

WORSHIP

Wednesday, April 21

6:15pm

Sanctuary by Reservation and
via FBG Website and Facebook

MidWeek Fellowship

Rethinking Help—Kyle Matthews

Sunday, April 25

8:30am and 10:30am

Sanctuary by Reservation and
via FBG Website, Facebook and Radio
(10:30am only)

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Family Dedication

Proclaimer: Jim Dant

Sermon: A Bad Day at Mission Control

Scripture: Acts 4:5-12

Musicians: Sanctuary Choir Ensemble

Access FBG Website here:

<https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/>

Access Facebook here:

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

Access Radio (Sunday morning only)
here:

89.3-HD4, 89.7 FM, 91.9 FM

If you are having trouble viewing the stream or have had trouble in the past, please email live@firstbaptistgreenville.com. Include your name, email and description of your problem. Thank you for your continued support.

—Will D.

AYMC Hours

AYMC Walking Track and Fitness Room are open by appointment only, Monday-Friday, 8am-12noon.
Email aymc@firstbaptistgreenville.com for appointment.



Rustlings

BY JIM DANT

The doors were open Sunday morning. People were in the pews. We heard the whispers of: “And also with you,” “Thanks be to God,” and even the Doxology! We were celebrative—but careful.

Welcoming each other to our Sanctuary paves the way for welcoming our guests. Assuming vaccination rates continue to climb and infection rates continue to decline, we are planning to have our ‘extended faith family’ visit on some upcoming Sundays. Mark your calendar (and when possible, make your reservations) for these worship events:

Kyshona Armstrong will bring her voice and guitar to our worship hours on Sunday, May 2. She and I will be co-preaching that morning as we explore important stories in our Bible and in our world.

Livingston Taylor and Lesley-Ann Hix Tommey will be participating in worship on Sunday, June 20. Livingston is a long-time friend of

First Baptist Greenville and will be lending his musical voice to our worship. Lesley-Ann is a CBF field personnel missionary with Rauschenbusch Metro Ministries in New York City.

Finally (hold on to your hats), I will be taking some time off this summer for professional development—and quite frankly—some energizing rest. It’s been a long year. I will be out of the pulpit for three Sundays in July. On those Sundays, I thought it would be enriching to invite voices from our past to rejoin us in worship. Many of these persons were influential in the shaping of your faith and the faith of our corporate community. If you don’t know them, be here and get to know them. Former ministers **Hugh Kirby** will be preaching on July 11, **Clista and Glen Adkins** will lead worship on July 18, and **Don Flowers** will be our proclaimer on July 25.

Yes, the family of faith at First Baptist Greenville is back together again, and we are looking forward to seeing our extended family.

—Jim

Sign Up and Instructions for In-Person Worship Services

From our website homepage, make a reservation for worship attendance. Arrive for worship free of any COVID symptoms. The Narthex entrance or the Chapel entrances will be open. If you have to park farther than is walkable, wait at your car for the golf cart to pick you up. Check-in at the registration desk, be seated by the usher, remain masked throughout the service, exit the Sanctuary under the direction of an usher, avoid physical contact with other worshipers, and drive away with a grateful heart.



A Small Group for Newcomers

WEDNESDAYS IN MAY, 5:15PM TO 6:00PM, BY ZOOM

This four-part series is for guests, visitors and newer members who want a broad overview of the life of the church, as well as a way to get answers to more specific questions. In addition, this is a great way to meet other newcomers, as there will be plenty of opportunity for

dialogue and informal conversation. We will meet by Zoom on Wednesdays from 5:15pm to 6:00pm. For more information about this class, contact me at matt.rollins@firstbaptistgreenville.com.

No RSVP is necessary; follow this Zoom link to join in the conversation each of the four weeks:
<https://tinyurl.com/fb101zoom>

—Matt

May 5: “Navigating First Baptist”

The campus, community groups, ministries and staff, and the website

May 12: “Being Baptist at First Baptist”

What does it mean to be a Baptist church?

May 19: “God at Work at First Baptist”

History of big decisions and how they happened

May 26: “Church Life at First Baptist”

Serving, volunteering and becoming a member

Deacon Nominating Committee Election

There are three ways to submit recommendations for the eight positions on the Deacon Nominating Committee.

- 1) Print and complete the ballot below, sign it and mail it to the church attention Jenna Manning
- 2) Click the CONTACT US button at the top of the website homepage, complete the fields and include your recommendations
- 3) Email Jenna with your recommendations

The deadline for recommendations to be received is Friday, April 30, 2021.

Because the persons on the committee are ineligible to serve again for two years, do not nominate any of the following:

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| Carol Ann Bell | Matt Good |
| Mary Bolt | Sara Herbert |
| Becky Bouton | Pam Jones |
| Bob Cloaninger | Charles McDonald |
| Greg Crowe | Henry Watkins |
| Susan Dodson | Jane Watkins |
| Dan Dorroh | Michael Williamson |
| Brandt Gilbert | Jamie Womack |
| Rhonda Girvin | |

NOTE: This is NOT a ballot to nominate Deacons, but a ballot to nominate members of the Deacon Nominating Committee. Paper ballot must be signed.

Ballot for members of the Deacon Nominating Committee

1. _____	5. _____
2. _____	6. _____
3. _____	7. _____
4. _____	8. _____

Signed: _____



Youth Family Summer Activities

We hope our Youth Family had a wonderful Spring Break and a good first week back at school. We have fewer than 40 days to go until summer, and we are ready! Remember the days of Zoom lunches and yard sits? Would you like for this summer to look like that? Neither would we. WE HAVE EXCITING NEWS!! This summer will look MUCH different from last year. Unfortunately, there will not be a high school mission trip; however, we have all sorts of fun plans in store: Junior/Senior Night, Senior Trip, Youth Summer Gatherings, Day Trip activities, and wait for it... UNIDIVERSITY is BACK!

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days to go until summer, and

Regular Wednesday/Sunday Activities will continue until Wednesday, May 12

Sunday, May 2: Junior/Senior Night

Sunday, May 16: Graduate Sunday

Friday, June 4 through Wednesday, June 9: Senior Trip

Wednesdays, June and July: Youth Summer Gatherings (missions, lunch club, Bible study)

June and July: Day Trips

Tuesday, July 20 through Saturday, July 24: Unidiversity Youth Camp

—Will Raybon

Foundation Seeks New Trustees

NOMINATIONS DUE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, APRIL 30

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. Experience and knowledge in the making of investment decisions

All church members are invited to submit nominations for these positions. Please send your nominations to Stephanie Wright, chair of the Diaconate, at stephaniewright1023@gmail.com or Bob Howard, chair of the Foundation, at bobhoward@charter.net 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 Foundation Board are:

- Pat Booker-Christy (2022)
- Don Caldwell (2022)
- Eleanor Dunlap (2022)
- Paul Goldsmith (2023)
- Bob Howard (2021)
- Roy Janse (2021)
- Beverly Lambert (2023)
- Brenda League (2021)
- Oz Rogers (2023)

Trustee nominations are due no later than Friday, April 30.

Upcoming Events

(service links on church website)

- 4/21 4:00pm Preschool Choir and Missions (Zoom)
 5:00pm Wednesdays for Youth —High School
 6:15pm MidWeek Fellowship: Rethinking Help with Kyle Matthews (Sanctuary)
- 4/25 8:30am and 10:30am Fourth Sunday of Easter (Sanctuary)
 Proclaimer: Jim Dant
 4:15pm Vocare (Sanctuary)
 5:00pm Sunday Night Live for Youth—Middle School
 5:00pm LGBTQ & Friends Support Group (Fellowship Hall)
- 4/28 4:00pm Preschool Choir and Missions (Zoom)
 5:00pm Wednesdays for Youth —High School
 6:15pm MidWeek Fellowship: Rethinking Help with Kyle Matthews and Tony McDade (Sanctuary)
- 5/2 8:30am and 10:30am Fifth Sunday of Easter
 Proclaimer: Jim Dant

- 5/2 11:30am-1:00pm Children's Ministry Event: Fifth Grade Celebration
 1:00-2:30pm Children's Ministry Event: Hike to Ice Cream Party
 4:15pm Vocare (Sanctuary)
 5:00pm Youth Ministry Junior/Senior Night (Hampton Station)
 5:00pm Sunday Night Live for Youth—High School
- 5/5 5:00-7:00pm Middle School End of Year Party (AYMC)
 6:15pm MidWeek Fellowship: Rethinking Help with Kendra Plating and Andrea Helm (Sanctuary)



CREATIVE. FROM TABLE TO BAR.

Meals to Go

Uptown Catering continues to provide meals to go as well as Wednesday Night Specials at FBG pricing! Visit <https://theuptowncompany.square.site/s/shop> for menu options. Available for drive-thru pick up at the kitchen door!

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LIVING GENEROUSLY

Financial Needs as of 4/17
 \$807,690

Receipts as of 4/16
 \$661,478

Pastoral Care On Call Nights and Week-ends

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

April 26-May 2
 Frank Smith
 268-3890 (h)

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, 4/19

Hospitals

As of the morning of April 19, there are no hospitalized church members of whom the Pastoral Care Ministry is aware.

Rehab

Hoke Black, Brenda Ballard, Claudia Caldwell

Discharged

Elizabeth Kutz

Sympathy

...to Herlane Edwards and family in the death of her mother.

Introducing

David Sargent, 108D Park Crossing Drive, Easley 29640, joined FBG on April 8, by transfer of letter from another Baptist church. David is employed with Clemson University.

April Focus on Missions

Soteria CDC helps formerly-incarcerated men to get on a successful path. We are collecting the following for "First Day Kits":

- Bibles
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Socks
- Dental floss
- Washcloths

Bring to the church Reception Area Monday–Friday, 9am–5pm, or any Sunday morning in April that we gather in person (currently planned for April 18 and 25).

OR Order online and ship to:

First Baptist Greenville
 c/o Amy Joye
 847 Cleveland Street
 Greenville, SC 29601

Please contact Laura Stout (laura.stout@firstbaptistgreenville.com) with any questions.

—Kate Anderson, Missions Committee