



First Baptist Church

K N O X V I L L E

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Sermon Preaching

First Community & 11 AM Worship

April 6
A Church of Living Worship
Col 3:15-17

April 13
The Stones Cry Out
Luke 19:29-40, 1 Peter 2:4-5

April 20
Easter, The Lord-My Lord
John 20:1-8

April 27
In the Face of Doubt
John 20:24-29

Minister on Call (865) 246-4650

April 4-6 Scott Claybrook
April 11-13 Dave Ward
April 18-20 Susan Tatum
April 25-27 Pam Neal

Average Sunday School and Worship Attendance

February 16 - March 16

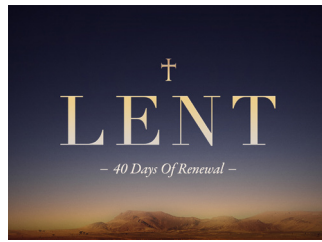
Sunday School	332
First Community	76
11 AM Worship	342
Deaf Worship	32
Passage Children's Worship	12
Combined Worship	456

Financial Summary

February 16 - March 16

Weekly Giving (Avg)	\$28,905.07
MTD Giving	\$99,984.53
Monthly Need	\$159,004.67
YTD Giving	\$301,232.64
YTD Need	\$403,627.18

First Impressions



Preparing for Easter

We are an Easter people. The hallelujahs of resurrection morning transforms brokenness into healing, sin into redemption, and death into life eternal. But we cannot come to the celebrations of Easter morning without a walk in the streets of chaos and follow Jesus to the cross. This year we offer a wide range of Lenten opportunities to help you in your journey to the cross and the empty tomb.

On **Wednesday nights** we are offering a Bible study series that help us come as witnesses to the major events of that final week, hoping to let them come alive in our understanding. On **Good Friday, April 18th**, we will offer two special opportunities to confront the cross. This year we begin a new tradition by offering the Marking of the Hours in our Sanctuary. At 9 am, noon and 3 pm we will gather in a quiet and candle lit experience for about 15 minutes to hear the Scriptures that tell the story of Jesus on the cross and to pray prayers of preparation. These simple and brief services are a powerful way to let the story of the cross live into your day. At 5:15, we join with the other downtown churches in an outdoor movement through the seven Stations of the Cross, finishing in the heart of Market Square.

With the journey through the darkness and conflict complete, we will gather on Easter morning for a meaningful time of celebration of the resurrection. The First Community worship service will offer its unique Easter worship experience. It will draw on some of the best contemporary music that helps us sing the good news that Christ is risen. At 9:45, you are invited to a join together for a family Easter breakfast in Trentham Hall. Herman and Pam Neal are working together to make sure there is wonderful food, and a grand plan that will help us share a time of laughter, love, and community together. Our children will lead us in building a cross-covered in flowers. This will be an intentional opportunity to invite family, friends, and neighbors to come and join with you and get to know this great church family. Following the breakfast, we will move back to the sanctuary for our 11:00 Easter Worship Service. Instrumentalists will join with us to help us sing the classics hymns of faith that have help the church celebrate the resurrection story across the ages.

I can hardly wait to celebrate my first Easter with you.

Grace and peace, Tom

Second Mile Birthdays

April 11

Mary Hodge
7424 Middlebrook Pk
Knoxville, TN 37919-8953

April 16

Nancy Edgerton-Ross
1600 Westwood Ave
Richmond, VA 23227-4622



Eggstravaganza is Coming!

Saturday, April 12, 10 am, FBC front lawn

Our annual church-wide Eggstravaganza is a wonderful opportunity for community outreach, service, and of course, lots of family fun! This year's event will begin on Saturday, April 12 at 10:00 am. The Easter story will be presented in the Sanctuary, and then two egg hunts will follow, the preschoolers hunting first, and then the elementary-age children. Families will also enjoy refreshments, making crafts, and playing on inflatables.



Eggstravaganza is also a great opportunity to serve your church. Every year this event is made possible through church members donating candy and volunteering to help. We will be accepting candy donations in the baskets in the Welcome Center, and by the elevators on the 2nd and 3rd floors up until the event. Please ensure any donated candy is individually wrapped, **free of peanut butter and nuts**, and can fit inside a plastic egg. All donations are greatly appreciated, as we will be stuffing over 5,600 eggs this year!

Another way to serve, is to volunteer for the event. We will need volunteers to hide eggs, greet families at the registration table, lead craft activities, and serve refreshments. If you are able to help in any of these capacities from 9:30 am until noon on Saturday, April 12, please contact Susan Tatum at statum@fbcknox.org.

We are looking forward to a wonderful time of fellowship with church and community as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Savior!

Kid's Camp 2014

It's time to Sign Up! Kids Camp will be here before we know it and it's time to start turning in forms and deposits! June 11-14 are the dates and Camp BaYoCa is the place for all children that have completed grades 3-5. Total cost for camp is \$190. A \$75 deposit is due beginning April 6 along with completed forms. The Forms have been mailed out to all FBC kids but if you need additional ones for friends, go to the Children's Ministry page at Fbcknox.org. Full payment and all forms are due by May 18. You are encouraged to invite friends as we are committed to filling at least 30 slots. We are planning for many more!



Staff Celebrations

Anniversaries

Susan Tatum, April 2, 2006
Dave Ward, April 15, 1964
Robbie Scarbro, April 22, 2013

Each year we offer a camp scholarship to any child that cannot afford the camp fee. This is made possible by your generous donations to our Children's Scholarship Fund. If you, your Sunday School class, or organization would like to pay for a child to attend or need more information, please contact Susan Tatum at statum@fbcknox.org. Thank you in advance for making it possible for every child to have this camp experience!

Children's Ministry Parents!



Children's Music and Missions Wednesday Schedule for Remainder of the Year

Wednesday, April 2 – Regular Schedule

Wednesday, April 9 – Regular Schedule (RAs –Battleball)

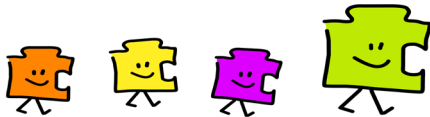
Wednesday April 16 – ALL CHOIR night for grades one-five Preschool floor stays on regular schedule

Wednesday, April 23 – Spring Concert for preschool choirs and Music Makers Choir. Spring Musical for Young Musicians Choir, 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 30 – Regular Schedule

Wednesday, May 7 – ALL MISSIONS night (RAs – Battleball) Preschool floor stays on regular schedule

Wednesday, May 14 – Missions Recognition and Awards Night, 6:00 pm Trentham Hall



Student Life @ the Beach

Youth Ministry@1B is going to Student Life @ the Beach in Orange Beach, Alabama June 25-29. It is a week of worship, discipleship, community, and fun! Our camp pastor is David Nasser and worship will be led by Passion Band with Kristian Stanfill. The total cost is \$330 per person (\$300 for 2nd in family); **a \$50 deposit is due April 1** and final payment is due May 18. Financial assistance is available as needed!

Senior Recognition

We will recognize our High School seniors during our worship services May 11 and in the May edition of First Light. All seniors are requested to submit a photo to Suzanne Fluellen (sfluellen@fbcknox.org) **by April 15.**

Chapel Choir "Serve the Cities Mission Tour"

Chapel Choir, our choir for Middle and High School students, is going on "Serve the Cities Mission Tour" June 1-7. They will invest in the urban centers of Little Rock, Oklahoma City, Dallas-Fort Worth, and Memphis by serving and singing in urban ministry centers/shelters. The total cost to participate in this trip is \$300. A \$50 deposit is due now and the final payment is due May 1. Financial assistance is available as needed. Chapel Choir rehearses each Sunday at 5:30 pm. For more information contact Ben Winder, Minister to Youth, or Ann Buchanan, Chapel Choir Director. We will welcome back Chapel Choir with a homecoming concert June 8 at 6 pm.

Kids Camp Staff

Each year our youth staff our Kids Camp at Camp BaYoCa. This year's camp is June 11-14. To serve on staff you must have completed 8th grade by the time of camp and attend the four (4) mandatory training meetings (**April 17 & May 18, 12-2 pm; May 21 & 28, 6-8 pm**). If you are interested in serving on Kids Camp staff sign up in the Youth Suite.

Women on a Mission (WOM)

Tuesday, April 1, 10 am, Room 302

We hope you will join us for our mission study at 10 am. This will be followed at 11 am with our monthly meeting. Our speaker will be Lauren Lovell, MK. Lauren is the granddaughter of Bob and Elnora Anderson. Lunch (\$6) will be served in Trentham Hall following the program. We hope you will make plans to attend.



April Calendar

1	WOM	10 am
2	LentenLunch-FirstPresbyterian	12pm
3	Mellow Brook Singers	1 pm
6	Family Bowl	1 pm
9	Lenten Lunch-FBC	12 pm
11	Mom's Connection	10 am
12	EggStravaganza	10 am
13	Dave Ward Reception	2 pm
16	All Music Night Children's	16 am
18	Good Friday	All Day
20	Easter	All Day
21	Church Offices Closed	All Day
22	Food Co-op	10 am
24	Saints Alive!	11:30 am
24	Mom's Connection	6 pm

Join Us for a Musical Evening

Wednesday, April 23, 6 pm, Sanctuary

Mark your calendar now for the Children's Choirs Spring Concert beginning at 6 pm on April 23. The concert will be followed by the Young Musicians musical, "The Ultimate Question," the ultimate game show journey, asking and answering questions, all leading up to the ultimate one... "Who does God say we are?" Our children will provide a fun and delightful reminder of why God gave us the ability and desire to worship Him. Let's make plans to join them!

Each Week

Sunday

Worship, First Community	8:45 am
Library Open	8:45 am
Deaf Sunday School	9:30 am
Hearing Sunday School	9:45 am
Deaf Worship, Chapel	11 am
Televised Worship (Broadcast on Fox 43)	11 am
Chapel Choir	5:30 pm
High School Bible Study	6:45 pm

Monday

Yoga Class	1:15 pm
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Wednesday

Middle School Mid-Week	6 pm
Prayer Meeting	6 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7 pm
Deaf Worship CTV	10 pm

Thursday

Golden Notes	10:30 am
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Saturday

Worship CTV	2:30 pm
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Tom Meets the Saints Alive!

Thursday, April 24, 11:30 am, Trentham Hall

Tom Ogburn will present an opportunity to dream together about the next steps for Senior Adult Ministry at FBC Knoxville. Lunch (\$6) begins at 11:30 am in Trentham Hall. For lunch reservations, contact Kim Pieratt, 246-4655, by Monday, April 21.

Young Adult Marriage Retreat

May 2-3, Sevierville, \$50 per couple

Young Couples -- You're invited to come spend a weekend learning and growing one of the most important pieces of your life: your marriage.

Nationally recognized marriage experts Larry and Anne Kayser will join us. Come spend the weekend (Friday evening to Saturday evening) in the mountains and retreat from the craziness of day-to-day life. Space is very limited, so reserve your spots today. Contact Scott Claybrook (865-246-4678 or sclaybrook@fbcknox.org) for more information and to reserve your spot.



Wilderness Escape: Where God Guides and Provides

VBS 2014

July 14-18

9:00 am- 12:15 pm

Ages 3 years – 5th grade completed



This summer's VBS will be an amazing experience into the wilderness where we will join Moses as he and the Israelites escape Egypt and travel to parts unknown—trusting God all the while!

We will travel in “tribes” as we visit Moses’ Tent to experience some amazing adventures with him. We will also visit the Israelite Camp to learn skills and crafts from the Israelites themselves in their desert camp! We will open and close each day with high energy, fun-filled celebration experiences for adults and children.

Needless to say this is a one of our best opportunities to reach out to all children and invite them into our church to participate but we need around 100 volunteers to make it happen. Please mark your calendars and plan to volunteer in some way during this week. You will have the opportunity to sign-up through your Sunday School class or on the sheets posted in the Welcome Center and bulletin boards around the church beginning in the next week or so.

You may also contact Susan Tatum at statum@fbcknox.org. We need adults as well as youth, so plan to join us on our wilderness adventure!

Dear First Family,

Beth and I want to thank you for the warm and gracious way you have welcomed us into your lives. It was our joy to get to meet so many of you at the close of worship and at the afternoon reception. We could not feel more loved and embraced than you have made us feel. We also deeply appreciate your incredible response to the Pounding for the Pastor. This part of the afternoon event was a great reflection of our ministry heart, and we are so grateful for the resources you have made possible for our church to share with our community ministry partners on our behalf. We thank God that we have been brought here to serve at your side and eagerly wait to see what God will do through this great church in the days ahead.

Grace and Peace, Tom and Beth Ogburn



Welcome New Members



Tom and Julie Axley



Tom and Beth Ogburn



John and Stacy Ann Heslop



James Larrance



Chase Bailey, Natalie Lester

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