

THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST TRYON

Sunday, March 11	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
	4:00 pm	Puerto Rico Mission Trip Meeting
	5:00 pm	SEE
Tuesday, March 13	1:30 pm	Staff Meeting
Wednesday, March 14	10:00 am	Bible Study
	5:30 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Acolytes for today's service are Mason Littlefield and Olivia Miller.

Thanks to Charley Dusenbury for playing the offertory in worship.

There's a meeting today at 4pm (in the Activity Building) for all involved in the Puerto Rico Mission Trip. Please make every effort to attend.

Give the Gift of Food—You may give a food box to Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry in memory or in honor of someone for Easter. The cost of each box is \$20. Envelopes can be found at the entrances to the sanctuary.

SEE Spring Semester "Different ways to pray"
 "When the church is no longer teaching the people how to pray, we could almost say it will have lost its reason for existence." —Richard Rohr
 Tonight's meal is a fix-it-yourself taco bar, including grilled chicken, beef, and shrimp.

March 11, Different Ways to Pray: Intercessory

March 25, Different Ways to Pray: Centering Prayer

April 8, Different Ways to Pray: A Rule of Life

April 22, Restore, Renew, Reach Out: A presentation from the Capital Improvement Team

Super Saturday, March 17—The Annual Children's Theater Festival (Super Saturday) is for young and old alike! We'll be hosting the Billy Jonas Trio at 10:30am and 1:15pm in the sanctuary. If you can volunteer to help that day, please contact Sadie McKaig at 817-1459.

Kid's Night Out, Friday March 23—in the Activity Building from 6-8:30pm. Learning, games, jokes, snacks—lots of activities for your children, ages K-5th grade! Please sign up by the deadline, March 18. If your children are already registered, contact Carol Batts at carolwb8@yahoo.com. Registration forms may be found in Sunday School rooms and the office.

The Children's Ministry Team will host an Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday afternoon, March 25, at 4pm. We're asking for donations of individually-wrapped candies (no peanut butter or nuts, please). You may bring candy to the church kitchen.

Spring Flowers for Easter Sunday—Please bring spring flowers to church with you on Easter Sunday, April 1, to decorate the outside cross, and proclaim that Christ has risen!

Summer is coming and that means it is time for PassportKids!
 Email Jaime at jaimeniftzgerald@gmail.com to sign your 3rd-5th grade children up for camp. We will be going to Converse College July 11th-14th.

March 4, 2018			
Weekly Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 10,020	Heck-Jones Offering	\$ 985
Weekly Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 8,068	Annie Armstrong	\$ 10
YTD Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 66,865	Music Ministry Fund	\$ 50
YTD Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 72,612	Capital Campaign	\$ 50
		Easter Food Box	\$ 20

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 located at the exits.

April Mission Opportunity
Easter Missions Offering
Easter Missions Offering – During the month of April, we are collecting donations for **CBF Global Missions** and the **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**. If you have a box of offering envelopes, those designated envelopes are in your box. If not, they are available at the sanctuary entrances. Thanks for your generosity.

OFFERING - MARCH

Ellis Fincher Jr.—Lead Deacon, Sue Thompson, David Thompson, JT Johnson, Franklin Williams

GREETERS—MARCH

Lane and Merry Price—Front
 Ashlyn Green—Hall
 Franklin Williams—Side

DIACONATE

Phil Scoggins, Chair
 Keith Collins, Vice Chair
 Susan Smith, Recorder
 Danny Fox, Phil Feagan, Sadie McKaig
 Don Batts, Phillip Edwards, Beth McCallister

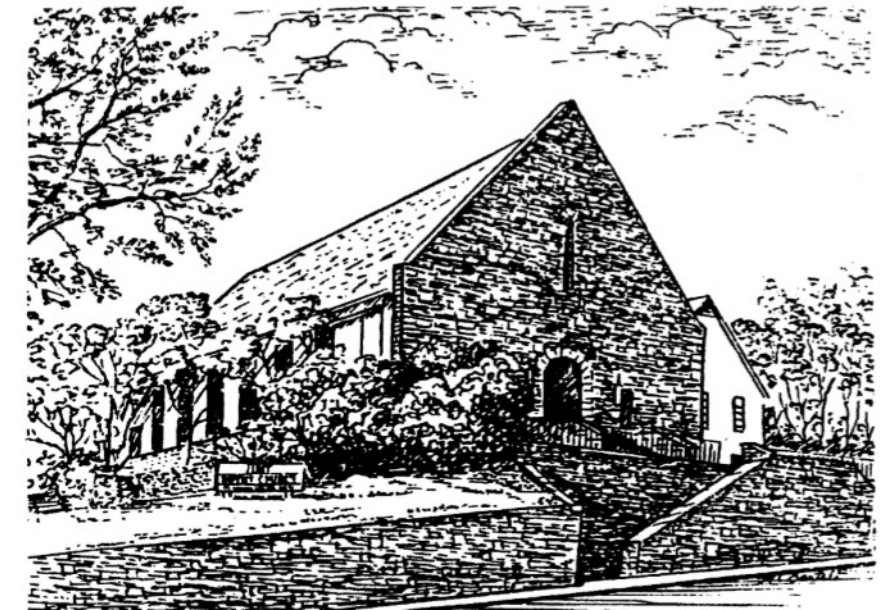
CHURCH STAFF

The Reverend Dr. Jeff C. Harris, Pastor
 The Reverend Jim Hawkins, Minister of Music
 The Reverend Jaime Fitzgerald, Minister to Youth
 Kay Greene, Pianist
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March 11, 2018

Eleven O'clock in the Morning

Fourth Sunday in Lent

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 11, 2018

Eleven O'clock

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Music for Gathering

Leslie Raymond

Ringing of the Hour

John Spinks

†Congregational Introit

PATRICIA

O How He Loves You and Me

*O how He loves you and me. O how He loves you and me;
He gave His life, what more could He give?
O how He loves you; O how He loves me;
O how He loves you and me!*

Prelude

“Nearer” Medley

-Clark

Call to Worship

Jim Hawkins

Return to the Lord your God,
for God is gracious.
Confess to the Lord your God,
for God is merciful.
Repent to the Lord your God,
for God is slow to anger.
Praise the Lord your God,
for God abounds in steadfast love.
Worship the Lord your God,
For God alone is worthy.

†Hymn 70 *How Great Our God's Majestic Name!* DUKE STREET

†Invocation

Shelvie Foust

†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 213

We Will Glorify

WE WILL GLORIFY

Psalm 133

Don Batts

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together
in unity!

**It is like the precious oil on the head, running down
upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down
over the collar of his robes.**

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.
**For there the Lord ordained his blessing, life for
evermore.**

Confession of Sin

Jaime Fitzgerald

God, you creatively formed and shaped each one of us into being,
but often we forget that you created everyone and not just those
who are like us. We judge others based on appearance, actions,
speech, housing, food accessibility, and much more rather than
tuning in a listening ear to hear stories and life experiences. We
use our voices to stir discord rather than reconciliation.

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and
right spirit within me.**

We save seats at our tables for those who are like us—the ones
who think like us and the ones who fit into our social circles—and
at the same time, make those who are different feel unwelcome.
Your scripture tells us to embrace all, to love all, to feed all, and
we often choose to blatantly ignore Your call for us to be disciples
of Jesus, and instead follow Judas.

**Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast
love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my
transgressions.**

We judge the motives of those who love and care for the most
vulnerable of people instead of partnering with them. We have
conversations about changing the world for the better but leave it
to others to get their hands dirty in the messiness. When tragedy
strikes, we mourn and pray for a few days and then move on to
the next event, forgetting our grieving brothers and sisters.

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in
me a willing spirit.**

Silence

Words of Forgiveness, Psalm 103:8, 12-14 Jeff Harris
The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in
steadfast love. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he
removed our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion
for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear
him. For he knows how we were made; he remembers that we
are dust.

Choral Anthem

Lenten Meditation

-Althouse

Mark 14:1-11 (p. 52)

Jeff Harris

Sermon

“The First Believer”
(Wednesday)

Jeff Harris

RESPONDING IN FAITH

†Hymn 231

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

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

Joyce Scoggins

Offering and Meditation

BUNESSAN

Morning Has Broken
Charley Dusenbury, Piano

†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 of the Week

Jaime Fitzgerald

†Benediction

Jeff Harris

†Congregational Response

PATRICIA

O How He Loves You and Me

*Jesus to Calv'ry did go, His love for mankind to show;
What He did there brought hope from despair:
O how He loves you; O how He loves me;
O how He loves you and me!*

Postlude

Abide With Me

-Wood

†Please stand if you are able.

The Last Week: A Lenten Journey

March 4, Mark 11:20-13:37, Tuesday

March 11, Mark 14:1-11, Wednesday

March 18, Mark 14:12-71, Thursday

March 25, Mark 15:1-41, Friday

March 26, Noonday Prayer

March 27, Noonday Prayer

March 28, Noonday Prayer

March 29, Maundy Thursday Worship,
7pm

March 30, Good Friday Worship, noon

April 1, Mark 16:1-8, Easter Sunday