**S.E.E.** - Join us tonight at 5pm for S.E.E. (Sunday Evening Ekklesia) Fall Schedule. Children and preschooler activities begin at 5pm in the educational space of the main building, while adults have the option of these studies: Jeff Harris will lead (in the Activity Building) Adam Hamilton's *Making Sense of the Bible: Rediscovering the Power of Scripture Today.* Stephen Brady will lead (in the Rock House) "Personal Finances from a Christian Perspective" (based on principles of Dave Ramsey). We'll share a meal afterward, at 6:00pm. (S.E.E meets October 11 & 25, and November 8)

Children's Choir begins tonight at 5:00pm. The children will meet every Sunday.

The History Committee will meet in the parlor on Monday, September 28, at 2:00pm.

**Save the Date – October 11!** Dr. Guy Sayles, former pastor of First Baptist Church Asheville, will present "Learning from Hard Experiences": an exploration of how difficult realities--like cancer and its treatment--can lead us to deeper faith and to a more meaningful life, on October 11 at FBC Tryon. This session begins in the Activity Building at 9:30am with a combined adult Sunday School gathering. Guy will also preach during the 11:00 worship service.

**Serve, Eat, Play on October 18** – We have a chance to join with other churches in our community for an afternoon of service and fun at Harmon Field. The afternoon starts at 4pm with the annual CROPwalk, followed by a potluck supper and an evening of games for all ages. This is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors and enjoy their fellowship. Put on your best walking shoes and bring a dish to share!

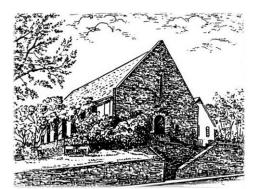
Thanks to everyone who contributed to Randy Hudson's Love Offering. If you haven't donated and still wish to, you may do so today.

## September 20, 2015

Weekly Budget Giving	\$ 2,821
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 6,640
YTD Budget Giving	\$ 230,204
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First Baptist Church

September 27, 2015 Eleven O'Clock in the Morning Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Worship of God

Music for Gathering Kay Greene Jeff Harris Words of Preparation Prelude We Walk By Faith (Dunlap's Creek) – Chas. Callahan Call to Worship Candace Wilson Blessed be the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth! Praise be to God, the Giver of many gifts! Our help is in God's name, the One who calls us here. We come with songs of praise, with prayers too deep for words. Blessed be the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth! **Blessed be the Lord!** Invocation StorieLane Whiteside <sup>†</sup>Hymn of Praise 395 God of Grace and God of Glory CWM RHONDDA Jeff Harris <sup>†</sup>Passing of the Peace 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)

Candace Wilson

Responsive Reading	Psalm 124	Keith Collins
If it had not been the Lord	who was on our side —let Israel now sa	ay—
	ord who was on our side, when ou	
enemies attacked us,		

then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us;

## then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us;

then over us would have gone the raging waters.

**Blessed be the Lord, who has not given us as prey to their teeth.** We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

## Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

New Testament Reading	James 5:13-20 (p. 220)	Jeff Harris		
#GraceItForward Commissioning J				
Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer Jeff Harr				
<sup>†</sup> Hymn of Dedication 568	Lord, Speak to Me, that I May Spe	ak CANONBURY		
Offertory Prayer		Charles McKeller		
Offertory and Meditation	O Master, Let Me Walk with The	e -arr. C. Kohlmann		
<sup>†</sup> Doxology 253 Pro	aise God, from Whom All Blessings I	Flow OLD 100 <sup>th</sup>		
Gospel Reading	Mark 9:38-50 (p. 47)	Jeff Harris		
Anthem	Canon of Praise	-Pachelbel/Hopson		
Sermon	"A Different Posture"	Jeff Harris		
†Hymn of Response 276	O Jesus, I Have Promised	ANGEL'S STORY		
†Benediction		Jeff Harris		

 <sup>†</sup>Congregational Response May the Spirit Bind Us Together -Brad Stevens May the Spirit bind us together as we build this house of faith; One in heart and one in spirit may we grow; May we raise our voices in witness; May our lives reflect Thy grace; One in heart and one in spirit as we go, as we go.

†Postlude	We Walk by Faith (Shanti)		-J. Wayne Kerr					
CALENDAR OF EVENTS								
Sunday, September 27	10:00	am	Sunday School					
	11:00	am	Worship					
	5:00	pm	S.E.E.					
	6:00	pm	Refuge					
Monday, September 28	2:00	pm	History Committee					
	5:30	pm	#GraceItForward – McD	onalds' Mission				
Tuesday, September 29	10:30	am	Staff Meeting					
Wednesday, September 30	10:00	am	Bible Study					
	6:00	pm	Bell Rehearsal					
	7:00	pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal					
Saturday, October 3	all	day	Mission Day/#GraceItFo	orward				
Sunday, October 4	10:00	am	Sunday School					
	11:00	am	Worship – World Comm	union, Baptisms				

If you are a guest, we are grateful that you are here. Please complete a welcome card (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 with us.

Acolytes for today's service are Katie Cothran and Elliott Whiteside.

As you exit worship you'll have an opportunity to support the food pantry of Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry. We usually collect these donations on third Sundays (our third Sunday was last week's service at Harmon Field) and all of this money goes to feed the hungry of Polk County.

Please join us next Sunday for a full day of worship! We'll commemorate the Lord's Supper for World Communion, and observe the baptisms of Sydney Waldman, Luke Walker, and Stephen Morris.

The **#GraceItForward Mission Day, Saturday, October 3,** is fast approaching, and many of you *have* volunteered to work. There are tasks for every age and skill level, so prayerfully consider how you can help that day, and sign up. There are alternate days for some projects – the McDonald's project is on Monday, September 28, from 5:30-7:30pm. If you wish to volunteer at the Laundrymat, you have a choice of any day from September 28 up to and including October 3<sup>rd</sup>. It's not too late to sign up!