



JANUARY SUNDAY SERVICES

Jan 6th - Riverdale Narrative featuring the music of Brannon Gilliam and Lee Spears

Jan 13th* - "A Prayer for Peace" Psalm 29

Jan 20th* - "A Prayer for Love" Psalm 36

Jan 27th - Deacon Ordination and Communion

* The theme parallels the Nurturing Faith Sunday School Lesson

2019 BIRTHDAY BANQUET

We are excited to announce that our Birthday Banquet will be Wednesday night, February 13th! We will honor our new interim staff members as we celebrate all of our 2019 birthdays. Kelly Lambeth is coordinating table decorations and needs volunteers to help. Please contact Kelly at kelslambeth@gmail.com. Tickets will soon be on sale: \$8 for adults, \$6 for children and \$25 family limit. Wendy Walker and the Family Life Committee are coordinating this great night of celebration.

2019 FAMILY LIFE RETREAT—GROWING YOUNG

Our church is involved in a year-long renewal emphasis called "Growing Young." We are joining several other North Carolina Baptist churches and North Carolina Lutheran churches. Dr. Andy Jung, the coordinator of "Growing Young," will be leading our Family Life Retreat at Caswell the weekend of March 15th - 17th. We hope to have a large group attending. Details on pricing will be available soon. All meals on Saturday and Sunday breakfast will be included in the cost. Please contact Wendy Walker if you are interested. Transportation is not included at this time, but if there is enough interest arrangements will be made.

Jr/Sr CHILI SUPPER

January 26th at 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
Please contact Sharon Palmer at 336-798-1369

Steeple Talk

Faith Fellowship Mission

WELCOME NEW INTERIM STAFF MEMBERS

Randy Hall - We welcome Randy back to First Baptist Church as he will serve as our Interim Associate Minister beginning in March. Randy grew up in our church and recently retired as Minister of the Fairmont Presbyterian Church. The Sunday School class that Randy started continues to bear his name. He is a gifted and experienced minister and also a writer, serving as one of the religion writers for The Dispatch. We welcome Randy and his wife, Jane, back to First Baptist.

Wes Richardson - We welcome Wes as our Interim Music Director. He is the band director at Central Davidson Middle School. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina in Greensboro and has received many awards and honors for his musical talents. Wes is no stranger to First Baptist as he has played the tuba for the Nine Lessons and Easter Sunday Services in recent years. We welcome Wes and his wife, Erin, to the First Baptist Church Family.

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

Our Wednesday night activities will resume on February 6th with the Quarterly Business meeting. We will review the 2018 Financial Report, discuss Wednesday night programming for the Spring and have an update on our "Growing Young" emphasis for 2019.

ATTENTION: 2018 contributions statements will be available to pick up on Sunday, January 13th.

MEMORIALS

General Fund: *Carl Garrison* by Harvey & Barbara Fulbright and Robert & Martha Adams; *Lamar Clark* by Catherine & Jeff Bowers, Martha & Mike Neese, Gayle & Henry Woodall, Robert & Martha Adams, Fred & Lynda Belk, David & Joyce Conrad, Cynthia Cashman and Bob & Kay Timberlake; *Jack Sink* by Billy & Susan Bryan; *Edna Honeycutt and McNair Tornow* by Robert & Martha Adams; *Joyce Houser and Lindsey Worthington* by Fred & Lynda Belk; *Lois Perryman* by Billy & Susan Bryan and Robert & Martha Adams; *Lamar Clark* by Jane Worley

Endowment Fund: *Dot Craver, Jewell Deal, Carl Garrison, McNair Tornow, and Lamar Clark* by David & Julia Dunn; *Lamar Clark* by Peggy Barnhardt

Building/Grounds: *Dixie Kidney, Dot Craver, Jewell Deal and Lois Perryman* by Silba Rae Fennell; *Lamar Clark and Betty Mason* by Hal & Donna Routh

Small Jobs Ministry: *Janet Boyce* by Hazel Frady

Christmas Food Boxes: *Lamar Clark and Lois Perryman* by Brenda Hipp

MBCC Scholarship: *Mildred Thomas, Lois Perryman and Louise Michael* by Gerald Smith; *Edgar & Mildred Thomas* by Cammey & Tom Manning

Local Missions: *Carolyn Phillips* by Greg & Sara Briggs

Van Fund: *Fred and Virginia Sink* by Kelly Sink

Chrismon Fund: *Thomas & Thelma Grindstaff* by Kathy Hinkle; *Lem & Rose Willis (parents of Mary Rose Hill, wife of John Hill)* by Bruce & Ginger Hill

HONORARIUMS

Small Jobs: *Lane Gilliam, Ray Williams & Phil Mickey* by Judy LeCroy

Christmas Food Boxes: *Jim Honeycutt's 70th Birthday* by June Honeycutt; *Ray & Joyce Howell, Jean Ashley, Jim Skotthy, Sherri Salinas, Paul Freeman, Elaine Alexander and Beryl Phillips* by David and Julia Dunn

Music Ministry: *Paul & Debra Freeman* by Hal & Donna Routh and Gerald Smith; *Peggy Barnhardt* by John & Myra Thacker and *Beverly Khemlani* by Brenda Hipp

General Fund: *Peggy Barnhardt and Bub & Kelly Wright* by Robert & Martha Adams; *Booty Hilton and "The" Jackson* by Billy & Susan Bryan; *Hubert & Cateen Olive* by Robert & Jane Hedrick; *Bonnie Harvey, Betty Privette, Sally Davis, "The" Jackson and Sharon Palmer* by Faithful Workers SS Class

MBCC Scholarship Fund: *Jean Ashley and Bob & Ann Cole* by Cammey & Tom Manning

CBF Missions: *Jim & June Honeycutt* by Brenda Hipp

Miscellaneous Restricted: *Debbie Auman and Brenda Houser* by Brenda Hipp

Chrismon Fund: *Hailey Walker* by Brian & Wendy Walker; *Margaret Ann, Simon, Cameron, Meghan and Landon Maddox* by Jim & June Honeycutt; *Ashley, David, Jackson, Spencer and Carson Honeycutt* by Jim & June Honeycutt and *Peggy Barnhardt* by Jim & June Honeycutt

EXTENDED SESSION

DATE	BED BABIES	2 - 4 YEAR OLDS
JAN 6	M/M Jon Myers (336) 248-6550	M/M Zak Young (336) 746-4451
JAN 13	Jen Fuller Allen (336) 250-0714 Brooke Williams (336) 956-1821	M/M Thomas Jolly (336) 746-5034
JAN 20	M/M Greg Briggs (336) 731-8031	M/M Dave Thornhill (336) 249-2115
JAN 27	M/M Brian Lancaster (336)-596-9889	M/M Dale Lambeth (336) 692-2039
FEB 3	Libby Foster (336) 238-1441 Courtney Foster	Wendy Skotthy (336) 224-0035 Alyson Honeycutt (704) 433-0656 Grace Upton

THANK YOU

Dear Church Family,

Our hearts were touched by the wonderful outpouring of love Debra and I received from you at the Dec. 16th "Lesson and Carols" service. We are so glad we had the opportunity to speak to you one-on-one at the close of the service. Our five years serving the Lord and worshipping with you will always be among our most treasured memories. I can't find the words to express my love and respect for Ray Howell. You are a biblical scholar and wonderful pastor. My job would not be possible without the top notch staff I have had the pleasure to work with. And to all the choirs of all ages, you bring the wonderful message of God's love, grace, and mercy to every service. I appreciate so much the work of Beverly Khemlani and Peggy Barnhardt for their tireless support of the music ministry. Thank you also to all the volunteers who lead our children and youth choirs. It has been an honor and a privilege to lead the Sanctuary Choir. Your dedication and faithfulness to the Music Ministry has been extraordinary. You are good and faithful servants of our Lord. Best wishes for the continuation of service to God's Kingdom. May He continue to bless First Baptist Church.

Paul & Debra Freeman

NEW BUS NEEDED!

First Baptist is in need of a new bus. The larger bus is 20 years old and is now cost prohibitive to maintain. It is also increasingly difficult to find CDL drivers.

A new bus, similar to the smaller one we have is estimated to cost between \$70-80,000.00.

We have set up a reserved fund for this new purchase which currently has about \$8,400.00. Please consider a special contribution for this new vehicle.

FINANCIAL REPORT

November

Budget Received: \$38,500.12

Expenses: \$ 50,089.01

Deficit: \$11,588.89

Year to Date

2018 Projected Budget: \$717,837.00

Budget Received: \$ 550,888.44

Expenses: \$ 557,756.78

Deficit: \$6,868.34

Our revenue continues to fall short of our needs. May we continue to be faithful in our giving to the church.

CONTACT US!

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