

The First Baptist Evangel

July 20, 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...

Our condolences to the family of Ann Johnson who passed away on Thursday, July 17th. Ms. Johnson became a member of West Point First Baptist in January 1950. A graveside service will be held this afternoon at 2:30 with Dr. Hugh Peacock and Dr. Tom Tucker officiating.

Ministry Leaders

Nursery Workers

Today: Jerri Bolton
Next Sunday: Karen Hill
August 3: Dale Frazer

PEW Ministry Leaders

Today: Ann Kerr & Faith Graben
Next Sunday: Phoebe Graben &
Lisa Tucker
August 3: Jeri Smith & Emma Dallas

Offertory Prayer Leader

Today: Chuck Smith
Next Sunday: Roger Hales
August 3: George Hester

Weekly Schedule of Activities

Sunday, July 20th

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

Sunday, July 27th

9:45—Sunday School
11:00—Worship

Jack Combs is responsible for the opening and closing of the church during the month of **July** followed by **Dantz Frazer** in **August**.

And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me.

— Acts 20:22-23

Celebrating the Presence and Love of God in Worship

July 20, 2014

11:00 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOM TUCKER

ENTERING INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP

TOM TUCKER

This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

—Psalm 118:24

PRELUDE

DANIEL SMITH

For your meditation:

But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."

—Acts 9:15-16

INVOCATION

TOM TUCKER

PSALM

SUZANNE BRYAN

Psalm 139

TO THE CHOIRMASTER. A PSALM OF DAVID.

¹ O LORD, you have searched me and known me!

² You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

³ You search out my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.

⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue,
behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.

⁵ You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.

⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is high; I cannot attain it.

⁷ Where shall I go from your Spirit?
Or where shall I flee from your presence?

⁸ If I ascend to heaven, you are there!
If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!

⁹ If I take the wings of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

- ¹⁰ even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me.
- ¹¹ If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,
and the light about me be night,"
- ¹² even the darkness is not dark to you;
the night is bright as the day,
for darkness is as light with you.
- ¹³ For you formed my inward parts;
you knitted me together in my mother's womb.
- ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.
- ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you,
when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.
- ¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed substance;
in your book were written, every one of them,
the days that were formed for me,
when as yet there was none of them.
- ¹⁷ How precious to me are your thoughts, O God!
How vast is the sum of them!
- ¹⁸ If I would count them, they are more than the sand.
I awake, and I am still with you.
- ¹⁹ Oh that you would slay the wicked, O God!
O men of blood, depart from me!
- ²⁰ They speak against you with malicious intent;
your enemies take your name in vain.
- ²¹ Do I not hate those who hate you, O LORD?
And do I not loathe those who rise up against you?
- ²² I hate them with complete hatred;
I count them my enemies.
- ²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!
- ²⁴ And see if there be any grievous way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting!

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GREETING THE ASSEMBLY OF THE SAINTS

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

—1 Timothy 1:2

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE (#202)

CORONATION

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

CONGREGATION

The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church;
The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
The resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

TOM TUCKER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

TOM TUCKER

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

—1 John 1:9

GOD’S WILL FOR OUR LIVES

TOM TUCKER

Whoever says “I know him” but does not keep his commandments
is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in
him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that
we are in him: whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the
same way in which he walked.

—1 John 2:2-6

OFFERTORY HYMN (#514)

HEAVEN

“When We All Get to Heaven”

OFFERTORY PRAYER

CHUCK SMITH

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

FBC CHOIR

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

OLD 100TH

“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
THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

TOM TUCKER
HOWARD BRYAN

Judges 6:36-40

³⁶Then Gideon said to God, "If you will save Israel by my hand, as you have said,³⁷ behold, I am laying a fleece of wool on the threshing floor. If there is dew on the fleece alone, and it is dry on all the ground, then I shall know that you will save Israel by my hand, as you have said."³⁸ And it was so. When he rose early next morning and squeezed the fleece, he wrung enough dew from the fleece to fill a bowl with water.³⁹ Then Gideon said to God, "Let not your anger burn against me; let me speak just once more. Please let me test just once more with the fleece. Please let it be dry on the fleece only, and on all the ground let there be dew."⁴⁰ And God did so that night; and it was dry on the fleece only, and on all the ground there was dew.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

HOWARD BRYAN

Matthew 16:21-23

²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you."²³ But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

THE THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON

JOE DOWNS

Acts 21:1-17

¹And when we had parted from them and set sail, we came by a straight course to Cos, and the next day to Rhodes, and from there to Patara.² And having found a ship crossing to Phoenicia, we went aboard and set sail.³ When we had come in sight of Cyprus, leaving it on the left we sailed to Syria and landed at Tyre, for there the ship was to unload its cargo.⁴ And having sought out the disciples, we stayed there for seven days. And through the Spirit they were telling Paul not to go on to Jerusalem.⁵ When our days there were ended, we departed and went on our journey, and they all, with wives and children, accompanied us until we were outside the city. And kneeling down on the beach, we prayed⁶ and said farewell to one another. Then we went on board the ship, and they returned home.

⁷When we had finished the voyage from Tyre, we arrived at Ptolemais, and we greeted the brothers and stayed with them for one

day.⁸ On the next day we departed and came to Caesarea, and we entered the house of Philip the evangelist, who was one of the seven, and stayed with him.⁹ He had four unmarried daughters, who prophesied.¹⁰ While we were staying for many days, a prophet named Agabus came down from Judea.¹¹ And coming to us, he took Paul's belt and bound his own feet and hands and said, "Thus says the Holy Spirit, 'This is how the Jews at Jerusalem will bind the man who owns this belt and deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles.'" ¹² When we heard this, we and the people there urged him not to go up to Jerusalem.¹³ Then Paul answered, "What are you doing, weeping and breaking my heart? For I am ready not only to be imprisoned but even to die in Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus."¹⁴ And since he would not be persuaded, we ceased and said, "Let the will of the Lord be done."

¹⁵ After these days we got ready and went up to Jerusalem.¹⁶ And some of the disciples from Caesarea went with us, bringing us to the house of Mnason of Cyprus, an early disciple, with whom we should lodge.¹⁷ When we had come to Jerusalem, the brothers received us gladly.

SERMON

TOM TUCKER

"Discerning the Will of God"

HYMN OF RESPONSE (#244)

MANNA

"Spirit of the Living God"

DEPARTING TO SERVE

OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP AND REACHING OUT

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

TOM TUCKER

THE CHARGE

TOM TUCKER

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

—Romans 12:2

THE BENEDICTION

TOM TUCKER

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

—2 Corinthians 13:14

POSTLUDE

DANIEL SMITH

The Bulletin Board

Making the Dream a Reality

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

\$125.17

**West Point Food Closet
through June:**

\$1,530.00

Families under the watch care of Deacon Donny Bolton:

Richard & Pat Kemp
Paul & Ann Fiquette
Don Cleveland
Bill & Ann Adams
Roger and Shannon Bledsoe
Chuck & Jeri Smith
Charles Smith
Brad & Stephanie McLain
Abigail & Ansley
Emma Myers

Summary of Operations

Received: \$87,615.70

Disbursed: \$86,802.77

Yard Sale

Saturday, August 2nd
to help raise funds
for a service dog
for Beverly Kerr Boehm

Yard sale items are needed. If
you have items to contribute,
contact Ann Kerr at 706-957-
9803. Anything and everything
will be appreciated!

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