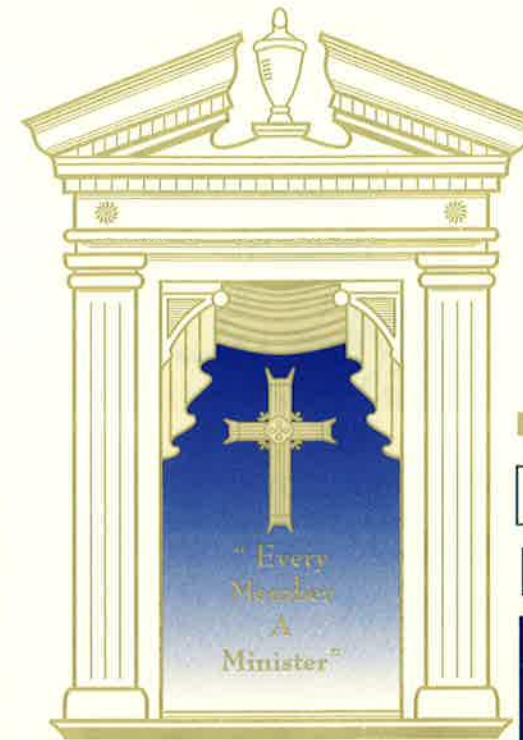


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JOIN US THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 5—LENT BEGINS

10:55 AM—THE SANCTUARY

SERMON: "THE HUNGER"
(ISAIAH 55)

DR. TOM BLAND, JR., PREACHING

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM:
"LORD, THY CHURCH ON EARTH
IS SEEKING"
BY DAVID SCHWOEBEL

LENTEN CROSS READERS: MICHAEL,
RHONDA, AND HUNTER ENSLEY

YOUTH READERS: HANNAH AND
HARRISON SEAGLE



COMING UP

♦ Sunday, March 5

8:30 AM— Deacons' Meeting-
Chapel
9:45 AM—Sunday School
10:55 AM—Worship Service
3:00 PM—Orchestra rehearsal
Youth Activities
4:30 PM—Choir practice
5:30 PM—Trip to Grace Episcopal
for labyrinth exercise
6:30-7:00 PM—Supper

♦ Monday, March 6

10:00 AM—Just in Case Pillowcase
Ministry Work Time
10:00 AM—Conversational English
Class for Korean Friends—Library
2:30-7:00 PM—Blood Drive-
Fellowship Hall
3:30-4:15 PM—Little Ringers II
4:30-5:00 PM—Little Ringers I

♦ Wednesday, March 8

4:15 PM—Family Ministries
Meeting—Library
Church Family Night
4:30-5:15 PM—Children's Choir-
downstairs in adult choir room
5:20 PM—Serving Line Opens
6:00 PM—Blessings and
Hymn of the Week
6:15 PM—
Adult Bible Study—*Jonah*—led by
Dr. Bland

Intergenerational Learning
Group

Intergenerational Bells
7:00 PM—Chancel Choir Practice
7:15 PM—Christian Education
Committee

♦ Thursday, March 9

6:30 PM—Chancel Ringers

♦ Friday, March 10

9:45 AM—Women's Prayer
Group—K101



2017 FBC ORGAN CONCERT SERIES

Number 1: JACK CAMPBELL MEMORIAL ORGAN RECITAL

Friday, March 17, 2017 7:00 P.M.

Join former FBC organist Elizabeth "Bibba" Whitener as she returns to the sanctuary to play the organ in memory of her beloved mentor, Jack H. Campbell, former Minister of Music at FBC. Campbell served the church from 1958 to 1979. "Bibba" will be joined by Campbell's daughter, Katherine, and his granddaughter, Lauren, both accomplished violinists.

Katherine, a former piano student of Whitener's, earned a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education and is a Suzuki violin teacher. She often performs with the Georgia Philharmonic Orchestra.

Lauren earned a bachelor's degree and a performer's certificate from the Conservatory of Music at Purchase College SUNY. She is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Violin Performance at Carnegie Mellon University.

"Bibba" will play several organ solos, such as Widor's "Toccata from Symphony No. 5," and will accompany the violinists on the grand piano. Among other selections, the trio will play the well-known "Bach Double." The concert is free and open to the public, though donations will be accepted to support the cost of repairs to the organ.

A reception will follow the concert.



"Bibba"



Katherine



Lauren

Mimosa Christian Counseling Center Fundraiser

12th Annual Spaghetti Lunch

This Sunday, March 5th 12:00-1:30

First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

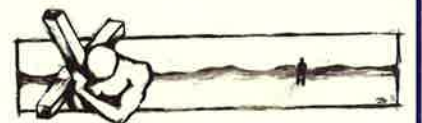
Includes Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Salad, Bread, Tea, and Dessert
Adults - \$7.00 Children under 12 - \$4.00 Early Take Outs Available
Please join us for a good meal and help us support this important ministry.



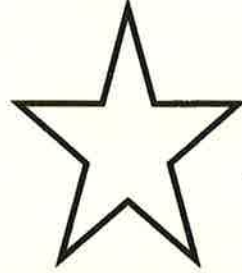
Proceeds go to the Mimosa Fund to assist those unable to pay for services.

LENTEN VESPERS 7:00 PM IN THE CHAPEL

STARTING THIS SUNDAY THROUGH LENT
THESE 30 MINUTE WORSHIP
EXPERIENCES OF PRAYER, SONG, AND
SILENCE WILL ENRICH YOUR OBSERVANCE OF THE LENTEN SEASON.



GO FOR THE
GOLD!



**High Attendance
MARCH MADNESS
IN
SUNDAY SCHOOL!**



Our Adult Sunday School Classes and the Youth Sunday School Department will compete for the next three Sundays to see who will get the **Gold Prize** in our "Golden Anniversary of Being At 502 West Union Street"

High Attendance in Sunday School Contest!

On the March Madness Brackets Chart you will find which class you will be competing with on March 5. We have calculated your class average attendance since January 1 (excluding the one "snow Sunday"). You will be competing to see which class gets the most over their average attendance. (For example, if your average is 10 and on March 5 you have 15 and the class you are competing against has an average of 12 and they get 15 YOUR CLASS WINS, because you got 5 more and they only got 3 more. Get it?)

Prizes for winners will be awarded each Sunday and the GOLD PRIZE for the winning class will be presented at our SUNDAY SCHOOL LOVEFEST and MARCH MADNESS VARIETY SHOW on Wednesday, March 22!

CLASSES COMPETING TO ADVANCE THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 5

- Hord, Hogshead, Brown Vs. Koinonia
- Cauble-Dorcas Vs. Huffman
- Serendipity Vs. New Covenant
- Circle of Friends Vs. Christians-In-Action
- Disciples Vs. Youth
- Agape Vs. Ecumenical

LAST CALL! ATTENTION : ALL ADULT CLASSES!

Your DREAMS AND VISIONS PLAN FOR 2017 IS DUE THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 5. The Christian Education Committee will meet next Wednesday to select this year's winner and will present The Dreams and Visions Strategic Planning Plaque and Prizes at the **March Madness Variety Show** and Sunday School Class Lovefest on March 22!



EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY UPDATE

Offering Received February 26.....	\$19,381
Budget Required to Date.....	\$145,080
Budget Received to Date.....	\$138,500
Organ /AV Fund Donations to Date.....	\$92,776

YOUTH MINISTRY

- Sunday, March 5
- 9:45 AM-Info and Prayer Time
- 10:00 AM-Bible Study
- 4:30 PM- Choir practice
- 5:30 PM- Trip to Grace Episcopal for labyrinth exercise
- 6:30-7:00 PM-Supper
- 7:00 PM-Vespers

CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT MENU

- Wednesday, March 8
- Glazed Ham/Pinto Beans/Cole Slaw/Fresh Baked Biscuit/Beverage
- Kid's Meal**—Hot Dog/Fries/and any other veggies from serving line
- Veggie Meal**—Baked Potato/Salad or Soup Bar/Pinto Beans/Cole Slaw/Biscuit/Drink
- Serving Team—Betty Ann Elmore

FBC FOOD SERVICE MINISTRY

- HOMEMADE QUICHE SALE**
- March 8 Pick-up between 3-7 PM
- Cost \$12
- Veggie Cheese or Mexican (not spicy) Each serves at least 6 people
- These freeze really well and are a perfect meal for breakfast, lunch or dinner! Call Suzette at 437-2544 ext. 18 by Tuesday, March 7 to reserve yours.

MISSION OPPORTUNITY

March 5-10
Rebuild work with *NC Baptists on Mission* in response to 2016 flooding in Eastern North Carolina. No training required. Volunteers of all levels are welcome to go. Contact Steve Bailey at 828-403-8321 for more information.

IN MEMORY

Gifts have been given in memory of **Jean Pope.**

IN HONOR

Gifts been given in honor of **Ann Hammond and Betty Hammond** and in honor of the Hord-Hogshead-Brown Sunday School teachers: **Dave Beck, Rudy Bell, John Cantrell, Jr., Rance Henderson, and Clyde Shuping.**



BACKPACK MINISTRY

Items for March
George Hildebrand Elementary: canned soup and canned chicken
Mountain Crest Elementary: canned fruit and boxed mac and cheese
Bring items to the church office.

GMC-GOD'S MATURING CHILDREN

Tuesday, March 14, 2017
FBC Fellowship Hall
11:30-Lunch 12:15 - Program
Program: Elvis Impersonator Michael Gantt
Join us for fun as we enjoy a collection of Elvis' # 1 Songs in the 50's and 60's!
Menu: Hearty Tossed Salad topped with Fried Chicken Strips, Soft Bread Sticks, Key Lime Pie, Beverage
Cost: \$6.00 for Meal No charge for program only . Make reservations with Suzette (437-2544 ext. 18) by Sunday afternoon, March 12. Bring staple foods for our FBC food chest.



Blood Drive

FBC BLOOD DRIVE

Next Monday, March 6
2:30 -7:00 p.m.

Call Cathy at 437-2544 or go to redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code fbcmorganton to schedule an appointment.
Lent is a great time to share the love of Christ by helping save lives through giving blood.
One donation can save up to three lives!

DEACON OF THE WEEK

March 5
Rudy Bell