

Pastor's Heart



Our journey in the Minor Prophets takes us to the Prophet Joel this week. A short work of only three chapters, Joel has some of the most dramatic descriptions in all of the scriptures, really in all of literature.

Of course this is more, far more, than just literature and descriptive writing. This is the word of God to us. It speaks powerfully of consequences and just as powerfully of redemption.

Quoted often in the New Testament, Joel gives us the promise of Pentecost and coming of the Spirit's power. It is in Joel that we first read the wonderful words "and whoever will call upon the name of the Lord will be saved."

Joel pictures locust as horses and invading armies as locust swarming over the walls. But Joel also offers God's wonderful word of redemption, of restoration of lost lives and lost years. Joel is a great work of grace.

I excitedly bring you these words of hope and help. Those who enter into a real and growing relationship with Jesus have everything to look forward to -- in this life and the next. Oh, that we would finally come to enjoy the fullness and abundance of God's grace. Come, come to the river of life. Come and be filled. Come and be restored.

See you in Worship,
Pastor Randy

Orchestra honors 9/11

The FBC Orchestra is preparing a special arrangement in memory of all those who perished on September 11, 2001. Next Sunday, September 13, the orchestra will play "Flight of Valor" by James Swearingen. Based on the well-known hymn "It Is Well with My Soul," this piece is dedicated to the heroes of United Flight 93 who tragically lost their lives when the plane crashed in rural Pennsylvania.



The origins of "It Is Well with My Soul" are also found in tragedy. Horatio Spafford wrote the hymn in 1873 after losing his four daughters in a shipwreck off the coast of Newfoundland. He penned the poem "It Is Well" while sailing near the site of the tragedy. He later joined his grieving wife, Anna, who was one of the few survivors of the wreck. Unfortunately, the Spaffords had lost their only son two years earlier.

It is with a profound sense of devotion that the FBC Orchestra has prepared "Flight of Valor" for both morning worship services this Sun-

The origins of "It Is Well with My

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Mission Opportunities

Outreach
Sunday, September 13 & Sunday, September 27
4:30 p.m.
Bring your visiting team with you to the church. We will pray and proceed to visit your prospects or we will assign you some.

Prayer
Remember your commitment to pray daily for:
1) Strength and healing for our marriages
2) Our pastor and for power in the pulpit
3) Revival (humility, heart, health)

Stewardship Verse
God uses money to enable us to give to others.
"Instruct those who are rich in this present world...to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share."
1 Timothy 6:17-18

Church staff
Randall L. Adkisson, Ph.D, *Senior Pastor*
Mike Head, *Associate Pastor of Administration*
Jonathan Nelms, DWS, *Associate Pastor for Music*
Charlie Hutchinson, *Associate Pastor of Pastoral Care & Senior Adults*
Bill Stone, *Associate Pastor of Youth & Collegiates*
Steve Farris, D.Min., *Assistant Pastor for Outreach, Adult Education and Missions*
Ann Hertzfeldt, *Director of Preschool & Children's Ministries*



MORNING SERVICE OF WORSHIP
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2009
8:15 & 10:45 A.M.

Worship/Children: For your comfort and that of others, children is provided for children under the age of four. Children 4 years old thru kindergarten may attend children's church in room 252. An usher will be glad to direct you to the childcare ministry located on the second floor.

**If you are able, please stand as indicated. Hymn numbers are provided for songs found in The Baptist Hymnal.*

WE ENTER TO WORSHIP

Greeting	Ruth 2:4	Dr. Jonathan Nelms
Prelude	"How Firm a Foundation" Remnant	arr. Coates
Words of Welcome		Dr. Randall Adkisson
*Gathering Song	"Sing to the King" Joel 2:1	Foote Dr. Nelms
*Scripture Reading	"How Great Is Our God" Joel 2:11	Tomlin/Reeves/Cash Dr. Nelms
*Song of Adoration	"How Great Thou Art" O STORE GUD	
*Scripture Reading	Joel 2:12-13	Dr. Nelms
*Hymn of Adoration 10	"Just As I Am" arr. Coates	
Scripture Reading		
Hymn of Repentance 307		
Ordinance of Believer's Baptism (10:45)		
*Pastoral Prayer		Dr. Adkisson
Message in Song	"Touching Him" George Hibbs	Boltz

WE RECEIVE THE WORD

Sermon	"Maybe The Best Stuff Ever Heard" Joel 2:25	Dr. Adkisson
*Commitment Hymn 60	"Be Thou My Vision"	arr. Cottrell

WE RESPOND WITH THANKSGIVING

Offertory Prayer	Chris Wilson (8:15) Ted Jernigan (10:45)	
Worship with Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory Music	"By Our Love" Remnant	Nockles
*Presentation of Offering		
*Doxology 253	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD 100TH	

WE DEPART TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*Statements of Affirmation	
*Departing Song	"How Great Is Our God" refrain only
*Postlude	Instrumentalists

SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM

No Evening Service

Due to the Labor Day Holiday, no services or activities will be held at First Baptist Church tonight. Please use this time in fellowship and devotion with family and friends.

The morning worship service will be rebroadcast at 7:00 PM on Cable Channel 7.

News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Don Williams - Chief Deacon
Jack Mattson
Bronn Rayne
Howard Stephenson
7 p.m. Phone Duty: Jack Mattson

Wednesday Dinner - 09/09

Pinto beans/hot dogs for kids, slaw, potato circles, corn bread, dessert

Wednesday Volunteers - 09/09

5:00 p.m. - Mr. & Mrs. Richard Newman, Pam Vasseur, Richard Cashion

5:45 p.m. - Donnie King, Stella Dukes, Marta Sliger

Extended Session - 09/06

Bed Babies - Holly Turbeville, Jenny Kinser

Creepers/Toddlers - Stephanie Manhart, Brian Smith

2's - Ken Peterson, Kim Groves

3's - Tracy & Bedelia Russell

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$23,962.58
Difference from Goal	-\$4,776.07
Total Designated Gifts	\$760.00
Total Gifts this Week	\$24,722.58
Budget Goal to Date	\$258,647.88
Budget Gifts to Date	\$268,395.01
Difference from Goal	+\$9,747.13
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$235,861.44
Increase from Prior Year	\$32,533.57
Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date	\$6,614.00
Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts	\$2,726,649.48

Sunday School Attendance

August 30, 2009

General Officers	3
Preschool	65
Children	70
Youth	62
Adults	372
Total	572

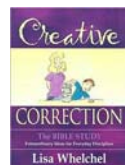
Friend Day update

Kudos to Kim Emrlich's 9th-10th grade girls class, Steve Sharpe's couples class and the college class for bringing the most friends to Sunday school for Friend Day last Sunday! Please continue to pray for those in your Circle of Influence. Thom Rainer, President of Lifeway, says statistics show that 80 percent of unchurched people would come to church if invited by someone they know.

Church Picnic - August 16



Bulletin Board



PARENT STUDY

Creative Correction

Wednesdays, starting September 9
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Old Chapel

Amanda Keeton will lead the study. Call the church office to sign up. For more information call Amanda at 525-1711.

CHILDREN

Choirchimes

Begins Wednesday, September 9

4:15 p.m.

Room 252

Children in 3rd-6th grade are invited to ring with the choirchimes. Choirchimes are musical instruments that are played like handbells.

CHILDREN

Bible Drill

Begins Sunday, September 13

5:00 p.m.

1st-3rd grade in Room 329; 4th-6th grade in Room 324
Bible Buddies is a two-year program designed to help 1st-3rd graders learn Bible skills in a fun, non-competitive format. Children's Bible Drill helps 4th-6th graders increase their knowledge of the Bible and develop skills in effectively using the Bible.

BIBLE STUDY

Anointed, Transformed and Redeemed:

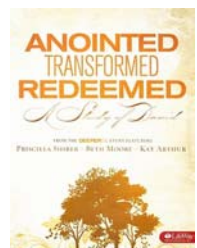
A Study of David

Featuring Pricilla Shirer, Beth Moore and Kay Arthur
Sundays, beginning September 13

4:30 p.m.

Room 177

Lisa Hammons will facilitate this six-week study. Buy your book at Lifeway.



Orchestra

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day. Minister of Music Jonathan Nelms calls this a courageous piece of music. He observes, "This orchestral arrangement poignantly conveys the turmoil and the heroism of 9/11. The music builds to a

tumultuous climax, and then there is sudden silence. And out of the silence we hear the hope expressed in 'It is well with my soul.'"

The FBC Orchestra will not rehearse today, but regularly rehearses on Sundays at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Parts for all band and orchestra instruments are available. All instrumentalists with at least high school experience are welcome to play. Contact Jonathan for more information.

Weekly Activities

Sunday, Sept. 6

8:15 A.M. First Worship
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:45 A.M. Second Worship
6:00 P.M. FAMILY NIGHT
No Evening Service

Monday, Sept. 7

OFFICE & FLC CLOSED
5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble

Tuesday, Sept. 8

8:45 A.M. MDO
11:00 A.M. TTU Religious Fair
6:15 P.M. Volleyball - FBC Green

Wednesday, Sept. 9

3:00 P.M. FLC Open
3:30 P.M. Study Hall
4:15 P.M. Choir Chimes Begins
5:00 P.M. Supper Line Opens

Children's Choir
Chi Rho Yth Choir
Youth on Mission

6:00 P.M. Fireproof Study
6:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting

Sanctuary Choir
Missions Groups

Colligate Bible Study
Youth Worship/
Bible Study

Parent Study - Old Chapel

7:00 P.M. Orchestra Rehearsal - Sanctuary

7:30 P.M. FLC Open until 8:00

Thursday, Sept. 10

9:30 A.M. CBS
10:00 A.M. Happy Tones Reh

11:00 A.M. BCM Soul Food Caf e
6:15 P.M. Youth Volleyball - FBC Green

Friday, Sept. 11

8:45 A.M. MDO
9:30 A.M. Fun Friday

Saturday, Sept. 12

Sunday, Sept. 13

8:15 A.M. First Worship
9:30 A.M. Sunday School

10:45 A.M. BCM Breakfast
12:00 P.M. Senior Adult Lunch

4:00 P.M. Orchestra
4:30 P.M. Anointed, Transf, Redeemed #177

5:00 P.M. Bible Buddies
6:00 P.M. Children's Bible Drill

Evening Worship

To add prayer requests please call the church or visit our web page at www.fbccookeville.org.

Newly elected deacons



Carl Johnson



Jacob Ramsaur



Steve Sharpe



Wade Raines

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