

**THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST TRYON**

Sunday, October 8	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	4:00	pm	Nominating Committee
	5:00	pm	SEE
Monday, October 9	1:00	pm	Staff meeting
Tuesday, October 10	7:00	pm	Sisterhood
Wednesday, October 11	10:00	am	Bible Study
	6:00	pm	Bell Choir rehearsal
	7:00	pm	Chancel Choir rehearsal
Thursday, October 12	10:00	am	Capital Campaign

**Acolytes for today's service** are Jack Fox and StorieLane Whiteside.

**We are grateful to have Sarah Benedict singing in worship.**

**If you would like to help the Puerto Rican victims of Hurricane Maria, please designate your offering as "Hurricane Relief."** We will send this offering directly to Iglesia Bautista de Metropolis in Carolina, Puerto Rico. This is the church we'll be partnering with on our 2018 mission trip to Puerto Rico.

**SEE, October 8, 5pm.** Sunday Evening Ekklesia (SEE) offers spiritual formation opportunities for all ages at 5pm on second and fourth Sundays during the school year. The adults will gather in the Activity Building for a study called "Life Happens . . ." Jaime Fitzgerald will lead a conversation around Puerto Rico, next year's mission opportunity, and there'll be a taco bar for supper! Preschoolers will gather for mission activities. Children (grades 1-5) will gather for choir. Youth (grades 6-12) will gather for Refuge.

**#GraceItForward Food Collection.** We need donations of food items, and prefer that serving portions are for 5 or more. Collection totes for food will be next to the Lair Sunday School room. Needed: Canned green beans, canned sweet potatoes, boxed mac and cheese, canned fruit, pudding cups, and brownie mix. Those items will be sorted, boxed, and delivered on October 21, #GraceItForward day.

**"A Neighbor's Heart" Free Garage Sale.** During #GraceItForward Mission Day in October, we will be holding a "free" garage sale for low-income folks. We are asking members to gather clothes, shoes, coats, household items, linens, and furniture to donate to this mission outreach. We ask that only good used or new items be donated (if you wouldn't give the item to a family member or friend in need, it is not appropriate for donation to "A Neighbor's Heart.") Items are NOT to be brought to church - times for collection will be announced closer to October 21. Volunteers are also needed for this mission outreach. If you have questions or want to volunteer, please contact Becky Hudson.

**Children's Fall Party, October 29, 4pm.** Children ages preschool-fifth grade are invited, and encouraged to come in costume. We'll have games, activities, and snacks. We are accepting donations of Halloween candy (no nuts or peanuts, please). Please bring candy donations to the church kitchen.

**October 1, 2017**

Weekly Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 6,971	Hurricane Irma	\$ 100
Weekly Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 6,830	Hurricane Maria	\$ 540
YTD Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 264,858		
YTD Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 273,200		

**Welcome! We are grateful to worship with you today.** If you are a guest, we hope you will experience God's love through our worship and among our congregation. If this is your first time with us, please complete a welcome card, which can be found in the pew pocket, and place it in the offering plate later in worship. As you exit, we have a small gift to offer you in appreciation of your presence.

**Nursery Care** is provided for children from birth to three years during Worship and Sunday School.

**Children, ages 4-Kindergarten,** may remain in worship or may exit after the Children's Time for a special time of worship and play. Parents may join them, or stay for the remainder of worship.

**Hearing devices are available in the Narthex.**

**Baskets for recycling bulletins are at the church exits.**

**OCTOBERMISSION FOCUS**

This is #GraceItForward month, and we've scheduled a special worship for 10am on October 15, as well as mission projects for that week, culminating in a #GraceItForward mission work day on October 21.

We're also filling shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Cardboard shoeboxes are in the Education Hallway (near the water fountain), and we hope to collect 100 shoeboxes. Collection dates are November 13-20, which gives you a month to fill a shoebox and bring joy to a girl or boy in a far-off land.

**OFFERING - OCTOBER**

Phil Feagan—Lead Deacon, Rick McCallister, Beth McCallister, Phil Pleasants, Susan Smith

**GREETERS—OCTOBER**

Stephanie Mathis and Franklin Williams—Front  
Merry Price—Hall  
Stephen Morris—Side

**DIACONATE**

Elizabeth Burrell, Chair, Phil Scoggins, Vice-Chair, Ellis Fincher, Ron Frady, Danny Fox, Susan Smith, Phil Feagan, Keith Collins, Sadie McKaig

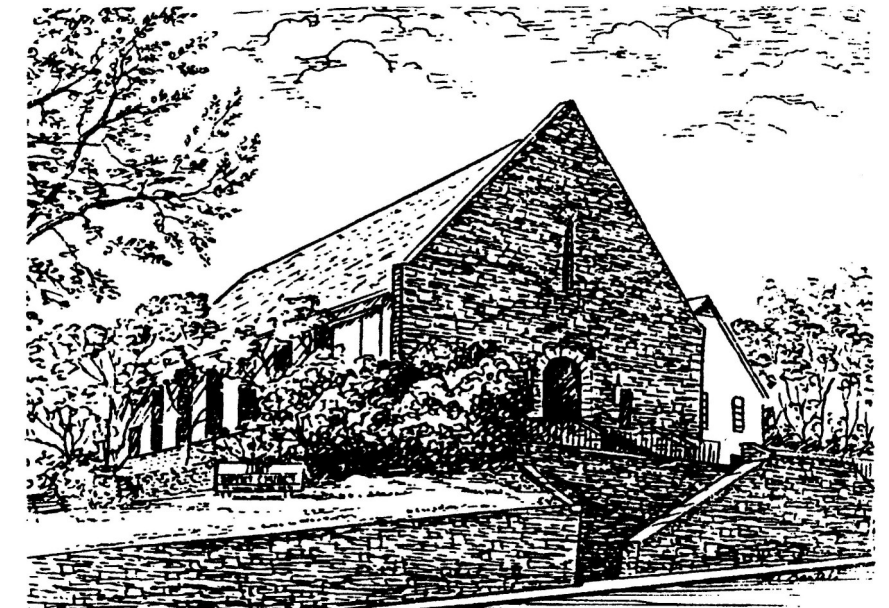
**CHURCH STAFF**

The Reverend Dr. Jeff C. Harris, Pastor  
The Reverend Jim Hawkins, Minister of Music  
Jaime Fitzgerald, Minister to Youth  
Kay Greene, Pianist  
E. Leslie Raymond, Organist  
John Spinks, Sexton

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October 8, 2017

Eleven O'clock in the Morning

Live Generously

#GraceItForward

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT WORSHIP

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October 8, 2017 Eleven O'clock

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Music for Gathering Kay Greene

Ringing of the Hour

Prelude *Prelude on 'Evan'* -Gerald Peterson

Call to Worship Jaime Fitzgerald

We all have gifts. We all have something to share.

**The world needs what we have to give.**

We share what we have. We share who we are.

**And in doing so, we share the love of God.**

All gifts come from God. Let us be generous with these gifts.

**Live generously for the glory of God.**

†Hymn 382 *God, the Father of Your People* HOLY MANNA

†Invocation Robert Scruggs

†Passing the Peace Jeff Harris

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Children's Time "Mr. Skip" Williams

*Kindergartners and preschoolers may leave for  
Children's Church after the Children's Time*

## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

†Hymn 601 *Teach Me, O Lord, I Pray* DIADEMATA

Psalms 92 Judy Lair

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name,  
O Most High;

**to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your  
faithfulness by night,**

to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

**For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at  
the works of your hands I sing for joy.**

How great are your works, O Lord! Your thoughts are very deep!

**The dullard cannot know, the stupid cannot  
understand this:**

though the wicked sprout like grass and all evildoers flourish,  
they are doomed to destruction for ever,

**but you, O Lord, are on high for ever.**

For your enemies, O Lord, for your enemies shall perish;

all evildoers shall be scattered.

**But you have exalted my horn like that of the wild ox;  
you have poured over me fresh oil.**

My eyes have seen the downfall of my enemies; my ears have  
heard the doom of my evil assailants.

**The righteous flourish like the palm tree, and grow like  
a cedar in Lebanon.**

They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the  
courts of our God.

**In old age they still produce fruit; they are always green  
and full of sap,**

showing that the Lord is upright; he is my rock, and there is no  
unrighteousness in him.

Matthew 7:12-20 (p. 12) Jeff Harris

Anthem *How Beautiful* -Twila Paris  
Sarah Benedict, Soloist

Sermon "Good Fruit" Jeff Harris

## RESPONDING IN FAITH

†Hymn 279 *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* MARYTON  
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 Kim McFarland

Offering and Meditation -arr. Faye Lopez  
*Day by Day*

†Doxology 253, *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

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

Our Father,  
who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power,  
and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.

Opportunities for Service Jeff Harris

†Benediction Jeff Harris

†Congregational Response WEAVE

*Weave*

*Weave, weave, weave us together. Weave us together in unity and love.*

*Weave, weave, weave us together. Weave us together, together in love.*

†Postlude *March from 'Scipio'* -G.F. Handel

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**#GraceItForward  
October 14-28  
Live Generously**

**#GraceItForward** is opportunity to live your faith. We want to be  
generous, loving people but life gets busy. So, here are some ways we  
can extend the generous grace God with our community.

**Saturday, October 14 at 8am**, two folks are needed for a home  
repair project. Contact Dave Graham at 828.429.3822, if you're  
interested.

**Sunday, October 15, we will worship at 10am, and at  
around 10:30am we will take our worship from the  
sanctuary to the community in these ways:**

-Share communion with our homebound

-Sing and worship with the residents of White Oak Nursing  
Home

-Take gift baskets to the staff of White Oak, Laurel Hurst, St.  
Luke's Hospital, Tryon Police, Columbus Police, Polk County

Sheriff's Department, Polk County Jail

-Take Bibles to inmates at Polk County Jail

-Share bags of quarters at laundromats in Tryon, Columbus,  
and Landrum

-Coffee at the Tryon Coffee Coop will be on us

-Generous Tipping, if you eat out today, please be extra kind to  
the servers, and be generous with your tip

**Monday, October 16 at 6pm**, gifting McDonalds gift cards in  
Columbus.

**Monday, October 16--Saturday October 21**, gifting change  
at the laundromat in Tryon, Columbus, and Landrum.

**Saturday, October 21**

-Yard Work

-Crafts at the White Oak Nursing Home

-Deliver food to hungry families

-A Neighbor's Heart FREE Garage Sale

**Saturday, October 28**, two folks are needed for a ramp project.  
Contact Dave Graham at 828.429.3822, if you're interested.