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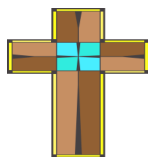
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**FERN CREEK
BAPTIST
CHURCH**



Reaching Up...

Reaching In...

Reaching Out...

The Disciple

March 15, 2021

LINDA'S LINES

Our 40 Days of Prayer emphasis which kicks off "The Gospel To Every Home" initiative sponsored by the Kentucky Baptist Convention has now begun. If you have not received a prayer guide, please come by the church and pick one up or we can mail one to you. We will also be sending out the daily devotionals by email. Our Evangelism and Outreach Committee (Chairperson – Melissa Logsdon-Young) is leading in this endeavor. Please mark these dates on your calendar:

- **April 10, 10:00 a.m.** – We will begin in the sanctuary with a Rally/ Training and then we will divide into groups and go prayer walking or driving to the areas we will be visiting. We will be visiting approximately 5,500 homes during this entire initiative.
- **April 24, 10:00 a.m.** – The visits will begin to the assigned areas of our community.. These visits will continue through **June 5.**
- **June 6** – Harvest Sunday – We gather to rejoice in all that God has done through this evangelistic emphasis.

We hope our entire church family will participate in this initiative! Acts 1:8 says: *"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."* Will you start by being His witness in our own "Jerusalem"? People need Jesus! Will you share the gospel with them?

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

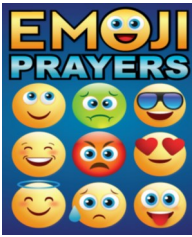
EASTER EGG EVENT DONATIONS

The Easter Egg Event will be following the same safety protocol as last year. Therefore, 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 event in place of your tithes. Questions? Please contact Lisa Payne, Children's Committee Chairperson, or Jodie Towles, Bookkeeper.

DRIVE-THROUGH EASTER EGG EVENT

March 27, 11:00 a.m.

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 of **11:00 a.m.** We invite our church family children and our Child Development Center children to drive through at **10:30 a.m.** Everyone else will come after that. Please enter on the gas station side and drive around to the canopy drive-through of the common area entrance. Easter Bags for your children will be delivered to your car. We will follow the same sanitary procedures with the Easter Bags as last year.



Wonderful Wednesday

6:30 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.

Grades 1 - 5 - room 204

Preschoolers – Kindergarten - room 101

March 17 - Forgiving those who have hurt us

Questions? Contact Karen Love.

PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES IN THE HOSPITAL/REHAB AS OF MARCH 10, 2021

- Polly Ann Curry – Sycamore Heights Nursing Home – Room D-6
- Jenny Magruder – Traditions at Beaumont – Room 436
- Mary Redmond – Morning Pointe – Apt. 305
- Connie Fisher (Shannon Fisher’s mother) – Creekside on Whippys Mill



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting Canceled

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2021

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship
Wonderful Wednesday
L.I.G.H.T

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 2021

10:00 a.m. WMU Sewing Group

SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 2021

9:00 a.m. Work Day

SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 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

MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2021

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
 5:00 p.m. Ministry & Missions Training
 6:30 p.m. Children’s Committee Mtg.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2021

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

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2021

4:30 p.m. Diabetes Support Group

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2021

11:00 a.m. Easter Egg Event - Drive through

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 through 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 let call 239-8952 or email terri@ferncreekbaptist.org.

WEEK OF MARCH 21

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Nancy Shewmaker 296-2341

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Warren Grumbley 216-9981

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

TBA

EXTENDED SESSION

Jeannie Kern & Donna Grimes

TECH TEAM

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

WEEK OF MARCH 28

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Phil Shewmaker 558-1003

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

TBA

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

TBA

EXTENDED SESSION

Jeannie Kern & Donna Grimes

TECH TEAM

Director – Jon Heinrich
 Streamer – Jacob Heinrich
 Sound – Phil Shewmaker
 AV – Chris Towles
 P.M. - Pre-recorded Service
 Wednesday - Lisa Payne

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 (Choir Room 306) (Snacks 5:45 p.m.)

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Mission Friends** (ages 2-5) – taught by Terri Bosemer and TBA (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)

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

SUNDAY, MARCH 28: PALM SUNDAY

10:45 a.m. We remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and into our lives. Join us for worship in our sanctuary or online by going to www.ferncreekbaptist.org and clicking the red *Worship Livestream* button. The service will also be transmitted to our parking lot by turning your ignition to accessory and tuning in to 97.7 FM.

7:00 p.m. We will focus on music that reminds us of the events of Holy Week during this Lenten Reflection. Join us in singing wherever you are. This is only an online service. To join us, please go to www.ferncreekbaptist.org and click the red *Worship Service Livestream* button.

MONDAY, MARCH 29

6:00 a.m. The sanctuary will be open until 8:00 a.m. each morning this week for Morning Prayers. You may come anytime during these two hours. A personal worship guide will be offered. Hear God speak to you in the beauty of His holiness.

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

6:00 a.m. Morning Prayers (See Monday for details.)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

6:00 a.m. Morning Prayers (See Monday for details.)

THURSDAY, APRIL 1: MAUNDY THURSDAY

6:00 a.m. Morning Prayers (See Monday for details.)

6:00 p.m. The sanctuary will be open until 8:00 p.m. for prayer and meditation. You may come anytime during these two hours. You will receive a personal worship guide and have the opportunity to partake of the Bread and the Cup as we remember God's love for us and reflect upon Jesus' mandate to share His love with others.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2: GOOD FRIDAY

6:00 a.m. Morning Prayers (See Monday for details.)

7:00 p.m. We will join together in the sanctuary as we focus on the events of Christ's journey to the cross from Luke's gospel. These readings will be interspersed with beloved hymns and songs that accentuate the texts. Several of our talented church members will share in song through voices and instruments. The service will also be livestreamed and transmitted to the parking lot.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

6:00 a.m. Morning Prayers (See Monday for details.)

SUNDAY, APRIL 4: EASTER CELEBRATION

7:30 a.m. We will celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ through a Sunrise Service in the backyard of the church. The service will also be on Facebook Live. In case of inclement weather the service will be moved to the Christian Life Center.

9:00 a.m. We celebrate the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ! God's Word will be spoken through proclamation and music from the Vocal Ensemble.

10:45 a.m. We continue the celebration of Christ's resurrection as God's Word is proclaimed through His Word and music by the Adult Choir. This service will also be livestreamed and transmitted to the parking lot.



Our Sympathy Is Extended To:

Joy Stelly and family at the death of her step-mother, Rita Daughtery.

MUSIC NOTES

Steve Skaggs, Interim Minister of Music

I WILL SING OF MY REDEEMER

A review of the "Topical Index of Hymns" in the back of the 1991 edition of *The Baptist Hymnal* (the hymnal in our pews) reveals that we Baptists do certainly like to sing about Jesus, our Redeemer. Look specifically at the fifteen topics that begin with the name of our Lord and you will see many titles that deal with His blood, His cross, and the resurrection. Paul, in I Corinthians 15, said, "For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures" (verses 3-4). Paul called this the gospel—the good news that Christ had defeated death, that death had been "swallowed up in victory."

As we come to our special Holy Week services you will hear the gospel proclaimed through the reading of Scripture, the Sermons by Pastor Linda, the prayers, and the songs and hymns. What a time to witness to the love and grace of God. He truly loved a lost and dying world so much that "He gave His only begotten Son" as John 3:16 tells us.

Beginning on Palm Sunday and culminating with Easter Sunday, Christians around the world will join their voices in singing songs of the cross and the resurrection during Holy Week. Many favor time-honored gospel hymns like "The Old Rugged Cross" while others like new expressions of faith through contemporary praise and worship songs such as Chris Tomlin's "At the Cross (Love Ran Red)." One of my favorite choral works for Holy Week is Handel's chorus "Worthy Is the Lamb" from *Messiah* which is followed by an extended choral "Amen."

Whatever you favor personally when it comes to style of church music, the most important thing, as preached by Paul in I Corinthians 15, is to proclaim Christ and to remember that "by this gospel you are saved." Will you invite someone to worship with us this year during Holy Week? Given the use of technology it is easier than ever. You will see a variety of opportunities as you scan the church calendar. There is someone you know that the Spirit is calling you to reach out to and invite them to come to church—to come to Jesus.

*I Will sing of my Redeemer
And His wondrous love to me;
On the cruel cross He suffered
From the curse to set me free.*

Phillip P. Bliss

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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
 - Adult Choir rehearses at **7:30 p.m.**
- 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 MORNINGS

SUNDAY EVENINGS

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

MARCH EVENTS

- **March 22, 7:00 p.m.** – GROW
- **March 25, 4:30 p.m.** – Diabetic Support Group
- **March 27, 11:00 a.m.** – Easter Egg Event (Drive Through)
- **March 28 (after morning worship)** – Blood Pressure Checks
- **March 28, 6:00 p.m.** – Lenten Reflection (streamed)

Saturday, March 20
9:00 a.m.

Please meet in the Christian Life
Center for work assignments.



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MARCH 7, 2021



ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 64
MORNING WORSHIP - 81

OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 9,731.00
Budget Received	\$ 13,032.00
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$ 262,737.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$ 262,075.25

BUILDING FUND

Weekly Total	\$ 141.50
Year-to-Date Balance	\$ 7,223.28
ANNIE ARMSTRONG	\$ 310.00