

# *The First Baptist Evangel*

*August 17, 2014*



**First Baptist Church of West Point** is seeking to be a caring community of faith under the leadership of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

***Celebrating*** the presence and love of God in worship,

***Nourishing*** persons in faith and discipleship, and

***Reaching Out*** to the community with Christ's unconditional love.

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## *Welcome*

We welcome you to worship at First Baptist this morning. Please help us be more faithful in our ministry to you, and get to know you better, by taking the time to put your name on the attendance pad found on your pew.

Visitors, please feel free to provide as little or as much of the information requested on the pad. We promise to only contact you if you ask us to, and to only send information as you request.

Members, if you have had a change to your mailing address, email, or telephone number please let us know by supplying that information on the pad.

## *Please Especially Note for Today...*

**A Food Closet Appreciation Banquet** is being held Thursday night in the Gold Room at 6:00 PM. All those who have volunteered in the Food Closet or the garden are invited to attend but you must make reservations. Please call 706-643-7441 to reserve your seat. If there is no answer, please leave a message.

**If you purchased a Boston Butt**, remember to pick it up on Friday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> between 4:00 and 7:00 PM.

**Mark your calendars!** Family Night Activities will resume on Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please join us for Prayer Meeting at 5:30, supper at 6:00 and other activities after supper. If you wish to make a permanent reservation, sign-up sheets are located in the Sunday School classrooms and in the Café.

## *Ministry Leaders*

### *Nursery Workers*

Today: Mikki Dallas  
Next Sunday: Ashlee Hill  
August 31: Debbie McLane

### *PEW Ministry Leaders*

Today: Susan Groover &  
Linda Combs  
Next Sunday: Debra Downs &  
Thomas Hill  
August 31: Jerri Bolton

### *Offertory Prayer Leader*

Today: Donny Bolton  
Next Sunday: Joe Hill  
August 31: Dantz Frazer

## *Weekly Schedule of Activities*

### *Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>*

9:00—Deacons' Meeting  
9:45—Sunday School  
11:00—Worship

### *Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>*

6:35—Choir Practice

### *Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup>*

9:45—Sunday School  
11:00—Worship

**Dantz Frazer** is responsible for the opening and closing of the church during the month of **August** followed by **Phil Abercrombie** in **September**.

...making supplication for all  
the saints, and also for me, that  
words may be given to me in  
opening my mouth boldly to proclaim  
the mystery of the gospel, for which  
I am an ambassador in chains....

—Ephesians 6:18c-20a

# *Celebrating the Presence and Love of God in Worship*

August 17, 2014

11:00 AM

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOM TUCKER

## **ENTERING INTO GOD'S PRESENCE**

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP

TOM TUCKER

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

**For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.**

—Psalm 95:6-7

PRELUDE

DANIEL SMITH

*For your meditation:*

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers,  
nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height  
nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to  
separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

—Romans 8:38-39

INVOCATION

TOM TUCKER

PSALM

DALE FRAZER

### *Psalm 11*

TO THE CHOIRMASTER. OF DAVID.

- <sup>1</sup> In the LORD I take refuge;  
how can you say to my soul,  
“Flee like a bird to your mountain,  
<sup>2</sup> for behold, the wicked bend the bow;  
they have fitted their arrow to the string  
to shoot in the dark at the upright in heart;  
<sup>3</sup> if the foundations are destroyed,  
what can the righteous do?”  
<sup>4</sup> The LORD is in his holy temple;  
the LORD throne is in heaven;  
his eyes see, his eyelids test the children of man.  
<sup>5</sup> The LORD tests the righteous,  
but his soul hates the wicked and the one who loves violence.

<sup>6</sup> Let him rain coals on the wicked;  
fire and sulfur and a scorching wind shall be the portion of their  
cup.

<sup>7</sup> For the LORD is righteous;  
he loves righteous deeds;  
the upright shall behold his face.

*This is the word of the Lord*

***Thanks be to God***

GREETING THE ASSEMBLY OF THE SAINTS

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus  
Christ.

—Romans 1:7

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE (#7)

HYMN TO JOY

*“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

CONGREGATION

**All saints—who are united to Jesus Christ their head by his  
Spirit and by faith—have fellowship with him in his graces,  
sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory. And, being  
united to one another in love, they participate in each  
other's gifts and graces and are obligated to perform those  
public and private duties which lead to their mutual good,  
both inwardly and outwardly.**

—*The Westminster Confession of Faith in Modern English, 26.1*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

TOM TUCKER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

TOM TUCKER

To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in  
him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

—Acts 10:43

GOD'S WILL FOR OUR LIVES

TOM TUCKER

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved,  
compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,  
bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against  
another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you  
also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds  
everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ  
rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body.  
And be thankful.

—Colossians 3:12-15

OFFERTORY HYMN (#464)

CLOSE TO THEE

*“Close To Thee”*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

HOWARD BRYAN

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

FBC CHOIR

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

*“Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow”*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(Children ages 3-5 may leave for PEW Ministry during this hymn.)

## **GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

TOM TUCKER

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

JOE DOWNS

*Joshua 1:1-9*

<sup>1</sup> After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD said to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses’ assistant,<sup>2</sup> “Moses my servant is dead. Now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the people of Israel.<sup>3</sup> Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, just as I promised to Moses.<sup>4</sup> From the wilderness and this Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites to the Great Sea toward the going down of the sun shall be your territory.<sup>5</sup> No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life. Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you.<sup>6</sup> Be strong and courageous, for you shall cause this people to inherit the land that I swore to their fathers to give them.<sup>7</sup> Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go.<sup>8</sup> This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.<sup>9</sup> Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”

*Luke 23:13-25*

<sup>13</sup> Pilate then called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, <sup>14</sup> and said to them, “You brought me this man as one who was misleading the people. And after examining him before you, behold, I did not find this man guilty of any of your charges against him. <sup>15</sup> Neither did Herod, for he sent him back to us. Look, nothing deserving death has been done by him. <sup>16</sup> I will therefore punish and release him.”

<sup>18</sup> But they all cried out together, “Away with this man, and release to us Barabbas”—<sup>19</sup> a man who had been thrown into prison for an insurrection started in the city and for murder. <sup>20</sup> Pilate addressed them once more, desiring to release Jesus, <sup>21</sup> but they kept shouting, “Crucify, crucify him!” <sup>22</sup> A third time he said to them, “Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no guilt deserving death. I will therefore punish and release him.” <sup>23</sup> But they were urgent, demanding with loud cries that he should be crucified. And their voices prevailed. <sup>24</sup> So Pilate decided that their demand should be granted. <sup>25</sup> He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, for whom they asked, but he delivered Jesus over to their will.

*Acts 21:27-36*

<sup>27</sup> When the seven days were almost completed, the Jews from Asia, seeing him in the temple, stirred up the whole crowd and laid hands on him, <sup>28</sup> crying out, “Men of Israel, help! This is the man who is teaching everyone everywhere against the people and the law and this place. Moreover, he even brought Greeks into the temple and has defiled this holy place.” <sup>29</sup> For they had previously seen Trophimus the Ephesian with him in the city, and they supposed that Paul had brought him into the temple. <sup>30</sup> Then all the city was stirred up, and the people ran together. They seized Paul and dragged him out of the temple, and at once the gates were shut. <sup>31</sup> And as they were seeking to kill him, word came to the tribune of the cohort that all Jerusalem was in confusion. <sup>32</sup> He at once took soldiers and centurions and ran down to them. And when they saw the tribune and the soldiers, they stopped beating Paul. <sup>33</sup> Then the tribune came up and arrested him and ordered him to be bound with two chains. He inquired who he was and what he had done. <sup>34</sup> Some in the crowd were shouting one thing, some another. And as he could not learn the facts because of the uproar, he ordered him to be brought into the barracks. <sup>35</sup> And when he came to the steps, he was actually carried by the soldiers because of the violence of the crowd, <sup>36</sup> for the mob of the people followed, crying out, “Away with him!”

SERMON

TOM TUCKER

*“Bound with Chains, Free in Christ”*

HYMN OF RESPONSE (#249)

GLORIFY THY NAME

*“Glorify Thy Name”*

## **DEPARTING TO SERVE**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP AND REACHING OUT

- The Food Closet Appreciation Banquet is Thursday at 6:00 PM.
- Pick up your Boston Butt this Friday between 4 & 7 PM.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

TOM TUCKER

THE CHARGE

TOM TUCKER

Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

—Matthew 10:39

THE BENEDICTION

TOM TUCKER

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

—Numbers 6:24-26

POSTLUDE

DANIEL SMITH

The pastor is available after the service at the front of the sanctuary for anyone who would like to talk more about today's message, learn about faith in Christ, church membership or for prayer. You may also make an appointment by calling the church office at 706-645-2969 or emailing him directly at [tucker@bcwestpoint.com](mailto:tucker@bcwestpoint.com).

Sermon Notes

*“Bound with Chains, Free in Christ”*



## *Nourishing Persons in Faith and Discipleship*

### *Caring for One Another*

As you intercede for others this week please lift up these particular concerns from here in our own congregation

- Mildred Shaver
- Geneva Bartlett
- William & Margaret Breedlove
- Florine Henderson
- Dot Jacobs
- Byron & Mary Ann McEachern
- Jessica Bolton
- Margaret Bartlett
- Emma Myers
- Sara Jones
- Lillian Barber
- Charles & Mary Clark
- Richard & Pat Kemp
- Paul and Ann Fiquette

Words cannot express our thanks to this church for all the support and help given during the Yard Sales to benefit Beverly in the purchase of her Service Dog. We had help though donations, purchases, and physical labor! It was truly a success! Thank you also for purchasing and selling tickets for the Boston Butts on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. These can be picked up at the church between 4:00-7:00 PM on Friday. Thank you again for all your help in each of these endeavors.

David and Ann Kerr

*Reaching Out to the Community with Christ's Unconditional Love*

**TROUP BAPTIST SENIOR ADULTS**

**ASSOCIATIONAL SENIOR ADULT RALLY**  
**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>** from 11AM - 1 PM  
**FIRST BAPTIST on the Square Family Life Center**  
(Church Street side entrance)

Guest singers: FAITHFUL HEARTS from FBC on the Square  
and NEW MADECONIA MALE VOICES

COST: \$5.00 per person for the meal

You **WILL NOT NEED** to bring a covered dish this year.

There will be **PLENTY OF DOOR PRIZES**

Parking will be available along Church St., parking lot across from Salvation Army, and the lot on Lewis St. behind the Family Life Center.

If you would like to attend this yearly event for Troup Baptist Senior Adults, please contact Pal Reeves, Linda Combs or Janice Dallas

**MEMORIALS & GIFTS**

**In memory of Ann Johnson**

by: Clisby L. Hall

Jack Barrow

Cecil Hines

Baldwin and Joyce Martin

Charles and Mary May

Sidney and Susan Middlebrooks

John and Jane Willingham

## *The Bulletin Board*

### *Making the Dream a Reality*

**Support for Lynn Smith &  
Glad Tidings  
in July:**

\$120.52

**West Point Food Closet  
through July:**

\$1,760.00

### *Summary of Operations*

Received: \$99,667.20

Disbursed: \$100,736.43



If you ordered a  
***BOSTON BUTT***  
to benefit Beverly Bohem  
in the purchase of a  
***Service Dog***  
pick up is  
Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>  
from 4:00-7:00 PM  
here at FBC

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