

First Baptist Church of Knoxville Life of the Church

February 25, 2015



REDEMPTION...A Journey through Matthew's Gospel

This week's reading calls us to Matthew 21. 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 fullest opportunity to speak into your life.

This week's sermon is entitled, "Into the Streets," and emerges from **Matthew 21:1-11**. It is the traditional Palm Sunday passage that comes to us earlier this year so that we may continue our journey through Matthew's gospel and experience the whole of the story that carries us into the streets of Jerusalem with Jesus. This passage provides a powerful context to look at the expectations others heap upon Jesus and the powerful imagery that tells us Jesus was up to something very different than they planned. It is a great opportunity for us to examine our own expectations of God and deal with the reality that God's plans and our plans - that God's ways and our ways - are often very different. What do we miss from God when we come loaded with our own expectations rather than seeking his plans?



Downtown Lenten Lunches, Wednesdays, 12 Noon

You are invited to join us during the lunch hour on Wednesdays throughout the Lenten season as we join with other congregations around downtown for times of ecumenical worship and reflection followed by a light lunch. Donations will be accepted to cover the cost of lunch. The worship and lunches will be hosted by downtown churches on the following schedule:

- 3/4 - Church Street United Methodist Church
- 3/11 - St. John's Episcopal Cathedral
- 3/18 - First Baptist Church
- 3/25 - First Presbyterian Church

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

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

A poster hangs in our hallways that you have likely walked past, but may not have noticed. Susan Tatum has arranged for a rare and special opportunity for our church family. It is an opportunity to hear from and engage with one of the leading voices in Children's Ministry. At first glance you may have thought this event was set just for parents, but I want to make sure you know that it is for anyone that has a child, a grandchild, a niece or nephew, or is a volunteer with children. If there is a child in your life, this is for you! If you would like to attend, please let Susan know so that she can make all of the appropriate arrangements at statum@fbcknox.org.



Women On Mission (WOM)

Tuesday, March 3, 2015

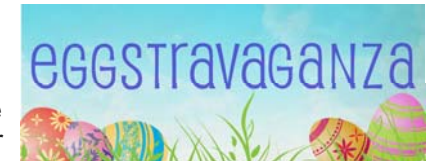
WOM will meet at 10 am in Adult 5 for mission study. Next, we will have our monthly meeting and mission program in Adult 6 at 11 am. Our speakers this month are Grace and Jess Enoch who will talk about their work in India. Lunch (\$6) will be served in Trentham Hall following the program. Childcare is available by reservation. Please contact statum@fbcknox.org by March 1 if you would like childcare during WOM.



It's Eggstravaganza Time Again!

Sunday, March 29

We are making some big changes and trying some new ideas this year, so take note! This year's date is **SUNDAY, MARCH 29** and this time is going to be a church-wide event for everyone! We will have barbeque out on the front lawn after the morning service, move inside to the Sanctuary for an Easter drama, and end with our annual Easter Egg Hunt on the lawn of the City-County Building. We will also have inflatables, crafts, games, and more! We want to celebrate the season of Easter and new life together as a church family, so mark your calendars and plan to join us! Watch for more details in next week's Life of the Church.



Eggstravaganza also means we will need lots of candy to fill several thousand plastic eggs! We ask that you help us by bringing in bags of pre-wrapped candy. The candy should be able to fit inside a small plastic egg and contain no nuts or peanut butter. You may leave them in the baskets in the halls beginning THIS SUNDAY! We are excited that our entire church family will be participating this year! To volunteer to help that afternoon, email Susan at statum@fbcknox.org.

You're Invited | Veritas Forum on Genesis

Monday, March 10, 7 pm; University Center Ballroom; Free!

Veritas, an academic forum and ministry of InterVarsity, will be hosting a conversation on the book of Genesis. Dr. John Walton (Wheaton College Dept. of Biblical Studies) will discuss the origins of the Old Testament as a written text from an oral culture, and ideas about the authority of Scripture, with Dr. Erin Darby (UT Dept. of Religious Studies). Dr. Walton will also present a workshop on interpreting Genesis 1 and 2 in its context on Tuesday March 10 in the Hodges Library Auditorium at 7 pm. You can find more information at <http://veritas.org/campuses/university-tennessee/>

Senior Adult Trip to Washington, D.C.

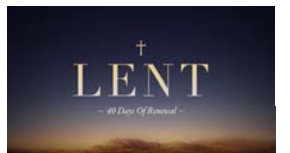
April 26 - May 1

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.



Lenten Devotional Guide

If the weather kept you away from worship this past weekend, you will want to grab one of the Lenten devotional guides written by those in our Young Adult ministry. They are really well-done and this is a great gift to our church family. Hat's off to Josh Durham and Scott Claybrook for bringing this dream to reality! Many thanks to Linda Walsh for serving as a final draft editor for them.



Attendance – February 22

Sunday School	222
First Community	54
11:00 am	269
Deaf	0
Passage	15
Worship Total	488

Menus – March 4

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

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

In Service - Week of March 1

First Community Hospitality
 Dickie & Fred Kaserman

First Community Greeters
 Betty Chandler, Nancy Roberts

Welcome Center Greeters
 Virginia Bounds, Anne Scrivner

Preschool Extended Care
 Camile Jones, Minde Hurst,
 Brandi Dickie
Monitor: James Hurst

TV Ministry Team
 Steve Bowman, Cliff Shirley,
 Betty Vawter, Vince Vawter,
 Peyton Johnson, John Shope,
 Seva Ball

Hospital Ministry Team
 Kay & Greg Reed

New Member Ministry
 Mark Palmer, Carol Linger

Outreach Deacon
 Steve King

TeleCare Ministry
 Alice Crook

PRAYER LIST for Wednesday - 2/25/2015

CHURCH FAMILY

DISCHARGED

Bob Neff
 Maureen Pickle
 Robert "Bob" Davis
 Edith Jennings

RECENTLY MOVED

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

OTHER REQUESTS

Mary Will Rogers
 Jane Hall, thyroid surgery 2/27 UT
 Carolyn Nelson Ruthie Johnson
 Bob Breazeale Bill Brewer, chemotherapy
 Pam Henry, shoulder repl Margaret Bowling, health issues

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Amy & Chris Medeiros upon the birth of their twin boys, Owen
 Christopher and Brayden Patrick on February 24.
 Edith Jennings upon the birth of her great grandson, Paxton
 Reives Moreland on February 15 in Cumming, GA. Proud par-
 ents are Edith's granddaughter Bailey and Kevin Moreland.

IN MEMORIAM

Emily Jane Higdon May 28, 1920 – February 18, 2015
 Date Joined: May 12, 1963

William Robert "Bob" Best May 19, 1948 – February 16, 2015
 Date Joined: July 13, 2008

OUR CHURCH FAMILY EXTENDS SYMPATHY TO

Susan Higdon, upon the death of her mother, Marjorie Wolcott of
 Knoxville, on February 23.
 Sharon Brewer, upon the death of her father, Charles Baxter of
 Oak Ridge on February 18.

NURSING HOME / RETIREMENT HOME OF THE WEEK

Shannondale Retirement 801 Vanosdale Rd. (37909-2497)
 Ann Henderson Apt 201 Family Phone: 865-539-6603

FRIENDS AND FAMILIES

HOSPITAL

Clay "Jack" Reeves, Parkwest ICU Bed 8– friend of Gail Ivie
 (Janice Reeves' husband)
 Martha "Doris" Derden, Blount Memorial 533 – Jama Reischling's
 mother

OUT OF TOWN HOSPITAL

Lara AnnaBeth Runyon (6 months/heart surgery), Vanderbilt Chil-
 dren's – friend of Karrie Smiddy

DISCHARGED

Patti Nilsen - 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
 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
 Harold Kemp - dementia; Anne Kemp, Dianna Mercier & Kenny
 Kemp, caregivers – Dianna Mercier's parents
 Lyn Kells, aggressive breast cancer/salvation (NH) – Sallie Kea-
 ton'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-
 church'd & 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	



Sanctuary Flowers for March 1

Flowers are given in
 loving memory of **Glenn Sloan**
 by Mary Sloan Johnson.

Minister On Call
(865) 546-9661
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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