church is the Body of Christ made up of baptized believers, and it is God's will for every believer to be a member of one for mutual fellowship, edification, and mission.

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel and seek to extend the Gospel to the ends of the earth. This church is an autonomous body whose members are equally responsible. The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ, which includes all of the redeemed of all the ages.

*“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is part of it.”*  
1 Corinthians 12:27

*“God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.”* Ephesians 1:22-23

We believe the Church should observe Baptism and the Lord’s Supper as the two ordinances Christ gave to His Church.

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water. It is an act of obedience symbolizing the believer’s faith in a crucified, buried, and risen Savior; the believer’s death to sin; the burial of the life; and the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. The Lord’s Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

*“Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”* Acts 2:38

*“Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?”* 1 Corinthians 10:16

We believe it is the duty and responsibility of every Christian and church to deliver the good news of Jesus Christ and to make disciples for Him.

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. Missionary effort on the part of all rests thus upon a

spiritual necessity of the regenerate life. It is the duty of every child of God to seek continually to win the lost to Christ by personal effort.

*“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always to the very end of the age.”* Matthew 28:18-20

**Many FBCP Ministry Organizations support the congregation in accomplishing the FBCP Mission. Following is a description of one of those Ministry Organizations:**

### **Ushers Ministry Team – Traditional Service**

#### **Leadership:**

Chairperson/Leader: Bill Waters and Darryl Knight

#### **Church-Wide Ministries Supported by this Team:**

This Ministry Team supports the Welcome Ministries.

#### **Ministerial Contact:**

Senior Pastor and Minister of Music

#### **Biblical References for this Team:**

“Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us to the glory of God.” Romans 15:7

“Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honor preferring one another.” Romans 12:10

**Purposes, Expectations, and Anticipated Accomplishments of this Team:**

- To greet and seat worship attenders
- To greet with a smile and a friendly handshake
- To assist persons with special needs
- To provide and maintain an atmosphere of worship when disruptions or emergencies occur
- To assure that the following aids to worship are available and in working order before each service: offering plates, hearing aids, and bulletins
- To recruit additional ushers for special services such as Christmas programs, Thanksgiving, Easter, revivals, etc., as needed
- To assist in the administration of the Lord’s Supper. Ushers collection of the offering

**Members of this Team**

Members of the Ushers Ministry Team are members of FBCP, faithful regular attenders, with pleasing and friendly personalities. Volunteers are encouraged to talk to the team leader or any member of the team about becoming a member. There are typically twelve to fourteen members, with seven substitute members on standby as needed.

**Organization of this Team**

The Ushers Ministry Team has a Chairman and a Vice Chairman who organize the team each Sunday for assignments that day.

**Meetings, Meeting Agendas, and Work Schedules**

Work schedules are based on the needs for each service and are typically determined each week. Meetings of the team are necessary only for special events.

**Records of Meetings**

Records of Ushers Ministry Team activities are not posted. Contact the team chairman or vice chairman for information about the activities or membership of this team.