

Life of the Church

February 8



Activities Resume Tomorrow

Thursday, February 9, 2016

During the past two days while activities have been cancelled at the church, our Facilities Staff have been hard at work cleaning and sanitizing our space. They have cleaned door knobs, railings, and other surfaces in an effort to make our facility free from germs and causing illness. In light of that, even though Knox County Schools continue to be closed through the weekend, the church will resume on Thursday its normal schedule of activities including Golden Notes, the Pajama Party, and scheduled committee meetings.

Please note that Hand Sanitizer dispensers have been placed in the vicinity of all our entrances. They are located on stands and easily accessible. Please be encouraged to use them as we continue to work toward combatting illness.

One final note, since we are not having Wednesday night activities, many of you were not able to purchase tickets to the Love Banquet this Sunday at 5 pm. We will have tickets available Sunday morning in the crossover where you can make your purchases. The Talent Show is lined up and promises to provide a great evening of fun and fellowship. If you haven't bought your ticket yet, please plan to purchase tickets on Sunday morning. We're looking forward to a great time on Sunday night.

Deacon Retreat and Visioning Team Report

This past weekend at the Deacon's retreat, the Vision Team presented what it had discerned was God's call for our church as we move forward together as a church family. The response was strong and the Deacons affirmed that the vision was right for our church family.

This Sunday Tom will speak to the vision as a part of the sermon, and after the service, a printed report from the Visioning Team will be available to all that would like a copy.

What happens next?

1. The report will be posted on our website on Monday, February 13.
2. On Wednesday, February 15, there will be a detailed presentation on the vision and its impact for our church life.
3. The report has been handed off to the Long Range Planning Committee. They will now dive in and develop a strategy plan with specific action plans to help make the vision a reality in our ministry.
4. As they work on the strategy plan, the Visioning Team Report will act as a filter in decision-making for our ministers, councils, and committees.

Love Banquet and FBC's Got Talent

Sunday, February 12, 5-8 pm, Trentham Hall

Love Banquet and FBC's Got Talent is coming this weekend! A limited number of tickets are still available by contacting Pam Neal at pneal@fbcknox.org. It will be a great banquet of delicious food and amazing entertainment of First Baptist's most talented. We are looking forward to another great event.



Handbells are Back!!

Wednesday, February 15, 5:45-6:45 pm, Room 306

Handbells are ready to begin rehearsals! We could use 2-3 more ringers to fill out our ranks! If you are interested in joining, please email Minister of Music & Worship Richard Buerkle at rbuerkle@fbcknox.org.

The S.M.A.R.T Initiative

Sunday, March 5, 12-2 pm, Youth Suite

Do you know what your kids are downloading?

Social Media Awareness and Responsibility Training (S.M.A.R.T) was started by Aaron Yarnell, a 21-year law enforcement veteran with the Knox County Sheriff's Office and one of our Sunday morning security officers. He is committed to helping parents keep their children safe on social media and the internet. The S.M.A.R.T Initiative is a continually growing Social Media and Technology awareness course that is dedicated to helping adults understand what children are doing on their devices online.



Do not miss this opportunity to come, ask questions, and learn more about keeping your children safe. A sandwich lunch will be provided for those who RSVP to kpieratt@fbcknox.org by Wednesday, March 1. This course is open to anyone involved in the life of a child.

Church Publications & How to Get Them

If you are seeing this in your email you are on the Life of the Church email distribution list. There are also other email based church publications available for you. First Notes, the Prayer List, and our church notices are all available via email. If there are one or more of these other publications that you would like to receive, please email Rachel Bell at rbell@fbcknox.org and she will subscribe you to each list you select.

<u>Weekly Operating Budget Need</u>	
Weekly Operating Budget Need	\$35,130
Offering on February 5	\$26,398
Budget Need, FYTD	\$1,124,160
Offering Receipts, FYTD	\$1,009,724
Excess (Deficit)	(\$114,436)

	<u>December 2016</u>	<u>2016/ 17 FYTD</u>
Unified Expenses	\$167,042	\$965,927
Unified Receipts	\$341,491	\$1,169,455
Offering	\$318,089	\$901,762
Transfer from Designated	\$14,729	\$60,731
Kitchen	\$2,073	\$20,743
Parking Lot	\$6,600	\$39,600
Estate Gifts	\$0	\$146,618
Total Receipts	\$341,491	\$1,169,455
Excess/Deficit	\$174,449	\$203,528

In Service - Week of February 12	Outreach Deacon:	Attendance – February 5
	Gary Nunley	Sunday School 336
First Community Greeters:	TeleCare Ministry:	First Community 99
Nancy Roberts, Betty Chandler	Barbara Butler	11 am 340
Welcome Center Greeters:	-----	Deaf 36
Barbara Frei, Dent Young		Passage 12
Preschool Extended Care:		Worship Total 487
Emagene Reagan,	Sanctuary Flowers February 12	-----
Beth Ogburn, Linda Allen	Flowers are given in loving memory	Menus – February 15
TV Ministry Team:	of Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Kessel	Bridge
Steve Bowman, Cliff Shirley,	and Dr. & Mrs. Edgar Grubb	Sweet & Sour Chicken, Rice,
Betty Vawter, Vince Vawter,	by Gloria and Dwight Kessel.	Asian Vegetable, Sugar Snap Peas,
Peyton Johnson, Reba Green,	-----	Spring Rolls, Salad
John Heslop		Wednesday Night Supper
Hospital Ministry Team:		Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, French
Fred Kaserman, Paul Ivie	Minister On Call	Fries, Slaw, Salad
New Member Ministry:	(865) 546-9661	Kid's Hut
Scott Moore & Reggie Keaton	Press 9	Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Fries

PRAYER LIST

Prayer List – 2/8/2017

Hospital

James Cunningham – Parkwest 262

Discharged

Sandy Hope

Mary Alice Balch

Other Requests

Pam Miller, foot surgery recovery and shoulder rehab

John Mason, stroke recovery – Anne Winsauer's brother

Ruth Coleman

Ethel Powell, broken wrist

Jim Griffin, injections for severe lower back pain

Ruthie Johnson

Bob Davis

Delores Carver, hospice care

Joan Robertson, heath issues

Mary Johnson, treatment

Becky Hudson, debilitating back pain

Bernice Bopp, severe pain and immobility from car accidents and small stroke

Louise and Otha Winningham

Our church extends congratulations to:

Bettie Woolwine upon the arrival of her great granddaughter, Lillian Mae Stone. Proud parents are Andrew and Anna-Ruth Stone.

Our church extends sympathies to:

Kyle and Kathryn Pickle and family upon the death of their great aunt, Ernestine Roberson

Nursing Home of the Week

Meadowview Senior Living 111 Acuff Ln, Clinton (37716)

Phyllis VonGruenigen Apt 207 (DOB Nov. 18)

Friends and Families

Other Prayer Requests

Week of January 30, 2017

Kathy Clackum, death of father – Evan Stone's friend

Ruth Swader, continuing radiation through February – Susan Tatum's mother
David Hudson, surgery to remove tumor on kidney, February 15, Mobile Infirmary – Spencer Hudson's brother

John and Jerry Sample, transitioning to Elmcroft Assisted Living – Sally Keaton's parents
John Sample, hospitalized after passing out – Sally Keaton's father

Week of January 23, 2017

George LaFerry, kidney surgery – Nancy Livingston's brother-in-law

Chris Noble, awaiting test results of possible cancer – Matt Noble's father

Margaret Winsauer, chemo for leukemia – John Winsauer's sister

Serving in the Military

Paul Kirby, US Navy – Donna Kirby's son

Dan Vandegriff, Navy Flight School – Carolyn Nelson's nephew

Missions Prayer Requests

Prayer Request for school in Puerto Rico
Final step in 4 step process in getting school
licensed by Department of Education on
December 19th

Prayer Requests from the Black Sea Ministries
Political situation, terror incidents and regional instability

Prayer Requests from Marc and Kim Wyatt, CBF
Advocates for Internationals, Research Triangle, NC

Pray for the safe arrival of a young Afghan couple making their way from a refugee camp to the Raleigh area.

Prayer for Missy Ward-Angalla in Uganda

Find different house to rent due to mold issues
Three recent shelter graduates who are transitioning from complex home situations. Continual need for healing and transformation.

Frank and Sheri Moran, West Africa

Pray for a new follower who faces possible retaliation from family members.

Pray for a new arrival to serve on their team.