

## Fern Creek Baptist Church

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# The Disciple

February 27, 2023

### LINDA'S LINES

This year's Holy Week theme will be: *"From the Darkness of the Wilderness to the Light of Dawn"*. We hope many of you will write devotionals for our annual Holy Week Devotional Book. You may write a devotional about one of the Bible readings of the day; or, you may write a devotional of your personal journey from darkness to light. (See details in this publication.) These devotional books are such great tools for sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with others. Thanks in advance for those of you who will volunteer to write devotionals for this week. Thanks for being a blessing to all who will receive these devotional books.

During this Lenten season which we are currently observing, the sermons will focus on the light of Christ highlighted in the texts of the "Read Through the New Testament" readings. That means that you will have read the week's text a few days prior to the Sunday sermon. The sermon texts for the following weeks are:

- March 5 – Philippians 2:12-18
- March 12 – Hebrews 1:1-3
- March 19 – II Peter 1:12-21
- March 26 – I John 1:5-10 (Renee Bryant will preach.)

My prayer is that this holy season of Lent would be one of spiritual growth and renewal for all.

By this time you probably all know of the recent decision of the Credentials Committee and the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention to disfellowship our church solely on the basis of having a female pastor. This past Sunday evening, many of you gathered in the sanctuary as we discussed our future. We will continue to have church discussions about our future which I believe is bright and hopeful. God is faithful! He will give us vision and wisdom in this area. The deacons have already decided that we will appeal the decision. More explanation will be given in our next **Business Meeting, March 12, 7:00 p.m.** I have received emails, texts, phone calls, etc. from so many people and churches who are offering their support and encouragement to our church. I will share about that in future meetings, as well. It is a great joy and privilege to serve and worship with you!

Will you join our deacons on **Sunday, March 19**, as we visit our each of our homebound members and share the Lord's Supper with them? We have more homebound members than we have deacons; therefore, we need lots of help. Please meet us in the conference room at **4:45 p.m.** to divide into teams to visit these precious people among us. We hope that many of you will join us. They are very appreciative of visits!

The "Young at Heart" trip to Ohio Amish Country has been changed to **May 8-12**. We will know the itinerary and cost soon. Please go ahead and mark your calendars. This will be a great trip! George and I have mapped out most of the trip while traveling back and forth to Cleveland for medical appointments. This will be a great trip!

It's not too early to be thinking and praying about Vacation Bible School which will be held **June 5-9**. Please let us know soon how you would like to help this year!

Please continue to pray for God's kingdom to come on earth! **Continue to pray, "Lord, awaken Your people and send a great revival!"**



## STAFF

**Rev. Linda Barnes Popham**  
Pastor, ext. 103  
239-6628

**Rev. Gene Wright**  
Interim Minister of Music, ext. 111

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

**Karen Love**  
Pianist

**Donna Grimes**  
Interim Office Coordinator, ext. 100

**Jodie Towles**  
Bookkeeper, ext. 102

**Sherese Caldwell**  
**Cassie Schitter**  
Directors of Facilities, ext. 104

**FERN CREEK  
BAPTIST CHURCH**

*Reaching Up...*

*Reaching In...*

*Reaching Out...*



**WMU LADIES TEA**  
**Saturday, March 25, 11:30 a.m.**  
 West Broadway Baptist Church  
 Cost is \$5.00.  
 Watch for more details



**SATURDAY, MARCH 11,  
 BEFORE YOU GO TO BED.**



**HOLY WEEK DEVOTIONALS**

If you are willing to write a devotional for our Holy Week Devotional Book, please sign up at the shelf in the common area foyer. This year's theme is "From the Darkness of the Wilderness to the Light of Dawn". You may choose to use the scripture from the daily Bible readings or write a devotional of your own journey from darkness to light. (The daily Bible readings are next to the sign-up sheet.) Please turn in the devotionals to Donna Grimes or email her ([donna@ferncreekbaptist.org](mailto:donna@ferncreekbaptist.org)) by **Wednesday, March 15, or sooner.**



**OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:**

- The family of Jim Thacker at his death;
- Sam and Becky Frizzell and family at the death of Sam's sister, Ruby Combs;
- Jim and Shirley Sallee and the death of Shirley's brother, Bobby Buckley;
- Jerry and Billie Faye Walker at the death of Billie Faye's brother-in-law, Carl Ford;
- Zack Huckleberry and family at the death of his father, Darryl Huckleberry (Joan Naylor's former son-in-law).

**HOMEBOUND LORD'S SUPPER**  
**March 19, 4:45 p.m.**

Will you help our deacons as they visit our homebound members and share in the Lord's Supper with them? Please meet in the conference room for assignments.

**WEEK OF MARCH 5**

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

George Popham 419-8939

**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**

Joe Montgomery 422-2208

**NURSE ON CALL**

Norma Routt 741-0724

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Joy Warren & Chrissy Creech

**EXTENDED SESSION**

Jeannie Kern & TBA

**NURSERY**

Donna Grimes & TBA

**TECH TEAM**

Director – Jon Heinrich  
 Streamer – Bruce Ritchie  
 Sound – Phil Shewmaker  
 AV – Chris Towles

**EVENING SERVICES**

Sunday - Lisa Payne  
 Wednesday - Lisa Payne

**WEEK OF MARCH 12**

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

Nancy Shewmaker 296-2341

**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**

Shannon Fisher 830-3060

**NURSE ON CALL**

Martha Blansette 553-9666

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Joy Warren & Jayla Grigsby

**EXTENDED SESSION**

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**MARCH**

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|---|--|
| 2 - Hannah Arnold<br>Linda Joyce  | 14 - Betty Ward<br>Leonard Westmorland   |
| 6 - Scot Anderson<br>George Popham  | 15 - Christy Becker<br>Jamie Gibbs<br>Jake Richardson  |
| 8 - Cody Ryan   | 16 - Tracey Estes  |
| 9 - Lori Bedard<br>Billy Blandford<br>Jean Brookshire<br>Teagan Hall<br>Terry Kaelin<br>Gayle Monin | 17 - Katie Heinrich<br>18 - Al Ryan<br>19 - Keisha Moreno<br>Pam Weixler   |
| 10 - Penelope Grimes<br>Sharon Morehead   | 20 - Earl Cantrell<br>Mandy Jones  |
| 12 - Mike Simpson<br>David Williams   | 21 - Tyler Anderson<br>22 - Marianne Trueblood   |
| 13 - Michaela DeJaynes<br>Kelly Swain   | 23 - Kristi White<br>24 - Kylie Seraphine<br>26 - Josh Schult<br>27 - Zach White<br>28 - John Fraley<br>Glenna Hall<br>29 - Centrell Kelley<br>30 - Terry Bruce<br>Melissa Cundiff<br>Lori Farley<br>Joyce Shelton<br>31 - Erin Crittenden |

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**"Young at Heart" Events**

- March 9 – TBA
- April 27 – Hodgenville, Kentucky
- May 8-12 – Trip to Ohio Amish Country



**"CIRCLE OF HOPE"**

Ladies Tea at Karen's House

Monday, March 13

2:00 p.m.

All widows are invited.  
 Questions? Contact Karen Love.



**WOMEN ON MISSION**

Saturday, March 4

10:00 a.m.

Christian Life Center  
 All women are invited!



Men Anchored In



Faith, Prayer, Service

**MEN'S BREAKFAST**  
**Saturday, March 4, 7:57 a.m.**

Our guest speaker will be  
**Rob Patterson**  
 Evangelism Team Leader at KBC

Call the Church Office for reservations.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2023

6:30 p.m. CLC Rented  
7:00 p.m. GROW (W Teams)



### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2023

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2023

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship  
Children's Choirs, LIGHT for Youth  
7:30 p.m. GROW (G3 Team)  
Adult Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2023

10:00 a.m. Women on Mission (Sewing Team)  
3:30 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry

### SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2023

7:57 a.m. Men's Breakfast  
9:00 a.m. Optical Training - GROW Room  
10:00 a.m. Women on Mission - AGAPE Group  
6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - CLC

### SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2023

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. Adult Discipleship Training  
Mission Friends, GAs, RAs,  
Acteens, Challengers  
7:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

### MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2023

6:30 p.m. CLC Rented  
7:00 p.m. GROW (G Team)

### TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023

10:00 a.m. GROW (G2 Team)  
12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting  
6:45 p.m. All Committees Meet  
7:00 p.m. Administrative/Ministries Committees  
8:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2023

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship  
Children's Choirs, LIGHT for Youth  
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2023

11:30 a.m. "Young at Heart"  
3:30 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry

### SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2023

6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - CLC

### SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023

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. Adult Discipleship Training  
Mission Friends, GAs, RAs,  
Acteens, Challengers  
7:00 p.m. Business Meeting

### MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023

2:00 p.m. "Circle of Hope"  
6:30 p.m. CLC Rented  
7:00 p.m. GROW (R Teams)



**Music Friends**  
(ages 3 - K): Room 103  
(must be 3 by August 1, 2022)  
Linda Barnes Popham, director

**CHILDREN'S CHOIRS**  
**Wednesday Evenings**  
**6:30 - 7:20 p.m.**

**Young Musicians**  
(grades 1 - 5): Room 204  
Karen Love, director

For more information contact Karen Love or Linda Popham.

Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries  
is in great need of the following:

macaroni & cheese      crackers      pasta sauce      cereal  
canned beans (any kind)      Ravioli      toiletries

Please place your donations in the collection bin  
between the CLC and the Common Area.



**LIGHT**  
**Grades 6-12**

Bring a friend and join us for Bible study and  
recreation each Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m.  
in the Christian Life Center.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES  
IN THE HOSPITAL/REHAB AS OF FEBRUARY 24:**

- Bud Purnell – Glen Ridge – Room 102
- Bob Calebs – Franciscan Health Care Center – Room 114
- Nancy Calebs – Franciscan Health Care Center – Room 115
- Ralph Beard – Vivera Senior Living #102 (Jeffersonville, IN)
- Gloria Walden (Jon Heinrich's mother) – Jefferson Place – Room 210
- Judy Lovelace - Baptist Health - Room 426

### **QUARTERLY MEETINGS**

**Tuesday, March 7**  
(Childcare will be provided.)



**6:45 p.m. - All Committees**

**7:00 p.m. - Administrative & Ministry Committees**

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

**8:00 p.m. - Church Council**

(All Committee Chairpersons and Heads of Organizations)

Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend. If you cannot attend the meeting, please inform your Committee Chairperson.

### **FEBRUARY 19, 2023**



#### **OUR STEWARDSHIP**

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 10,649.00
Budget Received	\$ 9,035.75
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 253,967.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 239,014.12

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Sunday School - 93  
Morning Worship - 150

#### **BUILDING FUND**

Weekly Total	\$ 120.00
Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 12,253.67

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