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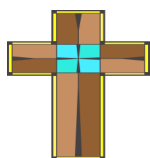
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**FERN CREEK
BAPTIST
CHURCH**



Reaching Up...

Reaching In...

Reaching Out...

The Disciple

March 1, 2021

LINDA'S LINES

Sunday, **March 14**, begins our 40 Days of Prayer emphasis which kicks off "The Gospel To Every Home" campaign sponsored by the Kentucky Baptist Convention. Our Evangelism and Outreach Committee will be leading in this huge endeavor. The intent is to get the gospel to all the homes across our commonwealth. When Billy Graham was asked about the most important steps in preparing for an evangelistic outreach, he always answered that there were three things that mattered most: "Prayer, prayer, and prayer." As Kentucky Baptists cooperate to get the gospel to the 1,728,681 homes in Kentucky by November 2021, we know that we must pray, pray, and pray! Please begin praying now for workers to sow the seeds of the gospel. Please pray that God would produce a bounteous harvest. Since more than 81% of Kentuckians were unchurched pre-COVID, there has never been greater urgency to get the gospel to every home! We will be distributing the prayer guides in the coming days and more details are forthcoming. I hope that our entire church family will participate in this much needed venture. Please carry Jesus' words (the Great Commission) in your hearts and minds: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 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." (Matthew 28:18-20)

If you will write a devotional for this year's Holy Week Devotional Book, please call the church office. The devotional theme is "Journey with Jesus".

During this Lenten season we continue to focus on Jesus' journey during the last month of His life on earth. During the remaining Sundays prior to Holy Week, we will focus on the following:

- March 7 – Luke 18:18-30 – "Journey with Jesus and the Rich Man"
- March 14 – Luke 18:35-43 – "Journey with Jesus and the Blind Man"
- March 21 – Luke 19:1-10 – "Journey with Jesus and Zacchaeus"

If you are interested in participating in this year's Honduras Mission Trip (July 31 – August 6), please contact me as soon as possible. We would love to have you participate. We will have a team meeting sometime this month.

This year we will have a Drive-Through Easter Egg Event with an evangelistic emphasis similar to last year's. It will be held on **Saturday, March 27, 11:00 a.m.** The public will be invited to attend at the advertised time. We invite our church's children and our Child Development Center children to arrive at **10:30 a.m.** Please enter on the gas station side and drive around to the canopy drive-through of the common area entrance. Easter Bags will be delivered to your car. We do not need Easter eggs or other supplies to be donated; however, we would appreciate monetary donations (checks written to FCBC and designated Easter Egg Event). Please do not give to this in place of your tithe. We will follow the same sanitary procedures with the Easter Bags as last year. The Children's Committee and Preschool Committee will give more details soon.

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



Our Sympathy Is Extended To:

- Ashley Anderson and Keith Miller at the death of their father, Keith Miller, Sr.
- Carolyn Simpson and family at the death of her cousin, Steve Simpson.

G.R.O.W.

GOD REWARDS OUR WORK

In the GROW Room

Join us as we reach out to our community with the good news of Jesus Christ!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2021

- 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting
- 6:45 p.m. All Committees
- 7:00 p.m. Administrative & Ministry Committees
- 8:00 p.m. Church Council

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021

- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship
Wonderful Wednesday
L.I.G.H.T
- 7:30 p.m. Vocal Ensemble/Tech Team

THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2021

- 10:00 a.m. WMU Sewing Group
- 4:00 p.m. CLC Reserved

SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 2021

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 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
- 7:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2021

- 4:00 p.m. CLC Reserved

TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021

- 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021

- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship
Wonderful Wednesday
L.I.G.H.T
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

CDC HAPPENINGS

Terri Bosemer - CDC Director

SUMMER FUN



Just a reminder, if anyone is interested in enrolling their child in the "Summer Fun" program, NOW is the time! We fill up quickly. The start date is June 15; the session ends on July 29. This program is offered to two, three, and four-year-olds (must be two by August 1, 2020). "Summer Fun" is a wonderful way to keep your child in the routine of going to school. For the two-year-old children, this program is a great introduction to fall preschool. It also helps beat those summer boredom blues. The schedule will be filled with many fun and enriching activities such as splash day, chapel, and crafts. To enroll please call 502-239-8952 or email terri@ferncreekbaptist.org

FALL REGISTRATION 2021-2022

We will again offer two, three, and four-year-old classes. It is important to reserve your child's spot for the upcoming year. Please see Ms. Terri 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 call 239-8952 or email terri@ferncreekbaptist.org.

WEEK OF MARCH 7

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Mary Kleber 262-8756

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Chad Popham 759-2013

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

No Children's Church

EXTENDED SESSION

Jeannie Kern & Donna Grimes

TECH TEAM

Director – Alex Gibbs
Streamer – Chris Towles
Sound – Phil Shewmaker
AV – Jamie Gibbs
P.M. - Phil Shewmaker
Wednesday - Lisa Payne

WEEK OF MARCH 14

DEACON OF THE WEEK

George Popham 419-8939

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Kevin Blansette 403-8173

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

No Children's Church

EXTENDED SESSION

Jeannie Kern & Donna Grimes

TECH TEAM

Director – Jon Heinrich
Streamer – Jacob Heinrich
Sound – Phil Shewmaker
AV – Chris Towles
P.M. - Sam Frizzell
Wednesday - Sam Frizzell

SUNDAY EVENINGS: WINTER SESSION

February 14 – March 21

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- **Youth Choir** (grades 6-12) – led by Steve Skaggs and Kristin Jones (Choir Room 306) (Snacks 5:45 p.m.) – Youth Choir resumes on March 7.

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Mission Friends** (ages 2-5) – taught by Terri Bosemer and Kristin Jones (Room 101)
- **Girls in Action** (girls, grades 1-5) – taught by Jodie Towles and Susan Hudgins (Room 204)
- **Royal Ambassadors** (boys, grades 1-5) – taught by Renee Bryant and Norma Routt (Room 206)
- **Acteens** (girls, grades 6-12) – taught by Melissa Logsdon-Young and Nancy Shewmaker (Christian Life Center – Room 414)
- **Challengers** (boys, grades 6-12) – taught by Warren Grumbley and Chris Towles (Christian Life Center – Room 413)
- **"Daring Faith"** by Rick Warren) – facilitated by Michele Crider and Linda Popham (sanctuary)
- **Childcare** – led by Jeannie Kern and Donna Grimes (available for babies and toddlers who are children of teachers or those attending the adult class) (Room 111 – First Floor of Education Building – Child Development Center)

PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES IN THE HOSPITAL/REHAB AS OF FEBRUARY 24, 2021

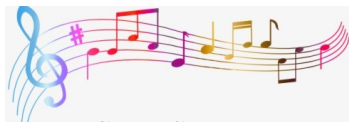
- Ralph Beard – Louisville East Rehab
- Polly Ann Curry – Sycamore Heights Nursing Home – Room D-6 / Noarton W
- Jenny Magruder – Traditions at Beaumont – Room 436
- Mary Redmond – Morning Pointe – Apt. 305
- Connie Fisher (Shannon Fisher’s mother) – Creekside on Whipps Mill



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Barbara Dean
- 2 - Hannah Arnold
Linda Joyce
- 5 - Bob Hester
Dennis Starks
- 6 - Scot Anderson
George Popham
- 8 - Cody Ryan
Tina VanMeter
- 9 - Lori Bedard
Billy Blanford
Terry Kaelin
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
- 17 - Katie Heinrich
- 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

MUSIC NOTES



Steve Skaggs
Interim Minister of Music

A TIME FOR SINGING

*See! The winter is past; the rains are over and gone.
Flowers appear on the earth;
The season of singing has come,
The cooing of doves is heard in our land.
Song of Songs 2:11-12 (NIV)*

There is nothing like a beautiful spring day after a hard winter spell to make us feel like singing—or spring cleaning! The middle of February gave us snow and ice and the coldest temperatures we have seen in a while. That, compounded with the effects of the pandemic, have me and probably you ready to get out and do some celebrating.

Solomon was expressing that sentiment in the poetry that is quoted above. He wanted to celebrate the new season and join creation in singing to the one he loved. If you are experiencing some cabin fever there are some great opportunities to join in worship of the One you love with fellow believers at Fern Creek Baptist.

Sunday Morning Services

- Sunday School has resumed. Let’s study God’s Word together to know more about the One to Whom we sing.
- The 10:45 a.m. service offers three ways for you to join your voice in praise: in the sanctuary, on the parking lot, or by tuning in to the livestream on the internet. You can even tune in to the service at any time during the week!
- Let us continue to give thanks to God for the technology that has allowed us to reach out into homes literally around the world during this time. And be sure to express your appreciation to the volunteers who go the extra mile each week to make this happen. We will continue to strive to improve this experience.

Choirs and Ensembles

- We are planning to resume choir rehearsal on Wednesday, March 10, after prayer meeting. We will meet in the sanctuary, wear our singing masks, and sit at safe distances. We hope to have a choir of around 10 people in the loft for Easter Sunday.
- Youth Choir resumes March 7, 5:00 p.m. Please encourage our teenage and even post-high school teens to join this group. It will be a blessing! Let me know if there is someone you would like for me to invite personally.
- Children’s Choirs will resume soon! Karen and Kristin are planning for a great spring semester!
- We hope to have a small handbell choir leading in worship on Easter Sunday.
- I also want to invite beginning or less experienced ringers to consider joining us for a beginning handbell choir that will meet on Sunday afternoons. Send me an email at steve@ferncreekbaptist.org if you’d like to be a part of this so that I can gauge interest.
- For our instrumental group, we do hope to get back together in the spring. I’ll be in touch and you can let me know if you are interested.
- The vocal ensemble that has been leading in worship music the past year has been such a blessing to me. Make sure you encourage them for going the extra mile as they continue their servant leadership.

We’re not out of the woods with this pandemic, yet. We will continue to follow guidelines and go the extra mile to keep everyone safe. But, with the vaccine and with some restrictions being eased, we prayerfully plan and hope for better days on the horizon. After all, it is spring and soon it will be Easter: a time for singing!

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MARCH ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

The following activities are at **6:30 p.m.**:

- Wednesday Worship in the sanctuary
- Wonderful Wednesday for preschoolers/children
- LIGHT for youth (grades 6-12) in the CLC

The Vocal ensemble rehearses at **7:30 p.m.**

Adult Choir resumes on **March 10, 7:30 p.m.**

SUNDAY MORNINGS

- Sunday School is at **9:30 a.m.** There are classes for all ages.

- Morning Worship continues at **10:45 a.m.** in the sanctuary and online. It is also transmitted to the parking lot.

SUNDAY EVENINGS

The regular Sunday **6:00 p.m.** activities of Discipleship Training and Missions continue. See inside for details.

MARCHEVENTS

- **March 1, 2:00 p.m.** – Circle of Hope
- **March 2, 6:45 p.m.** – Committee Meetings
- **March 4 & 18, 10:00 a.m.** – WOM Sewing Group
- **March 6, 7:57 a.m.** – Men’s Breakfast
- **March 6, 10:00 a.m.** – Women on Mission
- **March 10, 6:30 p.m.** – North American Mission Study for Adults
- **March 18, 6:00 p.m.** – Diabetic Support Group
- **March 22, 7:00 p.m.** – GROW
- **March 28 (after morning worship)** – Blood Pressure Checks
- **March 27, 11:00 a.m.** – Easter Egg Event
- **March 28, 6:00 p.m.** – Lenten Reflection (streamed)

FEBRUARY 21, 2021



OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 9,731.00
Budget Received	\$ 6,285.11
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 243,275.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 241,426.25

BUILDING FUND

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
SUNDAY SCHOOL - 59	\$ 99.00
MORNING WORSHIP - 75	\$ 6,970.78
Year-to-Date Balance	

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