

# FIRSTLIFE

HOW MENTORING WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE



Our most longstanding ministry with South Knox Elementary is our KidsHope Mentoring Program. Participating church members spend one hour a week with children with similar interests. While one hour may not seem like much time, our mentors unanimously agree that though they fully give of themselves, they usually end up receiving more than they ever anticipated.

When Barbara Woodard reflects on her last five years of mentoring, she realizes that even as she influences her littles, they also influence her. She never expected mentoring to be “one of the best hours” she has all week. She and her current little have been together for four years. They truly know each other, and their relationship has flourished.

“She’s just a special little girl with a lot of special attributes,” says Barbara. “I’ve learned how easily you can get children to go the right way by being a good example. And, I don’t feel like adult and child anymore. You know, I feel like I’m on the same level.”

Those special relationships are more common at South Knox Elementary than other schools. There is a difference in the atmosphere at South Knox, and Barbara isn’t the only one who feels it.

Betsy Pickle, who’s been mentoring for 6-7 years, has also felt the difference at South Knox.

“It’s almost magical how ‘cool’ the kids think their mentors are,” says Betsy. “It’s impossible to list all that I have learned from being a mentor, but one of the most obvious things is how much every kid at South Knox wants and needs a mentor.”

Since Betsy has mentored four different children working within the full gamut of circumstances, she can attest that want and need. Her first little lived in a house with 13 people and one bathroom. The second and third had troubled families lives. Her current little has a stable home life, is a leader, but benefits from Betsy’s help academically.

Regardless of your age, from college student to retirement, mentoring allows you to pour into the life of a child, making a difference not only in them but in yourself.

“I think most of us find out not only that we want to give more, but also that we’re receiving more than we give,” says Betsy. “These children show us how to get through tough times and how each person’s supply of love is infinite.”

Between now and December 1, the KidsHope Mentoring Program is open to new applicants for the 2017-18 school year. If you have been thinking about becoming a mentor, be encouraged that if you have a heart to love others, you can be a mentor. Simply send Arthur Clayton an email at [aclayton@fbcknox.org](mailto:aclayton@fbcknox.org) to get started today!

To learn more about mentoring, read the full article at [fbcknox.org/kidshope](http://fbcknox.org/kidshope)

## WEEKLYUPDATES

### Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary today are in loving memory of David R. Cox and are given by his family

### Last Week’s Attendance

Sunday School	324
First Community	103
11:00 am	363
Deaf	27
Worship Total	494

### 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](mailto:kpieratt@fbcknox.org).

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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**Scott Claybrook**, Minister with Young Adults

**Arthur Clayton**, Minister of Congregational Mission and Minister with the Deaf

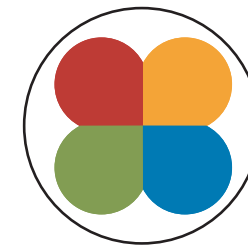
**Pam Neal**, Minister for Administration

**Tom Ogburn**, Senior Pastor

**Susan Tatum**, Minister with Children & Families

**Dave Ward**, Minister Emeritus

**Ben Winder**, Minister with Youth & Families



# FIRSTBAPTIST KNOXVILLE

11:00 AM | SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

### Order of Worship

Prelude Rhonda Carpenter

**“Rejoice, the Lord is King”**  
arr. Jason D. Payne

Choral Call to Worship

**“Spirit of God”**  
Martha Sabaje

Spirit of God, descend upon me, that I may walk each day with Thee.  
Help me serve You, this I pray. Spirit of God, come in to stay.  
Amen, Amen, Amen.

\*Call to Worship Hymn 32 Congregation

**“God Has Spoken by the Prophets”**  
HYMN TO JOY

Welcome Scott Claybrook

Ordinance of Baptism Davis Nickloes with Susan Tatum

Children’s Sermon Pam Neal

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

\*Hymn 625 Congregation

**“Standing on the Promises”**  
PROMISES

Stanza 2: Men Stanza 3: Women

Pastoral Prayer Tom Ogburn

\*Hymn 31 Congregation

**“Ancient Words”**  
ANCIENT WORDS

Scripture Reading (Nehemiah 8:5-8; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25) Megan Buerkle  
Beth Ogburn

Offertory Prayer Fred Hurst

Offertory Sanctuary Choir

**“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God, Almighty!”**  
arr. Patti Drennan

Brandon Coffey and Rhonda Carpenter, piano

Holy! We cry Holy! Lord God Almighty, Holy Lord!

Holy, holy holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.  
Holy, holy holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!



FIRST BAPTIST  
KNOXVILLE

## SERMONNOTES

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
which were and are, and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,  
though the eye of sinful flesh Thy glory may not see;  
only Thou are holy; there is none beside Thee,  
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy! We cry Holy! Lord God Almighty, Holy Lord!

Holy, holy holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky, and sea;  
Holy, holy holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!  
We cry Holy! God Almighty, Holy Lord!

Sermon	Tom Ogburn
	<b>“A Sermon on Sermons”</b> Nehemiah 8:5-8; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25
*Hymn of Response 34	Congregation
	<b>“Word of God, Across the Ages”</b> AUSTRIAN HYMN
Sharing of Public Decisions	
*Spoken Benediction	Tom Ogburn
*Choral Benediction	Sanctuary Choir
	<b>“God to Enfold You”</b> John L. Bell
	God to enfold you, Christ to uphold you, Spirit to keep you in heaven’s sight; So may God grace you, heal and embrace you, lead you through darkness into the light.
Organ Postlude	Rhonda Carpenter
	<b>“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”</b> arr. Don Wyrzten

\*Congregation is asked to stand as you are able.

## SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

To keep up with all our upcoming events, visit:

[fbcknox.org/events](http://fbcknox.org/events) or  
[facebook.com/firstbaptistknoxville/events](https://facebook.com/firstbaptistknoxville/events)

### Life and Faith: NEW Wednesday Night Schedule

Continuing through October 4, 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).

NEW WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE  
**LIFE AND FAITH**

### 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](mailto: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.



### A Special Welcome to Our Guests

We are glad you have joined us today! We invite you to the Welcome Center following the service, where we have a gift for each guest and more information about First Baptist Knoxville.

### Worshipping with Children

As a family discipling church we desire to come alongside families, enabling them to raise their children to be all God is calling them to become. We welcome your family to worship together!

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 the service.

Children 3 and under may attend Preschool Extended Session on the Education Building 1st floor.

Children age 4 – Kindergarten may attend Passage, our children’s worship experience on the Education Building 2nd Floor following the Children’s Sermon.

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

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

### 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 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



### New Fall Sermon Series: Rediscovering Sacred Work

Beginning October 5

The new sermon series “Rediscovering Sacred Work” from Tom Ogburn is revival of the spirit often dragged by the nitty gritty of everyday life. What sets apart the life of a believer in the work place? What does it mean for church to be a “halftime”, an intermission for spiritual recharge, instead of our weekly fill? The first sermon, “Sacred Beginnings” takes a look at life before the fall - God’s complete care of us before sin clouded our view of the Creator.

