April Messenger

Are you ready to celebrate Easter? Usually by the time we've made the journey through Lent I am beginning to be ready. But it is only as we re-visit those last days of Jesus' passion – the triumphal entry, last supper, agony of Gethsemane, darkness of Good Friday, and stillness of Holy Saturday – that we are truly ready for Easter's joy and celebration.

It's a unique coupling of emotions, in this respect. We combine sorrow and conviction with joy and celebration. One gives way to the next. You can't get to Easter's true joy without visiting the somber and dark days and events that come in the days just prior.

That is the reason the church invites us to walk through this season and those days.

Below you will find a listing of this year's Holy Week services at First Baptist. Each of these will provide meaning to your experience of Jesus' last days if you choose to participate. Each of them will allow you to reconnect with this greatest story in a way that helps you live the story once again. Who are you inviting to join you this Easter? We are invited to invite. Let's prayerfully look for those opportunities presented us to share the news of Jesus' passion with others.

In anticipation, Pastor Dan

Holy Week Schedule



Palm Sunday - April 14 - 9:30 a.m. Worship

We will celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem and the beginning of Holy Week as we worship together.



Maundy Thursday Worship & Communion - April 18 - 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall Join us for a special worship as we meet at the Table and Cross in commemoration of Jesus' final days. This service will include the celebration of Holy Communion.

Good Friday Community Service - April 19 - Noon at The Commons

Sponsored by the Ecumenical Assembly of Bartholomew County Churches. All are welcome.



For ages walking through 6th grade. Please bring your own baskets.

We will have a snack, crafts, story, and the hunt with a golden egg for each age group!



Easter Sunday Worship - April 21

7:30 a.m. - Sunrise Service in the Chapel 8:15 a.m. - Easter breakfast in Fellowship Hall 9:30 a.m. - Easter Celebration Worship Service

If you plan to attend the Easter Breakfast, please sign up Sunday morning or contact the church office.

Around The Church

Search Committee Update

The Worship Pastor Search Committee started meeting in December. Over the past few months we have prayerfully and diligently reviewed data from the previous revitalization focus groups, explored qualities of a new staff member that will support FBC and help us grow, crafted a job description and church profile, met with Interim Area Regional Minister Jim Walter, determined job posting channels, and met with David Brown.

We will also be talking with Rev. Soozi Ford, Executive Minister ABCINKY, as one who will be able to advocate for this new position. Then we will be ready to share the final job description and post our church profile.

We thank you for your continued support, encouragement, and prayer as we work together to call our new Worship Pastor.

Committee Chair Missy Zimmerman

Christian Education Representative Beth Caldwell
Church Family Representative Mollie Adams
Evangelism Representative Donna Tull
Stewardship Representative Jim Reid
Missions Representative Liz Lipson

Worship Representative Lance Alexander

Staff, EX Officio Member Dan Cash

Thank You

Dear friends at Columbus FBC,

I am so appreciative of your support and prayers. I just wanted to send a personal note to thank you for your most recent gift. I'm humbled and honored by all you do to help make my ministry possible!!

Blessings,

Kristy Engel, Global Consultant for Health; International Ministries, ABC-USA

We would love to thank everyone for all the prayers for Dennis and our family these last few weeks. A Big thanks to Pastor Dan Cash And Karen Hargett for the wonderful service you gave and a big thanks to all involved with preparing the wonderful meal for us.

Thanks again.

Joyce Fonner. Bryan Fonner. Holly And Greg Tourville And Verna West

Candy/Cash Donations Needed for Easter Egg Hunt:



We are in need of candy or cash donations for supplies for the Easter Egg hunt. There is a box by the kitchen for candy donations (wrapped candy that will fit in an egg). For cash donations please use the blue pew envelopes. Thank you!

What's New in the Library?

CHARLES MARTIN - WHAT IF IT'S TRUE

JOCELYN GREEN - BETWEEN TWO SHORES

NANCY MOSER - WHERE TIME WILL TAKE ME

SERENA MILLER - LOVE FINDS YOU IN SUGARCREEK

GREG LAURIE - JESUS REVOLUTION

" " - TELL SOMEONE

JILL SMITH - MICHAL-WIVES OF KING DAVID

DVD - I AM POTENTIAL

Note from our Interim Music Minister

Dear First Baptist friends,

It is a joy for Susan and I to be part of your fellowship and ministry at First Baptist. Thank you for warmly welcoming us into the life of this congregation. While it is meant to be a temporary time, as I am serving as the Interim Music Director, we already feel as though we are serving among a people who are deeply committed to the work of God's Kingdom here on earth. A large part of that calling is in the area of music. And I would like to issue an invitation to anyone who might like to join the Chancel Choir and sing praises unto God. We rehearse on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm, and are beginning to work on some lovely anthems for Maundy Thursday and Easter. If you have ever thought you might like to sing with the Praise Team, I would encourage you to say something to myself or to Pastor Dan, and you can join in a rotation of folks who sing for about a month at a time. Those rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. And if you happen to play an instrument, like guitar or drums, I would especially love to hear from you! Thank you for the opportunity to serve First Baptist and to make beautiful music together.

Around The Church

Spring Grow Groups

SPRING GROW GROUP STUDY ON THE LORD'S PRAYER

Spring Grow Groups on the book, The Revolutionary Power of the Lord's Prayer by Alice Burnette Greene, will begin the week of April 28. If you have ordered a book, please stop by the Welcome Desk, pick it up and mark your name off the list. Please also indicate which of the 3 Grow Group sessions you prefer to attend.

Each participant is asked to read the book in preparation for group discussions. We have just a few extra copies of the book, see Pastor Dan if you are interested in participating.

SPRING WOMEN'S GROW GROUP

A Spring Grow Group for women will be offered on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00 p.m., May 14 to June 18, on "Entrusted – A Study of 2 Timothy" by Beth Moore. Sign up today at the Welcome Desk.

Lifeline Screening Here at First Baptist

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be in our community on Saturday, June 15, 2019 at First Baptist Church. Ultrasound screenings to Identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include; Carotid Artery (plaque buildup-a leading cause of stroke), Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (an enlargement or weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body), Peripheral Arterial Disease (hardening of the arteries in the legs), a Heart Rhythm Screening (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation-irregular heartbeat) and an Osteoporosis Risk Assessment for men and women. Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early.

Register online TODAY at www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle and receive your "Community Circle" discount and your Preferred Appointment!

This Month's Leadership

Pastoral Care Team

April 7 - Carolyn Baker & Sue Hoffman

April 14 - Dortha Anderson & Mandy Reed

April 21 - Janet Bailey & Alice Richmond

April 28 - Kerry & Alice Richmond

Emergency Responders

April 7—Judy Rhude

April 14—Mike Compton

April 21—Forest Daugherty

April 28—Judy Rhude

May 5 - Kim Hamon

May 12 - Mike Compton

May 19 - Forest Daugherty

May 26 - Judy Rhude

Children's Sunday School

1st Sunday

4's - grade 2:

Grade 3-6: Stephanie Olson

2nd Sunday

4's - grade 2: Marcia Cheek Grade 3-6: Terri Ketterling

3rd Sunday

4's - grade 2: Linda Reid Grade 3-6: Beth Caldwell

4th Sunday

4's - grade 2: Deanna Glick Grade 3-6: Anita Yancey

5th Sunday

No children's ministry opportunity today. Children will stay with their parents in worship on those 5th Sundays.

MESSENGER MOVED TO E-DELIVERY

The primary way the newsletter will be delivered now 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

Healthy Living Tips

Medication Safety Tips

- Only start, stop, and change medications with your doctor's approval.
- Throw away every out-of-date medicine.
- Organize every medicine using a medicine container system such as a daily pillbox.
- Keep a list of every medicine you take including prescription, over-the-counter, herbal, supplement, inhaler, and patch.
- To help prevent problems with medicine interactions:
 - + Make sure your primary doctor knows every medicine you take and what pharmacy you use.
 - + Use one pharmacy. If this is not possible, make sure your primary pharmacy has a copy of your complete medication list.
 - + Ask your pharmacy about medication interactions.
- Change your medication list every time your medicines change.
- Name one person besides yourself who will stay up-to-date on every one of your medicines and medication list.
- Be able to answer these questions about every one of your medicines:
 - 1. What is the name of this medicine?
 - 2. Why am I taking this medicine?
 - 3. How do I take this medicine?



April Communion

SANCTUARY SERVERS:

Keith & Teresa Arbuckle Randy Wheeler Linda Foster Frank Eldridge Bill & Carolyn Baker Wayne Lovelace Joe Hamon

HOMEBOUND SERVERS:

Janet Bailey
Larry & Susan Carter
Nathan Patrick
Carol Poe
Charlotte Oestreicher

COMMUNION PREPARATION:

Bill & Carolyn Baker

CLEAN-UP:

Bill Baker, Frank Eldridge, Wayne Lovelace, Joe Hamon

May Communion

SANCTUARY SERVERS:

Daryl McMath Frank Eldridge Joe Hamon Dick Miller John McKay Molly Nelson Ron Lane Jim Bokelman David Emmert

HOMEBOUND SERVERS:

Janet Bailey
Susan Carter
Charlotte Oestreicher
Linda Foster
Jeannie Wheeler
Randy Wheeler
Larry Carter

COMMUNION PREPARATION:

Adam & Missy Zimmerman

CLEAN-UP:

Nathan Patrick, Randy Wheeler, Keith Arbuckle, Daryl McMath

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

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.

MISSION

Love Chapel in Need of Volunteers

Love Chapel is a member of the Ecumenical Assembly. This group of churches oversees operations at Brighter Days (local temporary housing), Hot Meals (free evening meals), and the local Food Pantry. Last month we provided housing for 78 individuals (an average of 30 per night), food for 1057 households, and a hot evening meal every night of the week. In addition, 61 individuals received financial assistance from Love Chapel over the last month. The addition of Brighter Days increased the staff budget, so we are in need of volunteers to offset that increase. If you are able and willing to help, the Volunteer Orientation is at 311 Center Street on the first Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m. and the second and fourth Monday of each month at 12:30 p.m. Contact Kathy Thompson, volunteer coordinator, at volunteer@columbuslovechapel.com.

SEEDS Garden Ministry

Are you a gardener? Would you like to learn more about gardening? The SEEDS Garden Ministry needs new team members for our 2019 season. Speak with Forest or Marsha Daugherty if interested. This ministry supports the Love Chapel food bank.

Edna Martin Food Drive



April is our month to collect food and/or money for the Edna Martin Center Food Pantry. The mission of the Edna Martin Christian Center is to bridge cultural, racial, and economic differences in order to support and nurture the people in the community by providing holistic programs that empower, encourage, and engender a vision of hope. "The Edna Martin Christian Center was established as the

East Side Christian Center in 1941. A community activist, Ms. Edna Martin, began working with children after school in the Martindale-Brightwood neighborhood. In 1946 the Center became a home mission of the American Baptist Churches, USA. As a result of this affiliation, the services and programs of the center expanded to include social services to strengthen families in the neighborhood." The Center provides programs for children through Senior Adults. We are proud to be a part of the support of the Edna Martin Christian Center through American Baptist Church of Indiana/ Kentucky! Please place checks or money for the Edna Martin Center in the pew envelopes. Food donations may be made in the collection box by the back door.

Kwai River Hostel Project

The Kwai River Hostel Mission Project started in 2000 after the Daughertys visited Thailand. An unused hostel dormitory in a small Baptist Mission Station began housing children from the outlying countryside so they could attend a good high school. Approximately \$200 of additional funds allow a year of school in a Christian environment and has been very successful. If you would like to contribute to this project, please make your checks out to First Baptist Church and indicate Kwai River on the memo line. Thank you. (Forest Daugherty)

Coming This Month

April Birthdays

- 4. ~ Beth Miller
- 7. ~ Marjorie Betz
- 8. ~ Tamara Brown
- 9. ~ Karston McIntosh
- 10. ~ Jeff Caldwell, Marilyn Estell
- 12. ~ Donna Browne, Corbie Snyder
- 13. ~ Donna Moore
- 15. ~ Alexander Kelley
- 16. ~ David Tobias, Jeanne Greenlee, Kayla Jones
- 19. ~ Kyle Olson, Krista Scgalski
- 22. ~ Vanessa Edwards
- 25. ~ Carol Poe, Anna Kelley
- 26. ~ Susan Hoffman
- 29. ~ Paul Poe
- 30. ~ Molly Nelson

Serving in the Nursery This Month

April 7

Nursery Worship—Sue Hoffman & Carol Poe Toddler Worship—Carolyn Baker & Susan Carter

April 14

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

April 21

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

April 28

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

Easter Lilies



If you would like to contribute to flower decorations, please use blue pew envelopes and place your check, along with your name and those you wish to remember in the offering plate. (Please indicate in memory or in honor of.) You may also mail it to the church office. We will publish a list of donors and the person you wish to remember in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

Easter Breakfast

All are invited to Easter Breakfast following the Easter Sunrise Service. Please sign up at the desk by the kitchen to contribute food items for the meal. The sign-up sheet will be available today, April 7 and April 14.

In order to have adequate seating, please sign up on the Friendship Register for the number planning to attend from your family.

Service: Sunday Morning - Worship 9:30 am, 2nd Hour Learning 10:45 am

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, Donna Emmert.

Looking Ahead

Tues., April 2 - Hannah Circle (2:00 pm)

Wed., April 3 - Worship Planning Team (5:00 pm)

Sun., April 7 - Children's Discipleship Class begins (10:45 am)

Tues., April 9 - Marriage Grow Group (6:00 pm)

Tues., April 9 - Church Council (7:00 pm)

Wed., April 10 - Four Seasons Mending (9:00 am)

Thurs., April 11 - Search Committee (5:30 pm)

Sun., April 14 - Palm Sunday

Mon., April 15 - Newsletter Deadline

Wed., April 17 - Quarterly Business Meeting (6:00 pm)

Thurs., April 18 - Maundy Thursday Worship (7:00 pm)

Fri., April 19 - Community Good Friday Service (at The Commons) (Noon)

Sat., April 20 - Children's Easter Egg Hunt & Activities (10:00 am)

Sun., April 21 - Easter: Sunrise Service (7:30 am); Easter Breakfast (8:15 am); Celebration Worship (9:30 am)

Tues., April 23 - Marriage Grow Group (6:00 pm)

Tues., April 23 - Abigail Circle (7:00 pm)

Sun., April 28 - Spring Grow Groups Begin

Sun., April 28 - Pitch-In Coffee Fellowship (Last names A-H)

Sun., April 28 - 5K Planning Team (11:45 am)

Live streaming available for Sunday Services

- To view on your PC, go to sundaystreams.com/go/fbccolumbus, or access through the link at the top right of our homepage, firstbaptistcolumbus.org
- To view on a mobile device, download the Sundaystreams app from the App Store of Google Play. Password is fbccolumbus