

## WORSHIP

Sunday,  
April 8, 2018

10:30am in the Sanctuary  
Second Sunday of Easter

Baptism

**Proclaimer:** Kendra Plating

**Scripture:** John 20:19-31

**Sermon:** Making a Way Out of  
No Way

**Service Choir:** Sanctuary Choir

**Soloist:** Bergsvein Toverud

**Anthem:** "I Know that my Redeemer  
Lives" – *arr. COX*

### Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in memory of Mary Alta Easley and Katherine Easley by their family.

If you would like to donate flowers to adorn our Sanctuary for worship, please contact Kimberly Coates at 233-2527 ext. 128 or kimberly.coates@firstbaptistgreenville.com.

### From the Organist...

If you grew up a Baptist church like the ones I grew up in, then you know the hymn "He Lives!" It is a song that rejoices in the resurrection of Jesus. It reminds us what that means for us as Christians. On Palm Sunday, Jim told us that Jesus *always* shows up, and that message is in every part of the Easter story. We are reminded of that in the words of this beloved hymn: "Just the time I need him, he's always near." Read more at The Organist's Blog ([firstbaptistgreenville.com/the-organists-blog/](http://firstbaptistgreenville.com/the-organists-blog/)).

— Shelton



## Rustlings

BY JIM DANT

The Easter story – the story of Jesus – is filled with siblings. From the beginning of Jesus' ministry until his resurrection and ascension, we encounter kin characters like: Peter and Andrew, Mary and Martha, and of course, James and John. While one sibling seems to be a bit more prominent in the story than their brother or sister, all of these characters are generous in their support of God's work in their world. Peter and Andrew helped provide lunch for 5000 people and guidance for a group of Greeks. James and John served as pastors to newly formed communities of believers in Jerusalem and Ephesus. Mary and Martha cared for Jesus in their home.

James Taylor and his brother, Livingston, are known for their gentle spirits, creative intellect, care of the world and ongoing generosity. Both of these siblings will be performing in Greenville during the month of May. Greenville's Bon Secours Wellness Arena will host James Taylor on Saturday, May 19. Two weeks prior, on Sunday evening,

May 6, First Baptist Greenville welcomes Livingston to our Fellowship Hall! Livingston Taylor has graciously agreed to provide a dinner concert at FBG to benefit our Youth Ministry and its 2019 rebuilding effort in Puerto Rico. Dinner will be served at 6:00pm followed by a concert at 7:00pm. Tickets may be purchased on the church's website at three levels: single general admission seats for \$50, a reserved table of 8 for \$400 (assigned by venue), or a sponsor level table (the four tables closest to the stage) for \$800. Yes, it costs a little more than the usual Potato Bar fundraiser for the Youth Ministry, but it's a great opportunity to see a genuinely great artist and support a wonderful cause. Only 300 seats will be available. Tickets go on sale, Thursday, April 5. Don't wait to get yours...and maybe even one for a friend. After all, it's all about generously taking care of God's world...and enjoying the talents of a wonderful sibling...

— Jim

# Caring for the Whole Person: Mind, Soul and Body

Summer's coming, and some of us— especially those who live by the rhythms of the school calendar — are already looking forward to “crashing,” but if “crashing” turns out to be nothing more than the oversleeping, overeating, and overindulging that knocks us off our healthy habits, puts us in a slump, and makes us feel lousy, we may find ourselves worse off than when we started! Why not get ahead of the game this year and prepare for a truly rejuvenating

summer of self-care of the mind, body and soul? That's what the MidWeek Fellowships in April are all about! Be sure to come to the Parlor on April 25<sup>th</sup>, then we'll back in the Fellowship Hall on May 2<sup>nd</sup> for our final MidWeek Fellowship of the spring. Take a look and plan to be with us each week!

— Kyle

## April 11: Rev. Peggy Muncie, “Caring for Our Mental Health,” (6:15pm Fellowship Hall)

The Rev. Margaret A. Muncie is the Executive Director of the Canterbury Counseling Center. An ordained Episcopal priest, she is a Board Certified Chaplain in the Association of Professional Chaplains. Peggy works to make Canterbury Counseling Center a center of excellence serving the pastoral counseling needs of the Greater Greenville community.

## April 18: Shelton Love, “Caring for the Soul,” (6:15 pm, Fellowship Hall)

Shelton is the organist at First Baptist Greenville who also works as a piano instructor through Pecknel Music Company. A native of Kansas City, MO, Shelton is actively engaged in social work in the community and performs stand-up comedy as a hobby. Shelton is a published composer and arranger with insights to share about composing in a way that brings lyrics to life.

## April 25: Traci Barr, “Caring for the Body,” (6:15pm, PARLOR)

An honorary graduate of the California Culinary Academy in San Francisco, Traci had a career of over 25 years in publishing and brand strategy and now works as a freelance chef, writer, advocate and educator in Greenville. Traci's passions are the physical and mental health of the person as well as the social health of a just, inclusive community. As a chef and a writer, she mostly tries to do that with food — and storytelling.

## May 2: Children's Choirs and Missions End of Year Showcase (6:15pm, Fellowship Hall)

# Calling ALL Graduates!!!

On Sunday, May 20, First Baptist Greenville will celebrate and honor the graduating classes of 2018 – high school, college and graduate school. The day will begin in the AYMC when graduates and their families are invited to share in a time of breakfast and fellowship with our Youth Family. During worship at 10:30 a.m., graduates will wear their graduation caps and gowns and will be individually recognized and given a special gift from the church. A special luncheon for our high school graduates will follow worship.



We understand that some graduates may not be present for our 10:30 a.m. worship on Sunday, May 20. However, we ask that every graduate submit a recent photo of themselves (by Sunday, April 29) so we can recognize them in our church newsletter, *The Branch*, and display pictures of all of our graduates on the bulletin board outside Jim Dant's office.

All graduates who are connected to FBG and are graduating this May, please help us by completing a *Graduate Info Form* no later than Sunday, April 29! You can find the form by using the link listed below.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScSZ-RmvI4e9NTZuZZzRZrte1qESGIm\\_VbojeJrFrhJXBnuBw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScSZ-RmvI4e9NTZuZZzRZrte1qESGIm_VbojeJrFrhJXBnuBw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

# Easter Lilies

THE BEAUTIFUL ARRANGEMENT OF LILIES IN THE SANCTUARY ON EASTER MORNING WAS MADE POSSIBLE BY GIFTS FROM MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION.



An Easter lily was given in memory of McAdams Christopher by the Christopher family.

Don and Susan Shelley gave an Easter lily in memory of Annette and John Shelley and one in memory of Rachel and Harold Kerns.

An Easter lily was given in honor of Nancy Gaines by Jim Gaines.

Al and Carol Ann Bell and John and Carole Austin gave an Easter lily in memory of Myles Golden.

An Easter lily was given in memory of Tommy and Pauline Pillow, one in memory of Ruby and Bill Stoddard, and one in memory of Donny Woods by Jeanie and Bill Stoddard.

Tom and Sherry Atkinson gave an Easter lily in honor of Darrell and Sandra Corder.

An Easter lily was given in memory of Bill Godsey by Carolyn Godsey, Kenneth Godsey and Karen Quinn.

Julie Cline gave an Easter lily in memory of her father, Richard C. Burts Jr., and one in memory of her husband, David M. Cline.

An Easter lily in memory of Sherwood Mobley, one in honor of Tigist and Peter Campbell, one in honor of Tyrone and Herlane Edwards, and one in honor of Pat Booker-Christy were given by Ruth Reid.

Boyd and Polly Gaskin gave two Easter lilies in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Anthony and Mr. and Mrs. H.B. Gaskin.

An Easter lily was given in loving memory of Margaret Bell by her family.

Keeter Horton gave an Easter lily in memory of her children, Charlie Horton and Helen H. Hunt.

*Remaining dedications will appear in next week's issue. Read the entire list at <http://firstbaptistgreenville.com/easter-lilies-2/>*

## Focus on Missions: DBC

Clean diapers are essential for the health and wellness of young children. Babies left in soiled diapers experience developmental delays, behavioral issues, and health concerns like persistent diaper rashes and UTIs. Inadequate diaper supply also impacts a family's financial security. If families must take advantage of childcare to be able to work or go to school, they must provide an adequate daily diaper supply for child care providers. No diapers, no childcare. No childcare, no work. And *no* government assistance is available to low-income families for diapers and diapering supplies.

Diaper Bank of the Carolinas (DBC) is Greenville's only dedicated diaper bank. DBC collects diapers and donations with which to purchase diapers, and partners with over a dozen area human and social service agencies and organizations to distribute those diapers to families living in or near poverty. DBC is an 11-year old, all-

volunteer organization funded entirely by private donations, diaper drives and fundraisers. DBC was founded by a pediatric home-health nurse who realized during her home visits that there is an incredible unmet need for diaper assistance across Greenville County. Many low-wealth families, even with working parents, simply cannot afford the \$100+ per month required to adequately diaper an infant or young child.

In 2017, DBC collected over 132,000 diapers to distribute to Greenville families in need.

For the month of April, First Baptist will be partnering with DBC to collect diapers for those in need. The most needed sizes are 4, 5 & 6. Donations of packages of wipes are also appreciated. Collection bins will be placed throughout the church for drop-off of your items.

— Lindsay Waldrop, Missions Committee

## For Your Calendar!

- 4/4 No *Wednesdays at First* Activities except Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 4/6 10:30am First Friday Lunch and More (Fellowship Hall)
- 4/8 10:30am Baptism  
Kendra Plating, Proclaimer
- 11:30am Lunch for Visitors (Fellowship Hall)
- 4/10 10:00am-3:00pm Holy Rollers to Chattooga Belle Farm
- 4/11 *Wednesdays at First* Activities
- 4/13 Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of SC General Assembly (Kathwood Baptist Church, Columbia)
- 4/14 4:00-7:00pm First Baptist Day School Reggio Rodeo
- 4/15 9:30am New Member Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
- 9:30am Protecting Our Children (E-317)
- 10:30am Baptism  
Communion  
Jim Dant, Proclaimer
- Children's Ministries Event
- 5:00pm Stephen Ministry
- Churchwide Event: "Spiritual Care of Sexual Assault Victims and Their Loved Ones" - Carrie Nettles (Chapel)

### LIVING GENEROUSLY

Financial Needs as of 3/31  
\$650,000  
Receipts of 3/29  
\$570,267

## Pastoral Care

### On Call Nights and Weekends

April 2-8  
Matt Rollins  
346-0971 (m)

April 9-15  
Kyle Matthews  
551-0829 (m)

If you are unable to reach this minister at the above number, please call the Church Office, 864-233-2527, and leave a message by pressing the number "199" for "Pastoral Care Emergencies."

## Wednesday Supper

Required reservations for the meal must be made by noon on Monday by visiting the church website or calling the church office. Serving lines are open 4:45-6:00pm.

### Menu

April 4

There are no *Wednesdays at First* activities except for Sanctuary Choir rehearsal.

April 11

Adults: Sliced Pork Loin, Roasted Potatoes, Butter Basil Carrots, Green Beans, Salad, Dessert

Kids: Buttered Noodles with Sauce on the Side, Veggies and Dip, Cookies

### Wednesdays at First Schedule

Exceptions and details noted in calendar.

3:00pm	Youth Hang Time and Supper
4:45-6:00pm	Supper Serving Lines Open
5:30-7:00pm	Children's Missions and Choirs
6:00pm	Youth Bible Study
6:15pm	MidWeek Fellowship
7:00-8:30pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

## Care List as of 4/2/18

### Hospitals

As of April 2, there are no hospitalized church members of whom we are aware.

### Rehab

Roger C. Peace: Ben Turner

NHC-Greenville: "Jennie" Taylor

Spring Park Assisted Living of Travelers  
Rest: Freddie Jameson

### Discharged

Judy Heard, Paul Goldsmith

### Sympathy to...

...the family of Richard Pace.

...Carolyn Cloaninger and family in the death of her mother.

...Judy Wimmer and family in the death of her mother.

## Introducing...



Reed Erskine, 104 Lady Banks Lane, Greer, 29650, joined FBG during worship on Easter Sunday, April 1, by profession of faith awaiting baptism. Reed is employed at Michelin and is pictured here with his fiancée, Allison.

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## Deadling Extended: April 16

We have a selection of newly designed t-shirts on sale. Consider them for yourself, for family, and also for groups within the church who want an easy solution to the perpetual group shirt dilemma. To order:

1) Visit our online store at <https://firstbaptistgreenville.itemorder.com/sale>. You will see three different style/size selections – each available in multiple colors.



2) Order by April 6 – *Last Chance for Spring* – April 16

3) Wait impatiently for notification on how and when to pick up your shirts. We anticipate we will begin to distribute late-April with pickup available Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings.

— Communication Committee