### A Journey in Company ...

Our church is in the midst of pilgrimage. From the earliest of days, Christians have undertaken journeys of great potential and great peril in hopes of encountering God. We as a church family are in the midst of such an unusual journey. From the first Sunday of Advent through Easter Sunday, we are traveling through the book of Matthew together. Each of our Sunday worship services and Wednesday Bible studies will focus on a different piece of Matthew's story. All along the way, we encounter the words and works of Christ who invites us further along in the journey of faith. What ties these individual moments together is a common theme, a theme that comes to dominate Matthew's entire gospel: redemption. We are thrilled you are able to take this journey alongside us.

## A Place for Story ...

Matthew's gospel story is one of redemption. As we continue to see each week, Matthew, draws his reader's attention to God's work of redemption among the people of the world. We believe that God continues His work of redemption today, and we want to tell those stories.

As our church family turns its attention to God's work of redemption throughout our lives and throughout our world, we want to invite you to share your own story of God's redemption with us. In the coming weeks, this space will host stories of people from our church family who have encountered God's redemptive love first hand. If you would consider sharing your own story, we invite you to email us atredemption@fbcknox.org or send us a letter here at the church (First Baptist Knoxville, Attn: Redemption Stories, 510 W. Main St., Knoxville, TN 37902).

We pray that the coming weeks will lead you into deeper relationship with a Lord and Savior who is constantly working to redeem the world and us along with it.

With an eye towards redemption, Your First Baptist Staff

We lecome to worship at First Baptist. We are so glad that you have joined us today. From the heart of downtown Knoxville, we are touching lives around the world, sharing the ministry and life of Jesus Christ. If you need further information about our church, or desire a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, our ministers will be available following the service at each exit.

## Please prepare for worship by:

- Encouraging children five years old and older to worship using the printed supplements available.
- Taking advantage of our Preschool Extended Session designed specifically for children age 3 and under. Pagers are provided to communicate with parents in case of emergency. Children age 4 years -1st grade may attend Passage, our children's worship experience, after the children's sermon, or remain with their parents in the service.
- Noting that restrooms are located directly behind the choir loft.

#### **Becoming a Member**

You are welcome and encouraged to come to the front of the church to meet with a minister during the Hymn of Response to request baptism or to join the church. Or, you may simply call the church office to request an appointment with any minister.

Hearing devices available in the Reception Office courtesy of the Senior Adult Ministry.



February 15, 2015 • 11:00 AM

# The Worship of God

February 15, 2015 • 11:00 AM Transfiguration Sunday

## Tom Ogburn, D.Min., Senior Pastor

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God, and worship God upon the holy mountain.

Psalm: 99:1-3

Organ Prelude Mamie Sullivan

Hymn of Majesty and Power arr. Mark Thallander

Choral Introit The American Spiritual Ensemble

Come Here Jesus If You Please arr. Roland Carter

\*Responsive Call to Worship

Wendell Boertje

Great is the Lord —

**Exalted among the nations.** 

Mighty is the Lord —

King of heaven and earth.

Holy is the Lord —

Beyond our understanding.

Let us worship our God and King.

\*Prayer of Invocation Wendell Boertje

\*Hymn 1

Holy, Holy, Holy

Personal Words of Welcome and Greetings

Tom Oaburn

(Four year-olds, Kindergarteners, and First Graders, will be escorted to the Kids Connection hallway for Passage.)

Musical Offering The American Spiritual Ensemble

Steal Away
arr. Joseph Jennings
Kenneth Overton, Baritone Soloist | John Wesley Wright, Tenor soloist

**First Baptist Church of Knoxville** 

#### SANCTUARY FLOWERS February 15

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

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## MENU February 18, 2015

#### 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

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## ATTENDANCE & GIVING February 8, 2015

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

#### 2015 Giving

*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

## PLEASE BE PRAYING FOR... February 13, 2015

HOSPITAL

Edith Jennings, Phys Reg 072

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

#### **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

## **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 216 Evelyn Carmichael Room 108

#### **FBC Knoxville Contacts**

To phone staff, dial (865) 246- plus the four-digit number found beside the staff member's name, or call the main number. 546-9661.

Wendell Boertje, Interim Minister of Music (4668) Joy Claybrook, Director of Community Ministries (4661) Scott Claybrook, Young Adult Minister (4678) Pam Neal, Minister of Administration (4660) Tom Ogburn, Senior Pastor (4652) Susan Tatum, Minister to Preschool & Children (4666)

Dave Ward, Pastoral Care Minister (4667) Ben Winder, Youth Minister (4663)

Minister on Call (865) 546-9661, Option 9 510 W. Main Street, Knoxville, TN 37902 (865) 546-9661

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## Life of the Church continued...

#### **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.

## 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 <a href="mailto:stevef\_pattif@yahoo.com">stevef\_pattif@yahoo.com</a> or (865) 803-5438, or Kim Pieratt at <a href="mailto:kpieratt@fbcknox.org">kpieratt@fbcknox.org</a> or (865) 246-4655.

#### **Thank You! Family Promise Volunteers**

As many of you know we hosted Family Promise recently. Fred Kaserman shared some great numbers from our recent Family Promise week. We had 45 volunteers that served a total of 326 hours with these families in transition? Well done!

## Children's Ministry SAVE THE DATE!

**Sunday, March 29** Eggstravaganza, Family Event, 12 - 2 pm

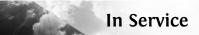
Friday, April 10 – Saturday, April 11 Sleep with the Sharks, Ripley's Aquarium of the Smokies Grades 1-5

Wednesday, May 6 Young Musicians Musical & Children's Choirs Concert, 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



## 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

## Lectionary Epistle Reading (2 Corinthians 4:1-6)

Frederick Wagoner

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup> Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. <sup>3</sup> And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup> The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup> For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup> For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.

\*Transfiguration Hymn

Transfiguration Hymn words by Ken Bible CWM RHONDDA

See our Lord in all His glory, now arrayed in dazzling white! See Him shine in holy splendor, bathed in everlasting light! See the law and prophets gather, lifting high the Living Christ! Lifting high the Living Christ!

See the cloud of ancient fire guiding through our wilderness.

Hear the voice of God our Father. Hear the love His words express:

This my Son is pure and pleasing. Hear the blessing that He brings!

Hear the blessing that He brings!

Jesus Lord, we see Your splendor here and now by daily faith. In our service, in our suffering we will follow unafraid, On from glory into glory till we see You face to face, Till we see You face to face.

## Morning Scripture (Matthew 17:1-14)

Scott Claybrook

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup> There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. <sup>3</sup> Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.

<sup>4</sup> Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah."

<sup>5</sup> While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!"

<sup>6</sup> When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified.
<sup>7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid."
<sup>8</sup> When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

<sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, "Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

<sup>10</sup> The disciples asked him, "Why then do the teachers of the law say that Elijah must come first?"

<sup>11</sup> Jesus replied, "To be sure, Elijah comes and will restore all things. <sup>12</sup> But I tell you, Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him, but have done to him everything they wished. In the same way the Son of Man is going to suffer at their hands." <sup>13</sup> Then the disciples understood that he was talking to them about John the Baptist.

<sup>14</sup> When they came to the crowd, a man approached Jesus and knelt before him.

\*Hymn 58

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

\*Prayer of Dedication for Offering

Ruth Fuson

**Choral Offertory** 

The American Spiritual Ensemble

Anchored in de Lord arr. M. Roger Holland, II Jeryl Cunningham-Fleming, Soprano Soloist

The Sermon Tom Ogburn

"Transfiguration"
Matthew 17:1-14

\*Hymn of Response 377

There Is a Redeemer

Opportunities at FBC Ben Winder

Sharing of Public Decisions Tom Ogburn

\*Spoken Benediction Tom Ogburn

\*Choral Offertory The American Spiritual Ensemble

Hear My Prayer by Moses Hogan

Organ Postlude Mamie Sullivan

You Shall Go Out with Joy! arr. Douglas Wagner

\*Congregation is asked to stand

## First Baptist Church of Knoxville

# The Life of the Church

#### REDEMPTION...A Journey through Matthew's Gospel

This coming week's reading calls us to Matthew 19-20. You can find the video and the discussion questions at <a href="http://www.fbcknox.org/redemption/">http://www.fbcknox.org/redemption/</a>. 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.

Next week's message is entitled, "A Prediction or Promise" and emerges from Matthew 20:17-19. Lent begins with a passage where Jesus again foretells of his death and resurrection. As we begin the Lenten journey the passage helps us to see that the cross is not something that surprised Jesus or something that happened to Jesus. The cross and resurrection story was always a part of the divine plan for our salvation. It is important to me that people understand the purposeful nature of the days that carry Jesus into the streets of Jerusalem - to the cross - to the tomb - to resurrection. The call is for us to be equally purposeful in our Lenten journey.

#### FBC Concert Series: The American Spiritual Ensemble

Sunday, February 15, 6 pm

We are joined in worship this morning by the American Spiritual Ensemble. This group is highly respected in the musical world and will bring us songs born in faith and struggle. They will return this evening for a concert. You will not want to miss the concert tonight. This will be a highlight event for our church year. The American Spiritual Ensemble is a critically-acclaimed professional group composed of some of the finest vocalist in the classical music world. They are champions of preserving and performing classical spirituals. This concert is a gift to our community so no tickets are required. Come and bring friends for what will be a phenomenal night of music. To learn more about this ensemble, visit their website at <a href="http://www.americanspiritualensemble.com/">http://www.americanspiritualensemble.com/</a>.

#### **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. A light snack will be served. For more information or to RSVP for childcare, contact Susan Tatum at <a href="mailto:statum@fbcknox.org">statum@fbcknox.org</a>.