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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 /
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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, January 16
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

The entire staff and I thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity in the Christmas bonus gifts. We are greatly appreciative! Also, thank you for all of your expressions of kindness and gratitude. We count it a privilege and blessing to serve with you at FCBC! Thanks, also, to our staff members who have gone the "extra mile" during this season! Thank you for letting them know of your appreciation!

Thanks to all of you who led in any way in our Advent/Christmas worship services. Each service was so meaningful. The music, drama, narration, decorations, etc., have all been superb! God has been blessed and honored and the people have been edified and inspired! And the people said, "Amen"! A special thanks goes to our ushers, trustees, childcare workers, and social committee during this season!

George and I will leave for Alabama after the Christmas Eve service. We will return on Thursday or Friday. (There will be no evening activities at FCBC on Wednesday, December 27.) We look forward to gathering with you on Sunday. We hope you will join us on the evening of Sunday, January 31, 6:00 p.m., as we gather for a New Year's Eve Prayer Service. We would also be appreciative if any of you could join our deacons and ministerial staff as we share the Lord's Supper with our homebound members that day. Please meet in the conference room at 4:30 p.m. for your assignments. Our homebound members are very appreciative of this ministry and for your visits.

Our new session of Discipleship Training begins on January 7, 6:00 p.m. Mission classes for youth, children, and preschoolers also resume on that evening. Watch Sunday's bulletin for a class listing. If you have questions or know of more classes you would like offered, please contact Dollie Dixon, Discipleship Training Director. God has called us all to grow as disciples! Please take advantage of this tremendous opportunity to do so.

Please join me in anticipation of a glorious Lord's Day this Sunday! And as always, continue to pray, "Lord, Send a Great Revival!"

OUR STEWARDSHIP

DECEMBER 17, 2017		Weekly Budget Needs		\$ 9,657.00
SUNDAY SCHOOL 131		Budget Received		\$ 7,398.58
		Year-to-Date Budget Needs		\$ 154,512.00
MORNING WORSHIP 177		Year-to-Date Budget Received		\$ 139,357.33
		BUILDING FUND		
		Weekly Total		\$ 215.00
		Year-to-Date Balance		\$ 5,094.06
INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS OFFERINGS				
Sunrise		Global Missions	\$ 95.00	Pizzati \$ 760.00
		Honduras	\$ 150.00	Ziems \$ 40.00
		Lottie Moon	\$ 856.34	

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Please pick up your 2018 offering envelopes between the church and the gym. Questions? Please see Jodie Towles.

Offering Envelopes

WEEK OF DECEMBER 31

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Becky Frizzell 882-3769

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

David Magruder 592-7306

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Terri Bosemer

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Teresa Kendall & Dana Adams

EXTENDED SESSION

Sharon Thompson, Judie Walker,
Lyndsey Popham, & Mandy Jones

SOUND TECHNICIAN

Sunday - Alex Gibbs

Wednesday - Sam Frizzell

AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN

Steve Dean

YOUTH SNACK SUPPER

No Choir

WEEK OF JANUARY 7

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Sam Frizzell 645-7792

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Ben Hale 386-4129

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Greg Bruce

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Nate Blansette, Brenda Pennington,
& Jayla Grigsby

EXTENDED SESSION

Cheri Calvert, Allison Magruder,
Kayla Beeler, Martha &
Holly Blansette

SOUND TECHNICIAN

Sunday - Alex Gibbs

Wednesday - Sam Frizzell

AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN

Steve Dean

YOUTH SNACK SUPPER

Linda Popham

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2017

CDC Closed

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2017

CDC Closed

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2017

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Worship Service

12:15 p.m. Blood Pressure Checks

1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service

4:30 p.m. Homebound Communion

6:00 p.m. Prayer Service

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2018

Church Office and CDC Closed

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2018

CDC Closed

10:00 a.m. GROW (G-3 Team)

4:30 p.m. CLC Reserved

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 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, JANUARY 4, 2018

10:00 a.m. Women on Mission / Quilting Group

6:30 p.m. Exercise Class

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 2018

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 2018

10:00 a.m. Woman on Mission - AGAPE

12:30 a.m. Kendall Optometry Labeling Party

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 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

6:00 p.m. Mission Friends

Girls in Action

Royal Ambassadors

Acteens & Challengers

Discipleship Training Classes

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018

4:30 p.m. CLC Reserved

7:00 p.m. GROW (G & R Teams)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2018

2:30 p.m. Open Gym

6:00 p.m. CLC Reserved

7:00 p.m. Stewardship Comm. Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 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, JANUARY 11, 2018

11:30 a.m. "Young at Heart" Pot-Luck Luncheon

6:30 p.m. Exercise Class

7:00 p.m. Sound Committee Meeting

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2018

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Please pray for members / attendees in the hospital / rehab as of December 20, 2017:

- George Nightingale - Oaklawn Rehabilitation - Room 137
- Danny Hass - Audubon Hospital - Open Heart Unit, Bed 2



Our sympathy is extended to:

- Greg and Alisha Bruce and family at the death of Alisha's mother, Christine Hackler;
- Gary White and Jamie Benningfield and family at the death of Jamie's aunt, Evelyn Johnson;
- Jan Miller and family at the death of Jan's brother, James Hargon.



REQUEST FROM THE TRUSTEES

There are many times during the winter season that we need people to help with shoveling snow off of sidewalks, etc. If you are willing to be a part of the Snow Removal Team, please call the church office (239-0316) or Joe Murphy, Trustee Chairperson (777-1632), or sign up at the foyer shelf in the Common Area. Thanks for your help!



"Catch-Up Sunday"
December 31, 2017

Please use this day to "catch-up" in giving your tithes and offerings! Thanks!



HOMEBOUND COMMUNION

You are invited to join the deacons on **December 31** as they visit our homebound members and share the Lord's Supper with them. Please meet in the conference room at **4:30 p.m.** to divide into teams.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

Sunday, December 31, 12:15 p.m.

Have you checked your blood pressure lately? Norma Routt will be doing blood pressure checks in the foyer following the morning worship service on Sunday, December 31.



HOLIDAY CLOSING

The Church Office will be closed for New Year's Day on January 1, 2018.

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)

January 3

Breakfast Meats Pancakes Dessert

January 10

Pork Chops Macaroni & Cheese Vegetables Bread Dessert

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

All Wednesday evening activities will resume after the Christmas Holidays on January 3, 2018.

- Wednesday Evening Suppers - 5:30 p.m.
- Preschool and Children's Choirs - 6:30 p.m.
- L.I.G.H.T. for Youth - 6:30 p.m.
- Adult Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 p.m.

Hope to see everyone back at church for our Wednesday activities!



WOMEN ON MISSION

Group I, AGAPE Group, will meet on **January 6** 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.



YEAR-END CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION

We hope the following information will be helpful to you as you consider the most appropriate way to make year-end charitable contribution gifts to Fern Creek Baptist Church. Your 2017 year-end gift can reduce your income taxes while providing generous support to the various ministries of the church.

Gifts by Check or Cash:

These must be given to Fern Creek Baptist Church on or before December 31, 2017. If mailed to Fern Creek Baptist Church, you need to ensure the mailing envelope is postmarked by the U.S. Post Office on or before December 31. The date written on your check has no bearing on inclusion with your 2017 contributions.

Gifts of Stock:

You can avoid paying capital gains taxes on the increase in value of the stock sold. You will receive an income tax deduction for the full fair market value of the stock at the date of the gift. Consult with your tax advisor and/or your stock broker.

Gifts from Retirement and Estate Plans:

Gifts such as life insurance, charitable remainders, trusts, annuities, charitable lead trusts, etc. can offer significant tax advantages to the donor. Please consult with your tax professional about this type of gift.

Acknowledgement of your 2017 giving contributions will be during January 2018.

DO NOT file your 2017 income tax return until you have received the written acknowledgement of your contributions from the church. The IRS may not allow some of your contributions if you file your tax return before receiving a written acknowledgement of your total contributions to the church.

Thank you for making the many ministries of our church possible in 2017. You are making an eternal difference!

WOMEN ON MISSION QUILTING GROUP

Thursday, January 4 and 18

10:00 a.m.

Christian Life Center

Please bring a friend or two; everyone is welcome!



EXERCISE CLASS FOR ADULTS

The Exercise class will resume on Thursday, January 4, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Questions? Contact Geraldine Grigsby or Sandra Segrest.



KENDALL OPTOMETRY LABELING PARTY

January 6, 2018, 12:30 p.m.

Kendall Optometry is sponsoring a labeling party. 5,600 glasses need to be labeled and shipped to BMDMI for mission trips to Nicaragua and Honduras. Will you help those in need?



STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

7:00 p.m.

Conference Room



"YOUNG AT HEART" POT-LUCK LUNCHEON

January 11, 11:30 a.m.

Christian Life Center

Guest Speakers - Shirley Powers and Norma Routt



BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, January 14, 7:00 p.m.

Please be present as we discuss the business of God's church!



ROCKY'S BEAT

Rocky Hardymon - Minister of Music

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:6).

A child was born who would eventually become king of a different world. He did not need this world because he created it; he already had it. He was and is all-knowing, the all-wise God in the flesh who will take his children home to be with him forever. When He takes reign of the world there will be no more wars, for Christ is called our peace.

The choir will also be singing at the Sunday, December 31st service. Be sure to come and invite others as we celebrate Christ on the last day of this year!