

# Fern Creek Baptist Church

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**FERN CREEK  
BAPTIST CHURCH**

*Reaching Up...*

*Reaching In...*

*Reaching Out...*

# The Disciple

April 22, 2024

## LINDA'S LINES

Are you continuing to pray Jabez's prayer for yourselves and our church? I hope you have accepted that challenge presented last week and will keep praying!! Karen Love reminds us what can sometimes happen: *"You're asking for a rose when God wants the whole garden to be yours."* Let's not limit God's blessings by not asking! Will you pray boldly as Jabez did? I Chronicles 4:10 says: *Jabez cried out to the God of Israel, "Oh, that you would bless me and enlarge my territory! Let your hand be with me, and keep me from harm so that I will be free from pain." And God granted his request.*

We hope many of you will join us on the Guatemala Mission Trip in partnership with Baptist Medical and Dental International, August 10-16, 2024. We can only take 20 people. Lesley Hass and I will be in Guatemala, May 7-9, making plans with the missionaries on all we will be doing. We are excited to share with you all that we will learn.

I hope you are praying about what you can do to reach our community with the gospel and to disciple believers during our summer youth and children's programs. As usual, we need lots of helpers and leaders for our summer ministries. We always have an abundance of children! Some are unchurched. Some come from non-Christian families. Some come from Christian families. Why do they come? Some just enjoy the activities. Some come for a babysitting service. Some come looking for friends. Some come seeking Jesus. No matter what the reasons for coming are (which doesn't really matter), the children and youth will all hear the gospel message boldly and clearly. So, pray for all to come. Pray for our rooms to be overflowing. Pray for youth, children, and families to come to Jesus and to grow in Him. How will you help?

- There are opportunities for service in Vacation Bible School, Children's Music Week, Terrific Tuesday, Teen Tuesday, Wonderful Wednesday, Youth Camp, and much more.
- One of the main areas lacking is in contacting all these families during and after the summer. That leads me to the next area. We need Sunday School teachers, deacons, committee members, and so many more of our church members to join us in contacting and communicating with all these folks.
- Joining a GROW Team would be an excellent way to help us contact these. We end most summers with many prospects for our church who need to be reached for Jesus. GROW Teams focus on these.
- Please help!!! There are so many people searching for something missing in their lives. We know that the something is Jesus Christ! And the Bride of Christ, His Church, must reach out with love and grace to a dark world needing the Light of Jesus Christ and His Church. People are groping in darkness and we must take the light of Christ to them.
- Matthew 5:16 says, "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."

We will be celebrating 70 years as a church on October 24, 2024. The actual Homecoming Anniversary Celebrating will be the weekend of **October 27, 2024**. We have some volunteers to serve on the Homecoming Committee, but could use more. Let me know if you are willing to serve. Thanks!

Please join me in anticipation of a glorious Lord's Day this Sunday as we gather to worship our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! And as always, continue to pray, "Lord, awaken Your people and send a Great Revival!"

**PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES  
IN THE HOSPITAL/REHAB AS OF APRIL 19:**

- Don Carter – University Hospital – Room 728



**OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:**

The family of former member Nell Martin at her death.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2024**

- 10:00 a.m. “Young at Heart” Buckhorn Trip
- 7:00 p.m. GROW (W Teams)

**TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024**

- 6:30 p.m. Filipino Bible Study - Room 416

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024**

- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship  
Children’s Choirs & LIGHT
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024**

- 3:30 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry
- 6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery

**FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024**

- 9:30 a.m. Academy Zoo Field Trip

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024**

- 6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - Room 416

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024**

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service
- 12:15 p.m. Blood Pressure Checks
- 1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
- 3:00 p.m. Congolese Worship Service
- 6:00 p.m. Choir Festival - St. Gabriel

**MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2024**

- 7:00 p.m. GROW (All Teams)

**TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024**

- 12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Filipino Bible Study - Room 416

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024**

- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship  
LIGHT & Children’s Choirs
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024**

- 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission - Sewing - CLC
- 2:00 p.m. Academy - TOT Program - CLC
- 3:30 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry
- 6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery

**SATURDAY, MAY 4 2024**

- 7:57 a.m. Men’s Breakfast
- 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission - Room 416
- 6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - Room 416

**SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024**

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service
- 12:15 p.m. Spaghetti Junction Box Dinner Fundraiser
- 1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
- 3:00 p.m. Congolese Worship Service
- 4:00 p.m. Deacons’ Meeting - Room 416
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Discipleship Training & Mission Classes

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**



This year’s Vacation Bible School is scheduled for **June 3-7, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, May 28, 7:00 p.m.** in the sanctuary. You may contact one of the following to work in a particular area: Preschool (Terri Bosemer), Children (Jodie Towles), and Youth

**RESPONSIBILITIES**

**WEEK OF APRIL 28**

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

Melissa Logsdon-Young  
643-0100

**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**

Jim Raia 529-1788

**NURSE ON CALL**

Martha Blansette 533-9666

**CHILDREN’S CHURCH**

Jodie Towles &  
Jayla Grigsby

**EXTENDED SESSION**

Jeannie Kern &  
Judie Walker

**NURSERY**

Donna Grimes & TBA

**TECH TEAM**

Director – Jon Heinrich  
Streamer – Jacob Heinrich  
Sound – Phil Shewmaker  
AV – Lisa Payne

**EVENING SERVICES**

Sunday - No Events  
Wednesday - Lisa Payne

**WEEK OF MAY 5**

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

Lisa Payne  
558-1414

**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**

David Magruder 592-7306

**NURSE ON CALL**

Lesley Hass 836-9691

**CHILDREN’S CHURCH**

Joy Warren &  
Jan Miller

**EXTENDED SESSION**

Jeannie Kern &  
Linda Simpson

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**APRIL 14, 2024**

**ATTENDANCE**

Sunday School - 82                      Morning Worship - 115

**OUR STEWARDSHIP**

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 10,991.00
Budget Received	\$ 8,128.00
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 362,703.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 327,060.36

**BUILDING FUND**

Weekly Total	\$ 116.00
Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 6,932.42

## COMMUNITY CHOIR FESTIVAL

Sponsored by the  
Fern Creek / Highview Ministerial Association  
April 28, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church

All the choirs will rehearse together at 5:10 p.m.  
Debbie Gorbandt will direct the mass anthem.  
Childcare will be provided for choir members.

A reception will follow the festival.

You can be a missionary right here in our own community by joining a GROW Team. GROW Teams write letters, make phone calls, and make visits on: Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. and the first Tuesday of the month if you are willing to serve on a GROW Team. Join us as together we share the good news of Jesus Christ! He has called us to take the good news to Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth.  
**Will you help?**



## FCBC SEEKING THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS

Our church is seeking candidates for the following:

- **Full-time Minister of Music combined with one of following areas: Children or Education.**

Applicants must exemplify a growing relationship With God, spiritual maturity, responsible authority, fervent evangelism, sound theology, and effective communication skills with all age groups. Applicants should have experience and education in ministry. Anyone seeking the position must be an excellent musician, worship leader, and educator.

- **Part-time Minister of Youth and Recreation.**

Applicant must be spiritually mature, enthusiastic, and creative.

- **Summer Ministries' Interns.** Applicants must be college or seminary students pursuing careers in ministry, music, teaching, or related fields and must have completed one year of college.

Send resumes to: Fern Creek Baptist Church  
Attention: Personnel Committee  
5920 Bardstown Road  
Louisville, KY 40291

or email [linda@ferncreekbaptist.org](mailto:linda@ferncreekbaptist.org). Resumes will be received through May 1, 2024. Questions? Call 239-0316 ext. 103 (Linda Barnes Popham).

## NOW ENROLLING

We are now enrolling children for the 2024-2025 school year for the Child Development Center (Twos, Threes, and Fours) and The Academy (Kindergarten and First Grade).

- Please call Terri at 239-8952 for CDC enrollment and more information.
- Please call Tiffany at 239-0316 ext. 100 for The Academy enrollment and more information.

## SUMMER FUN PROGRAM

Our Summer Fun Program is offered to two, three, and four-year-olds. It is a wonderful way to keep your child learning through the summer months. We do many educational and hands-on learning activities that are fun. The program starts on June 11. The total cost is \$325. A \$50 enrollment fee is due at the time of registration and then the balance of \$275 is to be paid at the start of the program.

The Summer Fun Program will be Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Terri at [terri@ferncreekbaptist.org](mailto:terri@ferncreekbaptist.org).



# May

1	Zack Pickering	18	Cara Martinez
3	Shain Calvert	19	Susan Gray
	Jesse Capps		Sydney Karr
	Billy Jo Record		Steve Marion
	Brian Spaulding		Neil Rivers
	Christopher Sullivan	21	Jaxon Popham
4	David Hudgins	23	Donna Hayes
	Loren Pascua		Jeremiah Kearns
	Chase Zoeller		Davidetta Konneh
5	Jackie Routt		Betty Meyer
7	Holland Kendall		Nicole Seraphine
9	Alex Gibbs	24	Bill Bryant
10	Amanda Fox		Jennifer Wrin
	Samantha Thompson	26	Lesley Hass
11	Sam Pickering		George Kleber
	Geoffrey Young	27	Sherry Osburn
13	Becky Frizzell	28	Bruce Allen
	Karen Love	29	Harrison French
14	Jeryl Presley		Mary Price
15	Gregory Stockman	30	Katrina Binda
16	Scotty Anderson	31	Dutch Kendall

### ATTENTION GRADUATES

If you will be graduating from high school, college, or any other institution of higher learning, please call the church office (239-0316 ext. 100) by **Friday, May 26**, and give us the name of your school, degree, etc. Please, also, send us a current photo, preferably a graduation picture. We will recognize graduates on **Sunday, June 4** during the morning worship service. A luncheon for the graduates and their families will be held after the service. Watch for more details about the luncheon.

### PUZZLE EXCHANGE

Puzzle exchange is up and going. Martha Blansette will be in Room 411 (Christian Life Center) for approximately 20 minutes after church each Sunday morning for anyone who wants to come and pick up a puzzle, CD or DVD.



### YARD WORK TEAMS

Please help us by signing up for one of the seven different yard teams. Each team works every seven weeks. The trustees are the team captains. You may join a team by signing up at the shelf in the Common Area foyer or by calling the church office. Thanks for your help!



### KENDALL VISION MINISTRY HELP NEEDED

KVM needs many more volunteers to measure glasses to help people all over the world to see. The lensometer is in our Christian Life Center and training will be done by Sam Frizzell. Please call Holland Kendall (640-2227) or Sam Frizzell (645-7792) asap if you are willing to help. Thanks!!

### WOMEN ON MISSION

All women are invited to either of these groups:

- **Sewing Group – Thursday, May 2, 10:00 a.m.**, Christian Life Center – Questions? Contact Judie Walker.
- **Agape Group – Saturday, May 4, 10:00 a.m.**, Christian Life Center (Room 416) – Questions? Contact Renee Bryant or Melissa Logsdon-Young.

### CELEBRATE RECOVERY

**Thursdays @ 6:00 p.m.**

We will begin the evening with a Dinner in the Christian Life Center. The dinner will be followed by a time of worship. Then we will break up into these groups:



Celebrate Recovery

- Substance Abuse (Men and Women)
- Sexual Integrity (Men)
- Codependency (Women)
- Hurts and Hang-Ups (Men/Women)

Celebrate Recovery is not just a program to help with addiction. It is a biblically balanced approach to help bring sustainable recovery and healing to hurts. It guides people toward new healthy truths and life-giving habits while repairing broken relationships. The eight principles of Celebrate Recovery are based on the Beatitudes in Matthew 5. Questions? Contact Joseph Schult.



### TERRIFIC TUESDAY / TEEN TUESDAY

We need many workers for these programs for children and middle school youth which begin on **Tuesday, June 18**. Thanks to those who have continued to help year after year. We invite others to join the team!



### GUATEMALA

If you are interested in going on a Mission Trip to Guatemala in partnership with BMDMI missionaries, Mike and Sandra Little, please let Pastor Linda know soon. The date of the trip is **August 10-16, 2024**. We will have a team meeting soon.



### “CIRCLE OF HOPE”

**Monday, May 13, 2:00 p.m.**

TBA

All widows are invited.  
Questions? Contact Karen Love.



*Sisterhood*

**Tuesday, May 21**

**9:30 a.m.**

TBA



### MEN'S MISSION BREAKFAST

**Saturday, May 4, 7:57 a.m.**  
Christian Life Center

Motion from ByLaws Committee.

Section E (1<sup>st</sup> page after table of contents) as it presently is will need to be printed, then the proposed amendment:

**E AFFILIATION**

The Fern Creek Baptist Church is to be a cooperating member of the Louisville Regional Baptist Association, The Kentucky Baptist Convention, and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Motion from ByLaws Committee:

Change to title from **E AFFILIATION** to:

**E DENOMINATIONAL AFFILIATION**

Eliminate ALL text in the paragraph E above.

Replace with:

**Fern Creek Baptist Church shall affiliate with any denominational convention or association as approved by a 2/3 vote at a regular or special called business meeting.**

**Fern Creek Baptist Church shall be a cooperating member of the Louisville Regional Baptist Association.**

**Nothing in these bylaws shall prevent Fern Creek Baptist Church from partnering with any church or association in any denominational or ecumenical effort which serves to the advancement of Christ's Kingdom.**



**Living  
In  
God's  
Holy  
Truth**

*“For you were once in darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of the light.”  
Ephesians 5:8*

We seek to provide an environment that supports Christian values. We agree to encourage behavior, both in ourselves and each other which represents Christian attitudes, resulting in the positive representation of Fern Creek Baptist Church, and meaningful Christian fellowship.

*“For I know the plans I have for you”, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11*

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PRESENTS THE 2024

# PENNIES FROM HEAVEN

## DINNER AND DANCE GALA

ST. GABRIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

5505 Bardstown Road

Louisville KY 40291

May 18, 2024 from 6pm-9pm

Live music, raffles, dinner and more!

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