

First Baptist Church of Knoxville Life of the Church

February 11, 2015



REDEMPTION...A Journey through Matthew's Gospel

This week's reading calls us to Matthew 17-18. You can find the video and the discussion questions at <http://www.fbcknox.org/redemption/>. Let me encourage you to make the time to read along with us so that this great gospel might have the greatest opportunity to speak into your life.



This week's message is entitled, "**Transfiguration**" and emerges from **Matthew 17:1-14**. The Church calendar will tell us that this is Transfiguration Sunday. We will join others across the globe looking at this powerful passage where we find that in Jesus, we see the fulfillment of the law and the prophets. The pronouncement of the pleasure of the Father again echoes from heaven with a clear command to listen to Jesus. Transfiguration calls us to see the wholeness of Jesus' teaching that wraps together law, prophets, and gospel in a way that lets us get a glimpse of the holiness of God. This will be an invitation to relish in the presence of God and then to come down off the mountain to live as the redeemed.

Under Construction

You may have noticed some unusual sights and sounds around the building. Over the next few weeks, the Facilities Committee will be implementing several projects to repair and upgrade our facility. You will see several projects at once as the Committee works to ensure safety and provide a comfortable venue for all the wonderful things that God is doing at First Baptist. Thank you Facilities Committee for making our buildings better places for worship and service that will last for years to come. In the meantime, please excuse any mess you may occasionally encounter.



FBC Concert Series The American Spiritual Ensemble

Sunday, February 15, 6 pm

We are so excited to announce that the American Spiritual Ensemble will not only be in concert with us on Sunday evening, but will also sing four pieces as a part of the 11 am Worship Service on Sunday morning. This group is highly respected in the musical world and will bring us songs born in faith and struggle. This will be a highlight event for our church year. You will not want to miss either Sunday morning or the concert Sunday night. It will be a day to remember. The American Spiritual Ensemble is a critically-acclaimed professional group composed of some of the finest vocalists in the classical music world. They are champions preserving and performing classical spirituals. This concert is a gift to our community so no tickets are required. Come and bring your friends for what will be a phenomenal night of music. To learn more about this ensemble, visit their website at <http://www.americanspiritualensemble.com/>.



Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, February 18, 6 pm

We invite you to join us this Wednesday evening in the Sanctuary for a worship service of reflection and repentance as we begin our Lenten journey together. The Ash Wednesday service will use the meaningful symbol of ashes to powerfully draw us face to face with the reality of our own mortality and our need for Jesus. This service is the first step in a journey of preparation that brings us to the cross of Good Friday and ultimately to the empty grave of Easter. Make plans to join us!

"Do Not Pass Go - Come Straight to Trentham Hall"

Thursday, February 26, 12:30 pm

The Senior Adult Council invites you to join us for a fun afternoon of board games and activities. We will enjoy popcorn and snacks while playing our favorite games with our favorite people. Come join us!



"Finding Balance for Our Children in an Unbalanced World" with Dr. Ivy Beckwith

Sunday, March 1, 4:30 – 7 pm, Trentham Hall

Ivy has taught and shared with parents and children's ministry volunteers for more than 26 years. She has worked in the Christian publishing industry as a church consultant on volunteer ministries, children's volunteers training programs, and curriculum development. Ivy holds a BA in English, a Master's of Religious Education, and a PhD in Religious Education. She has served churches in both the Midwest and on the East Coast in various educational positions. Topics include:

- Balancing the spiritual formation with the "extras" of family life
- Leaving a "Spiritual Legacy": Passing faith on to our children



Parents, grandparents, children's ministry volunteers, and anyone with an investment in the life of a child are invited to come be a part of this time of listening, sharing, and growing together. Childcare will be available and a light snack will be served. For more information or to RSVP for childcare, contact Susan Tatum at statum@fbcknox.org.

Senior Adult Trip to Washington, D.C.

April 26 - May 1

The Golden Notes invite you to join them on a trip to Washington, D.C. for some fun. You don't have to sing with the group to enjoy the trip. Come enjoy the sights and the fellowship. For more details and to sign up for the trip, contact Steve Foster at stevef_pattif@yahoo.com or (865) 803-5438, or Kim Pieratt at kpieratt@fbcknox.org or (865) 246-4655.



Please Pray for FBC's Deaf Ministry

There has been an invitation mailed to all involved in our congregation's deaf ministry inviting them to have a conversation with Tom and one another about their future. Participation in this ministry has continued to decline, and we have come to a moment where new steps must be taken to help stabilize and grow this valued ministry. At this point there is no longer a deaf Sunday school class, but instead, the group has blended Sunday School and worship into a single event that occurs in the Chapel on Sunday mornings. Attendance now runs fewer than 20. Please pray for everyone that will be a part of this meeting. Pray that God will provide calm hearts and a clear vision of where we go from here.

Attendance – February 8

Sunday School	347
First Community	77
11:00 am	382
Deaf	16
Passage	13
Worship Total	488

2015 Giving – February 8

*Weekly Total	\$34,108.99
*MTD Total	\$88,594.40
Monthly Unified Budget	\$178,056.92
*YTD Total	\$216,360.88
YTD Expenses	\$255,445.98
YTD Unified Budget	\$248,540.35

*This includes regular as well as designated giving



Menus – February 18

Bridge
Beverly's White Chicken Chili,
Tortilla Strips, Green Veggie,
Cornbread Salad, Salad,
Rolls, Desserts

Wednesday Supper
Chicken or Beef Patti Melt, Ranch
Potatoes, Brussel Sprouts, Steamed
Carrots, Salad, Rolls, Desserts

Kid Hut Cafe
Chicken Nuggets, Fries,
Green Veggie, Fruit, Rolls

Sanctuary Flowers for February 15

Flowers are given in loving memory
of **Ella D. Gaut** by her family.

Minister On Call
(865) 546-9661
Press 9

In Service - Week of February 15

First Community Hospitality
Dianne & Don Rairdon

First Community Greeters
Ethel Powell, John & Lanita Rorrer

Welcome Center Greeters
Barbara Frei, Dent Young

Preschool Extended Care
Tasha Wassom, Susan Hunt
Monitor: Larry Wassom

TV Ministry Team
Ned Russell, Judy Cox,
Sarah Bittle, Brad Bittle,
Marion Carter, Reba Green,
Seva Ball

Hospital Ministry Team
Ned & Judy Russell

New Member Ministry
Scott Moore, Reggie Keaton

Outreach Deacon
Susan Higdon

TeleCare Ministry
Dianne Rairdon



PRAYER LIST for Wednesday - 2/12/2015

CHURCH FAMILY

HOSPITAL

Edith Jennings, Phys Reg 072

DISCHARGED

Mary "Missy" Burkhart
Jo Cochran

RECENTLY MOVED

Charles Cavalaris, West Hills Health & Rehab 236
Jon Burnett, Arbor Terrace 309
Virginia "Penny" d'Armand, Elmcroft West 253

OTHER REQUESTS

Carolyn Nelson Ruthie Johnson
Bob Breazeale Bill Brewer, chemotherapy
Bob Neff, back surgery 2/18 UT
Pam Henry, shoulder repl Margaret Bowling, health issues

IN MEMORIAM

William V. "Bill" Davis December 5, 1934 – February 8, 2015
Date Joined: September 10, 1967

NURSING HOME / RETIREMENT HOME OF THE WEEK

Shannondale Assisted Living Center 7350 Middlebrook Pike
(37909)
Emily Dempster Room 216W Evelyn Carmichael Room 108

FRIENDS AND FAMILIES

HOSPITAL

Doris Derden, LeConte Medical Center 347 – Jama Reischling's mother

OUT OF TOWN HOSPITAL

Lara AnnaBeth Runyon (6 months/heart surgery), Vanderbilt
Children's – friend of Karrie Smiddy
Patti Nilsen, Allegiance Hospital, Jackson, MI - Wanda Edmondson's sister

OTHER PRAYER REQUESTS

Ed Humphreys, brain surgery recovery (CA) – Frances Rio's son
Doris Derden, Jama Reischling's mother – cancer diagnosis and decisions
Matthew Stephens, Houston, TX, cancer treatments – friend of Diane Robinette
Jim Boswell, cancer – Wade Boswell's brother
Friend of Bill and Bobbie Christenberry battling cancer
Jimmy Williams, cancer – Beth Ogburn's brother

Daryl Reagan, recovery/radiation/chemo– friend of Rhonda Ward
J. E. Keaton, hip surgery recovery – Reggie Keaton's father
Scott Long, cancer treatment – son of Raymond & Patsy Long/
friend of Joe and Betty Chandler

Patsy Long, heart issues – friends of Joe and Betty Chandler
Mary Sue Huffaker, cancer diagnosis – friend of Mary Ann Dent
Jesse Phillips – grandson of Barbara & Rusty Phillips and Sylvia Williams

Harold Kemp - dementia; Anne Kemp, Dianna Mercier & Kenny Kemp, caregivers – Dianna Mercier's parents
Lyn Kells, aggressive breast cancer/salvation (NH) – Sallie Keaton's friend

Jennifer Strevel, cancer throughout body – friend of Virginia Griffin
Marilou, cancer – Patsy Belle's sister
Kristi Sebring, kidney failure – Wayne and Ellie Smith's daughter
Carlton Cooper (VA), hospice – Dianne Forry's brother-in-law
Jim, final stages of ALS and his wife Jonnie – friends of Becky Frye

Ann Rader, cancer – friend of Sandy Hope
David Pice, multiple myeloma – friend of Barbara & Rusty Phillips
Mary Anna Rhodes, kidney failure – Ed Souther's sister (NC)
Ida Mae Huff, recurring cancer, chemotherapy - Sylvia Williams' daughter / Tina Wright's niece
Clark Turner (KY), multiple health issues – Sandy Hope's brother

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Paul Kirby, US Navy – Donna Kirby's son

MINISTRY PRAYER REQUESTS

The Leaders of our Country, our City and our Church, The Un-churched & Missing, our Minister of Missions search process, and our Music Minister Search Committee:

Bill Brewer, Chair	Jaynie Moore
Patrick Carmichael	Steve King
Emily Plemmons	Ruth Fuson
Chris Brock	Laura Beth Winder
Joe Easterly	Mary Ann Dent, Personnel Chair
Tom Ogburn, Staff	

Children's Ministry SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, March 29

Eggstravaganza, Family Event, 12- 2 pm

Friday, April 10 – Saturday, April 11

Sleep with the Sharks, Ripley's Aquarium of the Smokies, Grades 1-5

Wednesday, May 6

Children's Choirs Spring Concert (all choirs), 6 pm

Wednesday, May 13

Children's Missions Recognition, 6 pm

Wednesday, June 10 – Saturday, June 13

Kids Camp, Grades 3-5

Monday, June 22 – Friday, June 26

VBS, ages 3 years – 5th grade