

FIRSTLIFE

KNOTS OF LOVE

BY LUCAS HUNTER



Knots of Love, or First Baptist's knitting club, meets monthly, updating one another on the progress of scarves and blankets while the group's leader Carolyn White briefs the team on upcoming deadlines and knitting objectives.

Women cross needles and walks of life during the meeting. The group's eldest members recall knitting for soldiers during World War II, while college age students are learning to knit for the first time.

Stitching every knit and purl is a labor of love, but not a burden. Many members of the group find it therapeutic to shed the worries of the day while they spend hours – often dozens of hours – piecing together a gift for someone in need.

Every so often at First Baptist, a baby is dedicated in an act of community and trust amongst the congregation. During the dedications, the speaking minister that day will say words of encouragement and affirmation for the family while Susan Tatum – First Baptist's Minister with Children and Families – presents the child with a hand-knitted blanket, swaddling them in Knots of Love's handiwork.

"What the minister or Susan usually says is 'the blanket wraps the baby in our care,'" Carolyn said. "Just as we hope the church community will wrap the family in its care as the child grows."

Some gifts are well known by the community, such as the reveal accompanied with a new baby blanket, but others are subtly given.

For example, Knots of Love created lap-blankets for the local nursing home, then donated them to those in assisted living or hospice care.

Knots of Love is about the community the knitters find with one another. A conference of knitters sitting around hundreds of feet of yarn does not only increase skill, it increases bonding. Coupled with decades of cumulated mentorship, lending ears, and servant hearts, Knots of Love wants more knitters in the fold.

Knots of Love meets at 12:30 pm on the second Thursday of every month in room 304. Contact Carolyn White (423) 956-0484 or Betty Vawter (865) 977-6628 for more information! And check out our FirstLife blog for the full article: fbcknox.org/knots.

WEEKLYUPDATES

Sanctuary Flowers

*Flowers are in memory of Gene Reagan
by Tommie and family.*

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.

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday School	301
First Community	86
11:00 am	312
Deaf	33
Worship Total	431

Monthly Budget	Sept '17	FY 2017/18 YTD
Unified Expenses	\$160,435	\$476,804
Unified Receipts	\$123,864	\$417,313
Offering	\$104,298	\$348,551
Transfer from Designated	\$16,400	\$42,207
Kitchen	\$3,441	\$6,756
Parking Lot	\$6,600	\$19,800
Estate Gifts	\$0	\$0
Less: Money moved to Missions	(\$6,875)	(\$13,750)
Total Receipts	\$123,864	\$403,563
Excess/Deficit	(\$36,571)	(\$73,241)

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Richard Buerkle, Minister of Music & Worship

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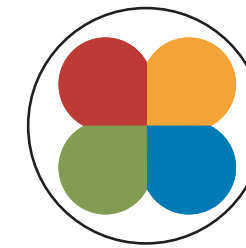
Pam Neal, Minister for Administration

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 | OCTOBER 29, 2017

Prelude Rhonda Carpenter

"For All the Saints"

Douglas Wagner

Musical Call to Worship Belltone Believers

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

arr. Paul McFarland

*Call to Worship Steve Foster

*"Let God speak directly to His people through the Scriptures,
and let his people respond with grateful songs of Praise."*

—Martin Luther

*Call to Worship Hymns 418 and 20 Congregation

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

EIN' FESTE BURG

"Creation Sings (the Father's Song)"

CREATION SINGS

Hallelujah! Let all creation stand and sing.
"Hallelujah!" Fill the earth with songs of worship;
tell the wonders of creation's King.

Welcome Pam Neal

Children's Sermon Susan Tatum

Musical Praise Belltone Believers

"Rejoice with Gladness"

Susan Geschke

*Hymn 417 Congregation

"Fill the Earth with Music"

WYE VALLEY

A Reformation Reflection Tom Ogburn

Scripture Reading (Acts 18:1-4) Josh Durham

*Offertory Hymn 344 Congregation

"Glorious Is Thy Name"

GLORIOUS NAME

*Offertory Prayer Lacy Wallace

Offertory Sanctuary Choir

"To God Be the Glory"

arr. Mark Hayes

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
praise the Lord, praise the Lord!



To God be the glory, great things He hath done!
 So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
 Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
 And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
 Let the earth hear His voice!
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
 Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
 And give Him the glory—great things He hath done.

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
 To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
 The vilest offended who truly believes,
 That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

All people that on earth do dwell,
 Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
 Him serve with fear, His praise forth-tell;

Come ye before Him and rejoice, rejoice!
 Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
 And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
 But purer, and higher, and greater will be
 Our wonder, our victory, when Jesus we shall see!

O praise the Lord, O praise the Lord,
 Lift up your praise to God!

Sermon Tom Ogburn

“Rediscovering Sacred Work: Sacred Purpose”
 Acts 18:1-4

*Hymn of Response 484 Congregation

“The Love of Jesus Calls Us”
 ANGEL'S STORY

Sharing of Public Decisions

*Spoken Benediction Tom Ogburn

*Choral Benediction Sanctuary Choir

“We Go in Peace”
 EDWARDS

*We go in peace, we go in love,
 we go with grace and mercy from the Lord above
 to tell the world this very thing:
 that Jesus Christ is Lord and King,
 Jesus Christ is Lord and King.*

Organ Postlude Rhonda Carpenter

“To God, All Glory is Given”
 Rachel Sawyer

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: Pick Up Yours TODAY

Our 2017 directories are finally here! If you participated in our photo sessions this summer, stop by the third floor crossover to get your copy today! At this time, directories are not for sale for those who did not have their picture taken, but they will be in the future.



Life and Faith: Wednesday Night Schedule

October 18- November 29, 6 pm

Life & Faith continues this week with four classes to choose from: Digging In - a study on 1 Timothy by Bob Browder in room 302, Mission 101 by Arthur Clayton in 301, Being Baptist by Tom Ogburn in 305, and Emotionally Healthy Women by Beth Ogburn in 307.

Trunk-or-Treat

October 29, 4-6 pm, Trentham Hall parking lot

First Baptist now has all trunks it needs need for Sunday, however there is still a tremendous need for volunteers to help with games, inflatables, set-up, and clean-up. The event needs 25 more volunteers to ensure that all areas are covered completely for the entire two hours. Please email Susan Tatum (statum@fbcknox.org) if you would like to volunteer. Volunteers will need to arrive at the church by 3:30 on Sunday afternoon, but because of your help First Baptist will be ready to welcome over 400 people that annually attend this outreach event!



Women on Mission

November 7, 10:30 am, Room 302, Lunch in Trentham Hall

First Baptist's Women on Mission meeting this month will host Grace Enochs as speaker. Please join Women on Mission for a time of fellowship followed by lunch (\$6) in Trentham Hall.



Family Promise at First Baptist

November 12-19, Mezzanine

As one of our mission partners, Family Promise provides temporary housing for homeless families by allowing them to stay in buildings of participating congregations. If you would like to assist us as we host families this week or in the future by staying overnight, providing a meal, or serving in another way, please contact Jim Plemmons at jimilyp@comcast.net.



Love Feast

November 19, Noon, Trentham Hall

You are invited to join us for our annual Love Feast, a time of fellowship with the First Baptist family around a great Thanksgiving meal. We will have a combined worship service at 11 am in the Sanctuary. Regular meal prices apply (\$6 for adults, \$3 for children, \$18 for families), and everyone is encouraged to bring their favorite holiday dessert to share.



Dwell Night of Worship Fall Series: Way of Wisdom

November 19, 5 pm, Trentham Hall

Our fall series is for young adults who want to learn biblical wisdom and how to apply it to their lives. If you would like childcare for ages 5 and under, please RSVP to Missy Clayton at mclayton@fbcknox.org.



Hanging of the Green

November 26, Both Services

As we begin our Advent journey together, our children and youth will lead us in worship as we reflect on the powerful symbols which adorn our sanctuary and remind us of the incarnation of Emmanuel.



Christmas Cantata

December 3, During the 11 am Service

Join as we kick off the Christmas season with our annual Christmas Cantata: Joseph Martin's Invitation to a Miracle. Our Sanctuary choir and orchestra will perform music filled with the hope, joy, peace, and love of Jesus Christ.

