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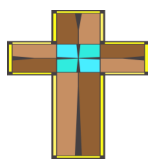
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**FERN CREEK
BAPTIST
CHURCH**



Reaching Up...

Reaching In...

Reaching Out...

The Disciple

January 4, 2021

LINDA'S LINES

On behalf of our entire church staff, we express our appreciation for your love, encouragement, and support. Thanks for the generous love offerings you gave to us at Christmas. We are very grateful. We are honored to serve with you at FCBC!

When the gift of Jesus was given to the world, the Wise Men took gifts to honor Him. What about our gifts to Him? Christina Rossetti wrote:

*What can I give Him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man, I would do my part;
Yet, what I can I give Him: Give my heart.*

Richard Foster (Christian theologian, author, and pastor) said, "Giving with a glad and generous heart has a way of routing out the tough old miser within us. Even the poor need to know that they can give. Just the very act of letting go of money or some other treasure does something within us. That something destroys the demon of greed."

What will you give the Lord Jesus Christ this New Year?

- Will you give Him your allegiance and submission as your King?
- Will you give Him your worship, praise, and adoration?
- Will you give Him your tithes and offerings?
- Will you give of your time for God's kingdom and His church?
- Will you give Him your heart – your life – your all – as the One who paid the price for your redemption?

What will you give Him today?

We certainly look forward to being back in all of our regular activities real soon. We will keep you posted as decisions are made. Please join us for the following:

- This **Wednesday, January 6**, all evening activities are canceled onsite. We will be emailing a Prayer Service to you. We hope all of you will join us in your own homes as we start this New Year in prayer.
- Sunday evening, **January 10, 6:00 p.m.**, will feature our International Mission Studies. Preschoolers and children will meet in their regular classrooms and the adults will meet in the sanctuary. It is exciting to hear what is going on in other parts of the world as the gospel is being shared by missionaries and others. Please remember that sharing the good news of Jesus Christ is not an option for Christians. The Great Commission in Matthew 28:19-20 says: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."
- Our regular Business Meeting (**January 10, 7:00 p.m.**) will follow the International Mission Studies.

Praise God for the vaccines that have been approved and are already being distributed! Praise God for all He is doing among us! Please continue to cry out to Him for His mercy and grace! Please continue to pray for God's kingdom to come on earth! **Continue to pray, "Lord, send a great revival!"**

MUSIC NOTES

Steve Skaggs - Interim Minister of Music

A New Year's Resolution: Do Not Worry

Therefore, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own. (Matthew 6:34, NIV)

Jesus' "Sermon on the Mount" is recorded in Matthew, chapters five through seven. Beginning with the "Beatitudes" and ending with the story of the wise and foolish builders, Jesus, using the Old Testament law as the basis for His sermon, gave His hearers new insight into how we can live in harmony with God, others, and ourselves. "You have heard it said," Jesus would begin before adding, "but I tell you." In these three chapters, Jesus lays out much of His teachings that He will present again and again.

Somewhere around the middle of the sermon He lays out the instruction that is quoted above. "Do not worry," he said. That sounds pretty direct and simple. But there is more to it than not worrying. Rather, God wants us to rely on Him and acknowledge that He *alone* gives and sustains life. "My times are in your hands," David wrote in Psalm 31.

Ira Stanphill, an Assembly of God preacher and evangelist, wrote several gospel songs. You are probably familiar with these words that he penned.

*I don't know about tomorrow,
I just live from day to day;
I don't borrow from it's sunshine,
For it's skies may turn to gray;
I don't worry o'er the future,
For I know what Jesus said,
And today I'll walk beside Him,
For He knows what is ahead.*

*Many things about tomorrow
I don't seem to understand;
But I know who holds tomorrow,
And I know who holds my hand.*

There are a lot of things that I wish I knew about this new year. A central question for me is, "when will choir get to meet again on a regular basis?" And, of course, we all are wondering about what will happen with the pandemic during 2021. So much is at stake! But I can be sure, as Jesus taught in Matthew 6:27, that my anxious worry will not add a single minute to my life. My job—our job—is to trust that the One who cares for the birds and the lilies, cares even more for us.

Happy New Year!
Steve

FROM THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

We are trying to provide as many ways as possible for people to hear about FCBC and all of the wonderful ministries going on here. If you are on Facebook, we hope you will "like" our Facebook pages and become a regular follower. If you have any questions, please contact Warren Grumbley.

- Here is the link for our church page: <https://www.facebook.com/FCBCLouisville/>
- Also, here it the link to the CDC page: <https://www.facebook.com/fbcfdc777/>



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

6 - Pat Daniels	22 - Rachel Been
Teresa Kendall	Chad Murphy
7 - Geanine Escobar	22 - Charlie Cress
Taren Walton	Shirlon Turner
11 - Jaylen Kelley	23 - Kevin Blansette
12 - Jamie Glenn	Mindy Glenn
13 - Steedra Kelley	Pat Joyce
Jim Magruder	Angela Rasco
Carole Nagle	24 - Rita Stevens
Brenda Pennington	26 - Betty Hobbs
14 - Nancy Dean	Shirley Powers
Dot Hester	27 - Bonnie Griffin
17 - Shirley Hill	28 - Matt Fentress
18 - Neal Tingle	Dan Fox
19 - Ryan Stone	David Lanham
20 - Tammy Squires	31 - Jodie Towels

SEEKING: FULL-TIME OFFICE COORDINATOR / SECRETARY FERN CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH.

Applicant must be a spiritually mature Christian and active church member, have several years of church office experience, and have very strong computer skills. The applicant must be highly skilled in Word, Publisher, Excel, PowerPoint, Website Management, and Church Software Programs. Send resumes to: Fern Creek Baptist Church, Attention: Personnel Committee, 5920 Bardstown Road, Louisville, KY 40291, or email to linda@ferncreekbaptist.org. Resumes will be received through January 15, 2021 Questions? Call 239-0316 ext. 103 (Linda Barnes Popham, Pastor).



If you are interested in participating in a Diabetes Support Group, please contact Norma Routt (podroutt@aol.com) or sign up in the common area between the Sanctuary and the Christian Life Center. The group meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center. A new session will begin February 21.

DECEMBER 27, 2020



ATTENDANCE
MORNING WORSHIP - 52

OUR STEWARDSHIP

<u>SUNRISE</u>	\$ 605.00	Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 9,731.00
<u>LOTTIE MOON</u>	\$ 1097.50	Budget Received	\$ 7,187.00
<u>NICARAGUA</u>	\$ 50.00	Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 165,427.00
<u>HONDURAS</u>	\$ 2.50	Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 149,211.20
		<u>BUILDING FUND</u>	
		Weekly Total	\$ 202.00
		Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 5,949.58

RESPONSIBILITIES

Week of January 10

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Carolyn Simpson 558-8065

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Alex Gibbs 270-847-8227

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

No Children's Church

EXTENDED SESSION

Donna Grimes & Jeannie Kern

TECH TEAM

Director - Alex Gibbs

Streamer - Chris Towles

Sound - Phil Shewmaker

AV - Jamie Gibbs

Wednesday - Phil Shewmaker

Week of January 17

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Joy Stelly 724-3317

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Chad Popham 759-2013

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EXTENDED SESSION

Donna Grimes & Jeannie Kern

TECH TEAM

Director - Jon Heinrich

Streamer - Jacob Heinrich

Sound - Phil Shewmaker

AV - Chris Towles

Wednesday - Sam Frizzell

CDC HAPPENINGS

Terri Bosemer - CDC Director

REGISTRATION 2020-2021

It's not too late to register for our Child Development Program!!! We again are offering two, three, and four-year-old classes. Please see me for an enrollment form. Please make sure to fill out (front and back) and return to the office. Each application must include a \$100 non-refundable reservation fee in order for the application to be processed. No reservation will be made before the fee has been received. If you have any questions or need assistance, please email terri@ferncreekbaptist.org or call 502-239-8952.

PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES
IN THE HOSPITAL/REHAB AS OF DECEMBER 30, 2020

- Leonard Westmorland – Frazier Rehab – Room 710
- Polly Ann Curry
- Bill Green – Traditions at Beaumont – Room 104
- Jenny Green – Traditions at Beaumont – Room 204
- Jenny Magruder – Traditions at Beaumont – Room 436
- Mary Redmond – Morning Pointe – Apt. 305
- Connie Fisher (Shannon Fisher's mother) – Creekside on Whipps Mill
- Joe Curry - Lebanon



**CALENDAR
OF EVENTS**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2021

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2021

In-Home Prayer Service

No Evening Activities

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2021

10:00 a.m. WMU Sewing Group

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2021

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. International Mission Studies

7:00 p.m. Business Meeting

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2021

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2021

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship

L.I.G.H.T. for Youth

Children's Choirs

7:30 p.m. Vocal Ensemble

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2021

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. Discipleship Training

Mission Friends

Girls in Action

Royal Ambassadors

Acteens & Challengers

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

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.



*With Deepest Sympathy
Extended To:*

Charles and Pam Walton at the death of Charles' sister, Barbara Sapp.



Thank You Notes have been placed on the bulletin board from: The Hill/Pierson Family, and Doris Ann Sea.

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