

Space for standard masthead

Fern Creek Baptist Church

5920 Bardstown Road
Louisville, Kentucky 40291
239-0316 / 239-0317

Child Development Center

239-8952

Rev. Linda Barnes Popham
Pastor
239-6628

Dr. Rocky Hardymon
Minister of Music & Children /
Associate Pastor, ext. 111

Kristin Jones
Associate Minister of Music,
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, February 20
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

Wednesday, February 14, is the first day of Lent. Ash Wednesday is the name given to this day in which some Christians have ashes applied to their foreheads in the shape of a cross to signify an inner repentance. 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, repentance, sacrifice, soul-searching, self-denial, and service. Sundays, which are days for commemorating the resurrection, are omitted in counting the forty days of reflection and repentance. The color purple is used during this time to symbolize repentance and solemnity.

The forty weekdays in the season of Lent symbolize the forty-day fasts of Moses, Elijah, and Jesus. The focus of Lent is for Christians to imitate Jesus' withdrawal into the wilderness for forty days. During Lent some Christians make decisions to give up some food, activity, etc. These days are basically six weeks of self-discipline. Fasting can be a good thing, and God is pleased when we repent of sinful habits. However, we must remember that repenting of sin is something we should be doing all days of the year, not just during Lent. The sacred 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.


During the Lenten / Easter Season I will be preach a sermon series that we will call "At the Cross". I will preach on different characters who were at or near the cross when Jesus was crucified. I encourage you to read about these characters during this season. The sermon series will be as follows:

- February 18 – "At the Cross: Pilate and His Wife" / Matthew 27:11-26
- February 25 – "At the Cross: Simon of Cyrene" / Mark 15:21-32
- March 4 – "At the Cross: The Thieves on the Cross" / Luke 23:32-42
- March 11 – "At the Cross: Mary (the Mother of Jesus) and John" / John 19:25-27
- March 18 – "At the Cross: The Roman Centurion" / Mark 15:33-41
- March 25 – "At the Cross: Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus" / John 19:38-42
- April 1 – "At the Cross: Mary Magdalene" / John 20:1-18

Children (grades one – five) will receive "Pastor's Pals" booklets on February 18 which they will use during the worship service to help them keep focused during the service. They will turn their booklets in on April 8 at the Children's Moment during the service. We will have awards for those who complete the seven weeks in the booklet.

My prayer is that this season of Lent and Easter will be one in which we all grow in our faith and commitment to Jesus Christ! Please read the Word of God daily, pray continually, and seek Him with all of your heart, not only during this season, but throughout the year!

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

JANUARY 28, 2017		OUR STEWARDSHIP	
SUNDAY SCHOOL 129		Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 9,657.00
		Budget Received	\$ 11,111.45
		Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 212,454.00
		Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 206,519.06
MORNING WORSHIP 181		BUILDING FUND	
		Weekly Total	\$ 90.00
		Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 2,897.14

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. This year's theme is "The Final Days". You may use any scripture that you would like or you may want to use one from the daily Bible readings that are suggested. (Please take one of these sheets.) Since we will be focusing on different characters at the cross during the Lenten Season, you may even want to focus on one of these in your devotional. Please turn in the devotionals to Joy Stelly or email her (joy@ferncreekbaptist.org) by Wednesday, March 7, or sooner. Thanks for your help!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2018

11:30 a.m. "Young at Heart" Potluck Luncheon
6:30 p.m. Exercise Class

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2018

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2018

11:00 a.m. "Cups of Love" Tea Party
11:30 a.m. Youth Basketball Game
1:25 p.m. Children's Missions Day

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship Service / Children's Choirs Sunday
1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
6:00 p.m. Mission Friends
Girls in Action
Royal Ambassadors
Acteens & Challengers
Discipleship Training Classes

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2018

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018

2:30 p.m. Open Gym
6:00 p.m. CLC Reserved
7:00 p.m. Stewardship Comm. Mtg.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 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, FEBRUARY 15, 2018

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

6:30 p.m. Exercise Class

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2018

7:00 p.m. Married Couples Valentine Banquet

8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2018

1:10 p.m. Youth Basketball Game

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2018

Jeff St. #1

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, FEBRUARY 19, 2018

7:00 p.m. GROW (O Teams)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018

2:30 p.m. Open Gym
6:00 p.m. CLC Reserved

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 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, FEBRUARY 22, 2018

6:30 p.m. Exercise Class

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Carolyn Simpson 493-2212

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Fred Rhea 749-3579

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Melissa Logsdon-Young

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Nate Blansette & Brenda Pennington

EXTENDED SESSION

Terry Schult, Susie Elleman,

Lewana Sams, & Glenda Coddington

SOUND TECHNICIAN

Sunday - Ben Hale

Wednesday - Sam Frizzell

AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN

Chris Towles

YOUTH SNACK SUPPER

Adrienne Kendall

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 18

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Joy Stelly 724-3317

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

David Magruder 592-7306

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Terri Bosemer, Cheri Calvert, Lindsay

Emert, & Brenda Pennington

EXTENDED SESSION

Lyndsey Popham, Mandy Jones,

Allison Magruder, &

Nate Blansette

SOUND TECHNICIAN

Sunday - Ben Hale

Wednesday - Sam Frizzell

AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN

Scot Anderson

YOUTH SNACK SUPPER

Tonya Grigsby

Please pray for members / attendees in the hospital / rehab as of February 4, 2018:

- Venetta Bishop – Springhurst Pines
- Pat Starks – Glen Ridge – Room 412
- Jason Routt – VA Hospital



Our sympathy is extended to:

- Chris and Jodie Towles and family at the death of Chris' aunt, Carol Perkins;
- Barbara Parker and family at the death of her mother, Thelma Gafford.



Thank You notes have been placed on the bulletin board from Doris Ann Sea and BMDMI on behalf of the Pizzatis.



YOUTH CHOIR (GRADES 6-12)

Led by Kristin Jones and Rocky Hardymon

Sundays, 5:00 p.m. (Choir Room)



OPEN GYM FOR YOUTH (Grades 6-12)

Tuesdays, 2:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., in the Christian Life Center

We hope to see many of our youth present as we reach other youth in our community and city for Jesus Christ.

- Adults who would like to help in any way (chaperoning, refereeing, speaking, etc.), please contact Brenda Pennington.
- If you would like to help provide/serve food, contact Doris Ann Sea.



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 7

Salisbury Steaks Mashed Potatoes Vegetables Bread Dessert

February 14

Lasagna Salad Texas Toast Dessert

February 21

Chicken & Gravy Rice Vegetables Biscuits Dessert

**"YOUNG AT HEART"
POT-LUCK LUNCHEON**

February 8, 11:30 a.m.

Christian Life Center

Guest Speaker – Dr. Steve Thompson

Steve is a former Pastor, Director of Missions, and Assistant Executive Director of the Kentucky Baptist Convention. He is an inspirational and entertaining speaker.



"CUPS OF LOVE" TEA PARTY

February 10, 2018, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Preschoolers (ages 2 - Kindergarten) and their parents

Contact Loren Been at 239-0316 ext. 109 or loren@ferncreekbaptist.org

Parents, please bring Valentines for your child to give out!! Only write who the Valentine is from, not who it is to.

YOUTH BASKETBALL / T-SHIRTS

Our high school youth guys would love for you to join them on Saturday mornings at Beargrass Christian Church (4100 Shelbyville Road, Louisville, 40207) as they play basketball! **The next game is Saturday, February 10, 11:30 a.m.** If you would like to purchase a basketball t-shirt to show the team your support, please see Joy or Linda. The cost for a shirt is \$12. Please make checks payable to FCBC.



CHILDREN'S MISSIONS DAY 2018

Children Grades 1-5

Saturday, February 10, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

We will leave the church at 1:25 p.m. and return by 4:30 p.m.

Questions? Contact Rocky Hardymon.



SUNDAY EVENINGS ADULT CLASSES

Winter Session One: January 7 – February 18, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

- **Bible Study: Romans**– taught by Dollie Dixon and Jerry Walker (Sanctuary)
- **"The Daniel Plan: Food – Enjoying God's Abundance"** by Rick Warren and the Daniel Plan Team – facilitated by Norma Routt (Room 416)
- **"Life Lessons from Women in the Bible"** by Rhonda Harrington Kelley – facilitated by Michele Crider (Room 304)
- **"How to Have a New Family by Friday"** by Kevin Leman – facilitated by Linda Popham (Room 301/303)
- **Music Reading 101** – taught by Rocky Hardymon (Adult Choir Room – Room 306)

The regular classes for youth, children, and preschoolers are being held at this time. Childcare is provided for babies and toddlers.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

7:00 p.m.

Conference Room



Music Tots

Two & Three Year Olds
(must be two by 8/01/17)
Room 107

Music Friends

Four & Five Year Olds
(must be four by 8/01/17)
Room 101

Music Makers / Young Musicians

First Grade - Fifth Grade
Room 204



Children's Choirs

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

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

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

Each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. is a great time to get together with God's people for prayer, singing, and Bible study. Dr. Terry Wilder is leading us in Bible Study through the book of Exodus (while Pastor Linda is with our children's choir at this time). The Wednesday Worship Ensemble is also a blessing!

LIGHT (Grades 6-12)

Wednesday Evenings, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Join us each Wednesday evening! Hope to see you! Bring your friends! Questions? Contact Linda Popham.

WOMEN ON MISSION QUILTING GROUP

Thursday, February 15, 10:00 a.m.

Christian Life Center

Please bring a friend or two; everyone is welcome!



ENDEAVOR COLLEGE RETREAT

Cedarmore Camp and Conference Center

February 16-17, 2018

Sponsored by Crossings

Join the Fern Creek Baptist College Group as we participate in this exciting weekend of being encouraged and equipped and finding biblical answers to vital questions. The cost is \$45 per person. (Make checks payable to Fern Creek Baptist Church.) We will leave FCBC on **Friday, February 16, 4:00 p.m.** We will stop and eat together on the way to Cedarmore. We will return to FCBC by **Saturday, February 17, 4:00 p.m.** Even though sign-ups are over, contact Linda Popham to see if there are any spots left.

FERN CREEK / HIGHVIEW UNITED MINISTRIES NEEDS

The ministry is in need of the following: toilet paper, dish liquid, laundry detergent, shampoo, canned meats, canned green beans, canned corn, and empty water bottles. Please place your donations in the marked bin in the breezeway. Thank you for helping those in our community. All donations are greatly appreciated!



**VALENTINE BANQUET
FOR MARRIED COUPLES OF ALL AGES**

Friday, February 16, 7:00 p.m.

Wildwood Country Club

Cost-\$50 per couple (includes meal, program, & photograph of couple)

Music – Kristin Jones and Rocky Hardymon

Guest Speakers – Rob and Margaret Gibson

(Rob is Pastor of Christ Church at Goshen and a Marriage / Family Counselor; Margaret is an Adoption Case Worker with Nightlife.)

Your money serves as your reservation. Checks should be written to Fern Creek Baptist Church. **Reservations must be received in the church office by February 12.** This is going to be a great evening!

- Free childcare (and a pizza supper) will be provided at the church beginning at 6:30 p.m.

- Menu: Rib Eye Steak, Baked Tilapia, or Chicken Cordon Bleu

Please call the church office with your menu choice.

- Questions? Contact George or Linda Popham.



**Tuesday,
Mar. 6**

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, Stewardship, Social, and Youth)

8:00 p.m. - Church Council

(All Committee Chairpersons & Heads of Organizations)

Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend.

(Childcare is provided.)



**FREE GLASSES CLINIC
SPONSORED BY KENDALL OPTOMETRY
MINISTRY, INC.**

March 10, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Christian Life Center

Questions? Contact Holland Kendall or Sam Frizzell.

CHURCH-WIDE DERBY DINNER PLAYHOUSE TRIP

Friday, May 25 - \$45 - "Oklahoma"

Sign up by May 6 on the shelf in the breezeway or by calling the church office. Payment is due to the church office by **May 6.**

(Please make checks payable to Fern Creek Baptist Church.)

Meet at church at 4:45 p.m. We will travel by bus.

Questions? Contact Joy Stelly.

LRBA WMU LADIES' TEA

Saturday, February 24, 12:00 p.m. - St. Matthews Baptist Church

Guest Speaker - Sandra Wisdom-Martin

National WMU Executive Director-Treasurer

Ladies of all ages are invited. Cost is \$5.

Sign up on the shelf in the common area by February 14, 2018.

Questions? Contact Renee Bryant.

CROSSINGS CAMP AT JONATHAN CREEK

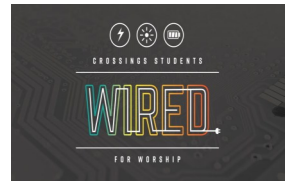
Hardin, Kentucky

June 11-16, 2018

For youth grades 6-12 (completed)

- Cost - \$400 (The church will cover \$50 for each camper.)

- The \$50 deposit is due by **Sunday, February 25.** Please give your checks (written to Fern Creek Baptist Church) to Linda Popham or Jodie Towles by that date. You may make payments to your account at any time.



CHILI / SOUP COOK-OFF

Saturday, February 24, 2018, 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.

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 Honduras / Nicaragua Mission Trips.

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

If you are willing to make a pot of chili or soup, please sign up on the shelf in the breezeway.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

February 25, 12:15 p.m.



Have you checked your blood pressure lately? Norma Routh will be doing blood pressure checks in the breezeway following the morning worship service.

ATTENTION: INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE

February 25 is Instrumental Ensemble Sunday. Please let Rocky Hardymon know if you are interested in participating.

Please meet in the sanctuary at 8:30 a.m. on February 25.



ROCKY'S BEAT

Rocky Hardymon - Minister of Music

Fern Creek Baptist Church loves children! We strive each week to provide learning opportunities for children of all ages. Joel 1:3 says to "Tell it to your children, and let your children tell it to their children, and their children to the next generation." What are we to tell? The truth --the person and work of Jesus Christ!

As the Children's Minister, I am honored to be a part of the lives of the children at FCBC. To assist me as a first-time Children's Minister, I will be attending the Lifeway Children's Conference, February 6-8, in Nashville, TN. I am looking forward to learning more about children's ministry.

Speaking of children's ministry, the Children's Missions Day 2018 is **Saturday, February, 10.** This is for ages 6-10. Deadline to register is February 8, 2018. Contact me if you have questions.

Also, Children's Choirs Sunday is February 11. All children, two through grade five will be participating.

Pray for our children at Fern Creek Baptist Church that they will grow in the knowledge and faith of God's Word!

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).

CHURCH HEALTH MINISTRY



Suddenly your entire body aches and you develop a cough, but no fever. Are you catching a cold or could it be the flu? Stop by the Church Health Ministry area in the breezeway to read the signs and symptoms of each. Also, pick up a tip sheet on how to prevent the spread of germs.

WESTERN RECORDER

How do you like to read the Western Recorder? Do you like to read it online or do you prefer the paper version? Make your choice and read about what our church and other Kentucky Baptists are doing around the world. If you prefer to read the Western Recorder online or want to be deleted from the mailing list, let Joy Stelly know so she can make the needed change to the subscription list. If you are willing to pay for your subscription or someone else's Western Recorder, place a check of \$15.00 in the offering plate and designate it as "Western Recorder". Thanks!

LOREN'S LETTERS FOR LITTLES

Loren Been - Interim Minister of Preschool

Hello Friends and Families of Tiny Humans!!
We are so excited to start an eight-week experimental period with Children's Church. Four and Five-year-olds will no longer be attending "Big people church" starting on February 18, 2018. Instead, they will get to experience a "tiny human" version. There will be singing, crafts, a sermon, and even an offering—much like our "big people" service. Our goal is to really get down to a child's level and help them understand God's love. If you are willing to help with Children's Church, please email me (loren@ferncreekbaptist.org)! We are so excited to see what God has in store for our Preschool Department.