



First Baptist Church West Columbia

Tie-Binder

“So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.” 1 Corinthians 10:31

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EASTER CELEBRATIONS at First Baptist Church

Good Friday Service and Breakfast
Friday, April 2 at 7:15 a.m.

Community Easter Sunrise Service
at the Riverwalk Amphitheater (near the Gervais St. bridge)
Sunday, April 4 at 7:00 a.m.

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES
Bible Study at 9:45
Flowering of the Cross at 10:30
Bring flowers from your yard to cover the cross on our lawn.
Resurrection Celebration at 11:00 a.m.

**COME CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION
WITH THE FIRST BAPTIST FAMILY**

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REGULAR SCHEDULE

Sunday

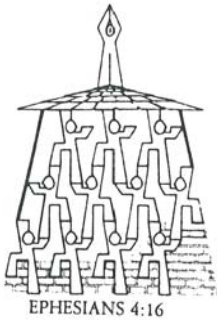
- 9:30 am Library open
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Morning Worship
- 5:30 pm Library open
- 6:00 pm Evening Worship
Youth Worship

Wednesday

- 5:30 pm Supper Line Opens
- 6:00 pm Library open
Children's Choirs
LIGHTHOUSE
- 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting
Young Professionals
- 6:45 pm Children's Mission
Groups
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir



NATIONAL GOAL:
\$ 70 MILLION
FBCWC GOAL:
\$ 4,000.00
GIVEN TO DATE:
\$ 3,656.50



THE PASTOR'S LINK

Easter is a climactic time for many churches. There is excitement over attendance and energized worship services. Last year we had over 280 people to gather to celebrate the resurrected Christ on Easter. There is a growing wonderful spirit in our church.

But, we must also remember that Easter was a transformational time in the plan Jesus has for us. He came to pay the price for our sin. He made the ultimate sacrifice to gain our salvation when we place our faith in Him and follow Him as Savior and Lord. However, the Gospel is not just about a celebration of Easter. Let us prepare for Easter with the end in mind.

After the resurrection Jesus was very clear with instructions for His followers. We are familiar with the Great Commission from Matthew 28:18-20 where we are told to make disciples of all nations as we go about our daily lives. The Greek word is *ethnos* from which we get our word ethnic. We see God bringing people from various *ethnos* groups into our church and community. We have a wonderful opportunity to be obedient to that post-resurrection command on a daily basis. A disciple accepts and assists in spreading the doctrines of another. So we must look for every opportunity and get about the business of reaching, inviting and teaching others to accept and spread the doctrines of Jesus as a part of our daily life. This is our Easter assignment as we prepare.

Jesus also told his followers to receive the Holy Spirit and forgive others (John 20:22). We miss the reward of Easter if we are not filled with the Spirit and forgiving of others in our daily walk. So let us properly prepare to celebrate Easter as we then move on to the next assignments from our Lord. I look forward to seeing you Sunday!



Thanks to our Children's Choirs and Sanctuary Choir for singing so beautifully in worship this past Sunday morning. Palm Sunday saw a great day of worship in God's house.

Special thanks to our **Sanctuary Choir** for you participation in "Celebrate Life" on Sunday afternoon and evening. Combining with two other churches was a new experience for all of us, and the results were amazing. I appreciate these folks and the time and energy they give each week to make our worship meaningful.

This Sunday, join us as we celebrate the Resurrection with more beautiful music and worship together! Hope to see you there!

CHARLESTON IN THE SPRING
We still have room, if you hurry!!!
Saturday, May 8 Cost: \$85.00.



Take Time To Pray!

As Christians, we are all called to serve and are given the spiritual gifts to do so within the will of God. As Pastor Bill encouraged us this past Sunday, we can all pray to be obedient to God's call in our lives, "no matter how small the task". We can all make the visitors and new members at FBCWC feel welcomed and loved. We can all pray for our upcoming Easter services and for our May revival. We can all pray for a closer personal relationship with the Lord in our own lives and the lives of those we hold near and dear. And, we can all thank God for the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Take time to pray!

"Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends," John 15:13

"If God is for us, who can ever be against us? Since God did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won't God, who gave us Christ, also give us everything else?" Romans 8:32

Debra Gauden

Worship Services for
Sunday, April 4 EASTER SUNDAY
AM "Who Is It You Are Looking For?"
John 20:10-18
NO EVENING ACTIVITIES

HOMEBOUND MEMBER OF THE WEEK

Betty Goodwin (birthday is April 7)
 Lexington Extended Care, Campbell Bldg.
 Ellis Crossing Room 201-A
 815 Old Cherokee Rd.
 Lexington, SC 29072



CONGRATULATIONS!

Boyd and Azalee Anderson
 celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary
 on March 10!!!



ATTENTION VBS WORKERS!

April 13 is going to be a very useful and eye-opening training event for you. It will be held at Lexington Baptist Church from 6:30-9pm. I have your teaching

material already because you will need to take this with you to the training. Please come by the office to pick yours up or let me know where to put yours for pick-up. We must now go ahead and begin thinking about and praying about **EXCELLENCE in EVERYTHING** for VBS. We must do our best and this includes proper training. This is really for veteran teachers and new teachers. There is no cost, of course, and what you take away will be priceless as you lead children to Christ this summer.

We still need workers! If you have not been asked, but want to serve in some way, please contact our Director Dina Taylor or me. If the Spirit is moving in you, don't wait to be asked, volunteer! We are looking forward to assembling a hardworking team with lots of passion for blessing children.



Lighthouse Student Ministries

Parents and Guardians, please be on the lookout this week for our Spring/ Summer Newsletter. It will contain all of our already scheduled events for your teen to be a part of. Our summers are more inward focused. We stress personal discipleship heavily, teaching them how to walk with God in a more personal way. Our Spring events are targeted evangelistic events. While in school, they have a broader mission field and need to take advantage of being a light in the darkness. Most teens have not figured out absolute truth and our teens can bring their friends closer to understanding Jesus, who is the Truth.

Sunday nights will be a very important time for us from now until the summer. We are having a teen small group on the book of Mark. Mark is compact and needs to be unpacked slowly. We are taking the book one paragraph at a time and discussing everything in it. It is amazing to be a part of a small group like this. I clearly sense a need to build a spiritual foundation in your child's life. This study seriously aids them in their biblical literacy. Please bring your teenager on Sunday nights at 6pm to the Lighthouse.

Jody



May Day Celebration

Saturday, May 1

5 - 7 p.m.

FREE

- ◆ food ◆ games ◆
- ◆ Live Band◆

discover // be refreshed

May 2-3

Guest Speaker: Lonnie Riley

Special Prayer Cards

were given out on Sunday, March 28th. List three lost friends or family you will be inviting to the May revival. After you have listed them, please call Janet at the church office and tell her your three. We will begin praying with you for these people.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBER



Faith Hazelwood
By Statement of Faith

Deacon: Kevin Barfield



Our church has the opportunity once again this year of participating in providing ministry health kits which are used for meeting the needs of and witnessing to people in our region. The kits were originally used for distribution to migrant workers but now are used as an outreach tool and given to meet genuine needs in the community through the Lexington Baptist Association. Items for each include: 1 toothbrush, 1 6-oz. toothpaste, 1 4.5-oz bath soap, 1 washcloth, 1 bath towel, and 1 comb. Church members may wish to purchase these items or make a donation (\$7.00 per kit).

The kits are due on Monday, April 19th. Please contact Grace Shepherd with questions. Thank you in advance for helping to meet the needs of others.

In Loving Memory

Cora Lee Sribnick

December 10, 1914 - March 24, 2010

The First Baptist Church family and staff extend our heartfelt sympathy and love to the family of Mrs. Sribnick

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

April 4-10, 2010

Sunday, April 4 EASTER SUNDAY

- 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service
- 9:30 to 9:45 a.m. B P Screening
- 9:30 a.m. Library Open
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Flowering of the Cross
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

NO EVENING ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, April 6

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Time
- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise
- 10:30 a.m. NHC Bible Study

Wednesday, April 7

- 10:00 a.m. In Home Workers
- 5:30 p.m. Supper Line Opens
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Choirs
Youth Lighthouse (Movie Night)
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Service
Young Professionals
- 6:45 p.m. Children's Mission Groups

Thursday, April 8

- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise
- 10:00 a.m. Jubilant Singers
- 10:30 a.m. Mildred Taylor Prayer Group

Friday, April 9

- 7:00 p.m. Youth Lock-in

GOD'S HELPING HANDS

During April, God's Helping Hands requests **saltine crackers and juice** as needed items. A collection bin is located near the church office.

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SPECIAL MINISTRIES

April 4, 2010

HEALTH MINISTRY

Margie Hazel

EXT. TEACHING CARE

Coordinator: Debra Shepherd

11:00 a.m. Worship

Babies and Toddlers

Sara Frances Watson
Debra Shepherd

Ones and Twos

Nick and Jill Zueger

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Clyde Blackburn

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

David Ness

GREETERS

Snyder Building
Marion Gunter, Sr.

Burriss Building
Nan Bannister

Front Lower Level
Clyde and Jonnie Blackburn

SOUND

Belinda Inabinet
Gary Lee

**Served from 5:30-6:00 p.m.
in Burriss Hall**



**April 7
Fried Chicken
Potato Salad
Corn
Rolls and Dessert**

Adults (10 & up) \$5.00
Children (5-9) \$3.00
Children 4 & under FREE

Reservations are necessary.
Forms are available at sanctuary
entrances and in registration booklets.
Deadline to sign up or cancel

Hospital Update

Lexington Medical Center

Frances Baughman

Ronald Lee was a patient at Providence
Hospital and was discharged Monday.

FOR ALL PARENTS OF G.A.'S

If you have not received your GA
Camp brochure, please see Cheryl
Simpson or Julie Barfield. For the
best chance to get the camp dates
you want, we need to apply by April
11th. The WMU will pay half of your
registration fee.

Contact Cheryl Simpson or Julie
Barfield if you have further questions.



**BEHOLD,
CHRIST HAS RISEN!**