



# First Foundations

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, RALEIGH, NC

FOUNDED IN 1812

## Church Conference

Wednesday, April 25  
6:20 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

## Celebrate Our Music Ministry on May 6

Join us on Sunday evening, May 6, as our Sanctuary is filled with the lovely sounds of children's voices and joyful music-making. During the Music Celebration, four choirs and two bell groups will share musical gifts with the church family and we'll have an opportunity to express appreciation to the dedicated volunteers who share of their time and talents as they lead these groups each week throughout the school year.

The evening will begin with dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 5:00 p.m. (at the regular Wednesday night meal price). Before or after your meal you'll have one last chance to place a bid on an item in the Silent Auction. After dinner we'll move to the Sanctuary to hear from the choirs.

Our Music Ministry offers a rich opportunity for spiritual, physical, emotional, and musical development for all ages. By doing so, we hope to instill skills and attitudes that will serve each individual for a lifetime of worship and service. Won't you help us celebrate this wonderful ministry by being here on May 6? You'll be glad you did!

## Space Utilization Feedback Requested

Your Facilities Assessment Committee is working diligently to be in a position to advise the church of the highest and best use of our space in the Lewis Building. This work is a result of an *ad hoc* committee formed in 2017. Church Conference approved the engagement of New City Design Group (New City) and New City has begun meeting with staff and other church leaders. Your thoughts and questions about the goals and how to reach the goals are critical to this process.

So, the committee will make a preliminary report at church conference on April 25, 2018. Then, the committee will host two sessions to discuss the ongoing process on Sunday, May 6, 2018, – at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall and a post-worship session at 12:15 p.m. in Room 302. Finally, we invite everyone to participate in a dialogue facilitated by New City on May 20, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Please note that there is no proposed discussion relating to any changes to our Sanctuary. The issues for discussion only involve the current and future use of the Lewis Building. But we need everyone's input as we ponder future uses of this significant space. So, we encourage you to participate in this process and welcome your thoughts and ideas. ■

SAVE THE DATES

**Sunday, May 6, 2018**  
9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall  
12:15 p.m. in Room 302  
**Sunday, May 20, 2018**  
5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

## Silent Auction Opens on May 2

First Baptist's annual silent auction to raise funds for our student mission teams will open on Wednesday, May 2, in the Fellowship Hall. There is still time to donate an item for the auction. Once again, we are targeting donations such as gift cards, tickets, time in vacation homes, and services offered by our members. Historically, some of our best sellers have come when people have baked cakes, knitted blankets, donated tax and legal services, or otherwise offered their

professional talents to the auction. We hope that you will be able not only to attend the auction and place a bid, but also to give of yourself with a donation. To make a donation to the auction, please contact Trey Davis (tdavis@fbcraleigh.org or 919-832-4485, ext. 208).

The auction will remain open until Sunday evening, May 6, ending before the Music Celebration at 6:00 p.m. Plan now to attend and to place a bid in support of our student mission teams. ■

## Gifts Received

We gratefully acknowledge these gifts received in March 2018.

### Capital Repair & Replacement Fund

*In Memory of:*

Minetta Newbold  
Dale Stumpf  
Grace Swann

### Clothing Ministry

*In Memory of:*

Minetta Newbold  
Rachel Tucker

### Day Mission Fund

*In Memory of:*

Dale Stumpf

### Family Promise Ministry Fund

*In Memory of:*

Agnes Perry

### Mike Morris Fellowship Fund

*In Memory of:*

Gerry Leet  
William Morris  
Minetta Newbold  
Dorothy Perry  
Dale Stumpf

### Tucker Scholarship Fund

*In Memory of:*

Rachel Tucker



## Words of Thanks

*Joe and I want to thank each and every one that sent up prayers and sent get well cards while Joe was dealing with his setbacks, and I want to thank everyone for the cards, prayers and food we received as well as the visits while I was recovering from my surgeries. Joe and I feel so blessed to be part of such a caring congregation. We are truly humbled and grateful.*

— Rose and Joe Dammann

## Save the Date

Intergenerational  
Vacation Bible School

July 29 – August 2



*Cooler temps and a chance of rain did not dampen our spirits on this particular March Saturday as we moved our egg hunt indoors and had loads of fun with friends from our sister church, FBC Wilmington Street!*

# Centerpoint

Centering Your Week & Your Life in Christ

**April 18:** Sarah Elizabeth Boberg, Ph.D – *Women in Ministry (Vocation and Calling)*. Dr. Boberg wrote her dissertation at UNC-G on the “call” experience of Baptist women in ministry. She is currently the Minister of Youth and Children at First Baptist in Red Springs, NC. ■

## Centerpoint Menus

### April 18

**Jamaican Food Night** (no hot spices)  
Brown Stew Chicken or Curry Chicken  
Fried Plantains  
Jamaican Rice and Peas  
Mixed Jamaican Vegetables  
*Non-meat option: Curry Mock Chicken*  
*Kids: Mac ‘n’ Cheese*

### April 25

Smothered Pork Chops  
Sweet Potato Casserole  
Green Beans  
Salad Bar  
*Non-meat option: Mock Turkey Roast*  
*Children’s Menu: Mac ‘n’ Cheese*

## Celtic Vespers at the Gregg Museum on April 29

The next Vespers Service will take place at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 29, in the Pollinator Garden of the Gregg Museum of Art and Design, 1903 Hillsborough Street. We began planning with a desire to have a Celtic service, and thus, given the emphasis on God’s presence in all creation found in Celtic spirituality, we felt like it would be ideal to have this service somewhere outside. The Pollinator Garden at the Gregg Museum is incredibly beautiful and nearby, and the Museum has been gracious in making the space available to us.

Celtic spirituality, as many in our church know, is an expression of Christian faith rooted in the British Isles. When Christianity came to the Isles in the fifth and sixth centuries C.E., the Celts adapted the core message of our

faith to resonate with their land and culture, as people of other lands and cultures do. Key emphases of Celtic spirituality include the sacredness of creation, the importance of contemplation, the practice of hospitality, the interconnectedness of all things, and the ubiquitous nature of the Triune God. Celtic worship reflects these emphases, as does all of Celtic life. Thus, our service will reflect these emphases, using readings, liturgies, and various forms of Celtic music.

We invite you to join us for this special service and in the spirit of Celtic hospitality, bring a guest to join us in a time of joyful and reflective worship. We are fortunate to have such a magnificent space right downtown and we are richly blessed to have access to Celtic traditions. ■

**KAY  
HUGGINS  
GOLF  
CLASSIC**

## River Ridge Golf Club

3224 Auburn Knightdale Rd, Raleigh, NC

**Friday, April 27**

Shotgun start at 1:00 p.m.

Proceeds to benefit FBC Missions

Sign up at <https://fbcraleigh.org/kayhugginsgolfclassic/>

## Week at a Glance

### Sunday, April 15

9:45 am Combined Adult Sunday School/FH  
Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship Service/S  
Japanese Worship/227

### Monday, April 16

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

### Tuesday, April 17

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, April 18

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  
5:30 pm Backpack Buddies Packing/302  
5:45 pm ITC Board/108  
6:00 pm Announcements and Prayer Time/FH  
Missions and Music  
Evening Bells/307  
7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir/310

### Thursday, April 19

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  
3:00 pm Backpack Buddies Delivery  
4:30 pm Church Council/CR  
6:15 pm Finance Committee/CR

### Friday, April 20

9:30 am Weekday Preschool  
**Sunday, April 22**  
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  
5:30 pm FBC 101/301  
6:00 pm Youth Group/FH

### Monday, April 23

9:30 am Weekday Preschool  
11:00 am Sisters in Grace/P  
5:30 pm Deacons’ Meeting/301  
6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Blanchards’ Home

### Tuesday, April 24

9:30 am Weekday Preschool  
10:00 am Ministerial Staff Meeting/CR  
10:30 am WMU Group 2/Springmoor  
11:00 am Clothing Ministry Volunteer Luncheon/FH  
6:00 pm Theology on Tap/Raleigh Times  
6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Helms’ Home

### Wednesday, April 25

9:30 am Weekday Preschool

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**STAFF**

**Ministers**  
*All members of the church*

**Denise Arnold**  
*Pastor's Administrative Assistant*

**Christopher Chapman**  
*Pastor*

**Trey Davis**  
*Youth/College*

**J. Daniel Day**  
*Pastor Emeritus*

**Troy Dye**  
*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 4/13 – Psalm 145:13-17	Sat 4/21 – Matthew 6:24
Sat 4/14 – Psalm 145:18-21	Sun 4/22 – Acts 16:16-18
Sun 4/15 – Acts 9:1-2	Mon 4/23 – Acts 16:19-24
Mon 4/16 – Acts 9:3-9	Tues 4/24 – Acts 16:25-29
Tue 4/17 – Acts 9:10-14	Wed 4/25 – Acts 16:30-34
Wed 4/18 – Acts 9:15-17	Th 4/26 – Acts 16:35-40
Th 4/19 – Acts 9:18-19a	Fri 4/27 – Luke 6:17-19
Fri 4/20 – Acts 9:19b-23	

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 U.S. Postage  
**PAID**  
 Raleigh, NC  
 Permit No. 1056

Return Service Requested

## The Record We Wrote

Sunday, April 1, 2018

Current Week Revenue	\$16,773.72
Month-to-Date Revenue	\$16,773.72
Year-to-Date Revenue	\$403,556.92
Month-to-Date Expenses (as of 4/2/18)	\$13,557.01
Year-to-Date Expenses	\$337,864.03
Heck-Jones Offering	\$794.00

## Deacon on Call

April 15-21  
 Nancy Phillips

April 22-28  
 Blair Jackson

## Search Committee Update

The search for our Minister with Community continues, and we are incredibly grateful for the love and prayers of the FBC family as we move through this process. We trust we're on the way to finding the right person – someone who can help us connect with all of our Raleigh neighbors and serve those in need around us in new and creative ways.

We have received more than 40 applications; our candidates are currently serving in roles across the United States and even a few who are in international ministry positions. They bring an incredibly diverse set of gifts. We've joked that we can't compare apples to apples, and we're not even comparing apples to oranges. We've got a whole cart full of apples, oranges, starfruit and broccoli! We are in the process of identifying a smaller number of candidates that we want to get to know better, and we will continue to update the congregation as we move ahead. Please continue to pray for our discernment, that we will find someone to challenge us to new ways of relating to our downtown neighbors. ■

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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
5:30 pm	BackPack Buddies Packing/302
6:00 pm	Announcements and Prayer Time/FH
	Missions and Music Evening Bells/307
6:20 pm	Church Conference/FH
7:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir/310
<b>Thursday, April 26</b>	
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
3:00 pm	BackPack Buddies Delivery
<b>Friday, April 27</b>	
9:30 am	Weekday Preschool
11:30 am	Japanese-American Cultural Exchange/301
1:00 pm	Kay Huggins Classic/River Ridge Golf Club
<b>Sunday, April 29</b>	
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	Vespers/Gregg Museum