

**Fern Creek  
Baptist Church**

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# The Disciple

**February 17, 2020**

## LINDA'S LINES



### STAFF

**Rev. Linda Barnes Popham**  
Pastor  
239-6628

**Rev. Steve Skaggs**  
Interim Minister of Music, ext. 111

**Kristin Jones**  
Associate Minister of Music,  
ext. 116

**Terri Bosemer**  
CDC Director, ext. 108

**Joellen Johnston**  
Organist

**Karen Love**  
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Director of Facilities, ext. 104

Thank you for reading through the book of James as we continue focusing on this epistle during our morning worship services. With practical illustrations, James shows us clearly how to live our everyday Christian lives. He tells us how Christians are to act. Please continue reading, studying, and meditating on these words. The next few weeks of sermons will be:

- February 23 – *James 3:1-12 – 1:26-27 – Are You Taming Your Tongue?*
- March 1 – Steve Skaggs, our Interim Minister of Music, will preach in my absence. Thanks Steve!
- March 8 – *James 4:1-17 – Are You Totally Submitted to God?*

Norma Routt and I will be joining a mission team with “Selfless Community” to Cuba next week (February 26 – March 2). We will be offering medical clinics and doing personal evangelism in several different communities near Havana. We will work with house churches on Sunday. We look forward to sharing these experiences with you when we return. Thanks for praying for us and the entire team. Our team captain is Steve Scott whom many of you met as we packed medications. Thanks to all who helped with the preparations, who helped financially, and who are praying for us! Pray for many people to come to know Christ.

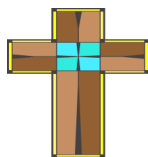
We are quickly approaching the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday is the first day of the season of Lent. This year that day is on

February 26. Ash Wednesday gets its name from the Bible times when “sackcloth and ashes” were symbols of repentance and purification. It is common among some traditions to use ashes and to make the sign of the cross on the forehead for those who wished 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 be given new bodies in Christ

In early days Lent was a time of preparation of candidates for baptism on Easter Sunday. During the season of Lent these candidates prepared for this initiation into the Christian life. Lent for us is not only a time of preparation; it is also a time of 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 leads us to the joyous and glorious season of Easter. May this season of Lent be one in which we all grow closer to Jesus.

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

**FERN CREEK  
BAPTIST  
CHURCH**



*Reaching Up...*

*Reaching In...*

*Reaching Out...*

### GROW TEAMS

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.
- First Tuesday morning of the month at 10:00 a.m.
- First Wednesday evening of the month at 7:30 p.m.

**G.R.O.W.**  
**GOD REWARDS OUR WORK**

**Please contact Linda Popham or the church office 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?



**FEBRUARY 9, 2020**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
125  
**MORNING WORSHIP**  
144

<b>OUR STEWARDSHIP</b>		
Weekly Budget Needs	\$	9,728.00
Budget Received	\$	8,395.60
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$	233,472.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$	224,836.50
<b>BUILDING FUND</b>		
Weekly Total	\$	109.00
Year-to-Date Balance	\$	4,005.63

Abounding in the *Freedom of Giving* Rather than in the Obligation of Giving (Part One)  
From the Stewardship Committee

Do you live an abundant life, or do you struggle to meet your needs and wants? Whether yours is a life of abundance, struggling, or somewhere in between, please understand that God wants you to give of your finances and yourself so you may experience true joy in your life.

Scripture: II Corinthians 9:7a says, "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion." NIV (New International Version)

Prayer: Dear God, thank You for the New Covenant of Grace whereby we no longer live under the

letter of the law, but by the infilling of Your Spirit. Speak to my heart about what amount I can give to support the ministries of my church.

Challenge: Look at your household budget and see if there are some items you could scale back on in order to have more to give to your church. Pray about your giving every day this week and give the amount that God lays on your heart in your next church offering.



**STEWARDSHIP**

**WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23**  
**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

Carolyn Simpson 558-8065

**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**

David Magruder 592-7306

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Terri Bosemer and Brenda Pennington

**EXTENDED SESSION**

Tonya Grigsby, Terry Schult,  
Chrissy Creech, and Jeannie Kern

**SOUND TECHNICIAN**

Sunday - Ben Hale

Wednesday - Lisa Payne

**AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN**

Alex Gibbs

**YOUTH SNACK SUPPER**

Ilyn Payocong

**WEEK OF MARCH 1**  
**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

Joy Stelly 724-3317

**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**

Ben Hale 386-4129

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Joy Stelly and Becky Frizzell

**EXTENDED SESSION**

Donna Grimes, Susan Hudgins,  
Jeannie Kern, and Lindsay Emert

**SOUND TECHNICIAN**

Sunday - Phil Shewmaker

Wednesday - Sam Frizzell

**AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN**

George Payocong

**YOUTH SNACK SUPPER**

Nettie Hale

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2020**

- 9:30 a.m. Sisterhood
- 7:00 p.m. KBC Men's Chorale  
Concert / Walnut Street  
Baptist Church

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2020**

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

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2020**

- 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission /  
Quilting Group
- 6:00 p.m. Diabetes Support Group

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020**

- 8:30 p.m. Instrumental Ensemble
- 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
- 4:00 p.m. Handbell Choir
- 5:00 p.m. Children's Sign Language  
Class  
Discipleship Training  
Classes
- 6:00 p.m. Mission Friends  
Girls in Action  
Royal Ambassadors  
Acteens & Challengers  
Adult Sign Language Class  
Discipleship Training  
Classes

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2020**

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

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2020**

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

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2020**

CLC Reserved

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2020**

- 5:00 p.m. Chili / Soup Cook-Off

Sunday Mornings - 9:30 a.m.

**SUNDAYSCHOOL**  
Growing Together In Christ

Classes for all ages!

Please pray for members /  
attendees in the hospital /  
rehab as of February 14,  
2020:



- Margaret Ann Durham – Glen Ridge – Room 206
- Stanley Lanham (David Lanham's father) - Glen Ridge - Room 313

# Sisterhood

Tuesday, February 18  
9:30 a.m.  
Cracker Barrel in  
Fern Creek



## 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)

#### **February 19**

Spaghetti Salad Texas Toast Dessert

#### **February 26**

Breakfast Meats Pancakes Dessert

#### **March 4**

Chicken Stroganoff Vegetables Bread Dessert

## Children's Choirs

Wednesday Evenings - 6:30 p.m. - 7:20 p.m.

For more information contact Kristin Jones, 239-0316, ext. 116.



### Music Tots

Two & Three Year Olds  
(must be two by 8/01/19)  
Room 103

### Music Friends

Four & Five Year Olds  
(must be four by 8/01/19)  
Room 101

### Music Makers / Young Musicians

First Grade - Fifth Grade  
Room 204

## WOMEN ON MISSION QUILTING GROUP



Thursday  
February 20  
10:00 a.m.  
Christian Life Center

## DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

Thursday, February 20  
6:00 p.m.  
Christian Life Center, Room 416  
Led by Norma Routt



## ATTENTION: INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE



February 23 is Instrumental Ensemble Sunday. Please let Steve Skaggs know if you are interested in participating. Please meet in the Sanctuary at 8:30 a.m. on February 23.



## BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

February 23  
12:15 p.m.

Have you checked your blood pressure lately? Norma Routt will be doing blood pressure checks in the Common Area following the morning worship service on February 23.



## SUNDAY EVENINGS

Winter Session Two: February 16 – March 29

Questions? Contact Pastor Linda or Renee Bryant,  
Woman's Missionary Union Director.



## ADULT CLASSES

### 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- **Handbell Choir** – led by Steve Skaggs (Room 306 – Choir Room)

### 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- **“God’s Love Put Into Action”** (for men only) – taught by Rick Pryor (Kentucky Baptist Convention) (CLC – Room 416)
- **“Life Lessons from Women in the Bible”** (for women only) by Rhonda Harrington Kelley – taught by Deborah Lawrence (Room 210 – Upper Ramp)
- **Prayer Time** – facilitated by Linda Barnes Popham and TBA (Room 209 – Upper Ramp)

### 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **“God’s Love Put Into Action”** (for men only) – taught by Rick Pryor (Kentucky Baptist Convention) (CLC – Room 416)
- **“Life Lessons from Women in the Bible”** (for women only) by Rhonda Harrington Kelley – taught by Deborah Lawrence (Room 210 – Upper Ramp)
- **The Minor Prophets** – taught by Linda Barnes Popham and TBA (Sanctuary)
- **Sign Language Class** – taught by Lewana Sams and Terry and Brenda McDowell (Lower Ramp – Room 113)

## YOUTH CLASSES

### 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- **Youth Choir** (grades 6 - 12) – led by Kristin Jones (Choir Room 306) (Snack Supper – 5:45 p.m.)

### 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Acteens** (girls, grades 6-12) – taught by Melissa Logsdon-Young and Pam Reid (Christian Life Center – Room 414)
- **Challengers** (boys, grades 6-12) – taught by Warren Grumbley and Bill Montgomery (Christian Life Center – Room 413)

## CHILDREN’S CLASSES

The classrooms are located on the second floor of the Education Building.

### 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- **Sign Language Class** – taught by Lewana Sams and Terry and Brenda McDowell (Room 204)

### 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Girls in Action** (girls, grades 1-5) – taught by Jodie Towles and Roberta Anderson (Room 204)
- **Royal Ambassadors** (boys, grades 1-5) – taught by Tyler Anderson and Holland Kendall (Room 206)

## PRESCHOOL CLASSES

The classrooms are located on the first floor of the Education Building / CDC.

### 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Mission Friends** (ages 2-5) – taught by Joy Stelly, Chrissy Creech, Nate Blansette, and Tori Lawson (Room 101)

**Childcare** (led by Jeannie Kern and Brooke Martin) is provided for babies and toddlers who are accompanying adults attending the classes. (Room 111 – First Floor of Education Building – Child Development Center)

## HANDBELL CHOIR

Sundays at 4:00 p.m.

Please let Steve Skaggs know asap if you are willing to ring in this spring choir. Participants must be music readers and be consistent attendees. Adults and older teenagers are invited to participate.



Questions? Contact Steve Skaggs  
steve@ferncreekbaptist.org / 239-0316 ext. 111 / 270-402-1123).



## CHILDREN’S SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS

Sunday Evenings

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Room 204

Taught by Lewana Sams and Terry and Brenda McDowell

## FERN CREEK / HIGHVIEW UNITED MINISTRIES NEEDS

The ministry is needing the following: canned fruit, pasta sauce, pasta, canned meats, canned beans, macaroni and cheese, shampoo, bar soap, razors, dishwashing liquid, deodorant, and toothpaste. They are also in need of paper and plastic grocery bags. Please place your donations in the bin in the collection area between the CLC and the Common Area.



# CHILI / SOUP COOK-OFF

Saturday, February 29, 5:00 – 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. Please sign up on the shelf in the Common Area and indicate if you will bring chili or soup.

Cake Auction begins at 6:00 p.m. / Door Prizes will be given at 6:30 p.m.

Silent Auction Tables

\$5 for youth & adults, \$3 for age 12 & 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.

Proceeds will be used for International Mission Trips.

Questions? Call Becky Frizzell (882-3769) or Terry Schult (296-3280).



## Deacons Meeting

March 1, 7:00 p.m.

Christian Life Center, Room 407

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

First Saturday of Each

Month at 7:57 a.m.

Christian Life Center



Future Guest Speakers:

- March 7 - Daniel Mingo (Founder and Director of Abba's Delight)
- April 4 - Rev. Steve Skaggs (Our Interim Minister of Music)

All men are invited! Please bring friends!

Questions? Contact Bud Purnell, Chris Towles, or Warren Grumbley.



Quarterly Meetings

6:45 p.m. - All Committees

7:00 p.m. - Administrative and Ministry Committees

(Trustees, CDC, By-Laws, Ministry & Missions Center, Children's, Evangelism & Outreach, Preschool, Youth, Personnel, Stewardship, and Social)

Tuesday, March 3

8:00 p.m. - Church Council

(All Committee Chairpersons & Heads of Organizations)

Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend. (Childcare is provided.)

## WOMEN ON MISSION

The AGAPE Group will meet on March 7 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.



## MONTGOMERY BABY SHOWER

March 7, 2020

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Christian Life Center

Join the Adult Choir as we celebrate with Joseph, Valerie, Justin, JoJo, and Jaxson as we welcome a baby girl into their family.



## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

March 8

Set your clocks forward one hour before you go to bed on Saturday



## BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, March 8

7:00 p.m.

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

# WOMEN'S SPRING FEST

March 21, 2020

Doors Open at 11:30 a.m.

Tickets \$10.00 each, \$80.00 table

Guest Speaker: Joyce Oglesby

The Women's Spring Fest is for all ladies who would like to join us in fellowship, fun, great music, door prizes, and good food! Each table has a sponsor, and each sponsor decorates her table the way she wishes, and has so much fun doing so. Sponsors can fill their table with friends, family, co-workers, or other church members. Sponsors are needed so please join us for a wonderful afternoon of fellowship and fun! Tickets will be available beginning February 16 after the morning service.

For additional information or to reserve a table, please contact Becky Frizzell (882-3769) or Bev Crittenden (231-8687).

## HOLY WEEK DEVOTIONALS

If you are willing to write a devotional for our Holy Week Devotional Book, please sign up at the foyer shelf in the common area foyer. This year's theme is "*Shadows of Holy Week*". Thank you for using scripture from the daily Bible readings as we reflect on the shadows that loomed over the earth at the time of Jesus' death. Let's, also, reflect on the light and life of the resurrection. (The daily Bible readings are next to the sign-up sheet.) Please turn in the devotionals to Joy Stelly or email her ([joy@ferncreekbaptist.org](mailto:joy@ferncreekbaptist.org)) by **Wednesday, March 18**, or sooner.

## Music Notes

Steve Skaggs - Interim Minister of Music

What is your music history? In any congregation or group of people there would be a variety of responses to that question. But, whether or not we acknowledge it, we all have a music history!

Music is mentioned early on in the Bible when Genesis 4:21 identifies a man named Jubal as "the father of those who play the lyre and pipe" (ESV). This portion of Genesis is listing descendants of Adam and Eve and naming their occupations. Music is mentioned in this passage alongside the more "regular" endeavors of raising crops and livestock and forging tools. Perhaps our earliest ancestors were acknowledging the importance of artistic expression by mentioning music with these jobs that were essential to basic human survival.

So, back to my question. Perhaps your gift is being a member of Fern Creek Baptist's largest and most important ensemble, the congregation. That's great! But your music history may indicate that you have some ability that could be of use in worship leadership through participation in our handbells, orchestra, or adult choir. Would you consider dusting off that instrument that you haven't played since high school and getting involved? If you can read treble and / or bass clef music, you can ring a handbell. Perhaps you were in a choir at some point in your life's history and you have been waiting for the right time to become involved again. Well, now is the time!

I hope you will acknowledge the gifts God has given you and consider being a part of worship leadership through music. I'll be glad to talk with you about how and where you can fit in and--make your own history!

**SEEKING:** Fern Creek Baptist Church is seeking 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 to [linda@ferncreekbaptist.org](mailto:linda@ferncreekbaptist.org). Resumes will be received through March 18, 2020. Questions? Call 239-0316 ext. 103 (Linda Barnes Popham).

**SEEKING:** Fern Creek Baptist Church is seeking Full-Time and Part-Time Ministerial Staff in the following areas: Music, Youth, Children, and Preschool. According to the applicant's gifts and skills, two of these areas will be combined for a full-time position. 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 music position must be an excellent musician, worship leader, and educator. Send resumes to: Fern Creek Baptist Church, Attention: Personnel Committee, 5920 Bardstown Road, Louisville, KY 40291, or email to [linda@ferncreekbaptist.org](mailto:linda@ferncreekbaptist.org). Resumes will be received through March 18, 2020. Questions? Call 239-0316 ext. 103 (Linda Barnes Popham).



# MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Barbara Dean
- 2 - Hannah Arnold  
Linda Joyce
- 5 - Bob Hester  
Dennis Starks
- 6 - Scot Anderson  
George Popham
- 8 - Cody Ryan
- 9 - Lori Bedard  
Billy Blandford  
Gayle Monin
- 10 - Sharon Morehead
- 12 - Rocky Hardymon  
Mike Simpson  
David Williams
- 13 - Michaela DeJaynes  
Kelly Swain
- 14 - Betty Ward  
Leonard Westmorland
- 15 - Christy Becker  
Jamie Gibbs  
Jake Richardson
- 16 - Tracey Estes  
Fred Rhea
- 18 - Al Ryan  
James Thacker
- 19 - Reggie Brown  
Keisha Moreno  
Pam Weixler
- 20 - Earl Cantrell  
Mandy Jones
- 21 - Tyler Anderson
- 23 - Kristi White



- 24 - Rosiland Morris  
Kylie Seraphine
- 26 - Josh Schult
- 27 - Zach White
- 28 - John Fraley  
Glenna Hall
- 29 - Centrell Kelley
- 30 - Terry Bruce  
Melissa Cundiff  
Lori Farley  
Joyce Shelton
- 31 - Erin Crittenden

# MEMORY WALL

Our Memory Wall certainly enhances the beauty of our church building. The time is drawing near to put up the next panel of memory tiles. (The cross is actually already full for the third panel.) Forms are available at the Welcome Center in the Sanctuary Foyer if you would like to order a tile in memory of a loved one. The instructions are on the forms; however, if you have additional questions, please contact Jodie Towles (239-0316 ext. 102). The deadline to turn in forms for the next panel is February 23.



Sunday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
1 7:00 pm Deacons' Meeting	2 7:00 pm GROW (G Teams)	3 10:00 am GROW (G-3 Team) 6:45 pm All Comm. 7:00 pm Admin. / Ministry Committees 8:00 pm Church Council	4 4:30 pm Staff Meeting 7:30 pm GROW (G-4 Team)	5 10:00 am Women on Mission (Quilting Group)	6	7 7:57 am Men's Breakfast 9:00 am Optical Training 10:00 am Women on Mission (AGAPE Group) 1:00 pm Montgomery Baby Shower	Week of Prayer and Mission Study for North American Missions - Annie Armstrong Easter Offering				
8 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME - SPRING FORWARD 7:00 pm Business Meeting	9 7:00 pm GROW (R Teams)	10	11	12 11:00 am "Young at Heart" Progressive Dinner Luncheon	13 7:00 pm CrossPoint@theCreek	14 10:00 am Salvation Dolls Workshop					
15 Jeff St. #1	16 7:00 pm GROW (O Teams)	17 9:30 am Sisterhood	18	19 10:00 am Women on Mission (Quilting Group) 6:00 pm Diabetes Support Group	20	21 12:00 a.m. Women's Spring Fest	Creative Ministries Festival				
22 8:30 am Instrumental Ensemble  Creative Ministries Festival	23 7:00 pm GROW (W Teams)	24	25	26 7:00 pm VBS Meeting	27	28	CDC Closed				
29 12:15 pm Blood Pressure Checks 4:00 pm Homebound Communion	30 7:00 pm GROW (ALL Teams)  CDC Closed - Spring Break	31									

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