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## Fern Creek Baptist Church

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### Child Development Center

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Rev. Linda Barnes Popham  
Pastor  
239-6628

Dr. Rocky Hardymon  
Minister of Music & Children /  
Associate Pastor, ext. 111

Kristin Jones  
Associate Minister of Music,  
ext. 116

Loren Been  
Interim Minister of Preschool,  
ext. 109

Terri Bosemer  
CDC Director, ext. 108

Joellen Johnston  
Organist

Joy Stelly  
Office Coordinator, ext. 100

Jodie Towles  
Bookkeeper, ext. 102

Leonard Westmorland  
Director of Facilities, ext. 104

## Sisterhood

Tuesday, May 15  
9:30 a.m.  
Cracker Barrel in  
Fern Creek

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us every Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday School. We have excellent classes for all ages.

FERN CREEK  
BAPTIST  
CHURCH

Reaching Up...  
Reaching In...  
Reaching Out...



### LINDA'S LINES

Our "Young at Heart" group enjoyed a great trip to Michigan last week. A highlight of the trip was spending time with Eddie and Jackie Howell and attending the splendid Lapeer County Choir Concert directed by Eddie. The following devotional was written by Jackie to let the group know how much their smiles, their spirits, their hugs meant to them. Eddie and Jackie send their greetings to each of you.

#### Watering Our Southern Roots

Have you ever thought about how the disciples felt when Jesus asked them to leave their families, their homes, their jobs to follow him? We take it that because Jesus asked them, they simply left everything they held dear and eagerly followed Him. Ever wonder the struggles they had, questions they were asked, details they had to take care of before leaving their homes? Most were men who worked to support families and had jobs. Family members depended on them for survival. These men were not going on vacation. They did not know how long their commitment to follow Him would last. They had no idea where they would journey or whether they could ever return home. Can you imagine the faith those men had? What courage to step out on faith and do what God was calling them to do with their lives! **"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11**

We all love going on vacation – no question about a few days or a week or two of relaxing, sightseeing, and renewing our spirit. Most of us will agree it is just as exciting to "come home". Home holds a special place in our hearts and creates a feeling of peace and contentment. We like being in familiar surroundings, knowing people, having favorite restaurants and simply being in our comfort zones.

Recently, we went home after being gone for several months. It was a little bit of heaven on earth!!! Familiar faces, roads, landmarks, foods (gotta love Chic-fil-a!), and a sense of being in a place we love. There are no words to describe "watering our Southern roots". It was long overdue. One of the best parts (besides seeing friends) was not being a stranger. From the moment, we crossed the bridge into Louisville, we were no longer the outsiders. We had four days of no one upon hearing us speak, ask where we were from. Being able to go places and having the possibility of running into someone we knew (and knew us). Talking with folks about shared beliefs, experiences, and familiar places. All of that says home. *Think how the disciples felt as they left their homes and never expecting to return. Never getting their roots watered by those who knew them best. Again, what faith and courage. "Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established." Proverbs 16:3*

Upon returning to my new home in Michigan, I did some volunteer work with the DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution). I am a newcomer to the group but we all share the common factor of having an ancestor who was involved in the American Revolution. While working with two of the other ladies, our conversation evolved to other American history organizations. They asked if I were interested in joining the Daughters of the Union, they would love to help me through the application process. I grinned and reminded them my lineage would more than likely be to *the Daughters of the Confederacy*. The looks on their faces were priceless!!! Never occurred to them I was not one of them – O' they knew I was a Southerner but as we worked on a common task our differences became inconsequential. *Just like as Christians our past does not matter, only our common belief in our Lord and Savior guides our future. I am sure during their travels, the disciples got their encouragement from believers who paid no attention to where they were from or the accent when they spoke. They might look different, speak differently and have different customs but none of that mattered. As Christians, we often need to be reminded of this in our daily lives.*

God asks all of us to listen and obey. He has a plan for each of us. It may not require leaving our families, quitting a job, or moving to another state. It does require us to be obedient to His plan. Trusting He will allow us to "water our roots" through prayer, Bible study, and Christian fellowship. **"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**

SUNDAY  
SCHOOL  
116  
MORNING  
WORSHIP  
153



Annie Armstrong \$962

APRIL 22, 2018

#### OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 9,657.00
Budget Received	\$ 5,862.32
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 328,338.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 303,260.12

#### BUILDING FUND

Weekly Total	\$ 175.00
Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 5,358.29

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2018

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Dinner  
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship  
L.I.G.H.T. for Youth  
Children's Choirs  
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal  
GROW (G-4 Team)

#### THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2018

10:00 a.m. Women on Mission / Quilting  
6:30 p.m. Exercise Class

#### FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2018

CDC Closed

#### SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2018

10:00 a.m. Women on Mission / AGAPE

#### SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2018

9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Worship Service  
1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service  
5:00 p.m. Youth Choir  
Parents / Children Dedication  
Class  
6:00 p.m. Mission Friends  
Girls in Action  
Royal Ambassadors  
Acteens & Challengers  
Discipleship Training Class  
7:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

#### MONDAY, MAY 7, 2018

6:00 p.m. Parents / Children Dedication  
Class  
7:00 p.m. GROW (G Teams)

#### TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2018

2:30 p.m. Open Gym  
6:30 p.m. Gospel Lights Team Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting  
LRBA Annual WMU Mtg. -  
Hurstbourne Bap. Church

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2018

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Dinner  
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship  
L.I.G.H.T. for Youth  
Children's Choirs

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

#### THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2018

8:00 a.m. "Young at Heart" Trip  
6:30 p.m. Exercise Class

#### FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2018

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved - Valor

#### SATURDAY, MAY 12, 2018

6:30 p.m. FC/HUM Gala - St. Gabriel

#### SUNDAY, MAY 13, 2018

8:30 a.m. Mommy & Me Breakfast  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Worship Service  
1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service

All Evening Activities Canceled

#### MONDAY, MAY 14, 2018

7:00 p.m. GROW (R Teams)  
Sanctuary Reserved - Valor

#### TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2018

9:30 a.m. Sisterhood - Cracker Barrel  
7:00 p.m. CDC Graduation

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2018

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Dinner  
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship  
L.I.G.H.T. for Youth  
Children's Choirs  
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Our sympathy is extended to:

- Darrell and Bev Crittenden and family at the death of Bev's aunt, Sarah Howard;
- Doris Ann Sea and family at the death of her great-niece, Crystal Sea;
- The family of former member, John Fidler.



Thank You notes have been placed on the bulletin board from David and Susan Hudgins, the family of Terry Ray Barnes, Sr., and the Gospel Lights Missions Team.



**LOREN'S LETTERS FOR LITTLES**

Loren Been - Interim Minister of Preschool

Dear Parents & Friends of Tiny Humans,

Wow! Can you believe that it is already May?? This year is flying by! We are so excited to invite you and your tiny humans to the Mommy & Me breakfast that we will be having on May 13 at 8:30 a.m. We will be having a pancake bar, crafts, and a photo booth to celebrate our mommies, grannies, aunties, and all the lovely ladies in our lives!

Vacation Bible School is approaching fast! Don't forget to pre-register your tiny humans to ensure a smooth drop off. If you are interested in working in VBS, there are still some spots open!

Please pray for members / attendees in the hospital / rehab as of April 29, 2018:

- Dennis Starks - Westminster Terrace - Room 251-1
- Lorys Edwards - Okeechobee Healthcare
- Detra Anderson - Glen Ridge - Room 517
- Bill Magruder - Glen Ridge - Room 505
- Steven Glenn - Baptist Health - Room 613
- Ken Naylor - Baptist Health - Room 446



**WEEK OF MAY 6**

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

George Popham 239-6628

**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**

Chad Popham 759-2013

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Lindsay Emert, Nate Blansette, and Brenda Pennington

**EXTENDED SESSION**

Susie Elleman, Jeannie Kern, Allison Magruder, and Judie Walker

**SOUND TECHNICIAN**

Sunday - Ben Hale

Wednesday - Sam Frizzell

**AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN**

Steve Dean

**YOUTH SNACK SUPPER**

Emily Butler

**WEEK OF MAY 13**

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

Jim Sallee 239-7083

**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**

Joe Murphy 777-1632

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

TBD

**EXTENDED SESSION**

Donna Grimes, Susan Hudgins, Delores Rhea, and Jana Kistner

**SOUND TECHNICIAN**

Sunday - Alex Gibbs

Wednesday - Sam Frizzell

**AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN**

Chris Towles

**YOUTH SNACK SUPPER**

No Snack Supper

**ADULT DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING**

Spring Session: Now - May 6, 6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Join us in the sanctuary as Pastor Linda and other leaders facilitate the study of "The Circle Maker: Praying Circles Around Your Biggest Dreams and Greatest Fears" by Mark Batterson. We hope you will all attend (unless you are teaching a missions class at that time). The books will be provided at a cost of \$5 each. We are talking about how to claim God-given promises, pursue God-sized dreams, and seize God-ordained opportunities. We are learning how to pray more diligently and effectively around our families, jobs, church, problems, goals, and dreams. (The Mission Classes for youth and children are extending their classes to 7:15 p.m. during this time. We hope you will all join us this evening!

Childcare is provided for babies and toddlers.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER - 5:30 p.m.**

Thank you for letting us know who wants to have a standing reservation for every week. Please call the church office (239-0316) by noon on Monday to make or cancel your reservation.

Adults.....\$5.00	Children and Youth..... \$4.00
Under age 6.....Free	Family Maximum.....\$16.00

(.50 additional charge for carry-outs)

**May 2**

Ritzy Chicken Wild Rice Vegetables Bread Dessert

**May 9**

Pork Roast Potatoes Vegetables Bread Dessert

**May 16**

Hamburgers & Hot Dogs Baked Beans Chips Condiments Dessert

**WOMEN ON MISSION QUILTING GROUP**

Thursday, May 3, & 24 (note new date)

10:00 a.m.

Christian Life Center



**EXERCISE CLASS FOR ADULTS**

Thursday Evenings, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Questions? Contact Geraldine Grigsby or Sandra Segrest.

**YARD WORK TEAMS**

Team 7 is in charge of the yard work for May 3-5.

Team 1 is in charge of the yard work for May 10-12.

Team 2 is in charge of the yard work for May 17-19.

We could still use a few more people on our Yard Work

Teams. Each team works every seven weeks. You may join a team by calling Joy in the church office. Thanks for your help!



**WOMEN ON MISSION**

AGAPE Group, will meet on May 5 at 10:00 a.m. in the Christian Life Center in room 416.

Please join us for a great time of learning about missionaries and doing mission projects.



**STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

7:00 p.m.

Conference Room



**Louisville Regional Baptist Association Annual WMU Missions Celebration**

Tuesday, May 8, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

Dinner - 6:30 p.m. (Program to follow)

Hurstbourne Baptist Church

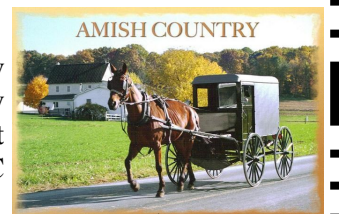
(located at 8800 Shelbyville Rd.)

Questions? Contact Renee Bryant.



**"YOUNG AT HEART" TRIP**

If you signed up for the May 10 Amish Country trip, please arrive at the church parking lot a few minutes before the departure time. We will depart from FCBC at 8:00 a.m. and return back to FCBC at approximately 6:30 p.m.



**MOMMY & Me Breakfast**



May 13, 2018 - 8:30 a.m.  
For Babies-Kindergarten and their Mommies, Grannies, Aunties, and lovely ladies

Come celebrate all the lovely ladies in our lives at the Mommy & Me Breakfast! There will be a pancake bar, a craft, and a photo booth. We can't wait to see you there!

**PARENTS / CHILDREN DEDICATION**

**Sunday, May 13, 10:45 a.m. Service**

If you are interested in dedicating your babies / young children to God in this service, please call the church office by **Monday, May 7**. The requirements for parents are as follows in order to participate:

- Pledge to raise your child/children in church.
- Pledge to raise your child/children in a godly home which honors Jesus Christ and biblical teaching.
- Attend one of the following training sessions (Conference Room):
  - o **Sunday, May 6, 5:00 p.m.**
  - o **Monday, May 7, 6:00 p.m.**

Questions? Contact Linda Popham.



**SOUTH DAKOTA MISSION TRIP**

**May 19-27, 2018**

This mission trip, taken in conjunction with Gospel Lights Missions Team, Incorporated, has two openings for anyone interested in participating. The team will be working with the Lakota Sioux Tribe on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. If you are interested in going, please contact Darrel Brooks (457-9949) from Parkland Baptist Church. Sam Frizzell will be leading the optometry ministry for the team. We hope that two more people will answer the call to be on mission right here in our own country. Jesus said (as recorded in Acts 1:8): *“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witness in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth”*.

**DEACON NOMINATION FORM**

Eligibility and Qualifications

Resident members who have been active members in the church for at least one (1) year prior to the time of nomination and who are 21 years of age or older, and who support the church financially, by presence, and spiritually are eligible to serve as deacons.

Qualifications shall be found in the scriptures:  
Acts 6:1-6 and I Timothy 3:8-12.

The church encourages your recommendation of deacon nominees. Please present the completed form below in the offering plate during the May worship services or send it to the church office.

The following people who are currently serving as deacon should not be nominated:

Ralph Beard	Steve Hale	Joy Stelly
Renee Bryant	Danny Hass	Neal Tingle
Michele Crider	George Popham	Chris Towles
Becky Frizzell	Jim Sallee	Jerry Walker
Sam Frizzell	Carolyn Simpson	

It is my belief that the following persons meet the high ideals and expectations of a deacon:

My Nominations: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

My Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**CROSSINGS CAMP AT JONATHAN CREEK**

**Hardin, Kentucky - June 11-16, 2018**

For youth grades 6-12 (completed)



- Cost - \$400 (The church will cover \$50 for each camper.)
- The \$50 deposit is due **NOW**. **There are only a few spots left**. Please give your checks (written to Fern Creek Baptist Church) to Linda Popham or Jodie Towles. You may make payments to your account at any time.

**NEW MEMBERS' RECEPTION**

**Sunday, May 20**

Please join us after the evening Children's Choir Program as we welcome the newest members of our church family. Please bring a snack food. Thanks for joining us in this time of fellowship!



**CHURCH-WIDE DERBY DINNER PLAYHOUSE TRIP**

**Friday, May 25 - \$45 - "Oklahoma"**

Sign up by May 6 on the shelf in the breezeway or by calling the church office. Payment is due to the church office by **May 6**. (Please make checks payable to Fern Creek Baptist Church.) Meet at church at 4:45 p.m. Questions? Contact Joy Stelly.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**June 4-8, 2018**

**9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Children: (age 3 – grade 8 completed)  
(must be age 3 by August 1, 2018)

**6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Youth (grades 9 – 12 completed)

If you are willing to work in VBS, please contact:

Loren Been (Preschool); Rocky Hardymon (Children); Linda Popham (Youth)

**Our next meeting for leaders, teachers, and workers is**

**Tuesday, May 22, 6:30 p.m.**



**WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY**

**Bible Stories Told Through Candy Bars, Music, Crafts, & Missions**

June 6 - August 8, 2018 (Excluding July 4)

6:30 - 7:20 p.m.

Preschoolers through grade 5 (Completed)

Please let Loren Been, Kristin Jones, or Rocky Hardymon know if you would like to assist with Wonderful Wednesday.

**CDC HAPPENINGS**

**Terri Bosemer - CDC Director**

It is so hard to believe that our preschool year is drawing to a close. It seems like just yesterday we welcomed brand new students, and their families, at open house. This time of year is filled with so many mixed emotions. We are so excited for the summer time, but we are sad to see many of our families move on. Many of our children have been with us since they were two-years-old and now they are going off to kindergarten. I feel confident that we have given the students a strong spiritual and academic foundation. My prayer, even more importantly than academics, is that we have prepared their hearts to one day accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

We would like to invite all church members to the CDC Graduation for the four-year-old classes on Tuesday, May 15 at 7:00 p.m. in our church sanctuary. The two and three-year-old Spring Program will be held on Thursday, May 17 at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary. We will have refreshments in the Christian Life Center immediately following both programs.

**SUMMER FUN PROGRAM**

Just a reminder, if anyone is interested in enrolling their child in the "Summer Fun" program, NOW is the time! We are filling up quickly. This program is offered to two, three, and four-year-olds (must be three by August 1, 2018).

"Summer Fun" is a wonderful way to keep your child in the routine of going to school. For the two-year-old children, this program is a great introduction to fall preschool. It also helps beat those summer boredom blues. The schedule will be filled with many fun and enriching activities such as splash day, chapel, and crafts. To enroll please call 502-239-8952 or email [terri@ferncreekbaptist.org](mailto:terri@ferncreekbaptist.org)

**FALL REGISTRATION 2018-2019**

We will again offer two, three, and four-year-old classes. It is important to reserve your child's spot for the upcoming year. Please see Ms. Alice or me for an enrollment form. Please make sure to fill out (front and back) and return to the office. Each application must include a \$100 non-refundable reservation fee in order for the application to be processed. No reservation will be made before the fee has been received. If you have any questions or need assistance, please let call 239-8952 or email [terri@ferncreekbaptist.org](mailto:terri@ferncreekbaptist.org). (Must be two by August 1, 2018)