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FIRST CHRONICLES

Chronicing the life of the First Baptist Family

Pastor's Heart



I know you appreciate, as I do, the hard work and wonderful presentation by our choir and orchestra last week. God was gracious and spoke to us through His word sung.

Thank you to all who had a part in the presentation: its sound, lighting, singing, playing and directing. Great job. Wonderful worship.

This week we are preparing for the celebration of the resurrection. Children will process and sing loud hosannas. There will be mid-week services each day at First Presbyterian, with Jonathan and Glenda leading in music on Tuesday and myself preaching at noon on Wednesday. You will remember that these services last 30 minutes followed by a meal prepared and served to raise money for local benevolence. Our WMU will also be preparing the meal for the Wednesday service.

Join us to prepare your heart and fill your stomach. It will also fill your soul with good fellowship with believers from around our city.

On Thursday at First Baptist we will be having special Maundy Thursday worship. There are two opportunities for reflection and prayer: one at 6:00 p.m. and the other at 7:00 p.m. I encourage your attendance at either or both.

Then invite someone to join you for Easter's Celebration of the Resurrection.

Don Pierson, who leads Tennessee Baptist in Prayer Strategies, was with us last week for a men's breakfast on Wednesday morning and then for prayer meeting on Wednesday evening. Don is always challenging. In fact, Steve Farris says he has a ministry of 'disturbance.' He comes in and disturbs your complacency.

Don mentioned that as a director of missions he often asked churches what would be the one prayer request (primary prayer request) for their church. It is a good question for us. If we look at our church and then ask God for one special thing this year, what should it be?

Let's pray and talk about it. Would we ask for more souls to be saved? Would we ask for a deeper walk in discipleship? Perhaps we would think the most important thing for this year would be to ask for new carpet? (NOT!)

Over the next weeks, let's figure out what that one priority would be and then pray, together, all year for it.

Deacons, let's talk about it at our next meeting. Teachers, discuss it in your classes. Then let's pray.

See you in Worship,
Pastor Randy



Church goal:
\$14,000



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, APRIL 17, 2011
10:00 A.M.
TELEVISION REPLAY AT 10:45 A.M.

Worship/Children: For your comfort and that of others, childcare is provided for children under the age of four. Children 4 years old thru kindergarten may attend children's church in room 232. 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.

Please note that numbers are included for all hymns found in *The Baptist Hymnal*.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP THE KING

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| Welcome and Fellowship | Dr. Randall Adkisson |
| *Fellowship Chorus 127 "The King of Glory Comes" | PROMISED ONE |
| The Story Begins | Matthew 21:1-6 Dr. Jonathan Nelms |
| Anthem of Praise "Ain't No Rock Gonna' Shout for Me" | Williams/Larson |
| | Based on Luke 19:38-40 |
| | Sanctuary Choir |
| The Story Continues | Matthew 21:7-11 Dr. Nelms |
| *Processional Hymn 130 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" | WEBB |
| Message in Song | "That First Easter Day" |
| | Music Time Older Preschool Choir |
| | Kaye Stringer, director |
| Testimony of Prayer Ministry | Steve Law |
| *Pastoral Prayer | Dr. Adkisson |
| *Song of Praise | "Sing to the King" |
| | Foote/Horne |
| WE CELEBRATE THE WORD MADE FLESH | |
| Sermon | "That Much?" |
| | Mark 2:1-12 Dr. Adkisson |
| *Song of Commitment | "Do You Really Care?" |
| | CATES |
| WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS | |
| Offertory Prayer | Don Williams |
| Worship with Tithes and Offerings | |

Offertory Music "For the Beauty of the Earth" Frizzell

Praise Ringers
Todd Arnold, director

*Presentation of Offering

*Doxology "Lord, We Bring Our Gifts to Praise Thee" ODE TO JOY

Sharing of Spiritual Decisions

WE DEPART TO SERVE IN HIS NAME

*Benediction Dr. Adkisson

*Departing Chorus "Do You Really Care?" CATES

*Postlude Instrumentalists

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are in honor of Jack and Peggy Mattson who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary given by Mark Mattson and family and Kristi Jared and family.

SUNDAY EVENING - 6:00 PM
TELEVISION REPLAY AT 7:00 P.M.

Prelude "Shall We Gather at the River" arr. Balderston

Heart Strings Harp Ensemble, Pat Butler, director
with Deborah Baranowski, bass and Cheryl Carlson, cello

Welcome and Fellowship Dr. Randall Adkisson

*Hymn of Testimony 135 "Nothing But the Blood" PLAINFIELD

Instrumental Meditation on 1 John 1:7-10 Todd Arnold

Hymn of Confession 142 "There Is a Fountain" Cowper

Hymn of Victory "The Power of the Cross" Gety/Townend

Sermon "The Power of the Cross" Dr. Adkisson

*Hymn of Commitment 302 "I Hear Thy Welcome Voice" Hartsough

Offertory Prayer Randall Ramsey

Musical Offering "What Wondrous Love Is This" arr. Schermer

Heart Strings Harp Ensemble, Pat Butler, director
with Deborah Baranowski, bass and Cheryl Carlson, cello

Benediction Dr. Adkisson

*Postlude Instrumentalists

News Highlights

Deacons of the Week

Larry Taylor - Chief Deacon
Gordon Vasseur
Bronn Rayne
Farrell Cox

10:45 a.m. Phone Duty: Randall Ramsey

7 p.m. Phone Duty: Tim Collins

Wednesday Dinner - 04/20

Ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, rolls, dessert

Wednesday Volunteers - 04/20

5:00 p.m. - Mr. & Mrs. Doug Winford, Arleda Hunter, Don Williams

5:45 p.m. - Barbara Clouse, Debbie Bates, Linda Law, Steve Law

Extended Session - 04/17

Bed Babies - Amanda Miller, Brenda Spain

Creepers/Toddlers - Chris & Debbie Winningham

2's - Faye McCaleb, Shellie Warren

3's - Mike & Kelli Isabell

Budget

Budget Goal per Week	\$28,738.65
Budget Gifts this Week	\$30,141.40
Difference from Goal	+\$1,402.75
Total Designated Gifts	\$1,132.01
Total Gifts this Week	\$31,273.41
Budget Goal to Date	\$1,178,284.81
Budget Gifts to Date	\$1,157,239.17
Difference from Goal	-\$21,045.64
Budget Gifts to Date Last Year	\$1,163,823.38

Decrease from Prior Year \$6,584.21

Higher, Greater, Together Year to Date \$38,347.35

Higher, Greater, Together Total Gifts \$2,803,641.58

Sunday School Attendance

April 10, 2010

General Officers	4
Preschool	47
Children	58
Youth	45
Adults	364
Total	518

Holy Week Worship Opportunities

Holy Week begins today, April 17, with Palm Sunday and concludes with Easter. Throughout this week there are unique opportunities for worship. In addition to great music, powerful preaching, and meaningful symbols, our Holy Week services at First Baptist will incorporate dramatic vignettes that retell the Biblical story of the following events.

Palm Sunday, April 17. Today we remember Jesus' triumphal final entry into Jerusalem through music and scripture readings. The older preschool choir will lead a procession with palms in hand and sing a song about the resurrection. The Sanctuary Choir is singing a setting of Luke 19:38-40 and the handbells will play in the morning service. The harp ensemble will be playing in the evening service which will include songs remembering the cross of Christ.



Palm Sunday

Holy Week Noonday Services. The Cookeville Ministerial Alliance is holding daily worship services at First Presbyterian Church, Monday through Friday. These 30 minute services begin at noon. First Baptist will be providing the music on Tuesday and Bro. Randy will be preaching on Wednesday. A light lunch is served following the service each day for a nominal fee which benefits the local charity Helping Hands. The First Baptist WMU will be preparing the meal on Wednesday.

Maundy Thursday, April 21. Two very interesting services will be held this Thursday evening. Our annual footwashing service will begin at 6:00 p.m. The footwashing is a very moving expression of ministry to one another and devotion to our Lord. Participants are asked to bring a towel. Fresh water scented with myrrh will be available for this quiet, family-friendly service.



The Maundy Thursday Lord's Supper Service will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday. This somber service commemorates Jesus' last supper with his disciples through an observance of the Lord's Supper, reading, and singing.

Easter Sunday, April 24. The morning worship service will celebrate the glory of our Lord's resurrection. The Sanctuary Choir, FBC Orchestra, and Luminesce Creative Arts Team will be participating in the worship service, which will conclude with Handel's triumphant "Hallelujah Chorus."

This week is truly the pinnacle of the church year. Every service listed above will heighten your spiritual walk with the Lord. All of these services are family friendly and we encourage parents to share them with their children. The symbols of our faith will come alive as we worship together throughout the week. I hope you can join us.

- Jonathan Nelms

Easter Lilies to Decorate the Sanctuary

It is time to order lilies to place in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. The deadline to order is **Monday, April 18**. The cost is \$8.50. To place your order, please fill out this form and place in the offering plate.

Name _____

Number of lilies ordered: _____

In memory of _____

OR

In honor of _____



Bulletin Board



WOMEN

WMU Night Bible Study

Monday, April 18 @ 5:30 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Join us for this time of Bible study and fellowship.



Please Pray For:



QUARTERLY MEETING

PRAYER

Noon Day Prayer begins

Monday, April 18 through Friday, April 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. the chapel will be open. Prayer walls will be set up and people are encouraged to come and pray for our neighbors and loved ones.

MEETING

Quarterly Business Meeting

Wednesday, April 20 @ 6:30 p.m. in Chapel

Agenda: Recommendation of change to Deacon Manual brought by the Deacon Nominating Committee. Elect messengers to SBC.



Egg Hunt for Kids

PRESCHOOL/CHILDREN

Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 23 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Children two years old through sixth grade are invited to this special egg hunt where we'll celebrate Easter. Bring a friend. Plastic candy-filled eggs or plastic eggs and bags of candy are needed for this hunt. Please bring eggs and/or candy to the church office or put it in one of the boxes in the Central Lobby.



YOUTH

Youth Treasure Hunt

Saturday, April 23 from 1-3 p.m.

Youth will begin an exciting treasure hunt in the Fellowship Hall and go throughout the community. Prizes will be awarded. Invite an unchurched friend to join you. At the end of the hunt, the Gospel will be presented. Enjoy fun, food and fellowship!



STUDENTS

Scholarships

Pick up a college scholarship form in the church office. Forms must be returned to the church office by April 29.

Free Deacon Sponsored Church wide Breakfast

Easter Sunday, April 24

7:00-8:30 a.m.

For reservations, place this form in the offering plate or call the church office at 526-7108. Deadline for reservations is April 20. **The serving line will close at 8:30 a.m.**

Name _____

Number of adults: _____

Number of children: _____

Weekly Activities

Sunday, April 17

8:45 A.M. Sunday School
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
11:30 A.M. Ruth Anna Banquet
4:00 P.M. Handbells
5:15 P.M. Yth. Exper. God Study
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

Monday, April 18

9:00 A.M. Chapel open for prayer
5:30 P.M. WOM Night Bible Study
6:00 P.M. Collegiate Experience God Study
6:00 P.M. FBC Co-ed Softball @ Cane Creek

Tuesday, April 19

8:45 A.M. MDO
9:00 A.M. Chapel open for prayer
5:00 P.M. Harp Ensemble

Wednesday, April 20

9:00 A.M. Chapel open for prayer
3:00 P.M. Open Gym
3:30 P.M. Study Hall
4:00 P.M. Luminesce
4:15 P.M. Children's Choir Chimes
5:00 P.M. Supper Line Opens Children's Choirs
Chi Rho Yth Choir
Youth on Mission

5:30 P.M. Stewardship Mtg. #175
Townsend Mtg. #177

6:30 P.M. Quarterly Bus. Mtg. Sanctuary Choir
Yth. Worship/Bible Study
Children's Missions
Parents Bible Study

7:30 P.M. Gym open until 8:00
8:30 P.M. Men's Basketball

Thursday, April 21

9:00 A.M. Chapel open for prayer
9:30 A.M. CBS
10:00 A.M. Happy Tones
6:00 P.M. Footwashing Service
7:00 P.M. Communion Service

Friday, April 22

OFFICE/FLC CLOSED
6:00 P.M. Senior Adult Fish Fry/Drama FH

Saturday, April 23

10:00 A.M. Presch/Child Egg Hunt
Dogwood Park
1:00 P.M. Yth/Col. Treasure Hunt
FH/FLC

Sunday, April 24

7:00 A.M. Churchwide Breakfast
8:45 A.M. Sunday School
Easter Drama/Young Adult & Med. Adult-FH
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship
6:00 P.M. FAMILY NIGHT
No Service



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