

WORSHIP

Sunday,
April 21, 2019

Easter Sunday

8:00am Breakfast in the Parlor
8:30am in the Remembrance Garden

Proclaimer: Bert Strange

Scripture: Mark 16:1-8

Sermon: Fear!... Not!

Bell Tower Ringers Ensemble

10:30am in the Sanctuary

Proclaimer: Jim Dant

Scripture: Luke 24:1-6a

Sermon: The Mystery of Merthiolate

Service Choir: Sanctuary Choir with Brass
Quintet and Timpani

Anthems: "This Joyful Eastertide"
– arr. BANKSON; "In Thee Is Gladness"
– set. KALLMAN; "Joy to the Heart"
– SCOTT

Sanctuary Flowers

The Flower Committee thanks all who contributed to provide the beautiful Easter lilies. The flowers on one of the gates to the Remembrance Garden are given in loving memory of Don Bolt by the Bolt family. The flowers on one of the gates to the Remembrance Garden are given in loving memory of Dr. William Mitchell by the Mitchell family.

If you would like to enhance our worship space by placing flowers for one of our services, please contact Kimberly Coates at kimberly.coates@firstbaptistgreenville.com or 233-2527 ext. 128.

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/>



Rustlings

BY JIM DANT

There are particular movies that I will watch over and over again. The storyline, character development, overall message, dialogue and sheer entertainment value cause me to stop pushing the remote control button when I glimpse them during channel surfing. I will rarely pass up *Shawshank Redemption* – "You got to get busy living or get busy dying." *A Few Good Men* – "You can't handle the truth!" – is a sure-fire surf stopper. Speaking of Jack Nicholson, "I'm 63 years old, and I'm in love for the first time in my life" – *Something's Gotta Give* always makes me pause. The latest addition to my repetitive list is *The Martian*. Please allow me an extended quote from the ending of the movie: "At some point, everything's gonna go south on you. Everything's gonna go south, and you're going to say: This is it; this is how I end. Now you can either accept that, or you can get to work. That's all it is. You just begin. You do the math. You solve one problem...and you solve the next one...and then the next one... and if you solve enough problems, you get to come home."

Last week, one of my neighbors asked me if I was preaching Easter Sunday morning. I responded, "That's like asking a quarterback if he plans to play in the Super Bowl! Why would anyone sit the bench on such an incredibly exciting day?" He then added, "But don't you get tired of the same story year after year?"

There are only a few stories all four gospels record. The only miracle found in all four gospels is the feeding of the 5000 with fishes and loaves. Even Jesus' birth story is only recorded in two of the gospels. But the Easter story – the story of resurrection – is found in all four. I'll be honest; I can't get enough of this story. I love that death and abuse and bullying and jealousy and self-righteousness does not get the final word. I love that women share the first word. I love that God works in the quiet stillness of the morning. I love that no stone – no barrier – is too large to be moved. I love hearing that famous line over and over again, "He is not here, He is risen." He is risen, indeed! I hope to see you Sunday morning...and I'll love sharing the story one more time.

— Jim

Reminders

April 18, 7:00pm
Maundy Thursday
Service of Communion
Parlor

April 19, 7:30pm
Good Friday
Joint Sanctuary/Fernwood Choirs
Fernwood Baptist – Spartanburg

April 21, Easter
8:30am Remembrance Garden
10:30am Sanctuary
Sanctuary Choir and Brass

2019 Youth Mentoring Team

(YMT)

The Ministry Education and Formation Committee is excited to introduce two college students who will make up this summer's Youth Mentoring Team. The Youth Mentoring Team is a program that provides an opportunity for college students to identify strengths, gifts, interests and abilities; invest in our Youth Ministry and its members; and help create a sense of trust, respect and bond between our youth and youth leaders.



Hello, my name is Thaddeus Jones. I am currently a freshman at Sewanee University in Tennessee. I started attending First Baptist Greenville with my parents, Stuart and Laura Jones, a little over three years ago. Ever since I walked through the doors, it has felt like home. It did not take long for me to think of it as my church. The experiences I have had here have really taught me about God and strengthened my belief in a way that nothing else ever could. I hope I can be part of that experience for youth, building their faith, and enjoying their lives with their faith family. These are some of the greatest youth that I have ever met. They have huge personalities. I cannot wait to teach them and see what they teach me.

My name is John Dunn, and I am returning as a Youth Mentor this summer. Last summer was an amazing experience, and I loved every minute of it. I am at Greenville Tech, and I am now in my second year there. I am on track to graduate in the spring of 2020 with a degree in Engineering Design. I am excited to celebrate another summer with this Youth Family and mentor these bright, young minds to be closer to God. I'm also very excited to be able to share this experience with Thaddeus Jones, a good friend and the best guy for the job! I am so thankful for this opportunity.

Foundation Seeks New Trustees

Nominations are being accepted for new trustees to serve on the nine-member First Baptist Church Foundation Board. The terms of three trustees will expire at the end of June. To maintain the regular rotation, three trustees should be appointed to serve for three years. The criteria for serving are as follows:

1. Must be a member of First Baptist Church
2. Enthusiastic dedication to the concept of permanent endowment to support missions and church causes

3. Experience in and dedication to mission and ministry work

4. Business experience including the making of financial decisions

All church members are invited to submit their nominations for these positions. Please give your nominations to Anne Garner, chair of the Diaconate; Pat Booker-Christy, chair of the Foundation; or bring them to the church office or place them in the offering plate no later than the deadline listed below.

The chair of the Diaconate, with the approval of the Executive Committee of the Diaconate, will

recommend a slate of trustees to the Diaconate and congregation for approval.

The trustees currently serving on the 2019 Foundation Board are: Pat Booker-Christy (2019), Bo Campbell (2020), Eleanor Dunlap (2019), Paul Goldsmith (2020), Roy Janse (2021), Bob Howard (2021), Brenda League (2021), Oz Rogers (2020) and Henry Watkins (2019).

Trustee nominations are due no later than Sunday, April 21.

— Pat Booker-Christy, Foundation Chair

Easter Lily Gifts

MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION HAVE OFFERED DONATIONS TO PROVIDE THE BEAUTIFUL LILIES TO DECORATE OUR WORSHIP SPACE THIS EASTER MORNING.

CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK...



Four lilies in loving memory of Catherine Ann Jeter are given by her family.

A lily in loving memory of Ruth and Henry Little is gifted by their family.

Carol Ann and Al Bell and John and Carole Austin give a lily in memory of Myles Golden.

A lily in honor of Pat and Lee Counts is gifted by the Hope Sunday School Class.

The family of Oscar Funderburk places a lily in his memory.

Ann Quattlebaum gifts a lily in memory of Judy and Michael Stogner.

A lily in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Strange is given by Bert and Nancy Strange.

Nancy Strange, Laura Gabrels and Anne Peterson gift a lily in memory of Mary Chester "Chet" Gabrels and Leon Gabrels.

A lily in honor of Kyle Matthews is given by Jeanie and Bill Stoddard.

Jeanie and Bill Stoddard gift two lilies in memory of their parents, Ruby and Bill Stoddard and Pauline and Thomas Pillow.

A lily in honor of Rachel Woods is gifted by Kay Foster.

Kay Foster gives a lily in memory of Darrell, a lily in memory of Dan Foster, and a lily in memory of Jerry Dempsey.

Four lilies in memory of Jo, Charlie, Steve and Robbie Bell are gifted by their family.

Gail House gifts a lily in loving memory of Dr. Thomas Edward House.

Tails and Trails 5K

WE'RE INVITED

Join FURnwood (a.k.a. Fernwood) Baptist Church at Greenville County's Tails & Trails 5K! In addition to helping a good cause (a no-kill animal shelter in Greenville), this will be a fun opportunity for our churches to spend time together and enjoy each other's company.

A t-shirt is included in your registration; but FURnwood t-shirts are also being printed for those interested in purchasing one. They hope all team members will purchase a shirt; they are also for sale to anyone who would like one! The hope is to keep the cost in the \$12 range. Sign up information for t-shirts will be provided soon.



Saturday, May 11, 8:30 am

Conestee Park, Greenville

\$25 (\$35 after May 1)

Walk, run, bring your dog(s),
bring your friend(s)!

Register online at <http://tinyurl.com/FURnwood>, or contact Penny Ginn (pennyginn13@gmail.com or 864-923-0232).

For Your Calendar!

- 4/14-18 Stations of the Cross Meditation
– Sign up on church website
(Carpenter Chapel)
- 4/18 7:00pm Maundy Thursday
Communion
Jim Dant, Proclaimer
Sanctuary Choir (Parlor)
- 4/19-21 AYMC and Church Offices
Closed for Easter Holiday
- 4/19 7:30pm Good Friday
Combined Fernwood and
Sanctuary Choirs
(Fernwood Baptist Church,
200 Fernwood Dr., Spartanburg)
- 4/21 8:30am Early Easter in the
Garden
Bert Strange, Proclaimer
(Remembrance Garden Prayer
Labyrinth)
- 10:30am Easter Sunday
Jim Dant, Proclaimer
Sanctuary Choir and Brass
Quintet
Academic Scholarship Application
Deadline
- 4/24 *Wednesdays at First Activities*
6:15pm MidWeek Fellowship:
Jim Dant, Proclaimer (Parlor)

LIVING GENEROUSLY

Financial Needs as of 4/13
\$778,845
Receipts of 4/10
\$626,976

Pastoral Care

On Call Nights and Weekends

April 15-21
Jim Dant
478-737-7298 (m)

April 22-28
Matt Rollins
346-0971 (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 April 17

There are no *Wednesdays at First Activities* this week except Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal.

April 24

Adults: Pulled Roast Beef au Jus, Corn Casserole, Seasoned Green Beans, Heirloom Tomato Salad, Rolls, Dessert

Kids: Meatballs, Mac and Cheese, 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 4/15/19

Hospitals

Prisma Health (Greenville Memorial):
Delores Bingham, Lena Dillon

St. Francis – Downtown: Dan Williamson

Rehab

NHC-Greenville: Joan Garrett

The Cascades: Bill Jett

Returned Home

Naomi Mobley, Maude Maddox

Sympathy to...

...Dawn Strickland in the death of her uncle.

...Todd Whittaker in the death of his grandfather.

...Vivian Hamilton and family in the death of her cousin.

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).

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 Chair Mary Rankin rankinma@yahoo.com or 630-2894.



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