

Brotherhood meets at 6:30pm, **Monday, April 18**, at Calvert's Kitchen in Columbus. All men of the church are invited and encouraged to bring a friend. There is a sign-up sheet in the education hallway.

Hooked! Fishing begins today, April 17, at White Oak Mountain from 2-5pm. While Hooked is great for parents and children, everyone is welcome! You do not need any fishing equipment (you can certainly bring your own if you wish), experience, or a license. We will supply fishing equipment, instruction, drinks, and a light dinner. This is great opportunity to foster friendships with each other and with others from our community, especially with foster children and those involved with Big Brothers/Big Sisters. We do ask that at least one parent be present with children.

S.E.E. - April 24, 5:00pm - We will continue to meet the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Jeff's study is the book of Acts - *Gathering a community. Breaking down walls. Spreading the word. Taking a stand.* Stephen Brady's study, in the Rock House, is based on *The Comeback - It's Not Too Late and You're Never Too Far* by Louie Giglio. It is a study based on several characters in the Bible who made serious mistakes, yet God was able to use these imperfect individuals to further his Kingdom.

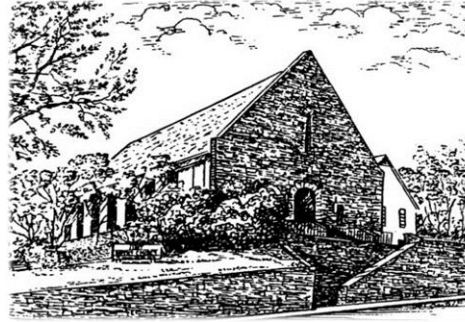
Community Chorus Spring Concert - April 24, 3pm, Polk County High School. The Carolina Community Chorus is presenting their Spring program "The Great American Songbook" on April 24. Tickets are \$10 each and can be bought from any Rotary Club member, or at the door. The chorus is under the direction of Ben Chumley, and songs such as "Moon River", "Younger than Springtime", and "Embraceable You" are part of the performance. Ticket sales benefit the Rotary Club Scholarship program.

Be the Voice for a Child: The Guardian Ad Litem office is looking for compassionate volunteers to advocate in court for abused and neglected children in the Polk/Hendersonville area. If you are interested in participating in this rewarding experience, please contact Kevin Blackwell at the Guardian Ad Litem office at 828-694-4215 or visit www.volunteerforal.org to sign up.

We need pictures! As part of First Baptist's 125th Anniversary Celebration, we are looking for pictures of weddings held in the sanctuary. Please submit a copy of your photos to Lib McKeller, Shirley Edwards, or the church office by May 15 so that we may have a display for June.

Weekly Budget Giving	\$ 5,674	CBF Global Missions	\$3
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 6,683		
YTD Budget Giving	\$ 94,106		
YTD Budget Goal	\$ 100,245		

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First Baptist Church

April 17, 2016

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Worship of God

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Music for Gathering Kay Greene

Prelude -Benjamin Culli
Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Call to Worship Candace Wilson

We gather together in the presence of our Shepherd God,
who calls us each by name,
 who restores our souls,
who leads us in the way of righteousness,
 and whose goodness and love never stops pursuing us.
This is the God we have come to worship!

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

†Invocation Katie Cothran

†Passing of the Peace Jeff Harris

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you.
And also with you.
 Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed!

Children's Time "Mr. Skip" Williams
 (Kindergartners and preschoolers leave for Children's Church after the Children's Time)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading Acts 9:36-43 (p. 122) Sadie McKaig

Responsive Reading Psalm 23 Malik Miller
 The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.
 He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me.
 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

New Testament Reading Revelation 7:9-17 (p. 240) Candace Wilson

Gospel Reading John 10:22-30 (p. 100) Jeff Harris

Anthem *Majesty* -Hayford/Schrader

Sermon "Shepherded by the Lamb" Jeff Harris

RESPONDING IN FAITH

†Hymn of Dedication 441 *Since Jesus Came into My Heart* MCDANIEL

†Offertory Prayer Joyce Scoggins

Offertory and Meditation *As The Deer Medley* -Tom Fettke

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

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

Affirmation of Faith (see insert)

†Hymn of Response 202 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* CORONATION
 (Those making decisions of faith, renewals of faith, or desiring to unite with our church through membership, may come forward at this time.)

DEPARTING TO SERVE

Opportunities for Service Jeff Harris

†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.
All our hope is in you, all our hope is in you, all the glory to you, God, the Light of the world.
Jesus Messiah, name above all names; blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.
The rescue for sinners, the ransom from heaven; Jesus Messiah, Lord of all, Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.

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†Benediction Jeff Harris

†Postlude *In Christ There is No East or West* -Dale Wood

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, April 17	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
	2:00 pm	Hooked! Fishing at White Oak Mtn.
Monday, April 18	5:00 pm	Children's Choir (grades 1-5)
	6:00 pm	Refuge Scavenger Hunt
	6:30 pm	Brotherhood- meet at Calvert's Kitchen
Tuesday, April 19	10:30 am	Staff Meeting
	6:00 pm	Deacons Meeting – Rock House
Wednesday, April 20	6:00 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Sunday School
Sunday, April 24	11:00 am	Worship
	12:00 pm	Quarterly Church Conference
	4:00 pm	Children's Choir (grades 1-5) – note time
	5:00 pm	S.E.E.
	6:00 pm	Refuge

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.

Acolytes for today's service are Ella Waldman and David Amitrano.

The third Sunday of each month, we collect an offering for the Food Pantry of Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry. This offering helps feed hungry families in Polk County. You may give to this offering as you exit today.

Affirmation of Faith

You, O God, are our Shepherd.
You provide everything we need.
You let us rest in green meadows
and lead us beside quiet streams.

You renew our strength,
and guide us in ways that bring honor to Your name.

Even when we walk through difficult valleys,
we will not fear,
for you never are far away—
protecting and comforting,
guarding and guiding every step we take.

You prepare a feast for us
in the presence of our enemies.
You welcome us as friends
and lavish your blessings on us.

We know that your goodness and unfailing love
will continue to pursue us all the days of our lives,
and that after our lives here are over,
we will spend eternity in your presence.