



First Foundations

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, RALEIGH, NC

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Church Conference

Wednesday, May 23
6:20 p.m.
in the Fellowship Hall

Missions Celebration: The Year in Pictures

At the Wednesday, May 16, Missions Celebration, we'll recap our year of missions in a slightly different way than in years past. We'll be presenting it to you on the big screen – the big screen in the Fellowship Hall, that is! Each of our Mission Friends, RA, and GA classes have videoed themselves learning about a unit they've studied this year. You'll not only learn about the ministry of CBF field personnel across the globe, but you'll also get a peek at how we learn. We'll see you in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16!

Gifts Received

We gratefully acknowledge these gifts received in April 2018.

Capital Repair & Replacement Fund

In Memory of:
Monty Speir

Clothing Ministry

In Honor of:
Bill Kibler
Sam Carothers

Mike Morris Fellowship Fund

In Memory of:
Edwin Smith

Worship on May 20 and See Red

Pentecost Sunday is on May 20, and if you're in worship that day (and we hope you will be) you'll be seeing red...lots of red...as we recall the sending of the Holy Spirit to early believers as told in Acts 2 and as we celebrate the birth of the Church. The ministers will wear red stoles with a descending dove. Streamers made during the churchwide retreat will waft around the sanctuary and special anthems and readings will add to the celebration.

You're invited to join in the celebration by wearing something red. Let's celebrate the Spirit's gifts and empowerment of every person that makes FBC Raleigh such a wonderful community of faith. Don't forget to wear something red! ■

Pullen Park Picnic on May 30

The final Centerpoint event for this Spring will be a picnic in Shelter #4 at Pullen Park, 408 Ashe Avenue. Pullen Park, the oldest public park in NC, features amusement rides and playgrounds. The festivities begin at 5:00 p.m.; come earlier if you want to enjoy the park. Bring lawn chairs, blankets, and supplies such as Frisbees to take full advantage of the facilities. Information about the park and parking may be found at <https://www.raleighnc.gov/parks/content/ParksRec/Articles/Parks/Pullen.html>. ■

Vacation Bible School Coming Soon

It's that time of year – time to start planning for Vacation Bible School! It's in the evening this year – July 29 through August 2 – and it's for all ages! Our preschoolers will have self-contained classes with Bible study, crafts, outside time, and music while our gradeschoolers, youth, and adults will have age-grouped Bible study followed by intergenerational electives.

Our theme is *Peace Lab: Discover God's Way of Peace*. Four biblical narratives will help us learn how to resolve conflicts, figure out ways to help others, and learn how to follow Jesus as compassionate peacemakers.

We'll kick off the week on Sunday evening with a Vespers Service followed by a time of fellowship to introduce our theme in a personal way. Monday through Thursday evenings will begin with an optional meal at 5:00 p.m. followed by classes and electives from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Here are ways you can help me make this the best VBS ever:

- 1) No matter your age, mark it on your calendar and plan to come!
- 2) Invite your friends and neighbors to join us!
- 3) Let me know if you could help with childcare, teach preschoolers, teach gradeschool Bible study, or turn a fun and interesting hobby into an elective for us all to enjoy.

Please contact me at lilingafelt@fbcraleigh.org and let me know how you'd like to help. ■

Clothing Ministry Director Opening

The Clothing Ministry Committee is looking for a Coordinator to facilitate the ongoing outreach of this ministry. A mission that acts as the hands and feet of Christ to provide clothes to those in need, our goals include presenting the face of Christ to all involved in the ministry. Therefore, every person involved in the Clothing Ministry, volunteer or client, is to be treated with kindness and dignity, for we are all children of God. The Coordinator will oversee day-to-day operations of the Clothing Ministry. Duties include, but are not limited to: *ex-officio* member of Clothing Ministry Committee; oversee and manage donated clothes; recruit, train and manage volunteers; budget management; oversee purchasing.

Inquiries should be directed to Christopher Chapman, pastor (cchapman@fbcraleigh.org or 919-832-4485, ext. 200).

Bylaws Amendments to be Considered in May

At the May 23 Church Conference, the Constitution and Bylaws Committee will present several bylaws amendments for a vote. The amendments are as follows:

- Change to the deacon selection process;
- Creation of an Audio-Visual Committee;
- Making the Japanese-American Cultural Exchange (JACE) its own committee; and
- Technical corrections to the provisions regarding the Social Committee and the Wedding Committee.

Copies of the proposed amendments are available in the church office and in the Members Only section of the church website.

From the Pastor

Our facilities assessment process, guided by New City Design and our own Adam Harker, is moving along very well. We had two listening sessions this past Sunday, May 6, and we are currently completing a space utilization questionnaire. If you have not completed one yet, please do so by Sunday, May 13. It is accessible through this link – http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FBC_Test1 – and on our website. Copies are also available in the church office and can be mailed upon request.

The next step in this process is that we will have a churchwide dialogue, led by a trained facilitator from a firm in Philadelphia, on Sunday, May 20, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A meal will be provided for the normal Wednesday night cost (please make a reservation through the customary channels by noon on Thursday, May 17), as well as childcare (please notify Lynn Lingafelt at llingafelt@fbcraleigh.org by Monday, May 14).

There are no preconceived ideas about what we might do with our facilities going forward, and this assessment only involves the Lewis Building, but this kind of assessment is critical to any future considerations. As we continue to discern God's intent for our church and pursue our vision for ministry, we need everyone to participate in the process. Please come and share your ideas, concerns, hopes, and dreams as we chart our future together under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. **CC**



On April 22, Bill Kibler and Janice Osborne were established as Clothing Ministry Directors Emeriti in recognition of thirty years of faithful service.

April Conference Highlights

Highlights of the April 25 church conference include:

Mary Nash Rusher, Finance Chair, reported that revenue has outpaced expenses for the year by approximately \$64,000.

Tyson Graves, Properties Committee Chair, thanked Charles Petty and Jerry Dudeck for their work on the pastor's office bathroom and two music suite bathrooms. He also presented three items for approval: new carpeting, replacement of the sanctuary sound system, and new tires for the church vehicles. Adam Harker spoke about the space utilization study.

Holly Ivel, Nominating Chair, presented recommendations for a number of positions.

Lauren Bradley, Constitution and Bylaws Chair, presented proposed bylaws amendments (see related article).

Jen Foster, Minister with Community Search Committee Chair, presented an update on the search.

Dennis Herman and Dawn Raynor, members of the deacon-led Congregational Care team, reported on upcoming work focusing on new members, visitors, membership concerns, spiritual care, daily prayer, and long-term grief.

Ann Rollins spoke about the *ad hoc* Safety Committee which will explore the safety operations of the church, develop safety documents for new systems, and formalize existing processes.

Dr. Chapman reported that the Church Council renamed the clothing ministry fund the "Kibler/Osborne Clothing Ministry Fund" and presented the Church Council's recommendation to fund three small mission projects.

— Jessica B. Helms

Kay Huggins Classic a Success

An enjoyable afternoon of golf, fellowship, and good food was enjoyed by participants at the 16th Annual Kay Huggins Golf Classic on Friday, April 27, at River Ridge Golf Club. In addition to Christian fellowship and a time of remembrance of our dear friend, Kay Huggins, who was an avid golfer, this event served as a fundraiser for missions. This year's event netted almost \$2,500 for the Day Mission Fund. We were especially pleased that Dr. Day could participate this year. His performance on the golf course earned him a new title at First Baptist – "Designated Putter."

We wish to express gratitude to the individuals, groups, and businesses whose generous sponsorship of holes made the event a success: 2 Chic Chicks, Nancy Hunter; Alexander Heating, Air Conditioning and Plumbing; Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina; Envirocon, Inc.; Everette Miller Friendship Sunday School Class; John and Shirley Hobson in honor of past and present FBC staff; in memory of Kay Huggins by his family; Jani-King, Jud DeBra; Murphy and Janice Osborne in honor of Clothing Ministry;



Pathfinders Sunday School Class; Sir Raleigh Electric Inc.; and Tri South Mechanical Company.

This year's winning team, using a Captain's Choice format, posted an incredible score of 56 (16 under par). The team was composed of four young men who still have "limber backs" and "nerves of steel" when putting. Nick Bradley invited three of his buddies to play: Garrett Davis, Alan Shapiro, and Wes Johnson. The first-place winners won a round of golf for 4 at Wakefield TPC and a dozen golf balls.

In addition to sponsors of holes, we wish to express appreciation to all who played in the event, donated award gifts, or contributed in other ways to make the event successful.

— Kay Huggins Golf Classic Committee

Centerpoint Menus

May 16 Pizza Night! Meat Lovers, Veggie, Vegan, and Cheese Pizza Bread Sticks and Salad	May 23 Hibachi Chicken or Steak Fried Rice Veggies <i>Non-meat: Mock Hibachi Chicken</i> <i>Children: Soba Noodles</i>	May 30 Pullen Park Picnic Burgers Hot Dogs Pork BBQ Baked Beans Coleslaw <i>Non-meat: Veggie Burgers</i>
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CBF General Assembly in Dallas

The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship General Assembly will be at the Dallas Hyatt Regency Hotel this June 13-17. The theme is *Global Church – Local Church*. Attending CBF meetings is fun. They give you a chance to make new friends, meet some of our CBF missionaries, and reconnect with old friends. You can learn firsthand about ways to participate in sharing Christ with the world.

The Assembly includes inspiring worship, informative business sessions, over 50 workshops and programs for preschool, children, youth, and college students. For a full list of Assembly offerings, visit <http://www.cbf.net/general-assembly/>.

The music from the different choirs performing there is not only beautiful but very moving as well. At these general meetings you definitely do not want to miss the closing worship service on Friday night which includes the commissioning of field personnel, church starters, chaplains, and pastoral counselors. The service ends by everyone participating in communion.

First Baptist is a CBF church and I do hope many of you will plan to attend this annual meeting. I'm going and I hope to see you there!

— Laura Anne Vick

Week at a Glance

- Sunday, May 13 Mother's Day**
 9:45 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship Service, Baptism/S
 Japanese Worship/227
 5:30 pm Youth Group/Blue Room
- Monday, May 14**
 Thirty-Niners Trip/Valdese
 and Mt. Airy (return 5/15)
 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
 11:00 am Sisters in Grace/P
 6:15 pm Finance Committee/CR
 6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Blanchards'
 Home
- Tuesday, May 15**
 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, May 16**
 College Mission Trip to
 Honduras (return 5/23)
 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
 10:00 am Clothing Ministry
 12:00 pm WMU Group 7/P
 3:45 pm Works in Progress/P
 5:00 pm Meal Served/FH
 5:45 pm ITC Board/108
 6:00 pm Missions Celebration/FH
 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir/310
- Thursday, May 17**
 7:00 am Band of Brothers/CR
 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
 11:00 am Library Committee/L
 1:00 pm Clothing Ministry
- Friday, May 18**
 RBA Mother/Daughter Retreat/
 Caswell (return 5/20)
 8:00 am Dental Bus
- Sunday, May 20 Pentecost**
 Family Promise (through 5/26)
 9:45 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship Service/S
 Japanese Worship/227
 12:15 pm Deacons' Meeting/220
 Outreach Lunch Outing/
 Artsplosure
 5:30 pm Facilities Assessment Dialogue
 and Meal/FH
- Monday, May 21**
 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
 11:00 am Sisters in Grace/P
 6:00 pm Finance Sub-Committee/CR
 6:30 pm HS Bible Study/Blanchards'
 Home
- Tuesday, May 22**
 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, May 23**
 9:30 am Weekday Preschool
 10:00 am Clothing Ministry
 3:45 pm Works in Progress/P
 5:00 pm Meal Served/FH
 6:00 pm Announcements and Prayer
 Time/FH

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Lead Custodian

Mary Alice Seals
Music/Senior Adults

Jimmy Thompson
Custodian

Bible Verses for Daily Use

From *Reflections Adult Devotional Guide*, Smyth & Helwys

Fri 5/11 – Luke 9:46-48	Sat 5/19 – Luke 6:43-45
Sat 5/12 – Psalm 131	Sun 5/20 – Acts 2:1-4
Sun 5/13 – Philippians 2:1-2	Mon 5/21 – Acts 2:5-11
Mon 5/14 – Philippians 2:3	Tues 5/22 – Acts 2:12-13
Tue 5/15 – Philippians 2:4	Wed 5/23 – Acts 2:14-17a
Wed 5/16 – Philippians 2:5-8	Th 5/24 – Acts 2:17b-18
Th 5/17 – Philippians 2:9-11	Fri 5/25 – Acts 2:19-21
Fri 5/18 – Philippians 2:12-13	

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The Record We Wrote

Sunday, April 29, 2018

Current Week Revenue	\$14,374.83
Month-to-Date Revenue	\$89,182.09
Year-to-Date Revenue	\$475,965.29
Month-to-Date Expenses (as of 4/30/18)	\$135,182.12
Year-to-Date Expenses	\$453,161.81
Heck-Jones Offering	\$1,505.00

Deacon on Call

May 13-19
 Beth Jones

May 20-26
 Kimberly Taylor

Mission Offering Updates

We are happy to report that our Global Missions Offering raised over \$21,000! What a great testament to our congregation and our commitment to the missionaries working tirelessly around the world.

In the month of May we turn our attention to the Heck-Jones Offering, which supports mission work with ties to our congregation. You will hear details about the offering throughout the month. In the meantime, please prayerfully consider how you can do your part to support this work. Envelopes will be in the pews throughout May, or checks can be sent to the Financial Administrator.

Welcome New Members

Logan and Anna Teague joined on April 22 by Transfer of Letters from Antioch Baptist, Taylorsville and Berea Baptist, Hiddenite.

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6:20 pm Church Conference/FH

7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir/310

Thursday, May 24

Pathfinders' Retreat/Caswell (return 5/28)

7:00 am Band of Brothers/CR

Weekday Preschool Celebration/Pullen Park

10:30 am Thirty-Niners/FH

11:00 am Library Committee/L

1:00 pm Clothing Ministry

Sunday, May 27

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service/S

Japanese Worship/227

Among Our Family

Sympathy to Joan Speir on the April 25 death of her husband, Monty Speir; to Anne Hunter on the April 28 death of her husband, Carey Hunter; and to Kent Dickens on the April 30 death of his brother, Paul Parks of Southern Pines.