



First Baptist Church

Lexington, NC

Steeple Talk - October 2014



World Communion

Sunday, October 5 - 11:00 a.m. - Sanctuary

We will join with others throughout the World in this service of Communion. We are asking you to bring cans of Ensure or Boost to benefit Cancer patients through Carolina Cancer Services.

Annual Area Crop Walk



Sunday, October 19

1:45 p.m. - First Baptist Church

The Annual Area Crop Walk will be held October 19. Forms are available in the church office and during Family Night. The Crop Walk benefits our local shelter and helps with hunger needs around the world. Plan now to walk or sponsor someone in the ongoing effort to fight hunger. The walk begins and ends at First Baptist.

First Baptist Church Fall Carnival

October, 29 - 6:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Menu: Mexican Fiesta Bar



Children: Dress in your favorite no scary costumes. Following the Costume parade the youth will lead us in games and a hay ride and **lots of candy.** **Fun for All!** **"We need candy"**

Adults: **BINGO** - Come and play bingo and win a prize!

Family Night at First Baptist

Wednesday Nights

6:30 p.m. - Following Dinner

Wednesday, October 1 - FaithHealth - Dr. Victor Farrah

Wednesday, October 8 - Bill James, President of Lexington Medical Center

Wednesday, October 15 - NC Baptist Children's Homes

Wednesday, October 22 - CBF - End Hunger

Meetings & Events

October

6th:	Frady/Johnson Mission Group	11:30 a.m.
	Bernice Cross Mission Group	2:00 p.m.
	Hand Bell Rehearsal	5:30 p.m.
	Fall Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
7th:	Fall Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
	Carolyn Phillips Mission Group	7:00 p.m.
13th:	Hand Bell Rehearsal	5:30 p.m.
14th:	Fall Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
19th:	Finance Committee Meeting	9:00 a.m.
20th:	Hand Bell Rehearsal	5:30 p.m.
	Fall Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
26th:	Deacons' Meeting	7:00 p.m.
27th:	Hand Bell Rehearsal	5:30 p.m.
	Fall Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
28th:	Fall Bible Study	10:30 a.m.

November

3rd:	Frady/Johnson Mission Group	1:45 p.m.
	Bernice Cross Mission Group	2:00 p.m.
	Hand Bell Rehearsal	5:30 p.m.
	Fall Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
4th:	Fall Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
	Carolyn Phillips Mission Group	7:00 p.m.

Staff Appreciation

On October 10th, Jean Ashley, Director of the Martha Best Children's Center, will have completed 31 years of service to First Baptist Church.

We thank Jean for all these years and we are truly grateful for her dedication to First Baptist Church, the children and her service to our community.



Transportation Fund

The church will be purchasing a "used" van costing \$24,000 to \$30,000. The Transportation Fund's current amount is **\$15,926**.

Our current van will be sold to provide additional funds. We have been receiving memorials honorariums designated to the Transportation Fund. We will be looking for the funds to fully pay for the purchase. Please consider making a contribution to defer the cost of the van to the **Transportation Fund**.

Fall Bible Study

Monday Evening - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday Morning - 10:30 a.m.
"The Beatitudes"

Extended Sessions

October 5: Bed Babies: M/M Greg Briggs

Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Dale Lambeth

3 & 4 Year Olds: M/M Charlie Pyle

October 12: Bed Babies: M/M Kevin Foster

Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Dustin Hill

3 & 4 Year Olds: Ray Nance Howell, Ethan Houser, Andy Killebrew

October 19: Bed Babies: Savannah Kepley, Whitney Brooks

Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Bryan Lingerfelt

3 & 4 Year Olds: M/M Thomas Jolly

October 26: Bed Babies: Margaret Ann Maddox and June

Honeycutt **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds:** M/M Lee Davis

3 & 4 Year Olds: Sandra Wilson & Jack Davis

November 2: Bed Babies: M/M Richard Baxley

Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: Christy Clark and Courtney Sams

3 & 4 Year Olds: M/M William Hopkins

We Need Your Help SteepleTalk Newsletter

www.fbclex.org

As of this date we have 114 signed up to receive the monthly newsletter by email. The newsletter is always available on the website. By signing up we are able to continue to cut our postage cost. **Sign Up Today!**

New Phone System 336-245-1261

The best way to contact the church office is dialing **336-245-1261**. You can also use the old number.

Online Giving

Many of you receive envelopes in the mail for your contribution to the Church. Others just send a check or have their Financial Institution send the church a check. Most Banks will allow you to set this up at no charge to you or the church. If you would like envelopes and have none please contact the church.

First Baptist is excited to announce that you can now manage your giving online! Giving online is simple and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. Simply follow these easy steps:

1. Visit the church website at **www.fbclex.org**.
2. Click on the **On-Line Giving** button top of page.
3. Click on the **Create Profile** button, then
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.



Time Change

Just a reminder, turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, November 2.

Youth News and Schedule

Downtown Youth Choir

Sunday, October 12 - Worship Service FUMC & FBC

Middle School Fall Retreat

Camp Caraway

(includes ropes course and archery)

Friday, October 17 - Sunday, October 19

BBQ Festival Parking

Saturday, October 25

The FBC Youth will again be parking cars in the FBC parking lot as one of their fundraisers. Please support our youth for this important event.

Fall Carnival

Wednesday, October 29 - 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Chili Cook-Off and Cake Sale

Sunday, November 23 - 12:15 p.m. - Fellowship Hall



Sunday Morning Coffee Room

9:30 a.m. - Second Floor Elevator Landing

In order to encourage fellowship and enjoy a beverage, join us on the second floor near the elevator on Sunday mornings for a hot beverage and conversation.

Volunteers are needed each Sunday to set up the coffee and to clean up afterwards. Please consider taking a Sunday. We also have individuals who have provided a snack. If you would like to do a snack we encourage you to sign up.

2015 Budget Planning/Discussion

Wednesday, November 5

Sunday, November 23

The Budget Planning Committee is working along with the various committees to formulate a 2015 Budget. A Proposed Budget will be mailed the end of October. In the planning are opportunities for discussion and feed back and a special presentation on Sunday morning.

Music Notes



Just a reminder that **NOW** is the perfect time to join the Sanctuary Choir, the Senior Adult Choir or Hand Bell Choir. If you are a past member we would love to have you back. If you are not a former member but have the desire to join in these ministries, I'm sure you will enjoy the opportunity to serve and the fellowship will bless you. We have several spots available in the Hand Bell Choir we would like to fill quickly. If you have questions, please contact me, - pafreeman@ptmc.net 336-239-9856 or 336-787-3660.

Hand Bell Choir - Monday, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Senior Adult Choir - Wednesday, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir - Wednesday, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Memorials

Music Ministry: *Graham D. Hall* by FBC Senior Adult Choir;

Honorariums

Candle Lighters for the Church: *Zowe Lilly* by Michelle Hopkins; **Transportation Fund:** *Billy & Susan Bryan's Anniversary* by Betty Sink

October 2014

Thank You

Dear Members of First Baptist,

Thank you all for your prayers and memorial gifts given on behalf of Graham Hall. We deeply appreciate the lovely memorial service and reception afterward.

Love,

The Family of Graham D. Hall

Dear FBC Congregation,

We want to express our sincere appreciation for your many donations of school supplies for our foster children. Having the needed school supplies for our children really helps them to be successful in school. We greatly appreciate the generosity and continued support of your congregation for our program. Your support continues to be a true blessing.

DC Social Services

GRAND OPENING - CHURCH PARLOR

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

9:00 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.

Plan to stop by the Parlor to see the recent transformation. All walls, window and doors have been painted and new window treatments have been installed. New furniture has been purchased and other furniture refinished and everything looks great.

We are grateful to all who gave to make this renovation possible. A special thanks to Sandye Saintsing.

Flu Shot Clinic Wednesday, October 8

3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

Flu shots will be available next Wednesday, October 8, in the Fellowship Hall between 3:00 & 6:00 p.m. Medicare (you will need the red, white and blue card) and most major health insurance plans will cover the cost.

Thank you to Cindi Stafford for making the clinic possible.



Operation Christmas Child - November 19

This year we have purchased shoe boxes from Operation Christmas Child. They are available for pickup. Determine whether you wish to sponsor a boy or girl and choose the age group. Simply pack appropriate items in a shoe box, include a \$7.00 check payable to Samaritan's Purse (covers shipping and handling).

Attach a brochure, available in the church office or the Fellowship Hall. The final day to turn

these in is **November 19**

Operation Christmas Child Workday - December 8

Once again members of FBC will journey to Charlotte to help organize the many shoeboxes that are sent to the Samaritan's Purse collection center each year. Our workday this year is Monday, **December 8**. We will leave Lexington about 11:30 and return (after dinner) about 8 p.m. We are limited to 16 participants, so please contact Judy LeCroy if you would like to be included in the group at 249-3766 or jlecroy@triad.rr.com.

FaithHealth NC - Lexington Model

A Time for Celebration - Challenge - Continuing Education

Sunday, October 12 - 3:00 p.m. - FBC Fellowship Hall

If you would like additional information about FaithHealthNC before the event, call Rev. Coley Rimmer at 336-972-6662 or Rev. Lee Dukes at 336-238-4550.

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Alternative Gift Fair

Wednesday, November 19

6:30 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

Gift Fair/Bake Sale



The Gift Fair is just around the corner. In order to have the greatest impact, this year we will focus on five groups that work with individuals and families in need in Lexington as well as globally. The groups include: **CBF Global Missions, FBC Assistance Fund, Martha Best Children's Center, Crisis Ministry of Davidson County and Pastor's Pantry.** Family and friends would love to be honored with a gift to a local agency or one of the other gifts available. If you enjoy baking, please consider donating homemade cookies, cakes, candy or other baked goods. All profits will go to benefit local missions.

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