

Life of the Church February 3



This Sunday, February 7, is the first Sunday of the month; we will receive our Community Care/Benevolence Offering, which allows us to meet the critical needs of those in our community.

Luke: Be. Live. Proclaim. The Gospel

From Advent until Easter, we are journeying together through the Gospel of Luke and learning to be, live, and proclaim the Gospel. Each week we encourage you to read a particular passage from the Gospel of Luke in preparation for Sunday's sermon. The Discipleship Council is also providing tools to aid in your weekly studies. You can pick up reflection questions in the Welcome Center or 3rd floor of the Education Building.



This week's passage for personal reading and study is Luke 12:22-59. Visit fbcknox.org/luke for weekly videos, reflection questions, and more.

Welcome Richard & Megan!

This Sunday!

Let's welcome Richard Buerkle, and his fiancé Megan Petter, to the First Baptist family. This will be Richard's first Sunday leading as the new Minister of Music and Worship. He will lead in both services, and there will be a welcome reception for Richard and Megan in Trentham Hall immediately following the 11 am worship service.

Parking Lot

With all the wonderful activities going on at First Baptist, we find that our back parking lot is sometimes full during the week, and we need every space available for all the church events and church business. In the past, there may have been room for people to park in our lot and go to other downtown businesses. Now we find we don't have room except for those on church business. Please let friends and others know that our parking lot is for those visiting the church for church activities or business. We will greatly appreciate your help.

Young Adult Women's Gathering

Thursday Evening, February 4, 6 pm, Sandy Wisener's Home

Are you a young professional or young mother? If so, we'd love to invite you to come join other First Baptist women for a monthly women's gathering. Led by Sandy Wisener, Alice Crook, and Joy Claybrook these monthly gatherings are an opportunity to connect with other women while finding encouragement in your faith journey. If you're interested in attending and would like more information, please contact Joy Claybrook at joyclaybrook@gmail.com.

Babbie Mason In Concert

This Sunday, February 7, 11 am Worship & 4 pm Concert, Sanctuary

This Sunday award-winning singer-songwriter Babbie Mason will be featured in the 11 am Worship service. She will then be in concert in the Sanctuary at 4 pm that day. The concert will also act as a fellowship event with Mt. Zion Baptist Church and will be a benefit concert for KARM and Family Promise. In lieu of tickets, donations will be taken at the door, and proceeds will be divided equally between these two great ministries. A suggested donation is \$5. Please contact Melissa Clayton by February 3 to reserve childcare for those 3-years or younger during the concert at mclayton@fbcknox.org.



MEDIC Blood Drive New Date!!

Wednesday, February 10, 11 am-6 pm, Hill Avenue Training Room

We are hosting a blood drive Wednesday, February 10, 11 am-6 pm in the Hill Avenue Training Room. All donors receive a free t-shirt, a coupon for a free appetizer at Texas Roadhouse, and are entered into a drawing for a \$500 Food City gift card. For information please contact Arthur Clayton at aclayton@fbcknox.org or call the church office at (865)246-4661.



Love Banquet

Sunday, February 14, 5 pm

Don't miss the First Baptist Love Banquet! We will have a delicious meal followed by a talent show! Tickets will be sold in the crossover on Sundays. It will be a night to remember! Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children, or \$25 for a family.



Sign up for FBC's Got Talent

February 14, At Love Banquet

All Sunday School classes, individuals, and groups are welcome to submit a talent for the competition. All ages from children to Senior Adults are encouraged to compete. Express yourself through whatever talent you'd like to share! Sign up today with Pam Neal at pneal@fbcknox.org!



Downtown Lenten Lunches

Wednesdays, February 17-March 16, 12 noon

As part of our partnership with the Downtown Ministry Cooperative, we invite you to join others from the downtown community for weekly time of ecumenical worship and lunch during the Lenten Season. Each Wednesday a brief service will be hosted by a downtown congregation, with a lunch following. Lunch is free; donations are accepted. The schedule for Lenten Lunch is: February 17 - Church Street United Methodist, February 25 - St. John's Episcopal Cathedral, March 2 - Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, March 9 - First Baptist Knoxville, March 16 - First Presbyterian Church. This year's theme is "Contemplation and Action: The Why and What of Jesus". Join us for these times of worship and fellowship!

Youth Week 2016

Youth Led Service, Sunday, February 21, 6 pm, Sanctuary

Each year we have a special week where our youth get to try their hand at many of the leadership roles within First Baptist Knoxville. High School students from our Youth Ministry are selected by their peers to serve as Youth Week Officers. These officers "shadow" members of our ministerial staff, support staff, and lay leaders throughout the week, including taking part in staff meeting and deacons meeting, and live out their roles by planning and leading a worship service. Youth Week begins February 15, and culminates with Youth Sunday on February 21, when our youth will teach Sunday School classes in the morning and lead a worship service that evening. Thank you for the investment you make in our youth through this great First Baptist tradition!

Church-wide Marriage Retreat

February 26-27, Carson Springs conference Center

This year our Church-wide Marriage Retreat is set for February 26-27 at Carson Springs. The cost is \$145 per couple, covering your lodging, food, and all retreat materials. This will be a fast-paced interactive retreat. You will not be expected to share the dark secrets of your life nor your greatest struggles – instead you will be equipped to have conversations that matter with the one you love. We will stay in Carson Hall, which has hotel-style rooms with all that you will need for a comfortable overnight stay. The staff there will prepare our dinner on Friday night as well as breakfast and lunch on Saturday for us. The dress is casual and comfortable. You can sign up by emailing Rachel Bell at rbell@fbcknox.org or call her at the church at 865.246.4652.

In Service - Week of February 7

First Community Greeters:
Ethel Powell, John & Lanita Rorrer

Welcome Center Greeters:
Anne Scrivner, Virginia Bounds

Preschool Extended Care:
Dickie Kaserman, Erin Frost,
Monitor: Fred Kaserman

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

Hospital Ministry Team:
Spencer Hudson, Emily Plemmons,
Pam Shirley

New Member Ministry:

Mark Palmer, Carol Linger

Outreach Deacon:
Bill Higdon

TeleCare Ministry:
Becky Earle

Sanctuary Flowers February 7

Flowers are given in loving memory of
the Wyndward Sunday School
Class members **Betty Lou
McSpadden, Evelyn Maples, Gerry
Jack, Alma Elliott, and Patti Nilsen**
given by Allen and Wynn Ware.

Minister On Call
(865) 546-9661
Press 9

Attendance – January 31

Sunday School	332
First Community	83
11:00 am	344
Deaf	27
Passage	11
Worship Total	465

Menus – February 10

Bridge
Beef or Chicken Pasta Bake,
Green Beans, Corn, Salad

Wednesday Supper
Fish, Shrimp, Fries, Slaw,
Green Veggie, Hushpuppies

Kid's Hut
Chicken Nuggets, Mac & Cheese,
Green Beans

PRAYER LIST for Wednesday - 2/3/2016

Church Family

Discharged

Jim Pointer
Maureen Pickle
Christine Dexter
Bob Blackwelder to NHC Ft. Sanders
Ada Julian to Holston Health Rehab

Other Requests

Barbara Eubank, facing surgery
Evan Stone, chest pains
Wilson Hurst, son of James and Minde Hurst, tonsils and adenoid surgery 2/5
Ann Wilson, mini stroke
Gene Reagan – Jefferson Health and Rehab 201
Brenda Jenkins, husband transitioning to memory care
Ira Sliger, Shannondale Rehab
Julie Buckner
John Rorrer, not feeling well
Bernice Bopp, severe pain and immobility from car accidents
Chris Christenberry
Louise and Otha Winningham
Bob Davis, recovery
Virginia Griffin, double mastectomy recovery
Jack Reynolds, discernment for tests and treatment
Maureen Pickle, kidney and bladder problems and ongoing health issues
Doug Wilt, neurological disease
Ruthie Johnson
Russ Linger

Ministry Prayer Request:

Richard Buerkle and Megan Petter, moving week

In Memoriam

Caryl Dee Holt
May 6, 1937 – January 10, 2016
Date Joined: July 7, 2009

Mildred Cockrum

October 12, 1924 – January 8, 2016
Date Joined: June 21, 2015

Our church extends sympathies to:

Brent and Amanda Starling upon the death of his mother, Jean Starling

Kyle Pickle upon the death of his friend, Burtos Mohammed

Nursing Home / Retirement Home of the Week
L & L Sweet Home Care 804 Atlantic Ave (37917)
Dorothy "Dot" McGlothlin

Friends and Families

Other Prayer Requests

Bobby Sparks, kidney removal – Spencer and Becky Hudson's friend
Bib Dodson, ICU in Chattanooga – Lauren Steward family
Joe Hudson, stem cell transplant 2/15 – Spencer Hudson's brother
Esther Susie Christian, tumor – Daughter of Daryl and Beverly Norton
Wayne Dunaway, lung cancer – Virginia Griffin's friend
Conrad Loy, throat cancer – Virginia Griffin's friend
Shirley Zapata, knee replacement – Sandy Hope's cousin
Robert and Esther Christian, recovery from car wreck
Karlyn Basile, autoimmune disorder – Virginia Griffin's cousin
Jeannie Demeter, adjustment for Parkinson's Feb 8
Pat Allen, passed out during exercise – sister of Jim Mitchell
Debi Gazic, paralyzed leg, hand and eye, lung cancer – Spencer and Becky Hudson's friend
Bob Norton, cancer issues – Carolyn Nelson's friend
Kathy McCormick, dementia – North Knox Medical Center 4032
Marshall Maples, surgery recovery – Dianne Forry's cousin
James Hooper, cancer in hospital – Ruth Fuson's brother
Karen Otis, at St. Vincent's Heart Center Indianapolis – Mildred Sampley's daughter
Elbert Balch, treatment for colon cancer - Calvin Balch's cousin
Doug Phillips, chemo for leukemia
Christina Fulkson, leukemia 16 years old, St. Jude's – Cathy Campbell's friend
Barb H., breast cancer and surgery – Lanita Rorrer's aunt
Brenda LaMontagne, chemo treatments – Linda Easterly's sister
Doris Tate, recovering from a major stroke – Terry Lethco's sister
Amanda Houser's husband health, and her niece's complication with pregnancy
Ray and Elaine Rhodes' friend Jim, cancer
Dana Ledford, stem cell transplant and intense chemo
Danny Buchanan, colon surgery, Pam Henry's brother-in-law
Talma Jarrett, kidney failure – Thuralese Wilson's brother
Jackson Burns, collapsed intestines – Camille Jones's nephew
Owen Webb, stem cell transplant – Suzanne Denton's cousin
Janelle Witt's niece at Vanderbilt, childhood leukemia
James Davis Jr. – son of James G. Davis
Chad Starliper, brain cancer – friend of Ruth Fuson
Mary Sue Huffaker, cancer treatment – friend of Mary Ann Dent
Kristi Sebring, kidney failure – Wayne and Ellie Smith's daughter
Ida Mae Huff, recurring cancer, chemotherapy - Sylvia Williams' daughter / Tina Wright's niece

Serving in the Military

Paul Kirby, US Navy – Donna Kirby's son
SrA John Hedley, Air National Guard – Barbara Frei's son

Ministry Prayer Requests

Minister of Music and Worship, Richard Buerkle