



FIRST BAPTIST KNOXVILLE

11 AM Service | June 9, 2019

Piano Prelude | Brandon Coffey

I'll Fly Away | arr. Mark Hayes

Call to Worship 228 | Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

A Rushing Mighty Wind arr. David Music | FESTAL SONG

Choir: A rushing, mighty wind roars through a crowded room,
And tongues of fire upon their heads disperse the people's gloom.

Men: God's Spirit blows the wind and lights the blood-red flame;
A Pentecost of tongues explodes in praise of Jesus' name.

Women: Three thousand souls that day in mind and heart were stirred;
And these were added to the church as they believed the Word.

All: Lord, make our breath a wind and let our tongues be fire,
And as at that first Pentecost Your people's lives inspire.

Responsive Reading 224 | Richard Buerkle and Congregation

Welcome | Pam Neal

Children's Sermon | Susan Tatum

***Congregational Hymn**

Pentecost Hymn by Ken Bible | FOUNDATION

Choir verse 1

You've poured out Your Spirit, Great Father of Life,
Your presence, Your power, the Spirit of Christ,
The fruit of His triumph, the breath of His love,
The proof He has risen and reigns now above.

Congregation verses 2-4

Your promise is given in wind and in flame,
With lives now ignited to burn in Your name.
Now loving, now holy, now bold in the truth,
Your body, Your people are one, Lord, in You.

We praise You, our Father, the Fountain of Life,
For comfort and challenge, for purpose and light.
In love we will share all the gifts You provide
That all may be blessed and our Lord glorified.

Your challenge is sounding. Our calling is clear:
To live out a gospel the needy can hear.
Lord, help us to go till all people have heard,
And touch ev'ry life with the love of the Lord.

Scripture Reading (Nehemiah 1:1-4, 2:1-9) | Arleen Malcolm

***Congregational Hymn 405**

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us | BRADBURY

Offertory Prayer | Jim Decker

Offertory Anthem | Sanctuary Choir; Mei Lia White, violin

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers | Mark Hill

Spirit divine, attend our prayers, And make this house Your home;
Descend with all Your gracious pow'rs;
O come, Holy Spirit, come; O come, Holy Spirit come.

Come as the light; to us reveal our emptiness and woe;
And lead us in the paths of life where all the righteous go,
Where all the righteous go.

Come as the fire and purge our hearts like sacrificial flame;
Let our whole soul an off'ring be to our Redeemer,
Our blest Redeemer, to our Redeemer's name.

Come as the dove and spread Your wings, The wings of peace and love.
And let the church on earth become blest as the church above;
Blest as the church above.

Spirit divine, attend our prayers; Make a lost world Your home;
Descend with all Your gracious pow'rs;
O come, Holy Spirit, come; O come, Holy Spirit, come.
O come, Holy Spirit, come; O come, Holy Spirit, come.
O Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Sermon | David Crocker

"Building the Bridge through Leadership" | Nehemiah 1:1-4, 2:1-9

***Congregational Hymn of Response 231**

Breathe On Me | TRUETT

Spoken Benediction | David Crocker

Choral Benediction | Sanctuary Choir

Spirit of God | Sobaje

Spirit of God descend upon me.
That I may walk each day with Thee.
Help me serve You, this I pray.
Spirit of God, come in to stay. Amen.

Organ Postlude | Rhonda Carpenter

A Mystical Moment (Carillon) | Gordon Young

*Congregation is invited to stand as you are able.

Sanctuary Flowers

In loving memory of Stephen and Tina Foster from Preston, Steve, and Patti Foster.

Building the Bridge

Nehemiah Series

SERMON SCHEDULE

June 9 | Nehemiah 1:1-4; 2:1-9

Building the Bridge Through Leadership

June 16 | Nehemiah 1:4-11

Building the Bridge Through Prayer

June 23 | Nehemiah 7:70-72

Building the Bridge Through Giving

June 30 | Nehemiah 2:17-18

Building the Bridge Through Defining Our Vision

July 7 | Nehemiah 3

Building the Bridge Through Working Together

July 14 | Nehemiah 4:1-6

Building the Bridge Through Dealing With Opposition

July 21 | Nehemiah 5

Building the Bridge Through Compassion

SPOTLIGHT ON

WHAT IS PENTECOST?

Pentecost is the celebration of the Holy Spirit coming upon the disciples as recorded in Acts chapter 2. Today, we will hear the sounds of a mighty rushing wind (v.2), and see colors of flame, reminding us of the tongues of flame that appeared, signifying the presence of God's Holy Spirit (v.3). Pentecostal Christians trace the practice of speaking in tongues to verse 4. This same Spirit continues today to teach us, energize us, and lead us to be the people of God. As we worship today, watch and listen for the Holy Spirit to speak to you.

Pentecost is not only a Christian holy day but derives from the Jewish Feast of Weeks, Shavuot, held fifty days after Passover. Pentecost comes from the Koine Greek pentekostos, meaning "fiftieth day." Christian Churches around the world will celebrate today as the birthday of the Christian Church. While Jesus' followers were certainly around during Jesus' life and ministry, there was no movement that would be considered "The Church" until this event.

The Holy Spirit, however, was not new to the world at that point! We should note that the Holy Spirit is mentioned numerous times in the Old Testament as Ruach Hakodesh or Shekhinah. As far back as Genesis 1, we see "the Spirit of God hover over the face of the waters." The Trinitarian God-head; who was, and is, and is to come, was present in the beginning and has acted throughout history. Today, we believe that the Holy Spirit dwells within each baptized believer, as the gift of Jesus to "be with us always, even until the end of the age." (Mathew 28:20)

Today, we begin a sermon series on Building Bridges, based on Nehemiah, and specifically through Leadership. The beauty of Pentecost is that the leadership of God's Holy Spirit is not limited to those who hold positions but rests upon all of us. The tongues of flame came to rest not just on a few but upon all who were gathered. Our prayer today is that you would experience the power, the mystery, and the love of God's Holy Spirit. You are not alone. Jesus has not abandoned you nor forsaken you. Open your heart to receive the power of God. Today is the day!

SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS



FIRST BAPTIST KNOXVILLE
VBS 2019
JULY 8-12

9 AM - 12:15 PM

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GRADE COMPLETED

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VBS

July 8-12 | 9:00 am - 12:15 pm

25! As of now, that is the number of volunteers we have for VBS. This is great, but unfortunately, it is about 1/3 of what we need to make it happen. If you can help the week of July 8-12, from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm, PLEASE email Susan so she can add you the list.

There will be training offered Wednesday, June 19 and Wednesday, June 26. You only need to attend ONE, and the sessions take place from 6-7 pm in room 240.

Don't forget we start working in Trentham Hall on Monday, July 1, at 10:00 am and continue working on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday to get everything set up. Many hands will be needed for this, so let Susan know if you can help out for a few hours!

The Helen W. Cox Scholarship Singers

Our scholarship singers serve our congregation four hours each week by singing with the Sanctuary Choir and helping to lead and teach in our Children's Choirs. These college students are an essential part of our church family, and we are so proud of them and thankful for the ways that they use their God-given talents in service to Christ's church. If you would like to help continue the ministry of our scholarship singers, please make note on your check or envelope. We have raised \$400 towards our \$8,000 goal for the 2019-2020 school year.



First Baptist Day of Service

Saturday, August 17, 8:00 am - 12:30 pm

The Missions Council is excited to announce the first annual Day of Service! This event will send teams throughout our church and community to complete outreach projects that include painting, landscaping, packing hygiene packs, writing letters to missionaries and homebound church members, and cleaning cars for our Wheel's Ministry. Whatever your age or ability there will be a place for you to serve. Please contact Tim Boone at tboone@fbcknox.org for more information. You can also visit fbcknox.org/events to sign up as a volunteer!



Silent Retreat: Be Still and Know

October 18-20 | Haley Farm | Save the Date!

The Discipleship Council is excited to announce Silent Retreat: Be Still and Know. This three-day spiritual immersion experience is designed to refresh and renew participants through guided meditation and reflection. You will have time and space to connect deeply with God. The cost is \$235 per person which includes food and lodging for the weekend. Scholarships are available. Please contact Tim Boone at tboone@fbcknox.org for more information.



	Apr'19	Fiscal YTD	Last Week's Attendance	
Revenue (all sources)	\$152,613	\$1,434,505	Sunday School	247
Expenses	<u>\$122,041</u>	<u>\$1,305,327</u>	Worship Total	374
Excess/Deficit	\$30,571	\$129,177		



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