

## WORSHIP

Sunday,  
March 31, 2019

10:30am in the Sanctuary  
Fourth Sunday in Lent

Proclaimer: Jim Dant

Scripture: Luke 18:9-14

Sermon: Assuming We All Know

Service Choirs: Sanctuary Choir and  
Vocare

Anthems: "I Believe" – MILLER;  
"My Song Is Love Unknown"  
– CHILDS

### Sanctuary Flowers

If you would like to enhance our worship space by placing flowers for this Sunday or one of our other services, please contact Kimberly Coates at [kimberly.coates@firstbaptistgreenville.com](mailto:kimberly.coates@firstbaptistgreenville.com) or 233-2527 ext. 128. The next available date is March 31.



### Rustlings

BY JIM DANT

One month ago, I had a left-side, open, inguinal hernia repair. While much of life returned to normal fairly quickly, some of life was put on hold. It took only hours for me to re-engage the television, the internet and my books. It took a few days to feel comfortable lifting a guitar to my lap. It took a couple of weeks to laugh and sneeze without fear and hesitation. However, during this month of recuperation, I have not been able to run. This week, I hope to lace up the Mizuno's and log a few miles, so rather than run for the last few weeks, I've been walking.

I've enjoyed walking. I've enjoyed slowing down (not that my running is much faster than walking) and actually seeing the world around me. And it's been a good season for walking. The spring weather has blossomed the trees, brought out the shoppers and offered an incredible moon in the early evening sky. Much to my surprise, I've enjoyed walking.

I'd like to invite you to join me, or one of our other church staff, on a short walk. In 2018, the Stations of the Cross were hung in our Carpenter Chapel and then dedicated to the glory of

God. The stations follow Jesus' last day of life from his trial to the tomb. It is a holy representation of the Via Dolorosa (the way of Jesus' suffering) in Jerusalem. A common practice in churches and at retreat centers is to prayerfully 'walk the stations' during Holy Week. This year, our church staff will be leading small groups through the stations during Holy Week. You may sign up for these prayerful walks online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4DAAAD2DA2F58-stations>. Each group is limited to 12 persons. You may want to sign up for a 'lunch walk' and bring your coworkers. You may wish to sign up for a time convenient for your family to walk together. You might find it meaningful to simply come alone. The prayerful walk takes about 30 minutes and is completely contained in Carpenter Chapel. We will move from station to station and remember the last moments of Jesus' life. (Please note: You may be seated on the pews if mobility is problem. It's really more standing than walking.)

I'm pretty sure walking has now become part of my personal physical routine. Now that we have these beautiful Stations of the Cross in Carpenter Chapel, walking the stations will become part of my Holy Week tradition, as well. I'm looking forward to walking with you.

— Jim

## Reminders

MidWeek Fellowship  
Bell Tower Ringers  
April 10, 6:15pm | Fellowship Hall

MidWeek Fellowship  
Children's Choirs and Missions Showcase  
May 1, 6:15pm | Fellowship Hall

Make Reservations for  
Wednesday Night Supper  
Enjoy Family Time  
<https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/wednesday-night-supper/>

# AYMC Pulse

AYMC



They say a picture is worth a thousand words. I'd like to share 5,000 words with you from some of the hundreds of people that use the AYMC. Come join the fun!

— Mittie



## Happy Birthday!

SENIOR ADULTS

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH WHO ARE NOT ALWAYS ABLE TO BE WITH US IN WORSHIP:

**April 10**

**Joe Leaphart (92)**  
Woodlands at Furman  
50 Arboretum Lane  
Apartment 114  
Greenville, SC 29617

**April 26**

**Ruth Reid (98)**  
220 Covington Road  
Greenville, SC 29617

**April 29**

**Betty Boyer**  
Oakleaf Village Assisted Living  
1560 Thornblade Boulevard  
Room 215  
Greer, SC 29650

## Roadrunners to Charleston

APRIL 1-2 | DEPART FBG AT 8:00AM  
COST: \$135 + LUNCHESES AND SHOPPING

Roadrunners will enjoy an overnight trip to Charleston which includes Boone Hall Plantation, supper at Shem Creek, a driving tour of Sullivan's Island and a driving tour of Charleston narrated by Frank Smith and Jonathan Brown. There will be time in downtown, enjoying lunch on your own and shopping at the Historic Charleston City Market, a tour of churches and cemeteries, optional carriage rides, and a walking trip to Waterfront Park!

## Holy Rollers to Chimney Rock State Park

APRIL 9 | DEPART FBG: 9:45AM  
DEPART ENOREE: 10:00AM | RETURN: 3:00PM

Holy Rollers will visit Chimney Rock State Park and take the elevator to enjoy the beautiful view of the surrounding area. They will then lunch at Larkin's on the Lake before returning to Greenville.

## First Friday Lunch and More

APRIL 5 | 10:30AM

Linda Russ will offer a book review in the Media Center, and games will take place in the Fellowship Hall. After announcements at 11:00am, Mary Beth Culbertson from Always Best Care Senior Services will share "Preparing for the Future." The lunch that follows is \$5 and requires reservations.

### MORE INFORMATION

For more information or to make reservations for First Friday Lunch and More, Holy Rollers, or Roadrunners events, contact Shanda LaForge at [shanda.laforge@firstbaptistgreenville.com](mailto:shanda.laforge@firstbaptistgreenville.com) or 233-2527 ext. 111.

# Know a College or Seminary Student in Need of Financial Assistance?

The Scholarship Committee of First Baptist Greenville is accepting applications from qualified individuals seeking financial assistance in pursuing an undergrad or seminary degree. This opportunity is not restricted to church members. Friends and loved ones are also welcome and encouraged to apply. These scholarships are made available through the First Baptist Greenville Foundation and funded by the incredible generosity of current and former church members.

**Scholarship applications are due to Sarah Carter by mail or email no later than Sunday, April 21.**

Applications can be downloaded by visiting the College page on the church's website - <http://firstbaptistgreenville.com/college-ministry/>

## First Time Scholarship Application

## Previous Recipient Scholarship Application (renewal)

For more information on how you can help support these worthy students through the Foundation, please contact Stacey Shinas at [stacey.shinas@firstbaptistgreenville.com](mailto:stacey.shinas@firstbaptistgreenville.com).



— Sarah Carter  
Scholarship Committee Staff Liaison

# News from Neighborhood Partnership with Nicholtown

On March 7<sup>th</sup>, First Baptist hosted the kickoff for the Neighborhood Energy Saver Program with Duke Energy. The City of Greenville Community Development Division and Green Ribbon Advisory Committee Energy and Buildings Subcommittee are partnering with Duke Energy, the Nicholtown Neighborhood Association, Sustaining Way, Furman CCC and Sustainable X to offer the Duke Energy Savers Program to residents living in the Nicholtown neighborhood. Over 200 residents attended the introductory meeting. Duke staff members will be visiting residents (owners and renters) and offering to complete minor weatherization improvements including wrapping the water heater and adjusting the thermostat, if needed. Additional work includes caulking around windows and doors and replacing light bulbs. Duke Energy representatives note that these improvements will save residents on their energy expenses. The partners have also planned two workshops, March 23 and June 1,

to provide additional information on weatherization programs available to residents and tips for reducing their energy usage. These weatherization improvements are expected to benefit around seventy percent of the houses in Nicholtown and the project is expected to be completed in 2-3 months and will assist the residents of Nicholtown to make their neighborhood more efficient and sustainable.

In early March, First Baptist partnered with Nicholtown Missionary Baptist Church to provide one hundred twenty-four tons of gravel for additional parking at their church.

Extensive renovations of the Phillis Wheatley Center are nearing completion, and it will reopen in the summer. The facility now has a new roof, electrical wiring, heating and air, and kitchen.

Fourteen hundred students from Passport Mission Camp will be coming to Greenville again this summer. Over the course of three

weeks, they will be working on projects throughout Greenville with several in Nicholtown. They will be painting houses, repairing floors, building handicap ramps, landscaping grounds and other projects throughout the city. All of their work assists our partnership with Nicholtown and improvements in the neighborhood.

Funding for these projects and other Nicholtown improvement projects come from the proceeds from the annual First Baptist Yard Sale. Thank you for supporting First Baptist's Neighborhood Partnerships during the Yard Sale and throughout the year.

— Frank

## For Your Calendar!

- 3/27 *Wednesdays at First*  
**6:15pm** MidWeek Fellowship:  
 Paul Baxley – Cooperative  
 Baptist Fellowship (Fellowship  
 Hall)
- 3/31 **10:30am** Fourth Sunday in Lent  
 Jim Dant, Proclaimer  
 Sanctuary Choir and Vocare  
**4:00-5:00pm** Vocare Rehearsal  
 (Choir Room)  
**5:00-7:00pm** Sunday Night Live for  
 Youth (AYMC)
- 4/1-2 Roadrunners to Charleston, SC
- 4/5 **10:30am** First Friday Lunch and  
 More (Fellowship Hall)
- 4/5-7 Middle School Missions Blitz
- 4/6 **4:00-7:00pm** Reggio Rodeo  
 (FBG Lower Lot)
- 4/7 **10:30am** Fifth Sunday in Lent  
 Jim Dant, Proclaimer  
 Sanctuary Choir and Bell Tower  
 Ringers  
**11:30am** Lunch for Visitors  
 (Fellowship Hall)  
**2:00-5:00pm** Children's Ministry  
 Event: Skating at Skating Rink
- 4/8 **3:00-9:00pm** Fundraising Event for  
 Puerto Rico at TCBY (7 Brendan  
 Way)

### LIVING GENEROUSLY

Financial Needs as of 3/23  
 \$623,076  
 Receipts of 3/18  
 \$479,004

## Pastoral Care

### On Call Nights and Weekends

March 25-31  
 Frank Smith  
 268-3890 (h)

April 1-7  
 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. Permanent reservations are  
 available. Serving lines are open  
 4:45-6:00pm.

### Menu March 27

**Adults:** Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes  
 and Gravy, Green Beans, Spinach Salad,  
 Butter Biscuits, Dessert  
**Kids:** Chicken Fingers, Tater Tots, Veggies  
 and Dip, Fruit, Cookies

### April 3

**Adults:** Sliced Pork Loin, Roasted  
 Potatoes and Zucchini Bake, Butter Basil  
 Carrots, Spinach Salad, Dessert  
**Kids:** Fish Sticks, Buttered Corn, Sweet  
 Potato Fries, Fruit, Cookies

### Wednesdays at First Schedule

Exceptions and details noted in calendar.

**3:00pm** Youth Hang Time and Supper  
**4:45-6:00pm** 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 3/25/19

### Hospitals

**Greer Memorial:** Bill Jett  
**St. Francis-Downtown:** Kay DeVenny  
**Rehab**  
**Rehab at Rolling Green:** Hazel Christian  
**NHC-Greenville:** Joan Garrett

### Returned Home

Paul Goldsmith, Floyd Surlles, Jeanell  
 Dillon and newborn

### Sympathy to...

...Pam Jones and family in the death of  
 her nephew.

### Congratulations to...

...Jeanell and Katherine Dillon on the birth  
 of a daughter, Lena Grey Adaline Dillon, on  
 March 15, 2019. Lena's older siblings are  
 Kaja, Kadence and Zachary.

  
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 Kimberly Coates, Editor.

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## Facilities Personnel Opening

First Baptist Greenville is adding a full-  
 time facilities person to its staff. If you,  
 or someone you know, have interest in  
 giving attention to building maintenance,  
 mechanical systems and the cleaning of  
 our facilities, please contact Jimmy Paul  
 ([jimmy.paul@firstbaptistgreenville.com](mailto:jimmy.paul@firstbaptistgreenville.com)).

## Need a Ride to the Doctor's Office?

The Medical Appointment Transportation  
 Committee, a part of Ministry to Families,  
 offers rides for members to and from  
 medical appointments. Requests made  
 a week in advance will be appreciated.  
 Those in need of this service may contact  
 Committee member Becky Bouton at  
[beckybouton@gmail.com](mailto:beckybouton@gmail.com) or 270-5675.