

# First Baptist Church of Knoxville

## Life of the Church

### November 27, 2013



#### Hanging of the Green

Sunday, December 1, 6 pm

The Hanging of the Green on Sunday, December 1st, is a long-standing tradition at First Baptist. It is a great way to start the Christmas season, and it's fun for the whole family. Be sure to join us for a great family evening of worship and decorating our beautiful sanctuary.

#### Christmas Brunch T-Shirts

Christmas Brunch T-shirts will be on sale in the library on Sunday, December 1st and 8th. Shirts will cost \$6 each. Please make checks payable to First Baptist Church; in the memo line write Christmas Brunch t-shirts. The t-shirt design is very similar to the previous shirt. If you do not purchase a shirt or have a previous Christmas Brunch shirt to wear, please wear a red shirt on the day of the Christmas Brunch.

#### THE MESSIAH (Part I)

Sunday, December 8, 6:30 pm; Doors open for seating at 5:50 pm

The Sanctuary Choir, accompanied by Chamber Orchestra, presents THE MESSIAH (Part I) with Soloists Andrew Wentzel, Ryan Ford, Claire Boling, and Patti Foster. From the opening congregational carol and the stirring sounds of John Rutter's new Magnificat, to the familiar yet ever-inspiring sound of Handel's most successful and best-known oratorio, this evening of great vocal and choral music will fill the beautifully decorated Sanctuary with honor and "Hallelujah" to the King of kings and Lord of lords! Free tickets available in the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings, Trentham Hall on Wednesday evenings, and the Reception office during the week. Please call the Music office for more information, 246-4655.



#### WOMEN ON MISSION (WOM)

Tuesday, December 3, 11 am, Room 302

Join us this month as we learn from Kevin Isbell about Project Knox 316. We begin at 10 am with a missions study. Then we will all gather in Room 302 at 11 am for our monthly meeting and program. Lunch (\$6) will be served in Trentham Hall following the program. Please consider meeting with us and learning more about local and international missions.



#### Christmas Is Coming, the Goose Is Getting Fat...

We are receiving contributions for decorations for our beautiful church for the Advent and Christmas season. This includes the poinsettias, wreaths, garlands, and ribbons for inside and outside. You may contribute as individuals, families, classes or departments. Please designate "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" for gifts of \$20 or more. Please give your contribution to the attention of Kim Pieratt.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one: In Memory of OR In Honor of

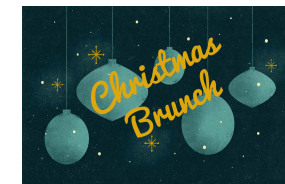
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#### All Volunteer Christmas Brunch Meeting

If you plan to volunteer with Christmas Brunch in any way, please plan to attend the All Volunteer Christmas Brunch Meeting. We will meet in the Sanctuary on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the 11 am service.

#### Christmas Brunch Gifts Needed!

We are still in desperate need of all donated gifts for this year's Christmas Brunch. Please remember this year's gifts for Christmas Brunch are; Yoyos, paddle balls, bubbles, jump ropes, Slinkys, 8x10 picture frames, travel-size shampoo, lotion, hand sanitizer and hair combs/ brushes, regular-size deodorant, bars of soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, and Chapstick. Items may be placed in the boxes in the Welcome Center and by the elevators. All donations must be made by December 11. If you choose to give a monetary donation, please note in the memo line "Christmas Brunch."



#### Children's Choirs Christmas Concert

Wednesday, December 11, 6 pm in the Sanctuary; Childcare for preschoolers through age 2

First Baptist Church Children's Choirs present *The Christmas Festival*. Listen to beautiful carols and arrangements sung by our talented children's choirs.

#### College Winter Retreat



December 15-20, Atlanta, GA, Cost \$65

It's tough to imagine, but there is life after finals. With the semester behind you, come join us for a trip to Atlanta where we'll be serving the underserved of the city alongside other students from across the area. After spending our days traveling and serving throughout the Atlanta area, we'll gather together to learn more about what it means to be a disciple in college and in our city. We've only got 10 spots, so sign up now! For more information, contact Scott Claybrook ([sclaybrook@fbcknox.org](mailto:sclaybrook@fbcknox.org)).

#### RACK (Random Acts of Christmas Kindness)

During Advent, our children and their families will have the opportunity to participate as a family in this ministry. Last Sunday, our preschoolers and children received a pack of cards each with a suggestion for a Random Act of Kindness to show to others during this Christmas season. There are also blank cards for the family to come up with their own ideas. These cards may be used any way you wish, one per day, one per week, or whenever you choose. There is also a card to leave so that people know that they have been RACKed! This is a perfect way to teach our children about giving to others during this time of year. Children who were not present in Sunday school last week will receive their packets in the mail. If any others would like a packet of this material, please visit the Reception desk.



#### Annual Christmas Eve Service

Tuesday, December 24, 5 pm; Pre-service Concert at 4:40 pm; Doors and childcare open at 4 pm

On Christmas Eve, our church family, with families, friends, and neighbors, will join together to celebrate the birth of Christ on Christmas Day. This special service of worship will include an interweaving of congregational carols with Scriptures, the singing of the Sanctuary Choir, the reading of the Christmas story, and the singing of "Silent Night" by candlelight. The Christmas Eve Service is one of the best-loved services of the year as we celebrate the joy and meaning of Christmas. Come make this time of worship a centerpiece of your family tradition at Christmas. The pre-service concert by Brian and Debby Daniel will begin at 4:40 pm. The service will be televised live on FOX-43.

**Attendance & Giving – November 24**

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Sunday School   | 334 |
| First Community | 52  |
| 11:00 am        | 329 |
| Deaf            | 43  |
| Passage         | 14  |
| Combined        | 438 |

**Giving**

|              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| Weekly       | 28,348.02    |
| MTD Giving   | 118,206.17   |
| Monthly Need | 159,004.67   |
| YTD Giving   | 1,419,967.59 |
| YTD Need     | 1,572,648.45 |

**Menus – December 4**

**Wednesday Supper**  
*Chef's Choice*

**Kid's Hut Cafe**  
*Chef's Choice*

**Sanctuary Flowers for December 1**  
Hanging of the Green!

**Minister On Call**  
**(865) 246-4650**

Dave Ward, November 29  
Susan Tatum, December 6

**In Service - Week of December 1**

**First Community Hospitality**  
Dickie and Fred Kaserman

**First Community Greeters**  
Ethel Powell, John and Lanita Rorrer

**Welcome Center Greeters**  
Anne Scrivner, Virginia Bounds

**Preschool Extended Care**  
Erin Frost, Lauren Stewart  
**Monitor:** Kevin Stewart

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

**Hospital Ministry Team**  
Joel Maples, Fred Kaserman

**New Member Ministry**  
Mark Palmer, Carol Linger

**Outreach Deacon**  
Wade Hulsey

**TeleCare Ministry**  
Alice Crook

**PRAYER LIST for TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2013**

**MEMBERS**

**IN MEMORIAM**

Raymond Neil Battle November 20, 1930 – November 21, 2013  
Date Joined: August 26, 1990  
James E. "Jim" Elliot October 14, 1924 – November 21, 2013  
Date Joined: November 07, 1976

**CONGRATULATIONS TO** Kelly & Jimmy Ownby upon the birth of their second son, Jackson Paul on November 18. Proud big brother is Keller.

**OUR CHURCH FAMILY EXTENDS SYMPATHY TO**

- the family of Rachel Hylton, upon the death of her uncle
- the family of Wayne and Ellie Smith upon the death of their brother-in-law, Charles Watson of Knoxville, on November 20.

**NURSING HOME / RETIREMENT HOME OF THE WEEK**

**Echo Ridge Retirement** 8458 Gleason Dr (37919)  
Betty Smith Apt. 332  
Caryl Dee & Jim Holt Apt. 328

**OTHER PRAYER REQUESTS**

|                         |                            |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Pastor Search Committee | Pulpit Supply Committee    |
| Jon Burnett             | Bill Brewer                |
| Pat Davis               | Nancy Egerton-Ross         |
| Otha Winningham         | Martha Breazeale           |
| Rusty Phillips          | Doug Wilt, health concerns |
| Carl Reischling         | Betty Smith                |
| Greg Johannsen          | Maxine Masingill           |
| Ann Buchanan            | Shirley Irwin              |

**FRIENDS AND FAMILIES**

**HOSPITAL**

Kingston Fanney, Children's Rm 240– Camille Jones' grandson

**DISCHARGED**

Margaret Langford, Oak Pavilion Nursing Facility, Cincinnati – Amy Pickle's sister

**OTHER PRAYER REQUESTS**

Jodie Boyce, cancer diagnosis/treatment – friend of Beverly Shirk  
Nancy Walls, former member – cataract surgery 11/20  
John Moore family, grief on his passing – extended family of Judy Bodenheimer

Marty, who is not feeling well – friend of Rachel Proffitt  
Clark Turner (KY), multiple health issues – Sandy Hope's brother

All military veterans, especially those dealing with spiritual, mental, and physical wounds  
Delys Dearmon, battling cancer – cousin of Sandra Acuff  
For Kyle and Brittany as they work on finishing their new home, and his daughter, Katrina – Mac Pickle  
Khadijah Latham, elbow issues – Felix's daughter  
Doug Teffeteller, heart condition – Virginia Griffin's friend  
Uncle with liver and colon cancer - Rachel Hylton  
Katheigh Williams, rehab placement - Sylvia Williams' niece

Lyles Stone, pancreatic cancer – Bob and Sydnor Money's cousin  
Doris Darden, breast cancer - Jama Reischling's mother  
L.C. Cutshaw, battling cancer - Betty Effer's brother-in-law  
Drew Rhodes, awaiting kidney transplant - friend of Tyler Lewelling  
Alice Miller, breast cancer - Bill Beeler's sister  
Jessica Talley, brain injury - family of Virginia Griffin  
Ennis Taylor, lung cancer - family of Virginia Griffin  
Mark Townsend, colon cancer - son of Laura & Bob Townsend

**FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY**

Hunter Holt, serving in Afghanistan - grandson of Jim & Caryl Dee Holt

**MISSIONARY PRAYER CALENDAR**

Holly Sumrall, Philip Hamline, CS, Joe Dowdy, Karen Ray, CM, BH, LF, CP, CC, CS, GB

**MINISTRY PRAYER REQUESTS**

The Leaders of our Country, our Military, our City and our Church, The Stephen Ministers, The Unchurched & Missing



**Please Welcome Dr. Chad Hartsock, December 1, 8, 15, and 22**

Dr. Hartsock is an Assistant Professor of Religion at Carson-Newman University. He holds a B.A., Carson-Newman College (1999), M.Div., George W. Truett Theological Seminary (2002), and Ph.D., Baylor University (2007).

Dr. Hartsock joined the faculty at Carson-Newman in 2008. He teaches primarily New Testament courses including the Parables of Jesus and Luke-Acts, along with Greek and Theological Research. Dr. Hartsock has served as a youth minister in various churches for ten years and has served numerous churches in East Tennessee as a supply preacher. His wife, Ami, is also a Carson-Newman graduate and works in the

C-N library. Their daughter, Kaylin, was born in March of 2011. Dr. Hartsock also officiates high school athletics in the East Tennessee region.