

# First Baptist Church Lexington, NC

# **Steeple Talk**

# February 2014

# The 2014 Carolyn M. Parker Memorial Preaching/Teaching Lectures

Dr. Franklin Golden, Lecturer

Saturday, February 8 - Dinner and Lecture - Fellowship Hall - 6:00 p.m.

The Ephesian Moment (In the American South?)

Jesus hung out with all the wrong people. He gathered to himself a group of friends that confounded and offended those around him. His way of life was socially scandalous and he expects the same from his followers! What if we are currently living in such a moment? What if the homogenous American church is on its way out? Through stories, questions, and scripture, we'll consider the radical social nature of the Gospel and how we might bear witness to it.

# 10:00 a.m. Sunday School - Fellowship Hall Rethinking Hospitality

We'll use the Sunday school hour to explore new possibilities for church life by rethinking hospitality. What if it is not about receiving people where we are, but being the kind of people others would welcome into their lives? What does hospitality mean in a time when fewer and fewer people are just showing up in our churches?

11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary "Born Again" Romans 6: 3-6

Dr. Golden is co-pastor of the Durham (NC) Presbyterian Church. Before becoming a pastor, he was a theater producer. His focus is preaching, relationship building, and building diversity in churches.

# Family Night - Church Fellowship/Bible Study 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 12 - MBCC Auction Wednesday, February 19 - Business Meeting Wednesday, February 26 - Bible Study Wednesday, March 5 - ASH Wednesday

Family Night Meal - Please RSVP by noon Monday Cost is \$5.00 Adult \$3.00 Child under 12 \$17.00 Family Limit

# **Meetings & Events**

#### **FEBRUARY 2014**

8th: Parker Lecture Series (Dinner/Lecture)	6:00 p.m.
<b>9th:</b> Parker Lecture Series (Sunday School)	10:00 a.m.
Parker Lecture Series (Worship)	11:00 a.m.
10th:Winter Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
11th: Winter Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
MBCC Fundraiser/Luncheon	
12th: Business Meeting	
<b>16th:</b> Finance Committee Meeting	9:00 a.m.
17th: Hand Bell Rehearsal	5:30 p.m.
Winter Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
<b>18th:</b> Winter Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
23rd: Deacons' Meeting	7:00 p.m.
24th: Hand Bell Rehearsal	5:30 p.m.
Winter Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
<b>25th:</b> Winter Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
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3rd: Frady/Johnson Mission Group	1:45 p.m.
Bernice Cross Mission Group	2:00 p.m.
Hand Bell Rehearsal	5:30 p.m.
<b>4th:</b> Carolyn Phillips Mission Group	7:00 p.m.
<b>16th:</b> Finance Committee Meeting	9:00 a.m.

## Monday Night/Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Mondays - 7:00 p.m. - Tuesdays - 10:30 a.m. - Fellowship Hall "The Composition of the Bible" Followed by "The Book of Ruth"

# Steeple Talk Newsletter

We are going to **ONE** newsletter per month. We hope all who can will sign up on the website to have the newsletter sent to you by email and thus reducing the cost of mailing. **The Newsletter deadline for the March issue is Monday, March 3.** 

To date, we have 69 receiving the Newsletter by email.

#### **Financial Statements**

Year end statements are ready and we will try to hand them out on Sundays and Wednesday nights or they can be picked up at the office. If you have questions or concerns please contact Sherri. Her hours are Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**February Worship Services** 

February 16 - The Lord's Prayer February 23 - Riverdale

#### **Extended Sessions**

February 9: Bed Babies: Donna Routh & Wendy Walker

Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Dale Lambeth

3 & 4 Year Olds: M/M Phil Mickey

<u>February 16:</u> Bed Babies: Jen Fuller Allen & Brooke Williams

Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Zack Young 3 & 4 Year Olds: M/M William Fulbright

<u>February 23:</u> Bed Babies: Margaret Ann Maddox & Kelly Mitcham Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: Sandra Blackwelder & Crystal Alexander 3 & 4 Year Olds: Brenda Sprinkle, Casey

White & Courtney Sams

March 2: Bed Babies: Jen Fuller Allen & Brooke Williams

Toddlers/2Year Olds: M/M Kevin Brown

3 & 4 Year Olds: M/M Josh Boyle

#### **Noon Lenten Services**

Wednesday, March 5 begins the Annual Noon Lenten Services at First United Methodist Church. Following the service a meal will be served with a cost of \$6.00 per person.

## Soup and Sandwich Lunch

Thank you for your outstanding support through our Annual Soup and Sandwich Lunch. With your support of the lunch, the pound cakes, and the Manna Bags, we were able to net over \$2,000 for our Youth Ministry. The Manna Bags are still available for \$5.00 each. We are grateful for your generous support of our Youth Ministry.

## CBFNC 2014 General Assembly March 28 - 29

First Baptist, Greensboro, NC



# **Staff Appreciation**

February 15th marks the 8th year anniversary of employment for Libby Everhart as Administrative Assistant/Church Secretary. We are grateful for her service. Thanks for all you do.

#### Welcome New Member

January 26, 2014

Will Jones 560 Arrington Drive Lexington, NC 27295 425-8577



#### Seniors and Junior/Seniors

March 17 - St. Patricks' Day Luncheon

The Seniors & Jr/Sr's will have a St. Patricks' Day luncheon at Harborgate. The meal will be catered and volunteers are needed to help decorate. The cost is \$10.00 per person. The cut off date for the meal is Monday, February 10 and you may pay in the church office.

On Saturday, March 8 the group will attend the Barn Dinner Theatre to see "Church Basement Ladies; A Second Helping." Lunch will be at 1:00 p.m. and the cost is \$42.00 for lunch and the show. The last chance to reserve will be Friday, February 14.

April 13, Palm Sunday, we will go to First Baptist Church in Kernersville to attend a concert "Requiem, by John Rutter" with choir, orchestra and organ. It will start at 4:00 p.m. There is no charge.

On Tuesday, May 6 we will attend a Winston-Salem Dash ball game. The cost is \$22.00 which includes your meal.

#### **New Phone System**

In December of 1996 from a generous donation we installed our current phone system. With the advances in technology and many changes we are not only updating our phone system, we are making major changes. In the coming weeks we will switch from analog phone system to VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) system. Mainly everything will now be done over the internet.

Once we complete the change over, the current **Information Line - 249-3224** will no longer exist. To access the Information Line you will call the main number 249-9158 and you will then have the option to hear the Information Line or place your call to the Church office.

The number for the Church 249-9158 will remain, the fax number 249-4762 will remain, and the MBCC number 248-6924 will remain.

## **Emotional Freedom Techniques**

There is a simple, easy-to-learn method for clearing anxiety, grief, anger, fear or other negative emotions. First Baptist Church is offering an Introduction to EFT class on Thursday nights for five weeks. Join us in the parlor on March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 3. Instructors are Betty Jane and Richard Honeycutt. The class is free, but pre-registration is required. Contact the church office or email the Honeycutt's at amethyst@triad.twcbc.com.

#### Thank You

Dear First Baptist,

We would like to thank everyone at First Baptist for the love and prayers they have shown my family and to all the men, women and other churches for your prayers. We also wish to thank you for the food furnished during this time.

Jessica and Zowe Lilly and Family

# Memorials

**General Fund:** *William Medford* by Teenie S. Tilley, Jerry & Aurelia Smith, Peggy B. Hinkle, Robert Oates, John & Ruth Fitzgibbon, Thornton Yancey, J.B. & Betty Lopp, James & June Honeycutt, Samuel & Margaret Currin, Holly & Lou Pierce, Cloyd & Kathy Philpott, George & Amy Chambless, Ian & Talmadge Silversides; Chad Kirkendall by David & Julia Dunn, Will & Cindy Fulbright, Brenda Hipp; Dermont Everhart & Horace Conner by James & June Honeycutt; Margaret S. Honeycutt, Dermont Everhart, June Auman, Shirley Owen by Wyatt & Nancy Helsabeck; Janet Conner, Bruce Davis, Jaybird McCrary by Suzy Conner; Margaret Honeycutt by Peggy Walker; Horace Conner by Brenda Hipp; Novella McLendon Tyler Music Fund: Novella Tyler by Terry & Martha Hutchens; Music Fund: Will Williams by Gary & Sue Wikstrom; MBCC **Scholarship Fund:** *Horace Conner & Dermont Everhart* by Jackie Inman, William Medford, Horace Conner, Chad Kirkendall, Dermont Everhart by Mildred Thomas; Parlor Fund: Horace Conner by J.B & Betty Lopp; William Medford by Estelle McKinney, William & Sara DeLapp, Robert & Martha Adams; Dermont Everhart by Marlene P. Ix, Estelle McKinney, Cathie Alexander & Jay Welborn, Jeff & Catherine Bowers, Jim & Carol Myers; **Global Missions:** Dr. Mary Elizabeth Milliken by James & June Honeycutt; Margaret Honeycutt by Robert & Pauline Maddox; Benevolent Fund: William Medford & Chad Kirkendall by Gary & Sue Wikstrom; Bereavement Fund: William Medford by Robert & Martha Adams; Missions Fund: Zeb Barnhardt by Shawn & Amy Leonard De Forest; **Transportation Fund:** Dermont Everhart & Horace Conner by Jeanne Wall; William Medford by Marylyn Hilton; Parlor **Fund:** William Medford, Chad Kirkendall, Bruce Davis by Don &

Jeanne Wall; William Medford by Marylyn Hilton; Parlor Fund: William Medford, Chad Kirkendall, Bruce Davis by Don & Ann Bishop; Horace Conner by George & Amy Chambless, Bruce & Gilda Greer; Dermont Everhart by Cloyd & Kathy Philpott, Roy & Anne Bevan, Ian & Talmadge Silversides; Chad Kirkendall Memorial Fund: Chad Kirkendall by Nancy Nuckols, Elizabeth Fuller, Ron & Judy Worthington;

## Honorariums

**Youth Fund:** *Ray & Joyce Howell* by Bill & Betsy Medford; General Fund: Choir Director & Instrumentalists by Brenda Hipp; Tommy & Sandra Wilson by Bill & Betsy Medford, Tommy & Sandra Wilson, Ray & Joyce Howell, Dr. Jim Bates by James & June Honeycutt; Global Missions Fund: Brenda Hipp by James & June Honeycutt; **Bereavement Fund**: Frances Hoover & Committee by Mary Everhart; MBCC Scholarship Fund: Peggy Barnhardt by Mary Everhart; Vinnon & Gloria Williams by Shirley Crotts; Benevolent Fund: Hubert & Cateen Olive, Paul & Barbara Epley, Robert & Jane Hedrick, Don & Ann Bishop, Robert & Martha Adams, Dr. Victor Farrah & Donna Azzolini, Ray Howell, III, Tommy Wilson, Libby Everhart by Mary Everhart; Community Assistance Fund: James & June Honeycutt by Wilson Weldon; Building & Grounds Fund: Frances McLendon's Birthday by Terry & Martha Hutchens; **Transportation Fund:** *Marylyn Hilton* by Jeanne Wall



# The Eighth Annual Day of Touching Davidson County with Love Saturday, April 12

Davidson County churches will once again join forces to serve needy members of our community as we observe Touching Davidson County with Love 2014 on April 12.

As in the past, viable projects are now being sought from welfare agencies in the county. Individuals may also suggest projects. Churches may form teams to complete projects, or individuals may sign up for particular projects. These possibilities will be distributed to each church in March. Some of the proposed activities include preparing food, painting, cleaning yards, gardening, housecleaning, small home repairs and construction, visiting and/or singing at nursing homes, making baby blankets, etc.

We need project managers and other volunteers at First Baptist. TDCWL began at First Baptist in 2007, so the leadership team will certainly be counting on our members to make the day a success.

If you are willing to serve as a project manager, please send that information to one of the following:

Judy LeCroy at 249-3766 or jlecroy@triad.rr.com Kay Albright, 248-4130 or kalbright21@gmail.com Tobin Shepherd, 249-9044 or tbnhshepherd@yahoo.com

There will be a celebration and prayer service for all TDCWL volunteers on Thursday, April 10, at First Reformed UCC. This will be a wonderful gathering of members from the participating churches. Please plan to be a part of this event.

Our church will be contributing \$1,000 through the 2014 Mission Budget. If you would like, you can also make a contribution.

T-shirt orders are due by March 14. Call Debbie Auman (248-5802) or the church office if you wish to order.

#### **DIRECTORY**

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# **Building and Grounds**

This past week Miller Lawn Maintenance, our yard group trimmed back overgrown bushes and trees. Following that they put out pine needles and mulch throughout the property.

Funding for much of the work comes from donations and the designated account for the yard maintenance.

Currently through your budget gifts we are painting the Music Suite, and three Sunday School rooms on the 1st Floor. Other painting in the elevator stairs and kitchen are also on the schedule with our paint crew from Musgrave Painting.

#### **MBCC Fundraiser**

Valentine Luncheon - February 11, 2014 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. - Fellowship Hall Cost: \$10.00 Adults \$5.00 Children Menu: Turkey or Ham Sandwich, Potato or Pasta Salad ,Fruit Cup, Tea, Dessert

Tickets are now available. There will also be a Silent Auction that will open from Sunday, February 9 through Wednesday, February 12.

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