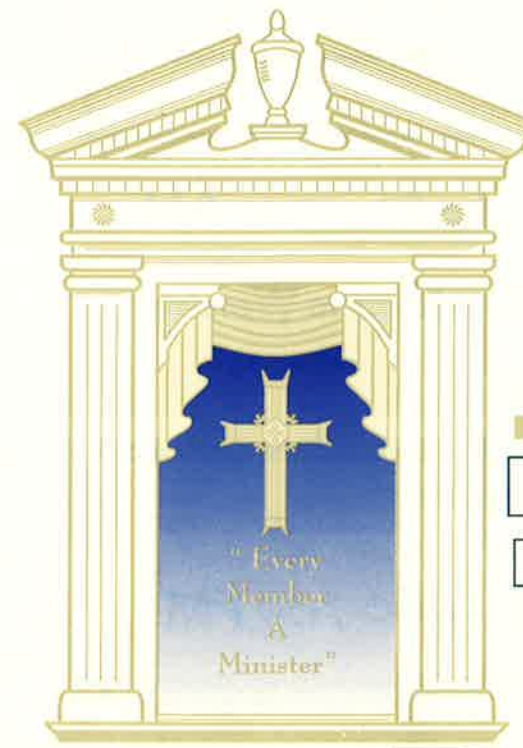


CHURCH WEEK

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COMING UP

- ↑ **Sunday, April 2**
8:30 AM– Deacons' Meeting-fellowship hall
9:00AM– Nursery Worker Training
9:45 AM –Sunday School
10:55 AM -Worship Service
Youth Activities
4:30 PM– Choir practice
5:30 PM– Supper
6:00-7:00 PM-Bible Study

7:00 PM-Sunday Lenten Vesper Service-Chapel
- ↑ **Monday, April 3**
10:00 AM-Just in Case Pillowcase Ministry Work Time
10:00 AM– Conversational English Class for Korean Friends-Library
3:30-4:15 PM– Little Ringers II
4:30-5:00 PM– Little Ringers I
- ↑ **Tuesday, April 4**
11:30 AM- Burke Women's Prayer Luncheon-Fellowship Hall
- ↑ **Wednesday, April 5**
3:30 PM– Prayer Team K101
4:30-5:15 PM-Children's Choir–adult choir room.
Church Family Night
5:20 PM-Serving Line Opens
6:00 Blessings and Celebrations, Hymn of the Week, Prayer Time
6:15 PM- Adult Bible Study– The Sermon on the Mount-led by Dr. Bland
Intergenerational Learning Group
Intergenerational Bells
7:00 PM– Chancel Choir Practice
- ↑ **Thursday, April 6**
6:30 PM-Handbells
- ↑ **Friday, April 7**
9:45 AM -Women's Prayer Group– K101

(GMC) GOD'S MATURING CHILDREN

Tuesday, April 11, 2017

11:30 AM– 1:00 PM FBC Fellowship Hall



Program: SENIORS LEADING THE WAY:
As Role Models with Sensibility and Experience
Guest Speaker: Rev. Johnny Phillips,
Retired Clinical Chaplain from J. Iverson Riddle Center.

During these challenging times for the church and society in general, Senior Adults have an important calling to contribute with their wisdom and perspectives gained from rich life experiences. Join us for this interesting and humorous affirmation of your invaluable worth as seniors.

Meal: Submarine Sandwich, Chips, Fruit Salad, Ice Cream Sundae, and Beverages
Costs: \$6.00

Make reservations with Suzette (437-2544 ext. 18) by Sunday, April 9
Please bring food for the FBC Food Chest.

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WORSHIP WITH US THIS SUNDAY



April 2, 2017—10:55 AM—In the Sanctuary
We will observe the Lord's Supper.

Sermon: "Living for Jesus"
(II Corinthians 5: 6-10)

Dr. Tom Bland, Jr. preaching

Youth Choir Anthems:

"Sinnuh Man" by Kenny Potter

"Forsaken" by Dan Forrest

The Chancel Ringers will ring.

Youth Lenten Readers: Beth LeCroy and Katie Rudicill

Lenten Cross Readers: Buddy, Traci, Katie Riebel

LAST SERVICE IN THIS SERIES.

LENTEN VESPERS

APRIL 2 7:00 PM-IN THE CHAPEL

Praise, confession of sin, meditation, commitment, praying for ourselves and the needs of others. Grow in holiness and discipline this Lent. These wonderful services include scripture readings and prayer, both spoken and sung.



HOLY WEEK EVENTS

Palm and Passion Sunday Worship April 9—10:55 AM

Snyder Memorial Baptist Church Youth Choir will be with us in Worship and our Youth Choir will also sing.

This multifaceted service begins with a children and youth processional with palm branches, symbolic of how Christ was greeted upon His final entry into Jerusalem.

Palm & Passion Sunday Evening Prayer Walk - 6:00-7:30 PM

This interactive devotional experience has become a cherished tradition for our church co-sponsored by our Youth and Deacon-led Prayer Team.

Stations of the Cross

A new devotional experience for our church focusing on Christ's path to the Crucifixion. Historically known for centuries as "Via Dolarosa" ("Way of the Cross"), our version is a fourteen-stop prayer and reflection walk through stations around the sanctuary.

It is a self-guided tour (with a devotional guide provided) each day during Holy Week, generally from noon until 2:00 PM, but also 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. on Maundy Thursday, and 2:00—4:00 PM on Good Friday.

Maundy Thursday Communion Service April 13 - 7:00 PM

Beginning in the sanctuary and proceeding to the fellowship hall where we observe Holy Communion by candle-light around tables. "Maundy" comes from the Latin word for Commandment. It refers to Christ's commandment at the Last Supper for his Disciples to be known for their love. This intimate, moving worship experience is a favorite of many in our congregation.

Children's Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 15 -10:00-Noon - On the Front Lawn

A traditional Easter Egg Hunt for preschoolers and grade school children with fun crafts, sweet treats, and a wonderful Easter message. The community is warmly invited.

Easter Sunday Worship Service April 16 - 10:55 AM

This is the most joyful holy-day in the church year as we celebrate Christ's Resurrection and triumph over death. Magnificent music, a "flowering cross," and our delightful children's "butterfly release" immediately after the service make this a Sunday not to miss!



EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY UPDATE

Offering Received March 26.....	\$12,468
Budget Required to Date.....	\$209,560
Budget Received to Date.....	\$198,432
Organ /AV Fund Donations to Date.....	\$143,028

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday, April 2
 9:45 AM-Info and Prayer Time
 10:00 AM-Bible Study
 4:30 PM- Choir practice
 5:30 PM-Supper
 6:00-7:00 PM-Bible Study
 7:00 PM-Lenten Vespers

CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT MENU

Wednesday, April 5
 Baked Spaghetti/Tossed Salad/
 Garlic Bread/Beverage
Kid's meal—same as adult
Veggie Meal—Vegetarian Baked
 Spaghetti,/Salad/
 Garlic Bread/Beverage
 Serving Team-Ethel Morris

COMING UP! "FBC YEAR OF THE SONG" GUEST SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP LEADERS

Sunday, April 9
 The Snyder Memorial Baptist Church Youth Choir from Fayetteville, NC under the direction of Richard Suggs will be our guest worship leaders. We are honored to be a part of their 2017 Spring Tour.

FOOTHILLS FESTIVAL SINGERS CONCERT

Sunday, April 9
 5:00 PM
 FBC Sanctuary
 Jim Williams, director,
 Robert Smith, accompanist
 You will not want to miss this delightful concert of sacred and secular choral music. Our own Debbie Burleson, Tammie Gercken, and David Thayer are a part of this choir.

DEACON OF THE WEEK

April 2
Scott Black

IN MEMORY

Gifts have been given in memory of **Jack Campbell, Joe Hairfield, Dr. and Mrs. Ben Hoffmeyer, Barbara Lambert. Carolyn Landrus, and Priscilla Mast.**

IN HONOR

A gift has been given in honor of **Katie Gwaltney, Clatyton Chapman, Grace Gwaltney, and Trent Gwaltney.**



BACKPACK MINISTRY

Items for April
George Hildebrand Elementary:
 Canned Spaghetti or Ravioli and Oatmeal Packs
Mountain Crest Elementary:
 Rice and Dried Beans

Help is needed to pack backpacks on these dates at Grace Episcopal Church:
 Thursday, April 6— 3:30 PM

SAVE THE DATES

May 5
 Youth Chicken Pickin'
May 11, 12, 13
 Ladies Clothing Sale for Missions



EASTER LILIES

Easter lilies will be placed in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 16 . Cost for a lily is \$10. Please return this form and payment to the church office by April 13

In Memory of _____
 In Honor of _____
 Given by _____