

Easter Lily Dedications

In Memory of:

J. P. & Ola Costner by Lauren & Nancy Kugel & Family

Bernie Harding by Sterling & Tina Wall

Carolyn Phillips by Jim Phillips and Family

Chad & Matthew Kirkendall

by Becky Kirkendall, Dave & Kristi Thornhill, Lily, Luke, Sarah, & Mary Evann

Bobby Kirkendall

by Becky Kirkendall, Dave & Kristi Thornhill, Lily, Luke, Sarah, & Mary Evann

In Honor of:

Hazel Frady by Sterling & Tina Wall

Evelyn Bingham by Sterling & Tina Wall

Tommy & Sandra Wilson by Tullia Hoover

Congregational Meeting - April 6

6:30 - 7:15 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

We will have a called Congregational Meeting on Wednesday, April 6 to hear plans for the Interim Period that will begin on May 1.

Touching Davidson County With Love - April 16

Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board at the entrance to the Fellowship Hall. Plan to participate in the 10th Anniversary of TDCWL. Our assignment for 2016 is to gather food for Pastor's Pantry:

Canned pasta

Canned fruit

Canned Tuna

Canned peas

Global Missions Offering

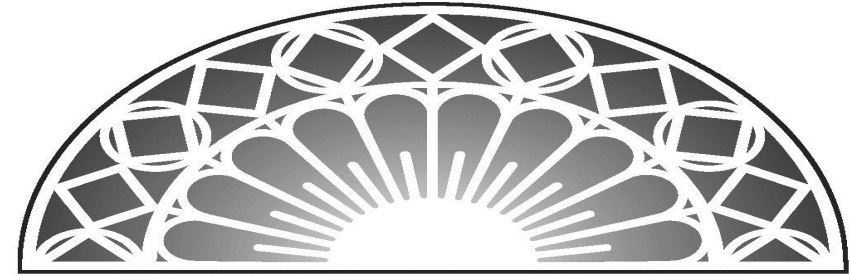
It is this time of year that we give a special offering to the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship for missions. You have a Missions envelope in your packet or just make your check for CBF Global Mission offering. May we give so others can serve.

Extended Sessions:

March 27: Paid Nursery

April 3: Bed Babies: M/M Greg Briggs Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Dave Thornhill

3 & 4 Year Olds: Tina Wall & Lily Thornhill



First Baptist Church

Lexington, North Carolina

*Christ is risen,
He is risen indeed!
Alleluia!*

RAY N. HOWELL III

Senior Minister

TOMMY WILSON

Associate Minister

PAUL FREEMAN

Minister of Music

JEAN ASHLEY

Martha Best Children's Center, Director



Easter Sunday

March 27, 2016

THE GATHERING

In response to a terror-filled world intent on destruction, fear, and death, we hear the words of Mary: "I have seen the Lord." These words of faith roll back the stones of fear and hatred that restrain us and open the door to life, love, mercy, and grace. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

(Alleluia Bells are in the vestibule for all children!)

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Christ Is Risen* Christopher Tambling

CALL TO WORSHIP Ethan Houser

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made!

People: We rejoice in this great day!

Leader: What a great day, this Easter day!

People: God's dawn of new hope, new mercy, and new life.

Leader: Christ the Lord is Risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Leader: Lift up your hearts, people of God!

People: We lift them to the risen Lord.

Leader: God is making all things new. Alleluia!

People: He is making all things new! Alleluia! Alleluia!

ANTHEM *All Things New* Courtney

Lighting The Christ Candle

Opening of The Bible Sarah Thornhill

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

HYMN NO. 235 *Christ Arose!* CHRIST AROSE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 118: 1-4, 14-24

HYMN NO. 247 *The Day of Resurrection* LANCASHIRE

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24: 1-12

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Minister: Holy God, by your power and grace you raised Christ Jesus from death, giving us the incredible gift of new life.

People: Forgive us, O Lord, for living as though we were still held captive by sin and death.

Minister: Raise us up, by your Spirit, to live as your resurrection people.

People: Transform our hearts and free us from our guilt, that we might proclaim the Good News of your unconditional love.

EASTER PRAYER

Minister: Christ has died, but death does not have the final word.

People; Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

Minister: Easter begins for us when Christ calls us by name.

People: Christ will come again and lead us into God's glory! Alleluia!

HYMN NO. 254 *Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven* ODE TO JOY

OFFERTORY PRAYER Brannon Gilliam

OFFERTORY *Offertory from "An Easter Suite"* Gordon Young

GLORIA PATRI

SERMON *A Delirious Story* Dr. Ray Howell III

ANTHEM *Alleluia, Praise the Risen King!* Larson

CLOSING WORDS

CHORAL BENEDICTION *For Thine Is the Kingdom* arr. Freeman

POSTLUDE *Toccata from Symphony no. 5* Charles Marie Widor

Today's Lay Reader is Kathy Hinkle.

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani - organ/piano Sanctuary Choir

Bill Harbinson - trumpet Jon Meyers - trumpet

Cory Gudger - horn Seth McKnight - trombone

Wes Richardson - tuba

Christian sympathy is extended to Roger Tripp upon the death of his mother, Louise Stigall Tripp of Greensboro on March 19, and to Kay Roberts upon the death of her brother, James Vernon Boswell of Jamestown on March 19.

**First Baptist Office and MBCC will be closed Monday,
March 28 for the Easter Holiday.**

There Will Be No Family Night Activities Wednesday, March 30