FIRSTLIFE

CHRISTMAS SHOP: BUILDING LASTING RELATIONSHIPS



irst Baptist's first annual Christmas Shop is December 5, and will benefit 75 children from South Knox Elementary School families. Gifts will be available for all the children in participating households - not just the children who attend SKES. In exchange for these gifts, parents will partner with First Baptist volunteers to complete 6 volunteer hours in designated South Knox and community projects.

First Baptist ministers, Susan Tatum and Arthur Clayton, are heading up the efforts. With this shop, they hope to build lasting and meaningful relationships with SKES families, as well as cultivate relationships we already have.

This past July, Susan and Arthur got a glimpse into the true nature of our relationship with SKES families, when the Clark children suddenly lost their mother to a heart attack. The oldest three have all been part of First Baptist's KidsHope mentorship program and have accompanied our youth and children at Kids Camp for the past few years.

"It was a tragedy," says Carolyn Garner, the children's grandmother. "First Baptist has just shown love and compassion to my family. Susan made it so I didn't have to worry about where the kids were going while I was at work. And their mentors really gives them a positive outlook on life."

Perry Austin was Matthew Clark's mentor for the past three years. Perry encouraged him to realize his potential in school. He taught Matthew how to deal with anger and to treat others the way he wanted to be treated. In the process of teaching a child to encounter the world in a new way, Perry found himself encountering the world in a new way. He saw himself in Matthew.

"Mentoring gets you to contact your inner child," says Perry. "And remember it's ok to laugh and smile and listen and learn. Those are things all of us do."

Perry is right, and we want our laughter, our smiles, our listening ears, and our open spirits to define the love we have for our community. This is why we are taking the next step through the Christmas Shop.

"We desire to be that example of Christ - that light," says Arthur Clayton. "We've had people walking alongside Carolyn and her grandchildren for years. We care about them, and we want to be available. We don't just want more relationships like that - I think we need them."

Over the past few months, we have secured all the volunteers we need to make this shop happen. Thanks to the Elizabeth Dryburgh Memorial Fund and your generous giving to the monthly Benevolence offering, the entire process if fully funded. After the holidays, we have plans in place to follow up with the families on their prayer requests and needs. We are pursuing relationship.

To read the full article, see pictures, and get involved, visit fbcknox.org/christmasshop

WEEKLY**UPDATES**

Thank You for Your Prayers!

An updated Prayer List can be picked

up in the Welcome Center or in your

Sunday School class.

If you would like to receive the Prayer

List by email, contact Kim Pieratt at

kpieratt@fbcknox.org.

Sanctuary Flowers

Flowers are given in love, gratitude, and memory of Haston and Jacqueline *Clouse and Bernice Coffey, parents of* Steve and Sharon Bowman.

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday School	300
First Community	97
11:00 am	305
Deaf	24
Worship Total	426

Monthly Budget	July '17	FY 2017/18 YTD
Unified Expenses	\$141,328	\$141,328
Unified Receipts	\$128,930	\$128,930
Offering	\$120,036	\$120,036
Transfer from Designated	\$8,743	\$145,212
Kitchen	\$426	\$426
Parking Lot	\$6,600	\$6,600
Estate Gifts	\$0	\$0
Less: Money moved to Missions	(\$6,875)	(\$6,875)
Total Receipts	\$128,930	\$128,930
Excess/Deficit	(\$12,397)	(\$12,397)

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Prelude

*Call to Worship Hymn 346

Welcome Children's Sermon

*Hymn 588

*Hymn 653

Scripture Reading (Romans 3:21-28) Scripture Reading (James 2:14-24) Pastoral Prayer Choral Response

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer Offertory

FIRSTBAPTIST **KNOXVILLE** 11:00 AM | SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

Order of Worship

"Bound for the Kingdom" arr. Joseph Martin

> "Majesty" Majesty

Brandon Coffer

Congregation

Ben Winder

Susan Tatum

[Four year-olds and Kindergarteners who are attending Passage (Children's Worship) will be escorted at this time to the Kids Connection hallway.]

Congregation

"I Know Whom I Have Believed" El Natham Stanzas 1 and 2

Congregation

Gary Nunley

Tom Ogburn

Courtney Carmichael

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission" Beecher

Stanzas 1, 2 and 5

"A Festival Doxology" arr. Dennis Lewallen

Pam Neal Sanctuary Choir

"Jesus, Your Name" Getty/Hannah, arr. Larson

Jesus, Your name, Prince of Peace, quiets my soul, treasures the least. In perfect rest You will keep all whose hope is in You.

Jesus, Your name can silence the storms, the strivings that trouble our world. Jesus, Your name reveal You as Lord; Oh, powerful name!

Jesus, Your name, Counselor, Wonderful Way, Life's Comforter, Spirit of Truth, defending me, though in me was the blame.

Jesus, Your name has stood in my place and freed me from hopeless shame. Jesus, Your name now fathers me. With joy I bear His name.

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth; it sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.

Jesus, Your name, Mighty God, all powerful one ruling in love. There is a King upon the throne earth cannot overthrow.

Jesus, Your name, great banner of hope, it steadies the knees of the weak. Jesus, the name all nations praise; Oh, glorious name! Oh, what a glorious name!

Sermon

"Living In-between" James 2:14-24; Romans 3:21-28

*Hymn of Response 658

"Let Your Heart Be Broken" Wye Valley

Sharing of Public Decisions

*Spoken Benediction

*Choral Benediction

"Go Walk with God" O WALLY WALLY, arr. Hayes Gillette, from Songs of Grace

Go walk with God in all you do, And may God's love bring joy to you. May gifts of peace fill all your days, And may God's truth guide you always.

Organ Postlude

"Crown Him with Many Crowns" Mary McDonald

*Congregation is asked to stand as you are able.

SERMON**NOTES**

A Special Welcome to Our Guests

We are glad you have joined us today! We invite you to the Welcome Center following

Worshipping with Children

raise their children to be all God is calling them to become. We welcome your family to

All Children are invited to worship using the children's bulletin, which is available at all

entrances, and to come to the front of the Sanctuary for the Children's Sermon during

Children age 4 – Kindergarten may attend Passage, our children's worship experience

Hearing devices are available in the Reception Office courtesy of the Senior Adult

Children 3 and under may attend Preschool Extended Session on the Education

on the Education Building 2nd Floor following the Children's Sermon.

Restrooms are located in the hallway directly behind the choir loft.

As a family discipling church we desire to come alongside families, enabling them to

the service, where we have a gift for each guest and more information about First

SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Response to Hurricane Harvey

Life and Faith: NEW Wednesday Night Schedule

175th Anniversary Church-Wide Photo

Dwell Night of Worship for Young Adults

September 17, 5 pm, Trentham Hall This once-a-month gathering is tailored for our First Baptist college students and young adults and is offered to as an additional worship experience complimenting our Sunday morning services. Communion will be offered every service, along with other elements centered upon art, prayer, writing, and other creative forms of worship. If you would like childcare for ages 5 and under, please RSVP to Missy Clayton at mclayton@fbcknox.org.

Bluegrass and Barbecue

October 1, 5 pm, Front Lawn You're invited to live music and community on our front lawn, with performances from the Tim and Jodi Harbin Bluegrass Band featuring Sara Baskins. Barbecue will be provided for purchase from Walt and Ann Love of Love That Barbecue. All are encouraged to bring their own lawn chair and picnic blanket for the afternoon.

Directory Update

We offer our thanks to the First Baptist family for your participation in the 2017 church photo directory! The directory has now been proofed and is headed for the printers. The printed and online directory will be available in the coming weeks.

Tennessee Football Parking

Our Youth Ministry will again offer parking for all home University of Tennessee home football games in our Trentham Hall Parking Lot as a fundraiser. The lot opens each game 3 hours before kickoff. Spots are \$20 and first come, first served. The entrance to the lot is at 1050 Locust Street SW. Please spread the word to help our Youth Ministry

Tom Ogburn Sanctuary Choir

Tom Ogburn

Congregation

Rhonda Carpenter

Baptist Knoxville.

worship together!

Building 1st floor.

the service.

Ministry.

To keep up with all our upcoming events, visit: fbcknox.org/events or facebook.com/firstbaptistknoxville/events

After conversing with our Deacon and Finance Chairs and our Heart of Knoxville (HOK) president and board, we have decided to use HOK as a vehicle for receiving and distributing funds to aid those affected in Texas. If you feel a need to give, you may do so in three ways: 1) write a check to

Heart of Knoxville, 2) write a check to First Baptist with Heart of Knoxville in the memo line, 3) pay online at give.fbcknox.org and check the "Hurricane Harvey" option.

Beginning August 30, 6 pm, Rooms 302, 304, 307 For the next six weeks, choose from three different classes

meant to help you grow in your life and faith: Understanding Paul's World (led by Tom Ogburn and Bob Browder), Worship 101 (led by Richard Buerkle), or Honest Conversations on End-of-Life Issues (led by Pam Neal with guests).

September 10, 9:45 am | Rain Date: September 17

This photo will be taken during the Sunday School hour. Please plan to be on time for Sunday School that day. If you do not regularly attend Sunday School, come to the Sanctuary at 9:45 am. We want everyone (whether you're a member or attender) to be present for the photo.



NEW WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDL

LIFE AND FAITH









