

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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THE CARILLON



Greetings Church Family,

Can you see it? The Lord is moving among us at First Baptist. Each week we are witnesses to his work as we are seeing people make decisions to follow Christ, families join our church, previous members return to gather with us regularly once again, visitors whom we have connected with in outreach attend, and most importantly we are seeing people grow into the image of Christ through his word. These are truly exciting days for us and we

thank God for his work among us!

As you know, my pastoral heart is to see First Baptist Church be a bright, shining, and healthy light to the Taylorsville community. That in and by God's grace our church can be a clear and distinct marker of what it means to know Christ and follow Him with our lives to the end that our community is reached for the gospel of Jesus Christ. Certainly, this is what we have been called to as the people of God. My prayer is also that this would happen beyond this place – to countries and nations even beyond us. Certainly, this is what we have been called to as the people of God as well. As Southern Baptist, I am thankful for our partnership through the International Mission Board and the laborers whom our tithe dollars go to support for this very work.

Just like reaching Taylorsville, partnering to reach to the nations is priority for me as your pastor. Therefore, I am always looking for more ways our church can be connected in this work. Many of you will remember Jimmy Winfrey who came to speak to us last year and shared his work with Reaching and Teaching which aims to make mature disciples, establish healthy churches, train local leaders, and to advance the gospel world-wide through long-term missionary mobilization, short-term theological training trips, ministry internships, and strategic church partnerships. I know many of you enjoyed hearing and connecting with Jimmy and some have even partnered with him. In that same vein, I am excited to share that we will have Blake Jessie coming to preach for us on December 4th in our morning worship service.

*Serving Him,
Pastor Chance*



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WELCOME BLAKE JESSIE & FAMILY!

First Baptist Church welcomes Blake Jessie and his wife Emily and children to lead in the morning worship service on December 4th. The Jessie Family are in the process of moving to Nairobi, Kenya to partner with a Reaching and Teaching team and local church through evangelizing and discipling. Blake will seek to equip pastors throughout the country who have little or no access to theological training. Emily loves serving her family and has a heart to disciple other women. Their passion is to see the name of Christ treasured amongst all the nations.

This privilege to hear about God's work among the nations and how our church can partner in short-term mission trip, prayer, or otherwise is doubly ours because Blake and Emily have strong ties to our congregation. Emily is the daughter of Kathy Brookshire and Ed Pavy. Kathy grew up in the First Baptist Church and her husband Ed served as Campus Pastor for more than 26 years at Campbellsville University. Emily is the granddaughter of Jean Brookshire and the late Allen Brookshire who were longtime members of First Baptist in which Al served as a deacon for many years and Jean served in the choir, hospitality committee, and taught Sunday School. Current members Wendell and Diane Wright were under Blake's care as pastor in Greensburg prior to moving to Taylorsville.

The Jessie Family is being sent to the field by their beloved flock of Greensburg Baptist Church where Blake served as the Senior Pastor for almost 15 years. Blake and Emily have four children who are joining them on this journey: River, Josiah, Judah, and Pavy.

We look forward to having the Jessie family with us for our morning service on December 4th at 11:00 a.m. Please pray for Blake and Emily and their children as they move to Kenya begin this new ministry.



BABY DEDICATION

Recently Caroline Joann Snider, daughter of Dr. Joseph and Carlie Snider was presented for dedication during the morning worship service. Bro. Chance led the special time by challenging the parents, extended family and church family to work together in the spiritual growth. Many family members as well as church friends showed support for the family through their attendance and participation.

Caroline is the granddaughter of John Mark and Belinda Snider, niece of Dr. John and Dr. Bethany Snider, and cousin to John Mark and Elizabeth Snider.

Pray, thanking God for the blessing of this precious child, a loving gift. In this sweet and innocent child is God's promise of a better world, a glimpse of perfection, and a reminder of His unconditional love.



*Love the Lord, your God, with all your heart
and with all your soul and with all your strength.*

DEUTERONOMY 6:5



**TAYLORSVILLE
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH**

**PULPIT EXCHANGE
WORSHIP SERVICE**

Sunday, November 20, 2022



*Rev. John Lewis will share the word of God with First Baptist
while Rev. Chance McConnell shares the word of God with Second Baptist.*

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PROGRAM RETURNS!

The Community Tree of Life is returning after a two year break due to Covid Pandemic. The Community Choir returns to bless our hearts with song and music but without the tree! Instead of singing in a tree structure, the choir will stand in front of a hand painted scenery of the Spencer County Court House and countryside by a local artist and longtime First Baptist member the late Marie Thomas in 1989! The scenery consists of white sheets donated by the Best Western Greentree Hotel owners and First Baptist Members Jan Huff and her husband the late Dave Huff. Marie spent weeks painting the scenery in the basement of the home of her son and daughter in law Ronald and Lisa Thomas since they had the space available. Marie was also keeping her three year old grandson Robert. Ronald shares, "Mother painted the sheets in sections and then sewed them together. While she painted Robert rode his tricycle and Marie would remind him to not ride on her painting!" The Community Choir organizers decided to use the scenery that is in pristine condition after 33 years of storage!

COMMUNITY
OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS CHOIR
First Baptist Church of Taylorsville

Christmas
BLESSINGS

FREE
TICKETED
EVENT

Two Performances Nightly
Tickets available at The Tea Cup & The Red Scooter
Friday | Dec 2, 2022 | 5:30PM & 8:00PM
Saturday | Dec 3, 2022 | 5:30PM & 8:00PM
Sunday | Dec 4, 2022 | 4:00PM & 5:30PM
For additional information contact (502) 249-6425, (502) 299-8543, or (502) 836-0994

"Christmas Blessings" under the direction of Joy Thompson includes 50 singers and orchestra ensemble. The program will feature many favorite music selections from previous Tree of Life performances. The program will tell the life of Jesus from birth, to death on the cross, and finally the resurrection. Admission is FREE! See the flyer for performance and ticket information. Please pray for this community ministry to share the gospel message to all who attend.



Above: The Set Construction Team led by David Shelburne
Below: Hand-painted Backdrop for "Christmas Blessings"





FIRST BAPTIST ENTERS FINAL STRETCH OF UNITED WE BUILD LOAN

When reflecting on the history of our \$750,000 United We Build project, it feels like we are in the final stretch in repaying our United We Build (UWB) loan. As many of you will recall, in October 2013, we borrowed \$600,000 to help finance (1) an extensive renovation of the educational space directly behind the sanctuary, (2) the addition of an elevator that services all levels of our two main buildings, (3) the creation of the Dare to Care storage area, choir practice area, and media area, and (4) a connector between our two main buildings which includes our prayer garden.

Our church has been so blessed to meet our UWB obligations through generous member giving, fundraisers, and several estate gifts. Today, as we enter our tenth year with this loan, our loan balance is down to only \$90k! Despite an original maturity date of October 2038, we plan to continue aggressively paying down our UWB loan to have it completely repaid within the next few years. Since our loan interest resets in October 2023 from the current 4.25% rate, and with interest rates likely to remain high, we have an extra incentive to repay as much as possible by October 2023.

As mentioned earlier, our members have been faithfully supporting the UWB loan and over the past few years, there has been no need to use general budget funds to meet our monthly obligations.

If you are being led to make a special year-end gift, please consider making a gift to United We Build. If you'd like to discuss making such a gift, or any other special gift you may be considering, please contact Bro. Chance or a member of our finance committee.

*You will be enriched in every way for great generosity,
which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.*

II CORINTHIANS 9:11



THANK YOU!!!

The Youth of First Baptist Church would like to express enormous thanks to everyone who helped make the Annual Chili Cook-Off and Dessert Auction an amazing success! With your help we raised just over \$2,000 to support our students here at First Baptist.

These funds will allow our students to participate in a variety of events throughout the year, especially our yearly trip to Crossings Camp, where they will be surrounded by fellow teens seeking to grow their relationship with God. Thank you again and hope you enjoyed all of the delicious cakes you took home.



CHILI COOK OFF WINNERS

Hot Chili: 1st Tabitha Praetor, 2nd Brian Crenshaw
Mild Chili: 1st Christy Brown, 2nd Janet Barnett

NEW SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

There is a new opportunity for fun and fellowship for the Senior Adults! Under the leadership of Ronald Thomas, the Senior Adults are enjoying getting together to travel to various local destinations and restaurants.

In a recent outing, the group went on a guided tour of Cave Hill Cemetery in Louisville. Retired First Baptist Pastor Brother Tim Waits who works at Cave Hill led the group on an informative tour and shared the history of this beautiful cemetery. Before returning home, the group had lunch at King Fish on the River.

Please contact the church office for more information about future outings each month!



SENIOR OUTING PARTICIPANTS ENJOY DINING TOGETHER!

Pictured Left to Right
Sue Washburn, Kitty Miller, Helen Fletcher, Lvonne Gilbert, Pastor Chance McConnell

LOVE + GROW + COMMIT + GO

COMMUNITY GROUP FELLOWSHIP

The October Community Group hosted by Marilyn and Ruth Ann Sweazy were entertained by Jaydee Miller, David Stevens, and Gary Vidito! Jaydee Miller is an award winning pianist, jingle and song writer, and composer! He traveled 13 years with Bill and Gloria Gaither and cowrote many songs such as "Old Friends" with the Gaithers! Perhaps his most famous jingle is "Nationwide is on your side!"

Gary Vidito is an accomplished musician, entertainer, and a former Minister of Music at First Baptist! He just completed his 43 season in the Stephen Foster Story where he plays the banjo! Two recent works include "Take Me Home - Music of John Denver" and "I'm Not Done Yet!" in which Gary composed the words and music for every song about love and lessons learned in life!

David Stevens, also an accomplished musician and music promoter is the lead singer and musician for Victory Road Gospel Quartet. David has performed many times with Jaydee and Gary!



FAMILY FUN FEST



At the November Cedar Hill Fellowship, Juderlee Hall and her horse Jack provided pony rides! Jack, a quarter horse, is 28 years old. He has appeared in television commercials and documentaries.





Baked Dressing for Chicken or Turkey

This Baked Dressing is a Shelburne Family Tradition served at every Thanksgiving and Christmas. Several years ago Marilyn was asked to make the Dressing for the First Baptist Thanksgiving Banquet. Through the years, Marilyn has made several thousand balls of dressing just for the church!

6 c. stale bread crumbled - any stale bread works
2 c. cornbread crumbled
3/4 c. chopped onions
3/4 c. chopped celery
4 t. ground sage
3 t. black pepper
3 or 4 c. hot chicken or turkey broth
(more if needed)

Sauté the chopped onions and celery in 2 T. of butter until they are translucent. Pour into bread crumbs. Mix all ingredients together. Make into balls and place in a lightly greased baking dish. Bake at 350 degrees for 25 minutes or until the balls are lightly brown or crusty on top. This makes about 16 balls the size of a golf ball.

Note: I make biscuits and corn bread about a week before I make the dressing. I keep them in the refrigerator. After mixing the dressing, you may want to taste to see if it has enough sage and black pepper.

From The Kitchen Of
Marilyn Sweazy

Corn Pudding

2 c. corn (can use canned or frozen)
4 T. All-purpose flour
1 T. butter, melted and cooled
2 T. Sugar
1 t. salt
2 eggs, beaten
2 c. half and half or whole milk

Mix corn, flour, salt, and sugar together in a large bowl. In a separate bowl, whisk together eggs, milk, and butter. Add milk mixture to corn mixture and mix together. Pour into a 1-quart greased baking dish. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour. Stir the bottom 2-3 times the first 30 minutes. This helps to distribute the corn evenly throughout the casserole.

From The Kitchen Of
Judy Miller

Creamy Swiss Chicken Bake

4-6 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
3/4 c. Parmesan Cheese
1/2 c. Mayonnaise
1/2 c. sour cream
1/2 t. salt
1/2 t. pepper
1/2 t. garlic

Place chicken in 9 x 13 inch pan. Sprinkle cheese on top of chicken. Mix remaining ingredients and spread over all the chicken. Bake at 350 degrees for one hour.

From The Kitchen Of
John Burkett
Glynis Willis' Brother



**DARE TO CARE
FOOD DISTRIBUTION
DATE CHANGE**

Thursday, November 17th
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Christmas Poinsettias

Purchase a Poinsettia
In Memory or In Honor
of Family & Friends

Cost - \$16.50

Please contact the church office by Monday, December 12th.
Many thanks for helping to decorate the Sanctuary during this holiday season.
The Poinsettias may be taken home to enjoy on Sunday, December 25th.



November

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHEDULE 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. - Evening Worship		1	2 	3 Empty Spools Quilt Friends 10:00 a.m. 	4	5 
6  Cedar Hill 4:00 p.m.	7	8 MENS COFFEE 6:30 a.m. The Tea Cup  Love My Neighbor Christmas Blessing	9  Thanksgiving Banquet 6:00 p.m.	10	11  Church Office Closed	12
13  DEACON'S MEETING 4:00 P.M.	14 Trustees 8:00 a.m.	15 MENS COFFEE 6:30 a.m. The Tea Cup Love My Neighbor Christmas Blessing	16 Senior Outing Our Best 	17 	18	19
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27  6:00 P.M.	28	29 MENS COFFEE 6:30 a.m. The Tea Cup Love My Neighbor Christmas Blessing	30 	TITUS 2 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY EVERY THURSDAY 6:30 - 7:30 PM MEDIA ROOM		



HANGING OF THE GREENS

JOIN FAMILY & FRIENDS IN DECORATING THE SANCTUARY FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Sunday ★ November 27 ★ 6:00p.m.



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