

THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST TRYON

Sunday, March 25	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	5:00	pm	SEE, Children's Choir, Refuge
Monday, March 26	12:00	pm	Noonday Prayer
Tuesday, March 27	12:00	pm	Noonday Prayer
	1:30	pm	Staff Meeting
Wednesday, March 28	12:00	pm	Noonday Prayer
	5:30	pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	6:30	pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday, March 30	12:00	pm	Community Good Friday Worship
Sunday, April 1	7:00	am	Easter Sunrise
	7:45	am	Breakfast in Activity Building
	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Easter Worship

Acolytes for today's service are Laney Littlefield and Luke Miller.

The Children's Ministry Team will host an Easter Egg Hunt today at 4pm.

SEE Spring Semester "Different ways to pray"

March 25, Different Ways to Pray: Centering Prayer— meal will be sandwiches and salads catered by Southern Manners

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

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

The Last Week: A Lenten Journey

March 25, Mark 15:1-41, Friday

March 26, Noonday Prayer

March 27, Noonday Prayer

March 28, Noonday Prayer

March 29, Maundy Thursday, 7pm

March 30, Good Friday Worship, Noon

April 1, Sunrise Worship, 7am

Breakfast, 7:45am

Sunday School, 10am

Mark 16:1-8, Easter Worship, 11am

Maundy Thursday worship April 29, 7pm. Join us in a meaningful service of remembrance, communion, and foot-washing.

Community churches will gather at Tryon Presbyterian at noon on Good Friday for a time of worship and reflection.

Easter Sunrise Worship, April 1—at TFAC Amphitheatre, 7am, with breakfast to follow.

Please bring spring flowers to church with you next 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.

Aluminum can ministry update—if you have aluminum cans with you today, please put them in Jodi Harris' white Ford F-150 pickup truck.

March 18, 2018

Weekly Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 10,003	Annie Armstrong	\$ 25
Weekly Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 8,068	Easter Food Boxes	\$ 40
YTD Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 82,937	Food Pantry	\$ 212
YTD Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 88,748		

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.

**March/April Mission Opportunity
Easter Missions Offering**

Easter Missions Offering – During the months of March and 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
E. Leslie Raymond, Organist
John Spinks, Sexton

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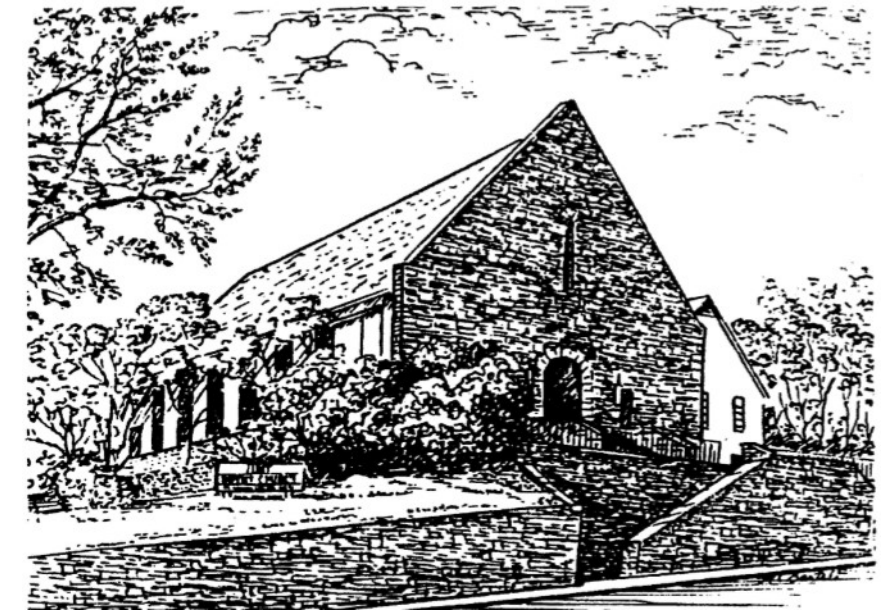
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**First Baptist Church
Tryon, NC**



March 25, 2018

Eleven O'clock in the Morning

Palm Sunday

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Palm Sunday

March 25, 2018

Eleven O'clock

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Music for Gathering

Kay Greene

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

With Palms Before Him Went

-Wagner

Call to Worship

Jeff Harris

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 126

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ST. THEODULPH

†Invocation

Verae Upton

†Passing the Peace

Jeff Harris

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Children's Time

Jeff Harris

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

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

†Hymn 143

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

Psalm 31:9-16

Jami Temple

Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress; my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.
For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.

I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbours, an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.

I have passed out of mind like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel.

For I hear the whispering of many—terror all around!—as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, 'You are my God.'

My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

Confession of Sin

Jaime Fitzgerald

God, our lives are messy and chaotic, our calendars full of both the going and the coming. In our mess and in our chaos, we often forget that You have created our lives, broken and beautiful as they may be.

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

We daily sin, we fall short, we make mistakes, but much of the time we justify our wrongdoings by comparing them to the sins of others. We rate our sins on a continuum and see ourselves as better than others. In our comparison, we distance ourselves from deep and meaningful relationships with God and with others.

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

We read in scripture of Your son, Jesus Christ, dying for our sins. We read of the pain and suffering of Jesus and his selflessness to be crucified for us. We acknowledge that when the going gets tough and our faith is tested we wonder where you are. We confess that we betray You and deny You with our silence when we fail to share the Good News in our hurting world.

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.

Anthem

Sing Hosanna! Blessed is He!

-Fettke

Chancel and Children's Choirs

Mark 15:21-39 (p. 54)

Jeff Harris

Sermon

"Torn in Two"
(Friday)

Jeff Harris

RESPONDING IN FAITH

†Hymn 137

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

PASSION CHORALE

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

Stephen Brady

Offering and Meditation

-Whitworth

Medley: The Cross of Christ

†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

Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted -Paderborn/Kerr

†Please stand if you are able.

Easter Food Boxes Given in Memory or Honor, 2018

Keith and Debbie Collins	In Memory of Ruth Collins
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David P. Graham	In Memory of Barbara D. Batchler
Mason and Casey Harris	In Memory of Ruth Collins
Eloise Johnson	In Memory of Chris Johnson
Ed Justice Family	In Memory of Ned Covil, Herman and Erie Justice
Dean and Marilyn Kimbrell	In Memory of 1 st Lt. Timothy Cunningham
JoAn Lanier	In Memory of Hugh and Hugh Allen Lanier
Ken and Leslie Raymond	In Memory of June Smith and Elsie Spanier
Charles Stafford	In Memory of Annette Stafford
Jo Ward	In Honor of JoAn Lanier
Anonymous	