



First Foundations

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, RALEIGH, NC

FOUNDED IN 1812

“The Ties That Bind”

Sunday, September 17
5:00 p.m. covered dish meal
6:00 p.m. film followed
by discussion
(See August 4 *First Foundations*
for details.)

Church Conference

Wednesday, September 27
6:20 p.m.
in the Fellowship Hall

Flu Shot Clinic

Thursday, September 28
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Lewis Building Lobby
Sign up by Monday,
September 25

Downtown Church Walk

Saturday, October 7
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
For more information, as
well as a map for the self-
guided tour, visit: www.downtownraleighchurches.org

Help with Dental Bus

Through the Community Ministries Committee, our church is hosting the NC Baptist Men’s Dental Bus on Friday, October 6. The bus will

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Offering Supports Missions in NC

Our State Missions offering goal of \$10,000 will help children, older adults, families, and others in need by supporting the following state agencies:

- CBFNC brings Baptists of North Carolina together for Christ-Centered ministry and missions.
- Baptist Retirement Homes, Inc. provides benevolent care to over 40% of the residents in three of its communities.
- NC Baptist Hospital offers support to patients with limited income.
- Baptist Children’s Homes serve children who need a home that will care for them during a difficult time in the life of their family.
- Baptists on Mission (NC Baptist Men) coordinate local, state, and global mission opportunities such as disaster relief and the Dental Bus.
- Woman’s Missionary Union of NC provides resources for mission support in addition to offering programs such as Christian Women’s Job Corps, a support program for military wives, Camp Mundo Vista, and more.

Please give generously to support the work of these agencies. ■

Pondering the Call

“Every member a minister” is a common phrase around FBC, and rightly so. I’ve never known another congregation in which the members took so much initiative, started as many ministries, and served as sacrificially. We teach our children about missionaries and we teach them that they, too, are missionaries. So where is the line between minister/missionary and laity?

When I was an undergrad at NCSU, I was very involved in church and began to wrestle with a sense of calling to ministry. I saw the choice as binary, black and white: either I was called or I wasn’t. I felt I must decide between a life in ministry or a life as an engineer. I answered the call, went to seminary, was ordained, served churches in Wilmington and Charlotte, then spent the last thirteen wonderful years at First Baptist.

In the decades since answering my call, my views on calling have become more three dimensional, from black and white to rainbow-ish. Scripture tells us that some are called to particular tasks like Moses. Others are called to a lifetime of service like Elijah and Paul. Calling and ministry take many different forms and functions. They can change over time in the life of the one called like Abraham and Peter.

While I worry that my resignation and transition to bi-vocational ministry may discourage some, my hope is that the opposite is true so that you are encouraged and prompted to ponder your calling. As we do so, we can recognize the sacrifices made by those who choose a life in church work. We can blur the line between laity and clergy. We can all see ourselves as ministers and missionaries living out our calling whether at church, at work, at home or around the world.

I am grateful for the continuing opportunity to ponder and serve together.

— Lin Carter

Week at a Glance

Sunday, September 17

- 9:00 am Homebound Ministry meeting/FH
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service/S
1st Grade Worship Prep/231
Japanese Worship/227
- 5:00 pm Covered Dish Meal/FH
- 6:00 pm *The Ties that Bind*, followed by discussion

Monday, September 18

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 11:00 am Sisters in Grace/P
- 5:30 pm Personnel Committee/CR
- 6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Blanchards' Home

Tuesday, September 19

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 10:00 am Ministerial Staff meeting/CR
- 10:30 am WMU Group 2/Springmoor
- 6:00 pm Theology on Tap/Clouds
- 6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Helms' Home

Wednesday, September 20

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 10:00 am Clothing Ministry
- 12:00 pm WMU Group 7/P
- 3:45 pm Works in Progress/P
- 4:45 pm Children's Bells/307
- 5:00 pm Meal served/FH
- 5:45 pm ITC Board/108
- 6:00 pm Music and Missions
- 6:20 pm Centerpoint Seminar/FH
- 6:45 pm Evening Bells/307
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir/310

Thursday, September 21

- 7:00 am Band of Brothers/CR
- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 10:30 am Thirty-Niners/FH
- 11:00 am Library Committee/L
- 1:00 pm Clothing Ministry

Friday, September 22

- 10:00 am Japanese-American Cultural Exchange/302

Sunday, September 24

- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service, Baptism/S
1st Grade Worship Prep/231
Japanese Worship/227
- 5:00 pm Youth Choir/310
- 6:00 pm Youth Group/FH

Monday, September 25

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 11:00 am Sisters in Grace/P
- 5:30 pm Deacons' Meeting/302
- 6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Blanchards' Home

Tuesday, September 26

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 10:00 am Ministerial Staff Meeting/CR
- 10:30 am WMU Group 2/Springmoor
- 6:00 pm Theology on Tap/Raleigh Times
- 6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Helms' Home

Wednesday, September 27

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 10:00 am Clothing Ministry
- 3:45 pm Works in Progress/CR
- 4:45 pm Children's Bells/307

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Deacon Nomination on September 24

Nominations for deacons will be received in worship on September 24. An insert in the worship order that Sunday will list the names of those ineligible to be nominated. The following names should be added to those published in the August 25 *First Foundations*:

Doris Baldwin	Frances Brooks	Kitty Goolsby	Betsy Neal
Kari Baldwin	Albert Calloway	Shirley Harkess	Bob Page
Max Baldwin	Linda Carothers	John Hobson	Judy Page
Anita Bare	Jim Clary	Barbara Huggins	Linville Roach
Wayne Bare	Anne Cooke	Lib Johnson	Mary Jon Roach
Charles Barham	Michael Cooke	Max Johnson	Bill Simpson
Peggy Barham	Meg Dare	Bill Loomis	Edith Simpson
Bob Barrett	Christina Davis	Carol Millen	Lawson Smith
Evelyn Barrett	Robert Fleming	Jim Millen	Mary Anne Smith
Lauren Bradley	Chet Goolsby	Fannie Memory	
Nick Bradley		Mitchell	

Church Conference Report

Highlights of the August 23, 2017, Church Conference include:

- Lauren Bradley, Nominating Committee Chair, presented recommendations for Music Ministry Leadership, several Sunday School teachers, and the Infant-Toddler Center Board.
- Tyson Graves, Properties Committee Chair, reported on the status of previously approved items and recommended additional repairs to the HVAC chiller, the roof, a boiler maintenance contract, a water heater and air handler replacements on the third floor.
- Jeff Hobart, Finance Committee Chair, reported on current revenues and expenditures; all missions gifts have been made to date. He also reported the committee's efforts to disburse restricted accounts with low or unused funds to uses in keeping with the initial gifts.
- Matt Strickland, Personnel Committee Chair, reported on the next steps to fill the vacant position due to Lin Carter's resignation.
- Glenn Raynor reported on the Trustees' 2016 activities. Currently seven cemetery plots owned by the church are for sale, and he reported on three estate gifts received or in process since 2016.
- Mary Nash Rusher, Chair of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on Deacon Elections, reported that the committee is gathering information about deacon election processes used by other churches.
- Hayden James, Convener of the Long-Range Development Group, reported on its review of uses for our facilities (excluding the sanctuary).
- Robert Ponton, Moderator, shared that, due to changes in the required protocols at Raleigh Rescue Mission, the deacons will no longer be able to lead in monthly worship services there.

— Beth Tyner Jones

Food and Faith at FBC*

September 20	September 27	October 4	October 11
Chicken and Pork Sausages with Multigrain Buns	Pork Chops	Turkey & Cheese or Ham & Cheese Croissants	Herb Baked Cod
Grilled Peppers & Onions	Cauliflower Rice	Broccoli Salad	Brussels Sprouts
Garden Salad	Green Beans	Pasta Salad	Sweet Potato Wedges
		Mixed Greens with Fresh Fruit & Poppy Seed Dressing	Salad

*Menus are subject to change

Centerpoint

Centering Your Week & Your Life in Christ

September 20—Amy Pardue Boone, Executive Director/Treasurer for WMU NC will speak about on-going programs and projects that our missions offering supports.

October 4, 11, and 18—Dr. Caleb Oladipo, Campbell Divinity School Professor of Evangelism and Christian Missions, will lead a 3-week series.

Gifts Received

We gratefully acknowledge these gifts received in August 2017.

Capital Repair & Replacement Fund

In Memory of:
Elmore Snead

Clothing Ministry Fund

In Honor of:
Lou & Don Kline's
60th Wedding
Anniversary

Day Mission Fund

In Honor of:
Austin & Betty
Connors

General Fund

In Memory of:
Elmore Snead

Mike Morris Fellowship Fund

In Memory of:
Elmore Snead

In Honor of:

Lou & Don Kline's
60th Wedding
Anniversary

Music Ministry Fund

In Honor of:
Paul Smith's birthday

Fall at a Glance

Here's an overview of other events at FBC this fall. We hope you'll participate in as many as possible.

Sunday, 10/29	6:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Vespers
Thursday, 11/16	7:00 p.m.	Holiday Service of Hope (Edenton St UMC)
Saturday, 11/18	9:30 a.m.	Christmas Parade & Hot Chocolate Giveaway
Sunday, 11/19	12:00 noon	Chrismon Workshop
Sunday, 12/3	6:00 p.m.	Hanging of the Greens Service
Saturday, 12/9	8:00 a.m.	Toy Joy
Wednesday, 12/20	6:00 p.m.	Christmas Story
Sunday, 12/24	5:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service

Words of Thanks

Dear First Baptist Church,

Thank you so much for honoring me at the end of the Sunday morning service on August 20 for my 30th anniversary as church organist. The beautiful plaque to commemorate July 1, 1987–July 1, 2017 will hang proudly on my wall at home, and the monetary gift is much appreciated!

It has been my privilege to contribute to the worship of God at First Baptist Church as organist for these many years, and I especially appreciate the love and support you have given me.

Blessings to you all!
Donna Jolly

First Baptist Family,

Thank you for your many expressions of sympathy following the death of my mother, Mary Louise Hunnicutt. Over the past years your prayers, cards, visits, calls and hugs were a great comfort and support to her as she experienced serious surgeries and illness while away from home. Mother came to love First Baptist Raleigh, especially the Livingston Johnson (Brewer Johnson) Sunday School Class and was so grateful for the continued love and friendship.

— Carol Millen

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- 5:00 pm Meal Served/FH
- 6:00 pm Music and Missions
- 6:20 pm Church Conference/FH
- 6:45 pm Evening Bells/307
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir/310

Thursday, September 28

- 7:00 am Band of Brothers/CR
- 9:00 am Flu Shot Clinic/Lobby
- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 10:30 am Thirty-Niners/FH
- 11:00 am Library Committee/L
- 1:00 pm Clothing Ministry

Friday, September 29

- High School Boys' Retreat
- High School Girls' Retreat (return 10/1)

Sunday, October 1

- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service, Communion/S
1st Grade Worship Prep/231
Japanese Worship/227

Monday, October 2

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 11:00 am Sisters in Grace/P
- 6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Blanchards' Home

Tuesday, October 3

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 10:00 am Ministerial Staff Meeting/CR
- 10:30 am WMU Group 2/Springmoor
- 6:00 pm Theology on Tap/Raleigh Times
- 6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Helms' Home

Wednesday, October 4

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 9:50 am Japanese-American Cultural Exchange

- 10:00 am Clothing Ministry
- 3:45 pm Works in Progress/P
- 4:45 pm Children's Bells/307
- 5:00 pm Meal served/FH

WMU Group 6/108

- 6:00 pm Music and Missions
- 6:20 pm Centerpoint Seminar/FH
- 6:45 pm Evening Bells/307
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir/310

Thursday, October 5

- 7:30 am Band of Brothers/CR
- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 10:30 am Thirty-Niners/FH
- 11:00 am Library Committee/L
- 1:00 pm Clothing Ministry

Friday, October 6

- 8:00 am Dental Bus/Parking Lot

Saturday, October 7

- 9:00 am Downtown Church Walk/S

Sunday, October 8

- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service/S
Japanese Worship/227
- 4:00 pm Youth Bells/307
- 5:00 pm Youth Choir/310
- 6:00 pm Youth Group/FH

Monday, October 9

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 11:00 am Sisters in Grace/P
- 6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Blanchards' Home

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STAFF

Ministers
All members of the church

Denise Arnold
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Pastor Emeritus

Julie Gilbert
Food Services

Wayne Hager
Church Administrator

Donna G. Jolly
Organist

Lynn Lingafelt
Children

Deborah Mastrodonato
Staff Administrative Assistant

Rodney Mobley
Lead Custodian

Mary Alice Seals
Music/Senior Adults

Jimmy Thompson
Custodian

Bible Verses for Daily Use

From *Reflections Adult Devotional Guide*, Smyth & Helwys

Fri 9/15 – Psalm 8	Sat 9/30 – John 1:50-51
Sat 9/16 – John 1:1-5	Sun 10/1 – Exodus 2:23-25
Sun 9/17 – Genesis 21:1-3	Mon 10/2 – Exodus 3:1-6
Mon 9/18 – Genesis 22:1-3	Tue 10/3 – Exodus 3:7-12
Tue 9/19 – Genesis 22:4-10	Wed 10/4 – Exodus 3:13-20
Wed 9/20 – Genesis 22:11-14	Th 10/5 – Exodus 4:10-17
Th 9/21 – John 1:29	Fri 10/6 – Psalm 90
Fri 9/22 – Psalm 66:8-15	Sat 10/7 – John 8:52-59
Sat 9/23 – Psalm 66:16-20	Sun 10/8 – Exodus 16:1-3
Sun 9/24 – Genesis 27:1-4	Mon 10/9 – Exodus 16:4-9
Mon 9/25 – Genesis 27:15-23	Tue 10/10 – Exodus 16:10-18
Tues 9/26 – Genesis 28:10-17	Wed 10/11 – Exodus 16:22-30
Wed 9/27 – Genesis 28:18-22	Th 10/12 – Psalm 78:1-16
Th 9/28 – Psalm 139:1-12	Fri 10/13 – Psalm 78:17-29
Fri 9/29 – Psalm 139:13-21	

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The Record We Wrote

Sunday, September 3, 2017

Current Week Revenue	\$26,686.00
Month-to-Date Revenue	\$26,686.00
Year-to-Date Revenue	\$914,785.67
Month-to-Date Expenses (as of 9/5/17)	\$2,936.78
Year-to-Date Expenses	\$943,690.77
State Missions Offering	\$1,265.00

Deacon on Call

September 17-23
 Zach Padgett

September 24-30
 Hollis Yelverton

October 1-7
 Matt Strickland

October 8-15
 Ryan Willis

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serve patients in our parking lot from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to sign in and welcome patients. Additionally, volunteer nurses or EMTs are needed to take blood pressures. To volunteer, please contact Ryan Willis (919-414-6657 or ryan@dysartwillis.com).

Among Our Family

Sympathy to Stephen Godwin on the August 23 death of his father, Terry Watson Godwin of Dunn.

Welcome New Member

Wayne Hager joined on August 27 by letter of transfer from Tabernacle Baptist Church, Raleigh NC.

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Tuesday, October 10

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 10:00 am Ministerial Staff Meeting/CR
- 10:30 am WMU Group 2/Springmoor
- 6:00 pm Theology on Tap/Raleigh Times
- 6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Helms' Home

Wednesday, October 11

- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 10:00 am Clothing Ministry
- 3:45 pm Works in Progress/P
- 4:45 pm Children's Bells/307
- 5:00 pm Meal Served/FH
- 6:00 pm Music and Missions
- 6:20 pm Church Conference/FH
- 6:45 pm Evening Bells/307
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir/310

Thursday, October 12

- 7:30 am Band of Brothers/CR
- 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
- 10:30 am Thirty-Niners/FH
- 11:00 am Library Committee/L
- 1:00 pm Clothing Ministry
- 2:30 pm Clothing Ministry Committee/CR

Sunday, October 15

- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service/S
 Japanese Worship/227
- 12:15 pm Deacons' Meeting/220
- 4:00 pm Youth Bells/307
- 5:00 pm Youth Choir/310
- 6:00 pm Youth Group/FH