

S.E.E. Kickoff and Kickball - Join us tonight at 5pm as we begin our S.E.E. (Sunday Evening Ekklesia) Fall Schedule. Children and preschooler activities begin at 5pm in the educational space of the main building, while adults have the option of these studies: Jeff Harris will lead (in the Activity Building) Adam Hamilton's *Making Sense of the Bible: Rediscovering the Power of Scripture Today*. Stephen Brady will lead (in the Rock House) "Personal Finances from a Christian Perspective" (based on principles of Dave Ramsey). **At 6:00pm we'll share a cookout, and from 6:30pm to 7:30pm youth (grades 6-12) and adults will play Kickball in the main parking lot.** Children (grades 1-5) will play Kickball at the Activity Building and preschool children have playground fun. (S.E.E meets September 13 & 27, October 11 & 25, and November 8)

Bible Study resumes **Wednesday, September 16**, at 10:00am. Meet us in the Activity Building for a time of study and discussion. We'll be using *The Divine Conspiracy* by Dallas Willard.

Sunday worship at Harmon Field - We'll gather next Sunday (September 20) **at Harmon Field for worship at 10:30 and a picnic afterward.** Bring a lawn chair and a dish to share. Stan Dotson (guitar) and Kim Christman (hammered dulcimer) will provide the music.

Hooked - The David Stillerman Fishing Project of FBC Tryon
We'll fish once more this fall:
Sept 20, Tryon Estates, 4-7pm
Please RSVP to 828.859.5375 or tryonfirstbaptist@gmail.com.

Brotherhood will meet in the Activity Building on **Monday, September 21, 6:30pm.** Rick McCallister is in charge of the program and the meal. All men of the church are invited and encouraged to bring a friend. The cost of the meal is \$5, and there is a sign-up sheet in the education hallway.

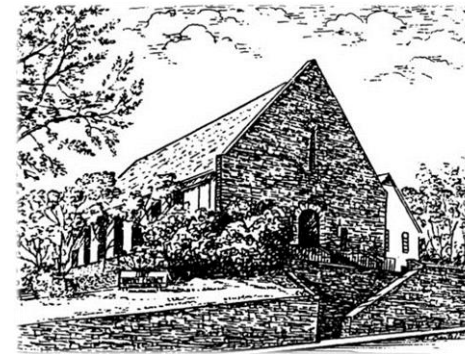
Children's Choir begins **September 27** at 5:00pm. The children will meet every Sunday.

The **#GraceItForward Mission Day, Saturday, October 3**, is fast approaching, and many of you *have* volunteered to work. There are tasks for every age and skill level, so prayerfully consider how you can help that day, and sign up.

September 6, 2015

Weekly Budget Giving	\$ 5,276	Visitation Fund	\$100
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 6,640	I Love My Church	\$470
YTD Budget Giving	\$ 220,022	Lottie Moon	\$ 50
YTD Budget Goal	\$ 239,040	Love Offering (Randy Hudson)	\$100

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First Baptist Church

September 13, 2015

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Worship of God

Music for Gathering Kay Greene

Words of Preparation Jeff Harris

Prelude *The Garden Hymn (Southern Harmony, 1835)* -Olive N. Russell

Call to Worship Candace Wilson

Now that you are here, in a house dedicated to the Most High,
pause and consider where your faith and hope are really fixed.

**Do not put your trust in politicians,
not in any guru who is a human creature like you.
The breath of every human being will cease,
on that day all their mortal aspirations expire.**

God's realm will last forever, beyond all generations.
till earth and moon and stars are no more.

**I will praise you alone, Lord of my souls!
I will praise you as long as live.**

I will sing to you as long as my soul has being.

Invocation Stephen Morris

†Hymn of Praise 216 *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

†Passing of the Peace Jeff Harris

The peace of Christ 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)

Old Testament Reading Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9 (p. 578) Candace Wilson

Responsive Reading Psalm 146 Margot Carter

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God,

who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;

who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free;

the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!

New Testament Reading James 2:1-18 (p. 218) Candace Wilson

Missions Moment Gingi Green

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

†Hymn of Dedication 477 *Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands* AU CLAIR DE LA LUNE

Offertory Prayer Becky Hudson

Offertory and Meditation *There is a Balm in Gilead* -arr. Cindy Berry

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

Gospel Reading Mark 7:24-37 (p. 44) Jeff Harris

Anthem *Open My Eyes* -arr. Gilbert Martin

Sermon "An Offensive Jesus" Jeff Harris

†Hymn of Response 282 *Living for Jesus* LIVING

†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 *Trumpet Tune in D Major* -Henry Purcell

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, September 13	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
	5:00 pm	SEE Kickoff (and kickball)
Monday, September 14	5:30 pm	Mission Team Meeting – Rock House
Tuesday, September 15	10:30 am	Staff Meeting
	6:00 pm	Deacons meeting
Wednesday, September 16	10:00 am	Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Bell Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, September 20	10:30 am	Worship – Harmon Field, picnic afterward
	4:00 pm	Fishing at Tryon Estates

If you are a guest, we are grateful that you are here. Please complete a welcome card (found in the pew pocket) and place it in the offering plate, so we can send you a written word of greeting. As you exit, we have a small gift to offer in appreciation of your presence with us.

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

The Social Committee will meet briefly in the parlor after worship today to plan for next Sunday's picnic at Harmon Field.

There will be **Acolyte training** for 1st - 5th grade children today, **September 13, at 5:00pm**. 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.