



# The MESSENGER

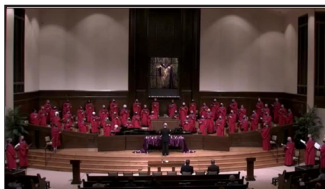
SPRING HILL Baptist Church

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Mobile, Alabama

A worshipping family of believers in Jesus Christ committed to understanding, living and sharing His message of hope for all people.



Check out the NEW and IMPROVED Music Ministry website. Follow the links to find pictures, videos, and information about

opportunities for you to be involved in the Music Ministry of Spring Hill Baptist Church.

<https://shbc.cc/ministries/music-ministry/>

Visit the NEW Spring Hill Singers Channel on YouTube to enjoy sacred selections and share them with your friends. While you are there, SUBSCRIBE so you will receive updates when new videos are posted. We'd love for you to invite your friends to check it out too, so they can find a place where they can be involved.

Use the QR code with the camera on your phone to find our channel OR search for "Spring Hill Singers Channel" on YouTube.



If you are interested in **Secret Church** on April 23, 2021, please email Terry at [trichey@shbc.cc](mailto:trichey@shbc.cc).

*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*  
John 3:16



**Thursday, May 6, 10:15 AM.**

M.A.G.I.C. will visit the Cornerstone Gardens. The owner will be our guide. These gardens are in downtown Mobile, behind the fence on

Government Street, but most people are not aware of their location or their beauty. The gardens are serene and calming. There is no charge to visit Cornerstone, but donations are appreciated.

**Thursday, May 20, 9:15 AM**

M.A.G.I.C. will visit the Semmes Heritage Park. Our tour guides will be telling us about the history behind each of the structures that have been relocated to the park. Picnic tables in the shade will be ready for us to bring your own sack lunch. Bottled water will be provided. Donations are appreciated for the park so they can continue their mission.

**Thursday, June 24, 9:15 AM.**

M.A.G.I.C. will visit the History Museum of Mobile to see two exhibits - "Egyptian Mummies and Eternal Life" and "The History of Mobile in 22 Objects." The admission for these two exhibits is \$8.00 total.

**Make your reservations by emailing Olna at [owoodall@shbc.cc](mailto:owoodall@shbc.cc) or text Olna at (251) 689-7088.**



**Let's continue to protect one another.**

As of April 9, 2021, Governor Ivey allowed the mask mandate for the State of Alabama to expire. However she emphasized personal responsibility and many businesses continue to require masks while indoors.

At Spring Hill Baptist, we will continue to require masks indoors until approximately the end of May. Many are still waiting to receive the complete vaccination. Thank you for your understanding and patience as we keep one another healthy.



## Vacation Bible School 2021!

June 6 - 9, 2021

5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Register Online @ [www.shbc.cc/register](http://www.shbc.cc/register)

### Rescue Mission Ministry

Looking for a way to get involved? Join us as we minister to the men at the Rescue Mission. **Our next ministry date is April 19.** Contact Will, [wright252@aol.com](mailto:wright252@aol.com) for more information.

### Home of Grace for Women

**NOTE NEW TIME 10:45 a.m.**

The Home of Grace ministry team will be sharing a meal and encouragement with the ladies on **April 20**. We will not be staying there due to Covid, but will need you to drop off food to the buses prior to our 10:45 a.m. departure. Please call Janice Butler at 634-1566 to get more information.



### Summer Music at Spring Hill

Summer Music at Spring Hill is a music day camp that allows children to experience music in a variety of age appropriate activities. Each day includes small group and large group learning situations.

- This Year's SMASH: July 19-23, 2021
- Preschool Share Time: Friday, July 23, 1:00
- Grades 1-6 Musical Presentation: Sunday, July 25 at 6:00.
- Cost: \$80 for one child, \$130 for two children per family, \$160 for three or more children per family
- Church members use the code SMASH21 at checkout for 15% off through May 15.
- Register online at [www.shbc.cc/register](http://www.shbc.cc/register).

*Class of 2021*

*Baccalaureate Sunday*

SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021

PARENTS OF GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS, WE NEED YOUR STUDENT'S SENIOR PORTRAIT FOR THE SPECIAL MESSENGER HIGHLIGHTING OUR GRADUATES BY APRIL 21.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT STACEY KUNTZ, [SKUNTZ@SHBC.CC](mailto:SKUNTZ@SHBC.CC) OR 251-342-5320

## UPCOMING STUDENT MINISTRY DATES

April 16-18: Family Ties

May 2: Baccalaureate Sunday

May 14: Youth Grill n' Chill

June 7 - 12: Mission Fuge @ Ridgecrest, NC

### The 2021 - 2022 Spring Hill Baptist Foundation Scholarship Applications

Applications for college and seminary students are now available. All completed applications must be returned to the church or to [bklees@shbc.cc](mailto:bklees@shbc.cc) by Friday, May 7, 2021 at noon. For an application visit [shbc.cc/register](http://shbc.cc/register) or pick up one in the church office. Questions? Contact Beth Klees at [bklees@shbc.cc](mailto:bklees@shbc.cc) or call 251-342-5320.

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The Proposed Bylaws are posted on [www.shbc.cc](http://www.shbc.cc). If you do not have internet access, copies will be available in the Administration Office.

**VOTE ON THE PROPOSAL WITHOUT DISCUSSION**

Sunday, April 25 in both the 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Services

*Coffee, Music & Donuts*

TUESDAY, MAY 4 | 9:00 A.M.  
SHBC ACTIVITIES CENTER LOBBY

with *Special Music*  
presented by:  
Tony Bowers



**THIS WEEK AT SPRING HILL**

Sunday, April 18  
8:45 a.m..... Contemporary Service  
9:45 a.m..... Sunday School  
11:00 a.m..... Traditional Service  
5:00 p.m..... Jr. High Ringers

Monday, April 19  
8:30 a.m..... Waterfront Rescue  
5:30 p.m..... Students: The Guild  
6:00 p.m..... Ladies' Bible Study

Tuesday, April 20  
10:45 a.m..... Home of Grace

Wednesday, April 21  
6:00 p.m..... KidzQuest  
6:00 p.m..... The Workshop: Students  
6:00 p.m..... Adult Bible Study  
6:20 p.m..... Adult Ensemble  
7:00 p.m..... Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 22  
9:15 a.m..... Ladies' Bible Study

Friday, April 23  
6:00 p.m..... Secret Church

Saturday, April 24

**Giving Thanks**

April 11, 2021

**STEWARDSHIP**

Forecast Weekly Needs.....\$63,849.75  
Received Sunday.....\$50,604.15  
Received to Date.....\$953,177.60  
Expenses to Date.....\$761,223.53  
Balance to Date.....\$191,954.07

**ANNIE ARMSTRONG OFFERING**

Goal.....\$20,000.00  
Given to Date.....\$12,783.50

You may give online (shbc.cc), through our app (search *Spring Hill Baptist Mobile AL* in the app store) or mail a check. If you are mailing your gift our address is 2 South McGregor Avenue, 36608.

**SHBCKIDS**

**Family Picnic**

Wednesday, May 26, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Grassy Area by Library

\$10 Per Family / Food Provided



*Welcome New Members*



Michael and Meagan Gates  
by Letter  
Julianne & Gil (not pictured)



Janice Tanner  
Welcome Back

**Church Office 342-5320**

Dr. Rob Jackson ..... Interim Pastor  
Rev. Terry Richey ..... Associate Pastor  
Rev. Randy Grim ..... Minister of Music  
Rev. Josh Karl ..... Student & College Pastor  
Erica Holloway ..... Minister to Children & Families  
Rev. Bill Taylor ..... Asst. Minister of Music  
Gretchen Crane ..... Communications Director  
Denise Marsh ..... Financial Manager  
Debbie Rice ..... Children's Music Coordinator  
Missy Powell ..... Pianist

**Activities Center 342-5375**

Colleen Smith ... Recreation/Activities Coordinator  
Enrique Castillo ..... Recreation Ministry Assistant  
Ashley Johnson ..... Upward Sports Director

**Weekday Preschool Education Office  
342-6044**

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In case of emergency over the weekend,  
you may reach the minister on call  
at 342-5320.

*<sup>5</sup> As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup> "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him.*

*Mark 16:5-6*

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**ON A PERSONAL NOTE...**

Dear Church,

*"The same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow, and every day. Either He will shield you from suffering, or He will give you unfailing strength to bear it..."*

St. Francis de Sales

As I have discovered, ever more readily, over the last few days, one's challenges and focus can change in an instant. Through this relatively brief process, Pat and I have experienced varied emotions. When we first received the news of Pat's pancreatic cancer, we were so numb that we could not even process appropriate questions. As things progressed, friends began to surround us with prayers and texts of support. We asked for prayers that the pathology report would come back benign. That was not the case. Then we asked for wisdom to know the right oncologist to pursue. Wow, little did we know that God would orchestrate such an incredible pathway to our physician and his team. Our physician has connections with our new neighbor and friends of ours everywhere. We have been assured we are in the best hands by so many in the medical field as well as friends.

We understand the road ahead will not be one of ease. None of us are promised that. I know, because over almost forty years I have stood at the bedside of so many of you going through the same types of struggles. You granted me the privilege of being an intercessor and minister. You have allowed me to be of support as well as to cry alongside you when I knew nothing else to do and my heart was hurting for you. Through all the years, you have been our family and continue to be.

For now, I will continue to be in the office as much as possible, and Pat is continuing to work from home when she is able. You and the leadership have allowed me the gift of freedom to be with her when needed, but I will continue to come to the office and work in tandem with the staff as associate pastor and administrator. This is what is best for my mental health as well as Pat's and what is most helpful for the church right now. We have a long-tenured staff that has been through four pastoral transitions and multiple obstacles in the last thirty-plus years. Your confidence in us to lead keeps us wanting to offer our best.

Pat and I have already experienced answered prayers which gives us the assurance of His presence even in the midst of this challenge. Who knows what will come of this time? Of course, we are praying for healing. That is not to be selfish, but it is our desire. How God will use this in our lives and our church remains to be seen. But ultimately, our desire is that through this, our family, our friends, our church and our acquaintances will learn to trust and follow our Christ more and more. Sometimes it is difficult to remember that He loves us and ultimately is working for our good.

Now understand, in all that I have just expressed there are and will be days I will not have this sentiment, for I am human. There will be days of fear, anger and question. Yet, ultimately, I know I am not in control, and there will be no recourse in the end but to trust.

Pray for healing. Pray for strength and courage. Pray for God's presence, and pray that you too will learn to lean on Christ as we move forward.

Grateful to call you family,  
Terry and Pat