

WORSHIP

Sunday,
August 25, 2019

10:30am in the AYMC

Proclaimer: Jim Dant

Scripture: Luke 13:10-17

Sermon: Health and Holiness

Service Choir: Sanctuary Choir

Soloists: Amy Joye and Paul Sewell

Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers in the gym are given in honor and appreciation of the AYMC and Youth Ministry staffs, the AYMC Committee and volunteers, and the groups and individuals who enjoy this facility.

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.

Radio Broadcast Update

Please tune in to 91.9FM or 92.9FM.

If you have an HD radio, you may tune in to 89.3-HD4. We are no longer broadcasting on AM660. You may still visit our website (<https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/worship/>) for links to listen as well as watch our worship services.



Rustlings

BY JIM DANT

I walked into my first meeting over a decade ago. It's hard to believe it's been that long. I attended three times a week—two different locations. It wasn't until the third week that I could utter a word. Even then, the words were mixed with tears. It took a while to sift through the wad of fear, guilt, embarrassment, worry and misguided determination that had become my life. Everyone in the room knew what I was going through. Some of them were just like me. Others looked fine, and I wondered why they were there. Turns out, the ones smiling had already been there a year or two or three or ten or more. A year after my first visit, I was smiling too...and someone in the room said, "I wish we had a 'before and after' picture of you and everyone else who ever walks in this room. The program is a miracle."

On Monday evening, September 9, at 6:00pm, First Baptist will host her first Alanon meeting. Alanon is a support group for the family and friends of persons who struggle with alcoholism and addiction based on a

12-step program. The only qualifier for walking in the room is you love someone who struggles in this area. It's an interesting observation—Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) rooms are filled with persons who struggle with their addiction. For every person in AA there are numerous family members and friends affected by their disease, yet fewer people go to Alanon than go to AA. Alanon rooms should hold ten times the people attending AA! Those of us who love the person who struggles with addiction can easily become unhealthy in our care for them and our care for ourselves. Alanon helps move us toward serenity whether the alcoholic/addict is using or not.

If you love someone who struggles with addiction...if your life has been affected by someone who struggles with addiction, I want to invite you to join me at this first Alanon meeting. We will be meeting each Monday evening. If you miss the first meeting, you can join anytime. We will meet in the Adkins-Bouton Sunday School Class, room A306. Come in the 'chapel entrance' underneath the church's bell tower, take a left down the hallway and we are the first room on the right. Believe it or not, after a while, you'll be smiling too...

—Jim

Reminders

Habitat for Humanity Abraham Build
Early August through Early November
502 Jenkins Street
vhub.at/abrahambuildfirstbaptist

C. Dan Joyner 5K Run and Walk
August 24, 8:00am
<https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/mission-backpack-5k/>

Family Reunion

WEDNESDAYS AT FIRST

I have missed our time together around the tables in the Fellowship Hall. From the many questions I have received about when they begin again, I don't think I am alone in it. It is nearing time for our family reunion—*Wednesdays at First* activities resume on September 4. Our family will be reunited. I look forward to hearing the chatter and laughter as we get caught up with each other. If you are new and don't feel quite like family yet, no worries. Fellowship around the Wednesday Night Supper table will make you feel like family in no time. Be sure you are at the table!

The regular schedule of Wednesday evenings is included here. In addition to Wednesday Night Supper, there are activities for all ages. There is a nursery provided for the youngest ones,

age 3-grade 5 have Children's Missions followed by Children's Choirs, grades 6-12 have Youth Hang Time and Bible Study, and adults have MidWeek Fellowship and Sanctuary Choir rehearsal.

Be sure all preschool and elementary aged children are registered for the 2019-2020 year. We have made it easy at this link: <https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/registration-pre-child-2019-2020/>

You can make Wednesday Night Supper permanent reservations, make weekly reservations or alter your reservations at this link: <https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/wednesday-night-supper/>

MidWeek Fellowship requires no registration and is not to be missed. It is a more intimate time of prayer and Bible study in a relaxed atmosphere. Read on below to see what Jim has in store for us this year.

If you are interested in the Sanctuary Choir, contact

Vivian at vivian.hamilton@firstbaptistgreenville.com or 233-2527 ext. 124. Nursery care during rehearsal is available upon request.

Don't miss out on family time. I'll see you at supper on Wednesday, September 4!

—Kimberly

Wednesdays at First Resume September 4

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

This Should Be Fun (and Inspiring)

Wednesdays at First activities and MidWeek Fellowship are scheduled to resume on Wednesday evening, September 4. This gathering of the congregation for food, fellowship, children's music education, children's mission education, study and prayer are an annual indicator that life is back to normal. Rhythms and routines have replaced the erratic movements of Summer. I feel settled.

The great mystery for many, however, is what will be taught during our MidWeek Fellowship service. In recent years, we've enjoyed the fruits of the spirit, toured the entirety of the Bible, had appearances by C. S. Lewis (well, an impersonator), studied The Exodus and even delved into Dicken's *A Christmas Carol!* This year, YOU get to set part of the agenda! I am going to lead us in a light-hearted, inspirational, devotional study of...*The Other 3:16s*. Almost all of

us memorized John 3:16 as a child, but why is **that** 3:16 any more important than all the other 3:16s in the Bible? To answer this question, we are going to study The Other 3:16s. Every biblical book doesn't have a 3:16, and there are too many 3:16s to cover in one year of MidWeek Fellowship services...sooooo... ..I want YOU to choose the 3:16s I have to teach!

Here's how it works: Pick up your Bible, go from book to book and read each 3:16 (Chapter 3, Verse 16), decide which one you would most like to hear Jim teach, and email your choice to Jenna Manning (jenna.manning@firstbaptistgreenville.com) by September 1. Then attend Midweek Service to learn about The Other 3:16s. This should be fun...and it will be inspiring!

—Jim

Senior Adult Banquet

SEPTEMBER 6, 6:00 P.M.



The Senior Adult Banquet will be Friday evening, September 6, at 6:00 p.m. This is always a great time for First Baptist senior adults to enjoy food

and fellowship. The banquet kicks off a new year of programming for *Roadrunners*, *Holy Rollers*, and *First Friday Lunch and More*. Representatives from each of these groups will be on hand to preview calendars for the 2019-2020 year. Shelton Ridge Love will provide the program for the banquet this year. Do you have friends who would enjoy the banquet and participating in our senior adult events? Be sure to invite them!

Uptown Catering will once again prepare the meal: salad, entree, sides, rolls and dessert. Iced tea, water and coffee will accompany the meal. The cost of the meal with evening entertainment is only \$10. You can pay for the meal at the door, but reservations are needed in advance for the evening. Please contact me to make your reservation at shanda.laforge@firstbaptistgreenville.com or 233-2527 ext. 111. The deadline for reservations is Tuesday, September 3. Make your reservations today. You don't want to miss this!

—Shanda

Just Faith

WADE DEEPER INTO GOD'S LOVE

JustFaith Ministries was started to help us keep justice and mercy at the forefront of our faith. *JustFaith* participants are encouraged and empowered to live a faith that stretches into the streets of our community. This occurs through eight sessions—one session a week of reading, conversations, spiritual practices, and serving our community.

During my first year at First Baptist, I had the privilege of participating in two sessions of *JustFaith Ministries* small groups. These experiences were life-giving and full of life. I was challenged, encouraged, convicted, angered, uplifted, saddened and given hope. As I said, it was an experience that was life-giving and full of life.

The *JustFaith* journey is both meaningful and moving. You will develop new relationships, encounter new perspectives, wade deeper into God's love, and walk away with a glimpse of the Kingdom of God.

A *JustFaith* group will be starting at the church again this fall and there are a limited number of spots left! This session we will be exploring "Migration." We will be

asking how historical, biblical and theological perspectives inform our understanding of migration. If you are interested in joining or have any questions about *JustFaith*, please contact me (dylan.rigg@firstbaptistgreenville.com or 233-2527 ext. 7511) or Matt Rollins (matt.rollins@firstbaptistgreenville.com or 233-2527 ext. 144).

Peace,
Dylan



For Your Calendar!

- 8/23 AYMC 10th Anniversary
- 8/24 8:00am Mission Backpack 5K Walk and Run
- 8/25 9:30am Protecting Our Children (A302)
- 10:30am Jim Dant, Proclaimer (AYMC)
- 11:30am AYMC Open House
- 5:00pm LGBTQ and Friends Support Group (Parlor)
- 5:00-7:00pm Parent Youth Night (Fellowship Hall)
- 8/29-9/2 AYMC Closed for Floor Refinishing
- 8/31-9/2 Youth Fall Retreat at Rockmont
- 9/1 10:30am Matt Rollins, Proclaimer
- 9/2 Church Offices Closed in Observance of Labor Day
- 9/4 Wednesdays at First Activities Resume
- 9/6 5:30-8:00pm Children's Ministry Event: Pizza and a Movie (AYMC)
- 6:00pm Senior Adult Banquet (Fellowship Hall)
- 9/8 10:30am Senior Adult Sunday
Jim Dant, Proclaimer



Eliminating Hunger. Giving Hope.

In Greenville, South Carolina, over 47,000 people do not have enough to eat every day. Many of these people are children. We can help to make a significant number of children through breakfast and lunch programs, some of the children are so hungry when they get to school. A lot of our funds go to buying supplies for these children to help them get to school. Mission Backpack runs a 5K race every year to help raise money for these programs. We are proud to partner with the Greenville School District, the Greenville School District, and the Greenville School District. Your participation in the C. Day Joyner Memorial 5K Race will directly help feed a hungry child. We need your help to make a difference for Greenville's hungry children.

\$25 5K Registration Fee
Before August 19 (\$30 After)

1 Mile Walk • 500 Family Max • 500
Kid's 100 Yard Dash • Jar of Peanut Butter or Squeeze Jelly

Saturday, August 24 • 8:00 AM
First Baptist Greenville • 847 Cleveland Street

bounce house, sprinklers, bubbles and a special appearance by Peanut Butter and Jelly Man

View race details and register online at raceentry.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.

Care List as of 8/19/2019

Hospitals

St. Francis Downtown: Cherry Marshall
Prisma Health/North Greenville: Jim LaCoste
Roger C. Peace: Sula Hurley

Rehab

Rolling Green Rehab: Henry Barton, Nina Martin

Returned Home

Dan Batson, Ann-Grayson Good, Joe Greer

Introducing



...Carolyn and Ken Kraft, 104 Turnplow Court, Mauldin, 29662, joined FBG during worship on Sunday, August 11, by statement of previous profession of faith and baptism from another denomination. They are retired and enjoy spending time with their dog, Joy.



...Brody Mueller, 720 Richbourg Road, Greenville, 29615, joined FBG during worship on Sunday, August 11, by profession of faith and requesting baptism. Brody is a 10th grade student.



...Parker Tollison, 7 New Perry Road, Greenville, 29617, also joined FBG during worship on Sunday, August 11, by profession of faith and requesting baptism. Parker is a 10th grade student. Parker's parents are Brian and Julie, and his sister is Lucy.

Follow us on Livestream!

All of our worship services are broadcast live online and may be viewed from anywhere on the planet using this link:

<https://livestream.com/fbcgreenvillesc>

Also, by going to that page and clicking the "follow" button, you will be notified with a link whenever we create a new event, and you will be notified when that event goes live.


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LIVING GENEROUSLY

Financial Needs as of 8/17
\$1,713,459
Receipts as of 8/15
\$1,566,814

Pastoral Care

On Call Nights and Weekends

August 19-25
Matt Rollins
346-0971 (m)

August 26-September 1
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."