

Financial Report

Receipts	9/8	2013	Requirements
Budget	\$ 4,242	\$ 205,725	\$240,415
Non-Budget	119	\$ 15,841	N/A
Totals	\$ 4,361	\$ 221,556	N/A

There will be a Red Cross blood drive on September 23rd, at Holy Cross Episcopal Church. Times are from 12:30pm-5:00pm. Please call 894-2700 for an appointment.

Sunday Evening Ekklesia (SEE) will continue on these dates: Sept 22, Oct 13, 27, and Nov 10. Adults will have two options from which to choose:

The Parables of Jesus (a Bible study focused on some well-known and not so well-known parables) Activity Building, 5-6pm

You'll Get Through This: Hope and Help for Your Turbulent Times by Max Lucado (based on the story of Joseph, the study lays out seven steps for surviving the trials of life) Rock House, 5-6pm

Thermal Belt Outreach has a need for plastic shopping bags, with the expansion of their food pantry and for the ease of fulfilling food orders from the pantry. We encourage you to bring your extra shopping bags here to the church for collection. Look for the large trash can near the Lair SS room that we'll use for the donation of bags. Today is also Food Pantry Sunday, so plates will be at the exits in order for you to donate.

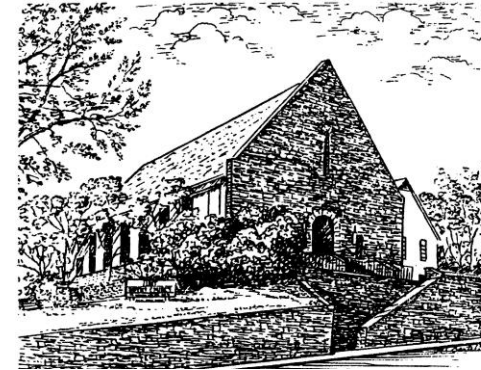
Mark your calendars! If you wish to participate in singing Christmas music this year, you are invited to a special retreat on **Saturday, September 28, 2013, 10:00 am-4:00 pm.** We will be working on the musical *Celebrate the Child* by Tom Fettke, which is scheduled to be presented in worship at 11:00 am on Sunday, December 15th. This retreat will include times of rehearsal, fun, lunch, fellowship, and door prizes!

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First Baptist Church

September 15, 2013

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Worship of God

The Music for Gathering		Kay Greene
The Words of Preparation		Jeff Harris
The Prelude	<i>The King of Love My Shepherd Is</i>	- Carol Parson
The Call to Worship		Candace Wilson
	When the lost are found, there is joy! When hope overcomes despair, there is joy! When we seek and find God's faithfulness, there is joy! Let us worship the Lord with joy!	
The Invocation		Beth McCallister
†The Hymn of Praise 18	<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i>	WARRENTON
†The Passing of the Peace		Jeff Harris
	The Lord be with you. And also with you.	
The Children's Time		Candace Wilson
	(Kindergartners and preschoolers leave for children's church after The Children's Time.)	

The Responsive Reading of Luke 15:1-7 Billy McFarland

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him.

And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable: Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it?

When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices.

And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, “Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.”

Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance.

The Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer Jeff Harris

†The Hymn of Dedication 61 *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* BRADBURY

†The Offertory Prayer Mona Kimble

The Offertory and Meditation *Pastoral Medley* arr. Charlie Miller

†The Doxology 253 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100th

The Scripture Reading Luke 15:8-10 (p. 76) Jeff Harris

The Music for Worship *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* -arr. Hal Hopson

The Scripture Reading Luke 15:11-32 (p. 76-77) Jeff Harris

The Sermon “Found” Jeff Harris

†The Hymn of Response 23 *God Is So Good* GOD IS SO GOOD

†The Benediction Jeff Harris

†The Congregational Response *May the Spirit Bind Us Together* -Brad Stevens
(*May the Spirit bind us together as we build this house of faith; One in heart and one in spirit may we grow; May we raise our voices in witness; May our lives reflect Thy grace; One in heart and one in spirit as we go, as we go.*)

The Postlude *The Ninety and Nine* -Clephane/Sankey
†Standing, if you are able, please.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	5:00	pm	Acolyte training and Children’s Choir
	6:00	pm	Refuge (Harris’- 675 Houston Road, Columbus)
Monday	10:30	am	Staff Meeting
	6:30	pm	Brotherhood – Activity Building
Tuesday	5:30	pm	Personnel Committee – Rock House
	6:50	pm	Deacons – Rock House
Wednesday	10:00	am	Bible Study – Activity Building
	1:00	pm	Finance Committee
	6:00	pm	Bell Choir
	7:00	pm	Chancel Choir
Thursday	6:00	pm	Nominating Committee – Rock House
Sunday 9/22	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	5:00	pm	SEE
	6:00	pm	Refuge
Monday 9/23	10:30	am	Staff meeting
Wednesday 9/25	10:00	am	Bible Study – Activity Building
	6:00	pm	Bell Choir
	7:00	pm	Chancel Choir
Saturday 9/28	10:00	am	Chancel Choir Christmas Retreat
Sunday 9/29	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	5:00	pm	No Children’s Choir
	6:00	pm	No Refuge

If you are a guest, we offer you a warm welcome and hope you will experience a meaningful time of worship. As your offering today, please complete a welcome card, found in the pew pocket, and place it in the offering plate.

There will be acolyte training for 1st - 5th grade children today, **September 15**. This will take place at 5pm during Children’s Choir. Our Youth (grades 6-12) are also encouraged to participate as acolytes; but, this training is for children (grades 1-5) who are currently serving as acolytes and for any child interested in becoming an acolyte.

Mission Initiative -- Oct 12 "Any Body, Any Time, Any Ability"

Join us in sharing the love of Jesus with our community on Oct 12.

We have projects for all peoples and abilities: Construction, Yard Work, Splitting Wood, Games and Crafts with Nursing Home Residents.

You can work the morning or the afternoon, or all day.