

Due to scheduling conflicts with Community Chorus, Sisterhood will meet the second Monday of every month. This change carries through May 2016. Please adjust your calendars.

S.E.E. - Join us tonight at 5pm for S.E.E. (Sunday Evening Ekklesia), Fall Schedule. Children and preschoolers have their Fall Party at 5pm in the educational space of the main building. 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). We'll share a meal at 6:00pm. S.E.E will meet November 8 and resume in January.

Children's Fall Party – Tonight at 5pm. We'll have a Children's Fall party (preschoolers-5th grade) at 5pm. Join us for food, fun, games . . . and . . . be sure to wear a costume!

Quarterly Church Conference, Sunday, November 1st - You recently received a copy of the proposed 2016 Ministry Budget by mail (if you did not get a copy, they are available in the church office). As a congregation, we will be voting on that budget during our **Quarterly Church Conference** immediately following worship.

Disaster Relief Offering-You may still help South Carolina flood victims (CBF of SC), and Syrian Refugees (Baptist World Alliance), by designating an offering to either or both of these disasters. Envelopes are provided at the church entrances for your convenience; check your offering choice, or show on the memo line of your check.

October's Mission Focus is Operation Christmas Child – the shoebox ministry. Shoeboxes for you to fill are available in the narthex closet, and tags with instructions are at the entrances. Please include appropriate items and a \$7 donation made out to "Operation Christmas Child" and place the filled boxes in the narthex closet. The deadline for boxes with Christmas gifts for children worldwide is November 16.

October 18, 2015

Weekly Budget Giving	\$ 5,674	Church Scholarships	\$ 275
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 6,640	SC Flood Relief	\$ 290
YTD Budget Giving	\$ 263,547	Syrian Refugees	\$ 250
YTD Budget Goal	\$ 278,880	Food Pantry	\$ 197

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First Baptist Church

October 25, 2015

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning
 Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

The Worship of God

Music for Gathering		Kay Greene
Words of Preparation		Candace Wilson
Prelude	<i>When We All Get to Heaven</i>	-arr. Pepper Choplin
Call to Worship		Jeff Harris
Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament! Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness! Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe! Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!		
Invocation		Katie Cothran
† Hymn of Praise 7	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	HYMN TO JOY
† Passing of the Peace		Jeff Harris
The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.		

Children's Time Pepper Choplin
(Kindergartners and preschoolers leave for Children's Church after the Children's Time)

Old Testament Reading Zephaniah 3:14-18a (p. 828) Candace Wilson

Responsive Reading Psalm 98 Wilson Edwards

O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

His right hand and his holy arm have gained him victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

New Testament Reading Colossians 3:14-17 (p. 191) Jeff Harris

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

† Hymn of Dedication 524 *We're Marching to Zion* MARCHING TO ZION

Offertory Prayer Phil Feagan

Offertory Pepper Choplin

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

Sermon in Song Pepper Choplin

† Hymn of Response 450 *I Need Thee Every Hour* NEED

† Benediction Jeff Harris

† Congregational Response *May God Give You Peace* Pepper Choplin
(Please see insert for congregational response)

† Postlude *When In Our Music God is Glorified* -arr. J. Wayne Kerr

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, October 25	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship with Pepper Choplin
	5:00	pm	Children's Fall Party
Tuesday, October 27	5:00	pm	S.E.E.
	10:30	am	Staff Meeting
	Wednesday, October 28	10:00	am
6:00		pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:00		pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, November 1	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship – All Saints' Day
	12:00	pm	Quarterly Church Conference
	5:00	pm	Children's Choir (grades 1-5)
	6:00	pm	Refuge

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 StorieLane Whiteside and Hattie Jolly.

First Baptist warmly welcomes Pepper Choplin as our worship leader today. Pepper is a prolific composer of church music, a conductor, and humorist. He holds a Bachelor of Music degree from UNC Greensboro and a Master of Music degree in composition from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Pepper is married and has three daughters. He is a member of Greystone Baptist Church in Raleigh, where he served as Minister of Music for 22 years.

Reminder – Daylight Savings Time ends Saturday, October 31st. Please remember to turn your clocks back and gain an extra hour of sleep.

There will be a brief meeting of the House and Grounds committee in the parlor after worship.

We welcome Dean and Marilyn Kimbrell as the newest members of First Baptist Church.

Generous • Thankful • Faithful (November 1, 8, 15, and 22)

God has generously given us life, love, family, friends, forgiveness, hope, salvation, and so many other good gifts. How do we live as thankful, faithful stewards of these gifts? How do we live generously in a world of scarcity?

May God Give You Peace
A Benediction for Congregation

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