

**Fern Creek
Baptist Church**

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The Disciple

March 3, 2020

LINDA'S LINES



STAFF

Rev. Linda Barnes Popham
Pastor
239-6628

Rev. Steve Skaggs
Interim Minister of Music, ext. 111

Kristin Jones
Associate Minister of Music,
ext. 116

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Organist

Karen Love
Pianist

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Office Coordinator, ext. 100

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Bookkeeper, ext. 102

Leonard Westmorland
Director of Facilities, ext. 104

The book of James is certainly full of challenging words as we continue to journey through this epistle on Sunday mornings. With practical illustrations, James shows us clearly how to live our everyday Christian lives. He tells us how Christians are to act. Please continue reading, studying, and meditating on these words. The next few weeks of sermons will be:

- March 8 – James 4:1-17 – “Are You Totally Submitted to God?”
- March 15 – James 1:9-11; 5:1-6 – “How Are You Using Your Wealth?”
- March 22 – James 5:7-12 – James 5:7-12 – “Are You Patient in Suffering?”
- March 29 – James 5:13-20 – “How is Your Prayer Life?”

We are still in need of more writers for our

Holy Week Devotional Book. Thanks for your help in sharing words of inspiration with our church family and community. You may sign up at the shelf in the common area or call the church office.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 16, 6:30 p.m., as several of the churches in our area gather to pray for revival and awakening. More details are forthcoming.

Please pray for our Personnel Committee as they continue to seek the right people to fill the ministerial staff positions at our church. Pray for God’s will to be very clear in this process.

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

WOMEN'S SPRING FEST

March 21, 2020

Doors Open at 11:30 a.m.

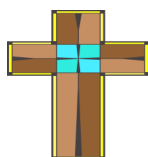
Tickets \$10.00 each, \$80.00 table

Guest Speaker: Joyce Oglesby
(Speaker, Author, and Pastor’s Wife)

The Women’s Spring Fest is for all ladies who would like to join us in fellowship, fun, great music, door prizes, and good food! Each table has a sponsor, and each sponsor decorates her table the way she wishes, and has so much fun doing so. Sponsors can fill their table with friends, family, co-workers, or other church members. Sponsors are needed so please join us for a wonderful afternoon of fellowship and fun! Tickets are available **NOW** after the morning service or in the church office.

For additional information or to reserve a table, please contact Becky Frizzell (882-3769) or Bev Crittenden (231-8687).

**FERN CREEK
BAPTIST
CHURCH**



Reaching Up...

Reaching In...

Reaching Out...



FEBRUARY 23, 2020

SUNDAY SCHOOL
125
MORNING WORSHIP
134

OUR STEWARDSHIP		
Weekly Budget Needs	\$	9,728.00
Budget Received	\$	8,205.50
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	\$	252,928.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	\$	245,652.60
BUILDING FUND		
Weekly Total	\$	83.00
Year-to-Date Balance	\$	4,201.63

Abounding in the *Freedom of Giving* Rather than in the Obligation of Giving (Part One)

How did you feel about the amount you gave last week to support the ministries of our church? Good? Worried that you cannot give that same amount on a regular basis? Feel you want to donate more to the church next week?

Scripture: II Corinthians 9:7B says, "God loves a cheerful giver."

Prayer: Dear God who loved me and all the world enough to give the greatest gift, the sacrifice of Your own child, I want to give with joy. I have a hard time imagining how I would feel if I knew I had to give my son or my daughter as a sacrifice. Yet that is what

You did. Speak to my heart about what I give to my church, my home away from home—my place of worship and fellowship.

Challenge: Consider putting your monetary gift in a church pew envelope next week if you do not have your own box of envelopes. Put your name on it. Very few people see who gives what. Let God see you are willing to sign your name to what you give.



STEWARDSHIP

WEEK OF MARCH 8
DEACON OF THE WEEK

Chris Towles 468-7369

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Ben Hale 386-4129

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Joy Stelly and Becky Frizzell

EXTENDED SESSION

Sharon Thompson, Tori Lawson, Nate Blansette, and Terry Schult

SOUND TECHNICIAN

Sunday - Jon Heinrich

Wednesday - Lisa Payne

AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN

Jacob Heinrich

YOUTH SNACK SUPPER

Renee Bryant

WEEK OF MARCH 15
DEACON OF THE WEEK

Ralph Beard 445-6824

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Gary Kistner 419-5505

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Kathy Russell and Linda Westmorland

EXTENDED SESSION

Marilyn Calvert, Tonya Grigsby, Chrissy Creech, and Jeannie Kern

SOUND TECHNICIAN

Sunday - Phil Shewmaker

Wednesday - Sam Frizzell

AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN

Chris Towles

YOUTH SNACK SUPPER

Roberta Anderson

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020

- 10:00 a.m. GROW (G-3 Team)
- 6:45 p.m. All Committees
- 7:00 p.m. Administrative / Ministry Committees
- 8:00 p.m. Church Council

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2020

- 5:30 p.m. Church Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship Children's Choirs L.I.G.H.T. for Youth
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal GROW (G-4 Team)

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2020

- 7:57 a.m. Men's Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Optical Training
- 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission / AGAPE Group
- 1:00 p.m. Montgomery Baby Shower

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2020

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Worship Service
- 1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
- 4:00 p.m. Handbell Choir
- 5:00 p.m. Children's Sign Language Class
- Discipleship Training Classes
- 6:00 p.m. Mission Friends Girls in Action Royal Ambassadors Acteens & Challengers Adult Sign Language Class Discipleship Training Classes
- 7:00 p.m. Business Meeting

MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2020

- 5:30 p.m. Church Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship Children's Choirs L.I.G.H.T. for Youth
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2020

- 11:00 a.m. "Young at Heart" Progressive Dinner Luncheon
- 6:30 p.m. Gather the Sheep

Sunday Mornings - 9:30 a.m.

SUNDAYSCHOOL
Growing Together In Christ

Classes for all ages!

Please pray for members / attendees in the hospital / rehab as of February 28, 2020:



- Margaret Ann Durham – Glen Ridge – Room 110

With Deepest Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to:

- Lewana Sams and family at the death of her husband, Moe;
- The family of Randy Fisher at his death;
- Edwin and Cynthia Fortune and family at the death of Cynthia's mother, Naomi Marbudu;
- Bev Crittenden and family at the death of her aunt, Margaret Caudil;
- Warren Grumbley and family at the death of his niece, Brittany Morris.

WOMEN ON MISSION QUILTING GROUP



Thursday
March 5 and 19
10:00 a.m.
Christian Life Center

Children's Choirs



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

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

Music Tots

Two & Three Year Olds
(must be two by 8/01/19)
Room 103

Music Friends

Four & Five Year Olds
(must be four by 8/01/19)
Room 101

Music Makers / Young Musicians

First Grade - Fifth Grade
Room 204

MEN'S BREAKFAST

First Saturday of Each Month
at 7:57 a.m.

Christian Life Center



Future Guest Speakers:

- March 7 - Daniel Mingo (Founder and Director of Abba's Delight)
- April 4 - Rev. Steve Skaggs (Our Interim Minister of Music)

All men are invited! Please bring friends!

Questions? Contact Bud Purnell, Chris Towles, or Warren Grumbley.



Quarterly Meetings

Tuesday,
March 3

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, Youth, Personnel, Stewardship, and Social)

8:00 p.m. - Church Council

(All Committee Chairpersons & Heads of Organizations)

Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend. (Childcare is provided.)



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)	

March 4

Chicken Stroganoff Vegetables Bread Dessert

March 11

Pork Roast Wild Rice Vegetables Bread Dessert

March 18

Taco Soup Rice / Fritos Salad Dessert

WOMEN ON MISSION

The AGAPE Group will meet on March 7 at 10:00 a.m. in the Christian Life Center in room 416.

Please join us for a great time of learning about missionaries and doing mission projects.



MONTGOMERY BABY SHOWER

March 7, 2020 - 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Christian Life Center

Join the Adult Choir as we celebrate with Joseph, Valerie, Justin, JoJo, and Jaxson as we welcome a baby girl into their family.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

March 8

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

SUNDAY EVENINGS

Winter Session Two: February 16 – March 29

Questions? Contact Pastor Linda or Renee Bryant,
Women's Missionary Union Director.

ADULT CLASSES

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- **Handbell Choir** – led by Steve Skaggs (Room 306 – Choir Room)

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- **“God’s Love Put Into Action”** (for men only) – taught by Rick Pryor (Kentucky Baptist Convention) (CLC – Room 416)
- **“Life Lessons from Women in the Bible”** (for women only) by Rhonda Harrington Kelley – taught by Deborah Lawrence (Room 210 – Upper Ramp)

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

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- **The Minor Prophets** – taught by Linda Barnes Popham and TBA (Sanctuary)
- **Sign Language Class** – taught by Lewana Sams and Terry and Brenda McDowell (Lower Ramp – Room 113)



YOUTH CLASSES

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- **Youth Choir** (grades 6 - 12) – led by Kristin Jones (Choir Room 306) (Snack Supper – 5:45 p.m.)

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Acteens** (girls, grades 6-12) – taught by Melissa Logsdon-Young and Pam Reid (Christian Life Center – Room 414)
- **Challengers** (boys, grades 6-12) – taught by Warren Grumbley and Bill Montgomery (Christian Life Center – Room 413)

CHILDREN’S CLASSES

The classrooms are located on the second floor of the Education Building.

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- **Sign Language Class** – taught by Lewana Sams and Terry and Brenda McDowell (Room 204)

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Girls in Action** (girls, grades 1-5) – taught by Jodie Towles and Roberta Anderson (Room 204)
- **Royal Ambassadors** (boys, grades 1-5) – taught by Tyler Anderson and Holland Kendall (Room 206)

PRESCHOOL CLASSES

The classrooms are located on the first floor of the Education Building / CDC.

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Mission Friends** (ages 2-5) – taught by Joy Stelly, Chrissy Creech, Nate Blansette, and Tori Lawson (Room 101)

Childcare (led by Jeannie Kern and Brooke Martin) is provided for babies and toddlers who are accompanying adults attending the classes. (Room 111 – First Floor of Education Building – Child Development Center)



CHILDREN’S SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS

Sunday Evenings

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Room 204

Taught by Lewana Sams and Terry and Brenda McDowell

HANDBELL CHOIR

Sundays at 4:00 p.m.

Please let Steve Skaggs know asap if you are willing to ring in this spring choir. Participants must be music readers and be consistent attendees. Adults and older teenagers are invited to participate.



Questions? Contact Steve Skaggs
steve@ferncreekbaptist.org / 239-0316 ext. 111 / 270-402-1123).

FERN CREEK / HIGHVIEW UNITED MINISTRIES NEEDS

The ministry is needing the following: canned fruit, pasta sauce, pasta, canned meats, canned beans, macaroni and cheese, shampoo, bar soap, razors, dishwashing liquid, deodorant, and toothpaste. They are also in need of paper and plastic grocery bags. Please place your donations in the bin in the collection area between the CLC and the Common Area.





BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, March 8
7:00 p.m.

Please be present as we discuss the business of God's church!

"Young at Heart"

Progressive Dinner Luncheon

March 12, 11:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.



Enter the CLC when you arrive at the church and begin our four-course meal adventure to the different places. The cost per person is \$15 which includes bus transportation and food (appetizers, salads, main course, and desserts). Your \$15 serves as your reservation. (Write checks to Fern Creek Baptist Church.) Please turn in your money to the church office or Geraldine Grigsby by March 9. We will have a great time and enjoy delicious food.

"GATHER THE SHEEP"

Join our deacons as we go forth to visit inactive members of our church and "bring them back into the fold". Join us in the GROW Room on either or both of these dates:

- Thursday, March 12, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- Saturday, March 14, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Please participate with us!

SALVATION DOLLS WORKSHOP

Mark your calendar for March 14, 10:00 a.m. - noon, for the next Salvation Dolls Workshop in the Christian Life Center. Everyone can participate. So, bring the whole family and help share the Gospel with others.

Questions? See Renee Bryant or Melissa Logsdon-Young.



Sisterhood

Tuesday, March 17
9:30 a.m.
Cracker Barrel in
Fern Creek

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

Thursday, March 19
6:00 p.m.
Christian Life Center, Room 416
Led by Norma Routt



ATTENTION: INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE

March 22 is Instrumental Ensemble Sunday. Please let Steve Skaggs know if you are interested in participating. Please meet in the Sanctuary at 8:30 a.m. on March 22.



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 foyer. This year's theme is "*Shadows of Holy Week*". Thank you for using scripture from the daily Bible readings as we reflect on the shadows that loomed over the earth at the time of Jesus' death. Let's, also, reflect on the light and life of the resurrection. (The daily Bible readings are next to the sign-up sheet.) Please turn in the devotionals to Joy Stelly or email her (joy@ferncreekbaptist.org) by **Wednesday, March 18**, or sooner.

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION



You are invited to join the **Communion for the Homebound** deacons on **March 29** as they visit our homebound members and share the Lord's Supper with them. Please meet in the conference room at **4:00 p.m.** to divide into teams.

HONDURAS TRIP

Pastor Linda's brother, Dr. Marty Barnes, will be leading a Mission Trip to Honduras this year, **July 25 – August 1, 2020**. This will be a small team that will travel to remote villages from our "home base" of La Esperanza. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Linda as soon as possible. We will have a team meeting soon.

CLOTHING COLLECTIONS

We are collecting children's clothing only for this summer's Honduras Mission Trip. Please put the clothing in the bin marked "Honduras" in the collection area between the Common Area and the CLC. Thanks!



CrossPoint@theCreek

for grades 6-12

Friday, March 27, 7:00 p.m.

Mark your calendars with the date change.

Guest Speaker – Brian Hinton

Louisville Regional Campus Minister

Invite your friends for a great evening!!

Music Notes

Steve Skaggs - Interim Minister of Music

Shirley and I are grateful to be with you during this time of interim as you search for a music minister. It is a blessing to love and encourage you as you seek God's will in discovering the minister He would choose for His work here at Fern Creek Baptist Church. The following are some things I believe are important for us to keep in mind as we prayerfully work through the process.

Love. Begin now to love the person that God will call here.

Faith. Have faith in God as He works in the process.

Pray. Prayer acknowledges our dependence on God in discerning His will.

Support. The staff and volunteer leaders need your support in every way.

Participate. Be in worship and participate in the various ministries of the church.

B. B. McKinney was a great Baptist church music leader during the early to mid-20th century. While leading music for a revival in Muskogee, Oklahoma in 1934, his interaction with the people helped him realize how the Great Depression and Oklahoma "dust bowl" had adversely affected their spiritual lives. Wanting to encourage them, he wrote the text and tune for his hymn, "Have Faith in God," one night upon returning to his hotel room after the service. Each of the four stanzas and the refrain of the beloved hymn are based on scripture but one line in the second stanza especially comes to my memory from time to time. "Wait on the Lord, trust His Word and be patient," McKinney wrote.

Psalm 27:14, the scriptural motivation for that hymn line says, "Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord" (NIV). Wow! Great encouragement from God's Word!

SEEKING: Fern Creek Baptist Church is seeking Summer Ministries' Interns. Applicants must be college or seminary students pursuing careers in ministry, music, teaching, or related fields and must have completed one year of college. 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 March 18, 2020. Questions? Call 239-0316 ext. 103 (Linda Barnes Popham).

SEEKING: Fern Creek Baptist Church is seeking Full-Time and Part-Time Ministerial Staff in the following areas: Music, Youth, Children, and Preschool. According to the applicant's gifts and skills, two of these areas will be combined for a full-time position. Applicants must exemplify a growing relationship with God, spiritual maturity, responsible authority, fervent evangelism, sound theology, and effective communication skills with all age groups. Applicants should have experience and education in ministry. Anyone seeking the music position must be an excellent musician, worship leader, and educator. 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 March 18, 2020. Questions? Call 239-0316 ext. 103 (Linda Barnes Popham).

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Barbara Dean
- 2 - Hannah Arnold
- Linda Joyce
- 5 - Bob Hester
- Dennis Starks
- 6 - Scot Anderson
- George Popham
- 8 - Cody Ryan
- 9 - Lori Bedard
- Billy Blandford
- 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
- 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

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). The deadline to turn in forms for the next panel is March 29.



Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
1	7:00 pm Deacons' Meeting	2	7:00 pm GROW (G Teams)	3	10:00 am GROW (G-3 Team) 6:45 pm All Comm. 7:00 pm Admin. / Ministry Committees 8:00 pm Church Council	4	4:30 pm Staff Meeting 7:30 pm GROW (G-4 Team)	5	10:00 am Women on Mission (Quilting Group)	6		7	7:57 am Men's Breakfast 9:00 am Optical Training 10:00 am Women on Mission (AGAPE Group) 1:00 pm Montgomery Baby Shower
Week of Prayer and Mission Study for North American Missions - Annie Armstrong Easter Offering													
8	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME - SPRING FORWARD 7:00 pm Business Meeting	9	7:00 pm GROW (R Teams)	10		11		12	11:00 am "Young at Heart" Progressive Dinner Luncheon 6:30 p.m. "Gather the Sheep"	13		14	10:00 am Salvation Dolls Workshop 1:00 p.m. "Gather the Sheep"
15	Jeff St. #1	16	7:00 pm GROW (O Teams)	17	9:30 am Sisterhood	18		19	10:00 am Women on Mission (Quilting Group) 6:00 pm Diabetes Support Group	20		Creative Ministries Festival	
22	8:30 am Instrumental Ensemble Creative Ministries Festival	23	7:00 pm GROW (W Teams)	24		25		26	7:00 pm VBS Meeting	27	7:00 pm CrossPoint@theCreek	28	
29	12:15 pm Blood Pressure Checks 4:00 pm Homebound Communion	30	7:00 pm GROW (ALL Teams) CDC Closed - Spring Break	31		March 2020							