

Fern Creek Baptist Church

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Child Development Center

239-8952

Academy

239-0316 ext. 100



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693-4048

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Interim Minister of Music, ext. 111

Terri Bosemer

CDC Director, ext. 108

Karen Love

Pianist

Joanna Wright

Interim Organist

Tiffany Keranen

Office Coordinator, ext. 100

Jodie Towles

Bookkeeper, ext. 102

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The Disciple

February 12, 2024

LINDA'S LINES

The season of Lent begins this week on Ash Wednesday, **February 14**. Ash Wednesday gets its name from the Bible times when "sackcloth and ashes" were symbols of repentance and purification. It is still common among some traditions to use ashes and to make the sign of the cross on the forehead for those who wish to publicly show their repentance. Ashes are a symbol of humility before God; they are a sign of God's grace for the penitent. Ashes remind us of resurrection. Our bodies will turn to ashes in the grave, but we look forward to the new bodies which God will give us.

In early days Lent was a time of preparation of candidates for baptism on Easter Sunday in which these candidates prepared for this initiation into the Christian life. Lent for us is a time of preparation, prayer, discipline, reflection, repentance, self-denial, sacrifice, and service. It is a time for remembering Christ's sacrifice. There are forty weekdays in the season of Lent, which symbolize the forty-day fasts of Moses, Elijah, and Jesus. The holy season of Lent concludes with Holy Week. Holy Week is a time of reflection upon the suffering and death of Jesus Christ. Holy Week (**March 24-31**) leads us again to the joyous and glorious season of Easter. May this season of Lent be one in which we all grow closer to Jesus through sacrifice and devotion!

It's not too early to be thinking and praying about Vacation Bible School which will be held **June 3-7**. Please begin praying now about how you will let God use you during this glorious week in the life of our church.

Please continue to pray for our Personnel Committee (Chairperson Danny Hass, Dana Adams, Martha Blansette, Dr. Dutch Kendall, Dr. Mary Kleber, and Martha Montgomery) as they continue to search for the vacancies on our staff. We know God has the right people for us.

If you are not a part of Sunday School, we invite you to join a class this Sunday. We have excellent classes for all ages. We not only study God's Word, but we enjoy fellowship with each other. Sunday School is a great place to find community and we all need that! It provides what we need to grow in our faith as we study together and pray for each other. Please make a decision now to be in Sunday School this week at 9:30 a.m.!

Please help us advertise our Child Development Center and The Academy as both have openings for many more students. There are brochures at both Welcome Centers that you can take to give to family, friends, neighbors, etc. We are, also, looking for teachers in both the CDC and The Academy. Thanks for your help in getting the word out about these.

Please join me in anticipation of a glorious Lord's Day this Sunday! And as always, please continue to pray, "Lord, awaken Your people and send a great revival!"

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.

FERN CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Reaching Up...

Reaching In...

Reaching Out...

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024

- 2:00 p.m. "Circle of Hope" - Chicken Salad Chick
- 5:00 p.m. Gym Rental
- 7:00 p.m. GROW (R Team)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024

- 12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Stewardship Meeting - Room 113
Filipino Bible Study - Room 416
Gospel Lights Meeting - Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024

Ash Wednesday & Valentine's Day

- 2:00 p.m. Valentine's Party - Academy
- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship
Children's Choirs & LIGHT
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024

- 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission - Sewing Group
- 3:30 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry
- 6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2024

- 12:00 p.m. Blood Drive - CLC

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service
- 1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
- 3:00 p.m. Congolese Worship Service
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Discipleship Training
Missions

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2024

- 6:30 p.m. Gym Rental
- 7:00 p.m. GROW (O Team)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024

- 9:30 a.m. Sisterhood - Hillview Diner
- 12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Filipino Bible Study - Room 416

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024

- 1:00 p.m. Academy Meeting - Conference Room
- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship
LIGHT & Children's Choirs
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2024

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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024

- 5:00 p.m. Chili/Soup Cook-Off - CLC
- 6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - Room 416

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 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
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir
- 6:00 p.m. Discipleship Training
Missions

OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

- Lynne Bell at the death of her husband, Tom Bell;
- Barbara Pryor at the death of her husband, Rick Pryor.



PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES IN THE HOSPITAL/REHAB AS OF FEBRUARY 9:

- Betty Meyer - Norton Women's and Children's Hospital (Suburban) – ICU - Bed 10 (second floor)

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?

RESPONSIBILITIES

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 18

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Nancy Shewmaker 296-2341

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

TBA

NURSE ON CALL

Norma Routt 741-0724

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Jeryl Presley &
Alison Schult

EXTENDED SESSION

Jeannie Kern &
Joy Warren

NURSERY

Donna Grimes & TBA

TECH TEAM

Director – Chris Towles
Streamer – Bruce Ritchie
Sound – Phil Shewmaker
AV – Sam Frizzell

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 25

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Phil Shewmaker 558-1003

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Kevin Blansette 403-8173

NURSE ON CALL

Lesley Hass 836-9691

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Tiffany Keranen &
Valerie Montgomery

EXTENDED SESSION

Jeannie Kern &
Susan Hudgins

NURSERY

Donna Grimes & TBA

TECH TEAM

Director – Jon Heinrich
Streamer – Bruce Ritchie
Sound – Phil Shewmaker
AV – Lisa Payne

FEBRUARY 4, 2024

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School - 73 Morning Worship - 125

OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 10,991.00
Budget Received	\$ 13,893.00
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 252,793.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 242,702.41

BUILDING FUND

Weekly Total	\$ 86.00
Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 6,032.78

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:



Celebrate Recovery

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



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.

Send resumes to: Fern Creek Baptist Church
Attention: Personnel Committee
5920 Bardstown Road
Louisville, KY 40291
or email linda@ferncreekbaptist.org. Resumes will be received through March 1, 2024. Questions? Call 239-0316 ext. 103 (Linda Barnes Popham).



Fern Creek Baptist Academy

The Academy just celebrated the 100th day of School. The Kindergarteners decorated shirts with 100 stickers (hearts, gems, and stars). They have been practicing counting to 100 by ones, fives, and tens. This week we will be having a Valentine's Party.

CDC HAPPENINGS

Terri Bosemer

FALL REGISTRATION

2024 - 2025

Registration for the fall is open. We will again offer two, three, and four-year-old classes on the same days and times as this year. It is important to reserve your child's spot for the upcoming year. Enrollment forms are available on the church website or let me know if you need one. Please make sure to fill it out (front and back) and return to the office. Each application must include a \$100 non-refundable reservation fee (check or money order). No reservation will be made before the fee has been received. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. terri@ferncreekbaptist.org

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 me. terri@ferncreekbaptist.org

CHILI / SOUP COOK-OFF



Saturday, February 24
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The delicious entries need to be in the Christian Life Center no later than 4:00 p.m. Please do not put your name on your entry.

\$5 for youth and adults
\$3 for age 12 and under



(Dinner includes hotdogs, chips, and drinks.)

You can vote for the best chili / soup for \$.25 per vote. Prizes will be given for both categories.



Cake Auction at 6:00 p.m.

Door Prizes will be given at 6:30 p.m.

Silent Auction Table



Proceeds will be used for International Mission Trips.

Questions?

Call Terry Schult (296-3280)
Or Alison Schult (418-7957).

DOOR PRIZES!



American Red Cross

Blood Drive

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Friday, February 16, 2024
12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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