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Daniel Cash, Senior Pastor



Dear First Baptist:

As we move a little further into this new year I wanted to communicate a few things that are happening in the life of the church and our shared ministry:

Our **Children's Ministry team** has implemented a change of holding our primary discipleship and education emphasis with children to the first hour (9:30 worship hour) on Sunday mornings. This was done recognizing that many of our younger families prefer to have their children involved in discipleship during this time, and were not participating in second hour offerings.

At present, children, age 4 through 6th grade, join in the opening of worship and are then dismissed to the lower level to share in this discipleship time. A more broadly graded mission type experience is available for children during second hour, and our nursery provides care for infants and toddlers during both hours.

Our **Evangelism Ministry** has led us over the past year in adopting a new logo and branding, as well as re-thinking the use of our welcome and gathering space.

A next step we are making, with the help of TD Advertising, is to bring all our print publications into a uniform look with the new logo and branding. We will also be installing three new information screens in the building that will share opportunities for ministry involvement and other church news.

The monthly Messenger will be transitioning to an e-delivery system by April. That is, the primary way the newsletter will be delivered will be through email. Print copies will be available on the literature ledge to those who do not use email, and a copy will be mailed if requested. This change will be supplemented by more frequent Enews updates from the church office. Please make sure we have your most up to date email address. You can submit that through our website: www.firstbaptistcolumbus.org

Worship at First Baptist continues to be our primary all-church gathering. We recognize the importance of this time and will continue a commitment to quality music and other worship expressions. A worship planning team will be involved in helping prepare for worship as we move into February and beyond. As announced earlier, the Rev. David Brown will begin as our Interim Minister of Music in March. We look forward to his partnership with us. A search committee is active in searching for a new Worship Pastor.

These are just a few of the more recent changes and transitions I wanted you to be aware of and pray with me about. These, along with many other daily and weekly ministry initiatives, are carried out by the many volunteers who make First Baptist–Columbus their faith community. I am grateful for your leadership and participation.

Pastor Dan



ANNOUNCING A NEW GROW GROUP

A Couple's Guide to a Growing Marriage, a guide to a deeper relationship with your spouse and God, by Gray Chapman, will begin Tuesday evening, February 12. It will be every other week in the Chapel at 6:00 pm. Arrangements are being made for child care. All couples are welcome to participate. Those interested should contact Alice Richmond or Missy Zimmerman.

Sermon Conversation Series Continues

You are invited to join the Adult Study Fellowship and Pastor Dan for the second Sermon Conversation on Sunday, Feb. 10. Pastor Cash's sermon that day will be on Matthew 7:1-14, 24-29, "The Golden Rule." This conversation will take place in the Fellowship Hall during our Second Hour.



FBC SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

<u>E. Don Tull Memorial</u>: for graduating high school seniors. **Deadline: April 1.**

<u>Foundation</u>: for graduating high school seniors & current college students. <u>Deadline: April 1.</u>

All forms and applications are available in the church office. Please submit completed forms to the church office.

Men of Faith Announces two New Study Opportunities

Two new bible study opportunities are coming to our Men of Faith group, which meets on Fridays at 6:15 a.m. in the private dining room at the Four Seasons Retirement Community.

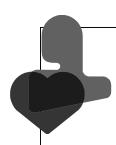
During the month of February, Pastor Dan will be leading a study titled, "**The Days of Elijah.**" We will explore several of the narratives in I Kings that involve the Old Testament prophet Elijah, one of the key figures in the history of Israel and the Old Testament scriptures. A study guide will be available for this study on the literature ledge in the Sanctuary, or by email from Pastor Dan if requested.

Our Men of Faith Lenten Study, which will begin on March 1 is titled, "Words from the Cross" and will be a seven session look at Jesus' last seven words shared from the cross. This study, co-led by Pastor Dan and Bill Griffith, will also incorporate a study guide and promises to be a good way to participate in Lent this year, as we prepare for Easter.

All men are invited to join the Men of Faith group. The beginning of a new study topic is a great time to join.

Live Streaming available for Sunday Services

- ♦ To view on your PC go to http://www.sundaystreams.com/go/fbccolumbus or access through the link on our web page: fbccolumbus.org/WP/sermons.
- ♦ To view on your cell phone or tablet from the App Store or Google Play, Download: Sundaystreams, Login: fbccolumbus



Pastoral Care Team for February

Feb. 3—Tim & Paula Pickup

Feb. 10—Carolyn Baker & Sue Hoffman

Feb. 17—Janet Bailey & Alice Richmond

Feb. 24—Dortha Anderson & Mandy Reed

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Emergency Responder Schedule

Feb. 3—Judy Rhude March 3—Judy Rhude

Feb. 10—Mike Compton March 10—Mike Compton

Feb. 17—Forest Daugherty March 17—Forest Daugherty

Feb. 24—Kim Hamon March 24—Kim Hamon

March 31—Roberta Walls

If you know of a member of the church that is home bound, and not currently receiving home bound communion and may like to receive it, please let the church office know and the communion team will make contact with them.

FEBRUARY COMMUNION

SANCTUARY SERVERS:

Teresa Arbuckle Randy Wheeler Linda Foster Frank Eldridge Carolyn Baker Wayne Lovelace Bill Baker

Joe Hamon Keith Arbuckle



HOMEBOUND SERVERS:

Janet Bailey Larry & Susan Carter Cliff & Sue Putterill Charlotte Oestreicher

COMMUNION PREPARATION: Kip & Lianne Wright

CLEAN UP: Bll Baker, Frank Eldridge, Wayne Lovelace, Joe Hamon

MARCH COMMUNION

SANCTUARY SERVERS:

Jim Bokelman Ron Lane Molly Nelson Cliff Putterill John McKay Randy Wheeler Nathan Patrick Frank Eldridge Dick Miller



HOMEBOUND SERVERS:

Janet Bailey
Susan Carter
Jeannie Wheeler
Linda Foster
Charlotte Oestreicher
Teresa Arbuckle
Carol Poe

COMMUNION PREPARATION: Randy & Jeannie Wheeler

CLEAN-UP: Nathan Patrick, Randy Wheeler, Keith Arbuckle, Bill Baker

Anyone who would like to assist with communion, please contact the church office, 812-376-3321.

NURSERY/TODDLER SCHEDULE FOR WORSHIP HOUR



February 3

Nursery Worship—Sue Hoffman & Lucy Cash Toddler Worship—Carolyn Baker & Susan Carter

February 10

Nursery Worship—Kayla Jones & Lucy Cash
Toddler Worship—Charlotte Oestreicher & Nolan Pickup

February 17

Nursery Worship—Deborah & Molly Nelson Toddler Worship—Jennifer Kelley & Heidi Jones

February 24

Nursery Worship—Diane & Ashley Ginn Toddler Worship—Joy Langdon & Anita Burton



I would like to thank each and every person who sent me a card, said a prayer, and came to visit me at the hospital and here at home. Also, thank you to the ones who have brought me to church and have taken me to other places since I have moved to Parkside Ct.

Thank you, Marilyn Estell



February Birthdays

If your name does not appear on the Birthday List and you wish to be included, please call or email the church office.

- 1. ~ Linda Reid
- 2. ~ Dick Miller, Scott Chitwood
- 3. ~ Jeff Seeley, Oliver Adams, Jan Carlstrom
- 4. ~ Delma Harmon
- 5. ~ Margaret Nelson, John McKay
- 7. ~ Jeannie Wheeler
- 8. ~ Adam Zimmerman
- 10. ~ Alvin Arbuckle, Cecil Workman
- 12. ~ Larry Alexander, Barry Ferrill
- 13. ~ Sharon Semer
- 14. ~ Esther Hash

- 15. ~ Bill Baker
- 17. ~ Chris Nelson
- 18. ~ Stephanie Olson
- 21. ~ Peggy Lane, Anita Yancey, Stephanie Adams
- 22. ~ Jan Reed
- 23. ~ Deb Lilly
- 24. ~ Pat Burns
- 25. ~ Cliff Frady
- 27. ~ Shorty Whittington
- 29. ~ Sharon Downin



Valentine Care Packages for College Students

We will be collecting treats for care packages for our college students again this year. There will be a collection basket near the back door. We have 8 students this year. Ideas include: snacks, candy, school supplies, gift cards, etc.



Music Ministry



Music Worship Leaders for February

Opening Song Team: Kip & Lianne Wright, Jessica Arbuckle, Joe Hamon

Feb. 3—Chancel Choir Feb. 10—Chancel Choir Feb. 17—Chancel Choir

Feb. 24—Chancel Choir & WAVE





Winter Learning Series Continues



Our Winter Learning Series continues on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. through February. This study is "Sharing Faith in Today's World: Lessons from Acts," and is led by six different Bible study leaders. Here are summaries of the remaining sessions.

Session Three Feb. 6 Leader: Bill Griffith

Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch

Acts 8

This is a study which focuses on chapter 8 of the book of Acts. We will examine the story through the context, the characters, and the cultural aspects that define the experiences of Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch. We will view them through the lens of how the early faith community responded to Jesus' instructions, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

What we will discover will hopefully provide us insight into the importance of sharing our own faith in our world.

Session Four Feb. 13 Leader: Bob Langdon

Paul Shares His Faith in Philippi

Acts 16

The Gospel takes a new direction in Acts 16 after Paul heeds a plea from a Macedonian to "help us." Lydia, the first convert in Europe, practices Christian hospitality. A slave girl and a jailer are saved. Different approaches lead to conversion experiences: Paul preaches on a river bank, frees a slave girl, and offers hope and good news to his jailer. A witness for Christ is shared in different contexts. In what ways can we demonstrate and share our faith in similar situations?

Session Five Feb. 20 Leader: John McKay

> Paul in Athens Acts 17:16-32

The Apostle Paul's experience in Athens is sometimes called his greatest failure in preaching. But rather than see this as a failure, we can see it as an amazingly insightful attempt to reach an audience much like the people we are called upon to evangelize today. The Athenians were satisfied that they had things figured out and they didn't need any help from anyone. Paul tried to meet them where they were and then give them a new insight from what they saw every day. Is there some way we could use this approach today?

Session Six Feb. 27 Leader: David Klinsing

Faith Sharing a Positive Message in a Negative Situation

Acts 21:2-Acts 28

In these final 8 chapters of Acts, covering about five years, Paul faces what we do in our world today, a negative situation that won't go away. Through it, Paul provides us with transferable lessons from his time to ours about how to live out and speak out a positive message.

Meet Our Interim Minister of Music - Pastor David Brown.

Dear FBC Columbus,

Here's a brief bio about me so you won't feel like you are meeting a complete stranger when I come. I have a BA degree from Judson University (1974) and an MDiv from Northern Baptist Seminary (1979). I was ordained in 1979 and have served various churches in Illinois, Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan. My wife and I also served with International Ministries for 4 years, living and working at Kodaikanal International School in India (1999-2003). My last full-time ministry position was at FBC of Midland, MI, and I retired in May of 2015. Since moving to Hope, IN, I have served as Interim Pastor at both FBC of Rushville and Memorial Baptist Church of Columbus.

Over the years, I have directed many vocal, handbell, and instrumental groups; and I play trumpet, piano, and guitar. Currently, I am playing trumpet in the Columbus City Band. I also tune pianos as a side-job. My wife Susan is also gifted musically, and together we have worked with Children's and Youth Choirs wherever we have lived. Currently, we are leading the Community Children's Choir of Hope.



Susan and I have 2 adult children and a delightful daughter-in-law. Our son Benjamin and his wife Julia live in Kalamazoo, MI, where Benjamin is starting a small organic farm; and our daughter Meredith lives in Flagstaff, AZ, where she is completing a Master's Degree in Applied Criminology at Northern Arizona University.

Susan and I are eager to get to know you. We look forward to being of service to FBC Columbus, and we trust that God will bless our time with you.

In Christ's Service,

David M. Brown

2019 State American Baptist Women's Ministries of Indiana Scholarship Application

All college students, incoming and current (undergraduate), who are members of an American Baptist Church are encouraged to apply for this scholarship. Application forms are available in the church office, and must include a statement of purpose, letters from a teacher who has had you in class, a minister, an American Baptist Woman and a transcript of grades (3.0 grade average on a 4.0 scale required). All first, second, third and fourth year students will be considered equally. Scholarships will be granted on the basis of dedication, financial need, and scholastic ability. **Deadline for mailing is Feb. 15.**



Healthy Living Tips

Carbon Monoxide (CO) Poisoning Prevention

When power outages occur after severe weather (such as winter storms), using alternative sources of power can cause carbon monoxide (CO) to build up in a home and poison the people and animals inside.

Every year, nearly 500 people die in the U.S. from accidental CO poisoning. Change the batteries in your CO detector every six months. If you don't have a battery-powered or battery back-up CO detector, buy one soon.

CO is found in fumes produced by portable generators, stoves, lanterns, and gas ranges, or by burning charcoal and wood. CO from these sources can build up in enclosed or partially enclosed spaces. People and animals in these spaces can be poisoned and can die from breathing CO.

How to Recognize CO Poisoning

The most common symptoms of CO poisoning are headache, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, chest pain, and confusion. People who are sleeping or who have been drinking alcohol can die from CO poisoning before ever having symptoms.

CO Poisoning Prevention Tips

- Never use a gas range or oven to heat a home.
- Never leave the motor running in a vehicle parked in an enclosed or partially enclosed space, such as a garage, even with the door open.
- Never run a generator, pressure washer, or any gasoline-powered engine inside a basement, garage, or other enclosed structure, even if the doors or windows are open, unless the equipment is professionally installed and vented. Keep vents and flues free of debris, especially if winds are high. Flying debris can block ventilation lines.
- Never run a motor vehicle, generator, pressure washer, or any gasoline-powered engine less than 20 feet from an open window, door, or vent where exhaust can vent into an enclosed area.
- Never use a charcoal grill, hibachi, lantern, or portable camping stove inside a home, tent, or camper.
- If conditions are too hot or too cold, seek shelter with friends or at a community shelter.
- If CO poisoning is suspected, consult a health care professional right away.
- CO poisoning is entirely preventable. You can protect yourself and your family by acting wisely in case
 of a power outage and learning the symptoms of CO poisoning.

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Through White Cross, these special recovery kits provide both tangible assistance to people in need and show that neighbors near and far truly care. These are sent to Church World Service, which sees that they are sent to those in need.

Disaster survivors need essential items to reclaim their homes and lives.

SCHOOL KIT

- One pair of blunt metal scissors (rounded tip only) removed from package
- ♦ Three 70-count bound notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (no loose-leaf or filler paper)
- ♦ One 30-centimeter 12" ruler
- ♦ One hand-held pencil sharpener removed from package
- One large eraser (no pencil cap erasers)
- ♦ Six new, unsharpened pencils with erasers—removed from package
- ♦ One box of 24 crayons (only 24)
- ♦ One 12"x14" to 14"x17" finished size cotton or lightweight canvas bag (solid color or kid-friendly fabric) with cloth handles. No reusable shopping bags, backpacks, or bags with logos.

Pack all items inside the cloth bag.

HEALTH KIT

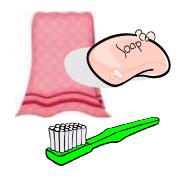
- One hand towel measuring approximately 15" x 28" to 16" x 32" (NO fingertip, bath, dish, or microfiber towels)
- ♦ One wide-tooth comb removed from package
- ♦ One bath-size bar of soap (in wrapper)
- ♦ One toothbrush (in original packaging only)
- One washcloth
- ♦ One fingernail or toenail clipper removed from package
- ◆ Ten standard size band-aids

All items need to fit inside a one-gallon plastic zipper closure bag. Remove excess air from bag, and seal. Please **do not** add toothpaste to the Kit.



Please place kits on the table next to the kitchen by March 10. \$2.00 for postage for each kit would be appreciated. Thank you. If you have any questions, contact Judy Alexander.





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Looking Ahead...

Wed., Feb. 13—Four Seasons Mending (9:00 am)

Fri., Feb. 15—Newsletter Deadline

Sun., Feb. 17—Blood Pressure Screening (before/after worship)

Tues., Feb. 19—Church Council (7:00 pm)

Sun., Feb. 24—Annual Meeting (10:30 am)

Sun., Feb. 24—Pitch-In Coffee Fellowship (last names J thru P)

Sun., Feb. 24—Secret Sister Reveal (5:00 pm) (at Mayfield's)

Tues., Feb. 26—Abigail Circle (7:00 pm)



The Body of Christ Prays For...Betty Euler, Roselyn Hoff, K.M. George, Sharon Semer, Cecil & Linda Workman, Anna DeHaven, Carl & Nancy Williams, Marcia Battle, Alvin Arbuckle, Marilyn Estell, Leland Robertson, Heidi Putterill, Don Hughes.