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**FERN CREEK  
BAPTIST CHURCH**  
*Reaching Up...*  
*Reaching In...*  
*Reaching Out...*

**February 28, 2022**

# The Disciple

**LINDA'S LINES**

Thank you, again, for the generous sabbatical opportunity and love offering! I look forward to sharing about this time with you on Sunday evening, March 6, 6:00 p.m., in the sanctuary.

We have another opportunity to work with our brothers and sisters at the Transformation Baptist Church in La Esperanza, Honduras, July 23-30, 2022. My brother, Dr. Marty Barnes, will be leading this trip. We will mainly participate in door-to-door evangelism in the outlying villages near La Esperanza. The trip will look much different than our normal trips. We will have many opportunities to share the gospel in creative ways. If you are interested in participating, please contact me as soon as possible.

The New Oxford Dictionary describes Lent as “the period preceding Easter that in the Christian Church is devoted to fasting, abstinence, and penitence in commemoration of Christ’s fasting in the wilderness.” Lent is a 40-day season to *repent* over sin, *lament* over the rebellion in our hearts, and *anticipate* the power of Christ’s death and resurrection. Christians have often fasted or abstained from various things (food, sweets, meat, coffee, television, social media, etc.). In addition to abstaining, some Christians also *add* something to their lives during Lent (more prayer, giving, Bible reading, etc.).

The season of Lent begins this very week. Ash Wednesday, the first day of this season, is March 2. 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 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. The 40-weekdays in Lent symbolize the 40-day fasts of Moses, Elijah, and Jesus. During the Lenten season the sermon will focus on “Hungering and Thirsting for God”. This Sunday, March 6, the sermon title is: “Are You Hungry and Thirsty for God?” My prayer is that this holy season of Lent would be one of spiritual growth and renewal for all.

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. This year’s Holy Week theme will be “*Hungering and Thirsting for God: Feasting on His Word*”. Thanks in advance for those of you who will volunteer to write devotionals for this week. We will be offering additional worship services and events, as well.

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



### **"CIRCLE OF HOPE"**

**Monday, March 14, 2:00 p.m.**

Christian Life Center

All widows are invited.

Questions? Contact Karen Love.



### **MUSIC NOTES**

**Steve Skaggs**

**Interim Minister of Music**

*Addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart. Ephesians 5:19 (ESV)*

You have probably heard someone utter the cliché, "I don't have a musical bone in my body!" But, in my opinion based on my studies and experience, that is not true. Sure, we are all not gifted the same or even have similar musical and artistic interests, but we can all participate in the musical portions of our worship serves. Consider the following:

- Both Old and New Testaments give examples of folks singing together in worship. Many scripture passages even call it a religious duty!
- If you have yet to return to in-person worship you can still join in worship by singing at home as you participate on-line. If you don't have a hymnal at home and would like one, call the church office and we'll see that you get one.
- Perhaps you or someone you know does have a gift and love for singing. Please consider your place in worship leadership by joining the choir.
- Holy Week/Easter, like Advent/Christmas, is a time when our songs and hymns do so much to enhance our worship and teach us the important lessons of those seasons. From "O Sacred Head Now Wounded," to "The Old Rugged Cross," to "The Power of the Cross," the words of our songs and hymns lead us to recall the scriptural truths of Christ's atoning death and resurrection during the upcoming Lenten season. I hope you will participate in every worship service and take the opportunities God gives you to invite others to join us at Fern Creek Baptist.

You may not be a son or daughter of Jubal (see Genesis 4:21), but you do have a musical bone in your body if you are a Christian. Let us lift our voices in song as we proclaim the Good News of the Gospel during this coming season of Lent. God wants to hear you sing!

*I will sing the wondrous story  
Of the Christ who died for me;  
How He left His home in glory  
For the cross of Calvary.*

### **ATTENTION: SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND PROSPECTIVE TEACHERS**

We hope you will join us for:

*Sunday School Still Matters*

Thursday, March 10, 6:00 p.m.

Kentucky Baptist Convention

13420 Eastpoint Centre Drive

This training event featuring all-new content will provide two hours of age group Sunday School training focused on reaching new people, teaching, and member care. Please let Pastor Linda know by Sunday, March 6, if you are willing to attend.

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

- Mike Simpson - Franciscan Health Care
- Bobby Cundiff - Norton Hospital (downtown)
- Carol Larsen - University Hospital



**Mondays, 7:00 p.m.**

Join us in the GROW Room as we reach out to others with the good news of Jesus Christ.

### **QUARTERLY MEETINGS**

**Tuesday, March 1**

Childcare is provided.

**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, Personnel, Recreation, Stewardship, Social, Youth)

**8:00 p.m. – Church Council**



**Tuesday, March 15**

**9:30 a.m.**

Meet at Cracker Barrel (Fern Creek)

Men Anchored In



Faith, Prayer, Service

### **MEN'S BREAKFAST**

**Saturday, March 5, 7:57 a.m.**

**Our guest speaker will be Kenny Rager,  
Church Evangelism Strategist for KBC.**

**Call the Church Office to make a reservation.**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS



### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2022

- 6:30 p.m. Gym Rented
- 7:00 p.m. GROW (W Team)

### TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022

- 10:00 a.m. GROW (G2 Team)
- 6:30 p.m. Gym Rented
- 6:45 p.m. All Committees Meet
- 7:00 p.m. Administrative/Ministry Committees
- 8:00 p.m. Church Council

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2022

- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship  
Children's Choirs, LIGHT (Grades 6-12)
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal  
GROW (G3 Team)

### THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2022

- 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission (Sewing Group)

### FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 2022

- 12:00 p.m. FC/H Ministerial Association Meeting

### SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2022

- 7:57 a.m. Men's Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. Optical Training (GROW Room)
- 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission (AGAPE Group)

### SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Worship Service
- 1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
- 6:00 p.m. Discipleship Training, Mission Friends  
Girls in Action & Royal Ambassadors  
Acteens & Challengers
- 7:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

### MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2022

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

### TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2022

- 12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Gym Rented  
Gospel Lights Meeting (CLC)

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2022

- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship  
Children's Choirs, LIGHT (Grades 6-12)
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2022

"Young at Heart" - Overlook Restaurant

### SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2022

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Worship Service
- 1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
- 6:00 p.m. Discipleship Training, Mission Friends  
Girls in Action & Royal Ambassadors  
Acteens & Challengers
- 7:00 p.m. Business Meeting

### MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2022

- 2:00 p.m. "Circle of Hope" Widow Support Group
- 7:00 p.m. GROW (R Team)



## **OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:**

- Dana Adams and family at the death her late husband's father, Ernie Adams Sr.
- Lisa Clark and family at the death of her husband, Bryan Curtis Clark (father of Sierra, Sydney, and Emily Clark; son-in-law of Sam and Becky Frizzell).



## CDC HAPPENINGS

**Terri Bosemer, Director**

### REGISTRATION 2022-2023

Registration for the fall is now 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 ask let me know you need one. Please make sure to fill out (front and back) and return to the office. Each application must include a \$100 non-refundable reservation fee (check or money order) in order for the application to be processed. 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](mailto: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 14. The total cost is \$300. A \$50 enrollment fee is due at the time of registration and then the balance of \$250 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](mailto:terri@ferncreekbaptist.org)

## RESPONSIBILITIES

### WEEK OF MARCH 6

#### DEACON OF THE WEEK

Holland Kendall (640-2227)

#### TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Gary Kistner (419-5505)

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Joy Warren & TBA

#### EXTENDED SESSION

Donna Grimes & Jeannie Kern

#### TECH TEAM

Director – Jon Heinrich  
Streamer – Jacob Heinrich  
Sound – Sam Frizzell  
AV – Chris Towles

#### EVENING SERVICES

Sunday - Chris Towles  
Wednesday - Lisa Payne

### WEEK OF MARCH 13

#### DEACON OF THE WEEK

Mary Kleber (262-8756)

#### TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

David Magruder (592-7306)

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**MONDAY MESSAGES**

Tune in on Mondays at 8:00 a.m. for a Monday Morning Devotional Message. You may access these messages by going to our website and clicking the red Worship Livestream button.



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME**

**March 13**

Set your clocks forward  
one Hour before you go to  
bed on Saturday night.



**MARCH**

**MARKERS AND CRAYONS**

In an effort to plan for the next school supply giveaway, we are collecting markers and crayons during the month of March. Please place them in the bin in the collection area between the CLC and the Common Area.



**Worship**

**WEDNESDAY WORSHIP**

Join us on **Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.**, for Wednesday Worship. Dr. Terry Wilder, a dear friend of our church, is leading a study of I, II, and III John. We are having a great time studying God's Word together. Thanks to Terry and Sandy for joining us during this time.

**FEBRUARY 20, 2022**



**OUR STEWARDSHIP**

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 9,968.00
Budget Received	\$ 8,511.47
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 249,200.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 229,257.44

**ATTENDANCE**

Sunday School	66
Morning Worship	84

**BUILDING FUND**

Weekly Total	\$ 22.00
Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 6,190.97

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