

There will be a Palm Processional next **Sunday, March 20**. We would like as many children as possible to participate, and we will practice next Sunday morning at 10:30am.

Holy Week Schedule

- March 20 Palm Sunday, 11am
 March 21 Noonday Prayer (This is a brief service – a mini Sabbath if you will – usually about 15 minutes, for prayer and reflection as we move closer to the cross.)
 March 22 Noonday Prayer
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 March 24 Maundy Thursday, 6pm - We will gather in the Activity Building for a potluck meal at 6pm, and will move into a time of worship at 6:40pm, which will include foot washing/hand washing and The Lord's Supper.
 March 25 Good Friday, Noon-3pm - There will not be a community Good Friday service this year, so we are having our own. The sanctuary will be open from noon until 3, and you are invited to drop in for a silent time of worship based on the Stations of the Cross. Someone will be there to guide you in the right direction. The service should take about 20 minutes. Good times to stop by would be 12:00pm, 12:20pm, 12:40pm, 1:00pm, etc.
 March 26 There are no scheduled services, but try and find time for quiet reflection, a walk in the woods, fasting, etc. Do something to mark this day as sacred.
 March 27 Easter Sunrise, 7am - Tryon Fine Arts Center Amphitheatre, with breakfast to follow.
 Sunday School, 10am
 Easter Celebration, 11am

We welcome new members Lee and Beverly Dillon, who joined First Baptist on Sunday, March 6. Lee and Beverly come by letter of transfer from The Little Church on the Lane, Charlotte.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy are extended to the family of Edna Morrow, who died March 7, 2016.

March 6, 2015

Weekly Budget Giving	\$ 6,691	Food Pantry	\$40
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 6,683	Easter Food Boxes	\$20
YTD Budget Giving	\$ 60,993	Church Scholarships	\$40
YTD Budget Goal	\$ 66,830	Annie Armstrong	\$50

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First Baptist Church

March 13, 2016

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

Fifth Sunday in Lent

The Worship of God

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

- Music for Gathering Kay Greene
 Prelude *Meditation on Songs of the Cross* -Robert J. Hughes
 Call to Worship Jeff Harris
 The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
 Who are you?
We are the people of God.
 Who made you?
God, our Creator, made us.
 Where do you live?
We live in God's good world.
 Why are you here?
We are here to worship God.
 Then let the worship begin!

Congregational Response *Jesus Messiah* -arr. Lloyd Larson
Jesus Messiah, name above all names; blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.
The rescue for sinners, the ransom from heaven; Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.
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- † Invocation Wilson Edwards
 † Hymn of Praise 217 *O, How I Love Jesus* OH, HOW I LOVE JESUS
 † 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)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 43:16-21 (p. 638) Candace Wilson

Responsive Reading Psalm 126 Evan Jones

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.
Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, 'The Lord has done great things for them.'

The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.
Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses in the Negeb.
May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.
Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

New Testament Reading Philippians 3:8-14 (p. 188) Erin Fox

Gospel Reading John 12:1-11 (p. 102) Jeff Harris

Anthem *Compassion Hymn* -arr. Craig Courtney

Sermon "Costly Acts" Jeff Harris

RESPONDING IN FAITH

Silence

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

†Hymn of Dedication 210 *My Jesus, I Love Thee* GORDON
(Those making decisions of faith, renewals of faith, or desiring to unite with our church through membership, may come forward at this time.)

Offertory Prayer Beth McCallister

Offertory and Meditation *Hallelujah, What a Savior!* -arr. Cindy Berry

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

DEPARTING TO SERVE

Opportunities for Service

Jeff Harris

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*Jesus Messiah, name above all names; blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.
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All our hope is in you, all our hope is in you, all the glory to you, God,
the Light of the world.
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†Benediction Jeff Harris

†Postlude *For Me to Live Is Jesus* -Vulpis/Pachelbel, arr. P. Harris

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, March 13	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
	5:00 pm	Children's Choir (grades 1-5)
	5:00 pm	S.E.E.
	6:00 pm	Refuge
Tuesday, March 15	10:30 am	Staff Meeting
	6:00 pm	Deacons Meeting – Rock House
Wednesday, March 16	10:00 am	Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, March 18	All day	CBFNC General Assembly, Raleigh
Saturday, March 19	All day	Super Saturday Children's Theater Festival

Acolytes for today's service are Katie Cothran and Jonathon Edwards.

If you are a guest, we are grateful you are here. Please complete a welcome card, which can be 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.

Hearing assistance devices are available in the narthex.

S.E.E. tonight, 5:00pm. Jeff's study is on the book of Acts and these four phrases - *Gathering a community. Breaking down walls. Spreading the word. Taking a stand.* Jeff's study is in the Activity Building. Stephen's study takes place in the Rock House, and the study is based on Louie Giglio's *The Comeback – It's Not Too Late and You're Never Too Far.* We'll enjoy a meal at 6pm. S.E.E. (Sunday Evening Ekklesia) is on the second and fourth Sundays of the month.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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