

FIRST FOCUS

HOLY WEEK

In Matthew 28:6-7, the angel says to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, "Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples." This Easter, I invite you to Come and See the witness of the resurrection at First Baptist.

During Holy Week April 13-20, our staff has planned several great worship and teaching events to inspire and draw you closer to the cross and the empty tomb. Invite your friends to come, and together visualize the power of the cross.

April 13 we will celebrate baptism and communion in both morning services and our quarterly New Member brunch. At 6:00PM, our children present their spring musical.

On April 17, at 7:00PM the Sanctuary Choir, orchestra, and drama team present "The Living Last Supper." This dramatic portrayal of Jesus' last meal with his disciples invites us into the upper room. We ask, "Is it I, Lord?" and see the meaning of true community around the table. We join with the disciples by sharing communion together. This is a free event, but you will need a ticket at the door. They are available by contacting the church office, each Sunday in the Welcome Center, or in the choir room. Invite your co-workers and friends to join you. Childcare is available. This is a great way to introduce them to the gospel and First Baptist.

On April 18, join us in the Sanctuary all day for the Good Friday experience of silent communion and meditation. Tell your downtown friends about it. The CLC will be featuring a special "fish on Good Friday" lunch. Eat lunch in the CLC, and spend time in prayer in the sanctuary. From 7:00PM, we join the "Secret Church Simulcast." David Platt from The Church at Brook Hills in Birmingham will be teaching "The Power of the Cross in Everyday Life." This event lasts until 1:00AM.

On April 19, our children's ministry presents the Family Easter Celebration in the CLC gym at 10:30AM. Join us for a wonderful morning of celebration, fellowship, and fun with children and families. Everyone is invited, and this event is free.

Holy Week promises to be a powerful week of fellowship and worship. We will arrive at the empty tomb motivated to carry out the second part of the angels' message—to go and tell. But there will be a surprise for you on the Way. I can't wait to tell you about it. See you Easter Sunday for the surprise!



THIS WEEK

WOMEN ON MISSION GROUPS

Each Women on Mission group meets monthly for various service programs and projects. All FBCTLH ladies are invited to participate! Contact a group leader or Donna Heald (dhealdtlh@centurylink.net) for more information about joining a group.

The next meetings for Women on Mission groups will be this **Tuesday, April 8 at 9:30AM**

- Group 1 – led by Patsy Faircloth and Gloria Dowden
Location: Second Harvest Food Bank, 110 Four Points Way | Program: donate canned goods and sort for a service project
- Group 2 – led by Glenda Verhine | Location: Ronald McDonald House, 712 East 7th Avenue | Program: serve brunch to clients
- Group 3 – led by Maurine Wagner | Location: Westminster Oaks Pool House | Program: hospital pillows project

RECORDINGS AVAILABLE

Recordings of the Sunday Night Sing concert featuring the FBC Chordsmen and local gospel bluegrass band, Way Up, are now ready for you to order! You may place by calling the music office (x201). CDs are \$5 each.

You may also order recordings on our website at fbctlh.org/contact - just choose "Audio/video request" as the reason for contact, and tell us what you're looking for!

YOUTH CHOIR FUNDRAISING

There are youth who would like to work to earn money toward their youth choir mission trip this June. If you have hard work, house work, or need a babysitter and would like to help out one of our youth, please call Amy Baker (671.3754 or 284.3754) to set up a time and date.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

We're looking for students who have 4 hours a week to help lead in a few key areas within our College Ministry! Interested? Check out fsuchurch.com's "To Lead is to Serve" blog for more info & an application.

Will you be serving on mission this summer? Let us know where, when, and with whom by sending us an email to sidney@fbctlh.org. We would like to begin praying for you and those who you will come into contact with!

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

8:00AM Median Adult III Bible Study, Parlor

9:00AM Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

10:00AM Churchwide Bible Study Options

11:15AM Contemporary Worship, Sanctuary

MONDAY, APRIL 7

9:30AM Homebound Visitation, Conference Room

10:30AM First Joy Choir, Chason 2201

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

5:30PM CLC Committee, CLC 2nd Floor

6:00PM Childcare for Internationals, Duval 2nd Floor

6:30PM Internationals English Classes, Chason 2201

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

9:30AM Ladies' Bible Study, Gardner Home

11:00AM Senior Ladies Bible Study, Welcome Center

4:45PM Fellowship Meal, Fellowship Hall

5:00PM Youth Snack Rack, CLC 2nd Floor

6:00PM Childcare, Duval 1st Floor

6:00PM Children's Choir, Duval 2nd Floor

6:00PM Youth Choir Rehearsal, Adams 211

6:00PM First Ladies' Bible Study, Adams 301

6:00PM Adult Bible Study, Sanctuary

6:45PM RAs and GAs, Duval 2nd Floor

7:00PM Youth Collide, CLC 2nd Floor

7:00PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Chason 2201

7:00PM Chamber Players Rehearsal, Adams 201

7:15PM Praise Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary

7:15PM Young Adults Veritas, Adams 317

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

9:00AM Childcare for Internationals, Duval 2nd Floor

9:30AM Internationals English Classes, Chason 2201

5:30PM First Brass, Adams 200

6:00PM Finance Committee, Conference Room

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

10:00AM Internationals Ministry Picnic, J. Lee Vause Park

COMING SOON

Easter

come and see | GO and tell

CHILDREN'S CHOIR MUSICAL

On April 13th at 6:00PM (Palm Sunday), our 1st–5th grade choirs will perform the musical *Simon Says: The Rockin' Trial of Simon Peter*. The setting is a modern day courtroom where Simon Peter is put on trial for proclaiming that Jesus Christ is the Messiah! Many Biblical characters become eyewitnesses to help present the case that Jesus is exactly who "Simon Says" He is. The musical teaches our kids the lesson of 1 Peter 3:15: "Set Apart the Messiah as Lord in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you." We hope you will come and hear the kids as they present this fun musical and share the evidence that Jesus Christ is the Messiah!

THE LIVING LAST SUPPER

The Music and Drama ministries invite you to this Holy Week presentation depicting a DaVinci-like setting of the Last Supper. Thirteen men will portray Jesus and his disciples, re-enacting the events of the upper room where Jesus gathered with his closest companions on the eve of His crucifixion. You will be challenged to ponder your own loyalty and love of the Savior through this compelling drama with inspiring music from our Sanctuary Choir and orchestra woven throughout. The congregation will be invited to participate in the Lord's Supper with Jesus and His disciples.

This year's performance is ticketed and **you must have a ticket in your hand for admission to the sanctuary that evening**. Tickets are free and will be available for pick-up in the welcome center each Sunday morning and Wednesday evening. You and those you love will not want to miss this moving and inspirational time of worship.

REMEMBER

Spend some time this Good Friday and remember what Jesus Christ did for you on this day. Our sanctuary is open from 11:00AM until 6:00PM, and all are welcome to drop in and stay as long as you need. We will provide a printed guide containing scripture, reflections, and prayer, and you will also have an opportunity to take the Lord's Supper.

SECRET CHURCH SIMULCAST

On Good Friday, April 18, we will gather in our sanctuary for Secret Church. David Platt, pastor of The Church at Brook Hills and author of *Radical*, *Radical Together*, and *Follow Me*, will lead an intense time of Bible study and a time of prayer for our persecuted brothers and sisters across the globe. This year, we'll study what the Bible says about the cross and everyday life. The simulcast will begin at 7:00PM and extend until 1:00AM...at least. If you desire to know God more deeply through His Word and to know His Church more fully around the world, then please join us!

FAMILY EASTER CELEBRATION

Each year on the Saturday before Easter Sunday, we encourage families to consider the true meaning of Easter in a fun environment with a variety of crafts, games, and activities. Join us Saturday, April 19 at 10:30AM in the CLC gym.



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SERVICE RECORDINGS

fbctlh.org/sermons

Our Traditional Worship service is broadcast on Comcast Channel 21 at 11:00AM each Sunday.

Contact x215 or lee@fbctlh.org with questions.

If you are homebound and would like to be on our mailing list to receive a free DVD of our worship services each week, please contact x201 or lenoir@fbctlh.org. All other requests are \$5, and can be made at the front desk or online at fbctlh.org/contact.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL

April 9 - baked pork chops, rice, gravy, okra/corn/tomato medley, corn muffins, salad bar, and dessert

FINANCIALS

YTD budget: \$673,968
Receipts 3/30: \$36,424
YTD receipts: \$571,275
Spring Missions as of 3/30: \$6,684

DEACON SCHEDULE

Deacon of the Day – Hugh Hauck

Deacons of the Week

- 9AM Denis Harrelle
- 10AM Glen Hicks
- 11AM Pat Brown

SECURITY SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 6

- 8AM Lorne Shackelford
- 10AM John Schanbacher
- 11AM Mark Byler

Wednesday, April 9

- 6PM Lee Vickery

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

9:00AM

BIBLE STUDY

10:00AM

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

11:15AM

Shame
Games

Matthew 27:24-31