



Welcome to FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF GASTON

- Oct 5 NO Grief Gathering group for month of October
- Oct 5 D Groups at 5:00 pm
- Oct 7 Seniors Apple picking trip
- Oct 11 Still Waters Sisterhood at 10:00 am, see Kaylyn Johnson for info
- Oct 12 Homecoming Sunday, Rev. Lee Butler will bring the message and lunch on the grounds after service
- Oct 12 NO D groups

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. There will be a basket in the vestibule through the month of October if you would like to show your appreciation to Pastor Brady & Pastor Steve

CHURCH MEMBERS IN SERVICE:

DEACON ON CALL THIS WEEK:

Oct 5 Chris Vidrine 803 513-4915

Oct 12 Mike Rollison 803 269-3089

EXTENDED CARE TEAM TODAY & NEXT WEEK

Oct 5 Bonnie McBride, Stacy Learn, Sherri Kelly, Lauren Brann, Debra Ray, Beverly Kelly
Oct 12 Traci Rish, Cheryl Reynolds, Megan Spires, Matt Drawdy, Carla Sightler, Bailey Speares

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP TODAY AND NEXT WEEK

Oct 5 Sunnie Gail Pound, Amber Bachelder, PJ Hathway

Oct 12 NO Children's Worship

Welcome Team

Oct 12- PJ Hathway, Eden Barfield, Megan Spires, Cathy Bowen, Eric Hathway

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

09:30 AM Men's Prayer Group

09:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Morning Worship

Monday

12:30 PM Motivational Monday

Tuesday

12:00 PM Intercessory Prayer Warriors

Wednesday

06:00 PM Family Supper

07:00 PM Midweek Worship,
Youth Service, GAs, RAs, Mission
Friends & Acteens

September 28, 2025

188 in small groups 283 in Worship
119 in Midweek Worship

First Baptist Church
Gaston



Sunday, October 5, 2025



BIBLICAL

A verse-by-verse
series through the
book of Ezra

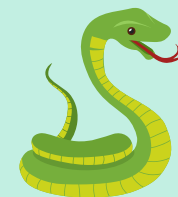
BUILDING



TODAY'S SERMON:

'THE COST OF CUDDLING WITH SNAKES!'

EZRA 9:1-5



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Stewardship Report from Sunday, September 28th (doesn't include online giving yet):

\$2,183.00 Given Towards the Field of Dreams Giving Initiative.

\$7,241.00 Given Towards the 2025 Church Budget.

Church Staff:

First Baptist Church of Gaston
Sunday, October 5, 2025

Call To Worship

"I am Redeemed" - Choir

Welcome & Scripture

Rev. Steve Kittrell - Psalm 23:1-3

Praise and Worship

"Still Waters"

Time of Prayer

Mrs. PJ Hathway

Worship through Song

Taylor Freeman

Message

Rev. R. Brady Henderson

Invitation

"In the Garden"

Benediction

Sermon #19 in the Biblical Building Sermon Series

'The Cost of Cuddling with Snakes!'

Ezra 9:1-5

Rev. R. Brady Henderson

Sermon in a Sentence:

In this text, we find the cost of Cuddling with Snakes when the Israelites were guilty of mixed marriages, Ezra mourns over their sin, and shows meekness before God in prayer.

Question to Ask:

How did the Israelites sin in a way that is comparable to cuddling up with snakes?

Truth #1: Mixed Marriages. (vv. 1-2)

Truth #2: Mourning of sin. (v. 3)

Truth #3: Meekness before God. (vv. 4-5)