

The Children's Choir will have a rehearsal for the Christmas program immediately following worship next **Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Lunch will be provided.

Community Thanksgiving Service, **Sunday, November 23, 7:00pm**, at Tryon Presbyterian Church.

**Operation Christmas Child** (shoebbox ministry) boxes are available to fill. Please fill them with appropriate items, and place the boxes in the narthex closet, by **November 23**.

**Poinsettias to decorate the Sanctuary** – You may purchase poinsettias in honor or in memory of someone by filling out a designated pew envelope that will be available the next two Sundays. Place it in the offering plate or return it to the office. These poinsettias will be used for decoration during Advent and may be taken home following worship on Christmas Eve. Each poinsettia will have three 8" blooms and be wrapped in foil. The cost is \$15, and the deadline to purchase poinsettias is **Monday, November 24**.

**Sunday, November 30** – Advent I, I Love My Church Offering

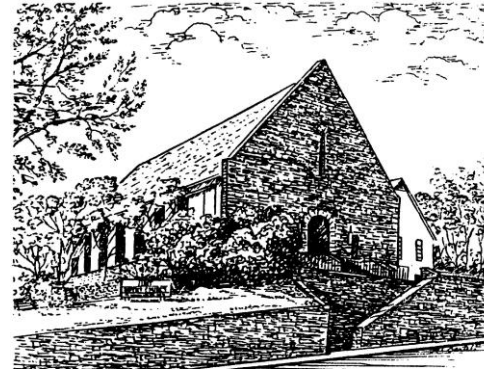
**The Stocking Tree** (sponsored by Sisterhood) will be in the narthex/vestibule on **Sunday, December 7** and **Sunday, December 14**. Fifty names of needy children (*Kathy's Kids*) from Tryon Elementary School will be on the tree. **Please sign the list when you take a name.** The clothes and gifts for the children need to be at the Tryon Elementary School office by 2pm **Monday, December 15**.

Thanks to all who participated in the **Angel Tree Mission this year** – we are glad to announce that all of the tags for gifts have been taken already!

November 9, 2014

Weekly Budget Giving	\$ 4,745	GraceItForward	\$86
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 6,674		
YTD Budget Giving	\$ 271,387		
YTD Budget Goal	\$ 300,330		

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*First Baptist Church*

November 16, 2014

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

*The Worship of God*

Music for Gathering Kay Greene

Words of Preparation Jeff Harris

Prelude *Nun Danket, Alle Gott* -Crüger/Brevert

Call to Worship Candace Wilson

Each day is a gift from God,  
**each moment is that opportunity to reach out  
 in service to all creation.**  
 Each day is a reminder of the new covenant:  
**not written on stone tablets easily broken,  
 but inscribed on our hearts filled with joy and hope.**  
 Each day we draw closer to God:  
**who has forgotten more than we ever learn;  
 who has forgiven us more than we ever acknowledge.**

Invocation Jonathon Edwards

†Hymn of Praise 14 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

†Passing of the Peace Jeff Harris

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Children's Time "Mr. Skip" Williams  
 (Kindergartners and preschoolers leave for children's church after The Children's Time.)

Responsive Reading                      Psalm 51:1-13                      Laura Spinks

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.**

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

**Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.**

Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

**You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

**Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

**Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.**

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

**Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer                      Jeff Harris

†Hymn of Dedication 241    *Breathe On Me, Breath of God*                      TRENTHAM

Offertory Prayer                      Matthew Baker

Offertory and Meditation    *Let All Things Now Living*                      -Douglas Wagner

†Doxology 253    *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*                      Old 100<sup>th</sup>

Scripture Reading                      Jeremiah 31:31-34                      Jeff Harris

Anthem                      *Shalom, Pacem, Peace*                      -Ruth Elaine Schram

Sermon                      "The Forgetful God"                      Jeff Harris

†Hymn of Response 292    *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*                      ST. MARGARET

†Benediction                      Jeff Harris

†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.)*

Postlude                      *For All the Blessings of the Year*                      David Hegarty

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#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 16	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	5:00	pm	Children's Choir Practice
Monday, November 17	6:30	pm	Brotherhood – Activity Building
Tuesday, November 18	10:30	am	Staff Meeting
	6:50	pm	Deacons Meeting – Rock House
Wednesday, November 19	10:00	am	Bible Study
	6:00	pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00	pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, November 23	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship, Communion
	12:00	pm	Children's Program Practice and Lunch
	7:00	pm	Community Thanksgiving Service
	6:00	pm	No Refuge

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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.

The acolytes for today's service are Verae Upton and Wilson Edwards.

Today is Food Pantry Sunday – please give generously as you exit.

**Brotherhood** meets **Monday, November 17** in the Activity Building. Bob Lair has the meal and the program, entitled "God, Conflict, and Shalom." All men of the church are invited and encouraged to come and bring a friend. Cost of the meal is \$5.

Our **November mission**, sponsored by the Brotherhood, is a coat drive for Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry. Bring coats, sweaters, and hoodies – all sizes, new or used! There is a collection box in the closet opposite the Lair Sunday School Room.

**Coffee – now served** before Sunday School, in the church parlor. Come early, enjoy a cup!