

## WORSHIP

### MidWeek Fellowship Live

Wednesday, July 1

6:15pm via Livestream and  
Facebook Live

Kendra Plating—Book of Job

### Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 5, 2020

10:30am via Livestream, Facebook Live  
and Radio

Proclaimers: Jonathan and Tina Bailey

Scripture: Psalm 145:8-14;  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Sermon: Love Transcending Difference

### MidWeek Fellowship Live

Wednesday, July 8

6:15pm via Livestream and  
Facebook Live

Kendra Plating—Book of Job

### Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 12, 2020

10:30am via Livestream, Facebook Live  
and Radio

Summer Music Sunday: Pat Terry

Proclaimer: Jim Dant

Access Livestream here:

<https://livestream.com/fbcgreenvillesc>

Access Facebook Live here:

<https://www.facebook.com/fbcgreenvillesc/>

Access Radio (Sunday morning only)  
here:

89.3-HD4, 91.9 FM, 92.9 FM

*The Branch* is taking a break next  
week. The next issue will be July 13.



## Rustlings

BY JIM DANT

*Pastoral Pandemic Putt Putt*. Yeah, it's a thing. I just made it up.

In conversations with church members via telephone, Zoom, Church Chat, Facebook Messenger, Livestream sidebars, etc., people consistently share their grief over lack of social contact. They particularly express some sorrow over lack of face-to-face contact with their minister. Add to that, when I see you in the grocery store or the drugstore or on the sidewalk downtown, even with masks on I can see eyes light up and the tension of a smile shape the side of your face. Best of all, I love when a church family with an SUV backseat of church children sidles up beside me at a traffic light, and the school-aged passengers excitedly wave.

In light of this dearth of shared space, I've invented *Pastoral Pandemic Putt Putt*. Here's how it works. Every Friday in July is *Pastoral Pandemic Putt Putt* day. If you or your family need or would enjoy some time with your minister—for serious chat or to

tell the corniest jokes you know or just to catch up—find your way to this form (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4DAAAD2DA2F58-pastoral>), sign up on the day and hour you choose (one participant or family per hour block), bring your putter, golf ball, water bottle to McPherson Park Putt Putt on the corner of Main Street and E. Park Avenue and everyone wear a mask. No mask, no play with the pastor. We will enjoy a game of putt putt and some good conversation—all while staying socially distanced. If before or after our game, you or your family wants to enjoy a picnic, there are tables throughout the park.

You may be asking, why just putt putt? Why can't we go to a movie or go hiking in North Carolina or ride our bikes up Paris Mountain together? Well...to be honest...I live next door to the putt putt course, and I don't have to burn a lot of gas, time or energy to make this happen. Also, it's a great way to walk, talk and give some attention to you and your children in an activity that warrants no extreme stamina or skill. It just seemed like a cool thing to do.

So... *Pastoral Pandemic Putt Putt*. Yeah, it's a thing. I just made it up. See you Friday.

—Jim

## United Ministries Needs Fruit

Thank you for your continued generosity in providing canned fruit for our neighbors through the United Ministries food pantry! You may now order and ship from home by shopping from the United Ministries Amazon wishlist: <https://tinyurl.com/uminfruit>. We will continue collecting on Wednesdays 10am-6pm until further notice in the covered drive-through between the Rotunda and the Fellowship Hall. You may also deliver directly to United Ministries from 8am-noon Monday-Friday at 606 Pendleton Street.

# Bible Study: Book of Job Study Begins July 1

6:15PM WEDNESDAYS VIA LIVESTREAM OR FACEBOOK LIVE

For our MidWeek Fellowship Bible Study for the first four weeks of July, I'll be leading us in a study of the Book of Job. The Book of Job hardly needs any introduction. It's known well by those within Christian and Jewish circles—and outside of those circles—as one of those timeless writings that addresses some of the most important questions of humanity: “Why do humans suffer? What does God have to do with human suffering? What about Satan? Why do the righteous suffer?” The Book of Job manages to deal

with these questions without giving us a straight answer, and it actually helps to read the book with a little levity and irony, so bring your humor and some sass and dive in with me while we explore what the Book of Job has to say about God and about us humans. I'll give you a hint—things aren't always as they seem! Read Chapters 1 and 2 of the Book of Job in preparation to begin our study this Wednesday, July 1. See you then!

—Kendra

## Happy Birthday!

Please remember these members of our congregation celebrating birthdays in July:

July 14

Laville Buff  
The Phoenix at Greer  
715 S. Buncombe Road #19  
Greer, SC 29650

July 18

Tony Arrington  
Woodlands at Furman  
1342 Trailhead Court  
Greenville, SC 29617

July 22

Earle Furman (98)  
c/o Carolyn Furman  
Cascades  
30 Springcrest Ct.  
#245  
Greenville, SC 29607

July 26

JoAnn Leaphart  
Woodlands at Furman  
50 Arboretum Lane  
Apt. 114  
Greenville, SC 29617

Nina Martin (99)

c/o Dewanda Martin  
100 Lake Fairfield Drive  
Greenville, SC 29615-1506

July 30

Suzanne Edwards  
106 Ridgeland Drive  
Greenville, SC 29601

Anne Weaver

Woodlands at Furman  
50 Arboretum Lane  
Apt. 411  
Greenville, SC 29617

## Senior Adult Activities Update

The Senior Adult Committee met on June 8 through a Zoom meeting to consider our Senior Adult activities and trips for the remainder of the year. The Committee members expressed their concern over the difficulty of our being able to follow CDC recommendations for group gatherings and to provide social distancing with Roadrunner trips, the Senior Adult Banquet and First Friday Lunch and More monthly meetings, etc. After much discussion, the Committee voted to suspend all Senior Adult activities through December 2020. The September trip to the Amish Country and Washington, D.C. has been postponed until September 2021.

The Committee concluded that the suspension of all Senior Adult activities through December 2020 is a necessary precaution for our First Baptist Greenville Senior Adults who are more susceptible to

COVID-19. Hopefully, all activities can be resumed in January 2021—or sooner, if possible.

The Senior Adult Committee expressed concern over the loss of contact with others through the suspension of our activities. All Senior Adults are invited to participate in a drive through frozen yogurt party at First Baptist Greenville on Friday, July 24. Watch the church newsletter, *The Branch*, for further information and plan to participate in this SAFE outdoor event. Let us pray that through careful adherence to the nationally published guidelines that we can resume contact with each other soon. Meanwhile, all of us can make phone calls and send emails, notes and cards to encourage each other through this difficult and strange time.

—Nancy Kirby, Senior Adult Committee Chair

# In Search of Director of Special Needs Ministry

Preschool and Children's Ministries are in search of a person to direct our Special Needs Ministry. This position is approved for 10 hours per week. Interested persons should be experienced in developing programs for and working with special needs children. Experience should also include supervising volunteers and paid staff. Resumes may be emailed to both Becky Ramsey ([becky.ramsey@firstbaptistgreenville.com](mailto:becky.ramsey@firstbaptistgreenville.com)) and Juli Morrow ([juli.morrow@firstbaptistgreenville.com](mailto:juli.morrow@firstbaptistgreenville.com)).

## Introducing...

Jim and Jamie Kaltenbach with Jady and Josie, 5 Riverlook Lane, Piedmont 29673, joined FBG on March 15 by previous profession of faith and baptism.

Virginia Zaccheo, c/o Carol Larson, 50 Paddington Ave, Greenville 29609, joined FBG by previous profession of faith and baptism on June 4.

Joe Zaccheo, c/o Carol Larson, 50 Paddington Ave, Greenville 29609, joined FBG on June 4 by previous profession of faith and baptism.

Jane Hoover, 5 Forestdale Dr., Taylors 29687, joined FBG on June 7 by previous profession of faith and baptism. Jane is now retired.

# Summer Music Sunday: Pat Terry

JULY 12, 10:30AM, LIVESTREAM AND FACEBOOK LIVE

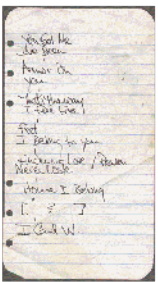


On July 12, Pat Terry will collaborate with Jim Dant to craft a worship service of song and scripture, story and prayer. Pat has enjoyed a long, successful career as a singer-songwriter. His career began with the Pat Terry Band – one of the first groups to present what later became known as Christian Contemporary Music. Pat's band gave us early standards like "The Wedding Song" and "Home Where I Belong." He followed this chapter

of life with a successful Nashville career, writing hits like: "A Little Too Late to Do the Right Thing Now" (Tanya Tucker) and Travis Tritt's "Help Me Hold On." His newest CD, How Hard It Is to Fly, is a reflection of the thoughtful faith he lives today. More information is available at [www.patterryonline.com](http://www.patterryonline.com). Don't miss this wonderful service of music and spoken word!

—Kimberly

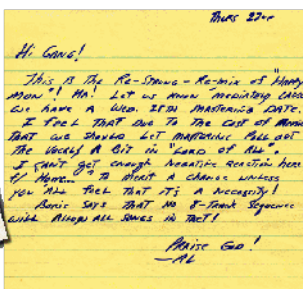
PAT TERRY GROUP  
1974 - 1979



THE PAT TERRY GROUP



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## Upcoming Internet Events

(links on church website)

- 7/1 **6:15pm** MidWeek Fellowship Bible Study  
Kendra Plating—Book of Job: Listening Beyond Words—What is piety? (Chapters 1-2)
- 7/5 **10:30am** Fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
Jonathan and Tina Bailey, CBF Field Personnel in Bali
- 7/8 **6:15pm** MidWeek Fellowship Bible Study  
Kendra Plating—Book of Job: Listening Beyond Words—What is grief? (Chapters 3-37)
- 7/12 **10:30am** Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
Jim Dant, Proclaimer  
Pat Terry, Guest Musician
- 7/15 **6:15pm** MidWeek Fellowship Bible Study  
Kendra Plating—Book of Job: Listening Beyond Words—What is right? (Chapters 38-42)



## Meals to Go

Uptown Catering continues to provide meals to go as well as Wednesday Night Specials at FBG pricing! Visit their website (<https://theuptowncompany.square.site/s/shop>) to view their menu options. All meals will be available for drive-thru pick up at the kitchen door—you don't even have to get out of your vehicle!

**LIVING GENEROUSLY**  
Financial Needs as of 6/27

**\$1,298,075**

Receipts as of 6/22

**\$1,118,108**



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## Pastoral Care

### On Call Nights and Weekends

June 22-July 3

Matt Rollins  
346-0971 (m)

July 4-5

Kyle Matthews  
551-0829 (m)

July 6-12

Jim Dant  
478-737-7298 (m)

July 13-19

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."

## Care List

Care List as of Morning,  
6/29/2020

### Hospitals

Prisma/Greenville Memorial:  
Becky Bouton

Prisma/Greer Memorial:  
Pat Stephens

St. Francis-Downtown:  
Gene Morin, Brenda Ballard

Recently Discharged  
Kathy Stewart, Patsy Burrell

### Sympathy

...to Vance Milford in the  
death of his brother.

## Beautiful Messes

*Stories written by our Youth Family.*

Now this one is my favorite story and I think that most other people in the youth group also have the same opinion. It is the infamous green paint story. On our mission trip to Alabama a few years ago, there was a bottle of green paint and a rope in one of the rooms on the boys hall. While we were winding down one day after working, our relaxation was interrupted by a few of the girls who came down to our hall to ask us about the paint in the stairwell. Nobody knew what they were talking about so we went to the stairwell to check it out. When we looked down the stairs, we saw that someone had thrown the bottle of paint and the rope down the stairs! The paint got everywhere. The word got around and soon everyone knew. Later that night, the chaperones talked to us about it, and told whoever did it to confess. Nobody would do it, so all the boys on the trip had to get out of their beds and clean up the stairs together. For the rest of the night everyone was miserable. To this day, we still don't know who did it. That was a very messy moment in many ways, but now we look back at that story and laugh. It is one of our favorite youth stories and it brings us together. It is a beautiful mess.

These are just a few of the many great youth trip stories that will stay with me forever. We've had things happen like finding high heels in bags of food, having pizza rolls blow up in microwaves, and I even accidentally broke a lightbulb with my head at Camp Rockmont. These stories mean a lot to me and to many other members of our youth family because without these messes, our youth group wouldn't be nearly as beautiful as it is today.

—Jack Rollins, 11th Grade, J.L. Mann High School