

The First Baptist Evangel

July 27, 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...

Those able and willing to help with the yard sale and/or a separate fundraiser for Beverly Kerr Bohem's service dog, please meet in the front of the sanctuary immediately following the service.

There will be a yard sale Saturday, August 2nd, from 8:00 AM—12 NOON in the Gold Room to help raise funds for Beverly's service dog.

First Choice Women's Center will have a 10K, 5K, 1 mile race on Saturday, August 16th in LaGrange. They are asking for volunteers to support and compete in this fundraising event. For more information or to register, go to connectrace.com.

Ministry Leaders

Nursery Workers

Today: Carolyn Scannell
Next Sunday: Karen Hill
August 10: Dale Frazer

PEW Ministry Leaders

Today: Phoebe Graben &
Lisa Tucker
Next Sunday: Jeri Smith &
Emma Dallas
August 10: Jane Abercrombie

Offertory Prayer Leader

Today: George Hester
Next Sunday: Roger Hales
August 10: Howard Bryan

Weekly Schedule of Activities

Sunday, July 27th

9:45—Sunday School
11:00—Worship

Sunday, August 3rd

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**.

Yet a little while and the
world will see me no more, but
you will see me. Because I live,
you also will live

—John 14:19

Celebrating the Presence and Love of God in Worship

July 27, 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:

Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

—John 16:19-22

INVOCATION

TOM TUCKER

PSALM

LINDA COMBS

Psalm 39

TO THE CHOIRMASTER: TO JEDUTHUN. A PSALM OF DAVID.

- ¹ I said, "I will guard my ways,
that I may not sin with my tongue;
I will guard my mouth with a muzzle,
so long as the wicked are in my presence."
² I was mute and silent;
I held my peace to no avail,
and my distress grew worse.
³ My heart became hot within me.
As I mused, the fire burned;
then I spoke with my tongue:

- ⁴“O LORD, make me know my end
and what is the measure of my days;
let me know how fleeting I am!
- ⁵Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,
and my lifetime is as nothing before you.
Surely all mankind stands as a mere breath! *Selab*
- ⁶Surely a man goes about as a shadow!
Surely for nothing they are in turmoil;
man heaps up wealth and does not know who will gather!
- ⁷“And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?
My hope is in you.
- ⁸Deliver me from all my transgressions.
Do not make me the scorn of the fool!
- ⁹I am mute; I do not open my mouth,
for it is you who have done it.
- ¹⁰Remove your stroke from me;
I am spent by the hostility of your hand.
- ¹¹When you discipline a man
with rebukes for sin,
you consume like a moth what is dear to him;
surely all mankind is a mere breath! *Selab*
- ¹²“Hear my prayer, O LORD,
and give ear to my cry;
hold not your peace at my tears!
For I am a sojourner with you,
a guest, like all my fathers.
- ¹³Look away from me, that I may smile again,
before I depart and am no more!”

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 (#19)

KREMSER

“We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer”

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

MISSIONS EMPHASIS

ANN KERR AND CATHERINE SMALLEY

OFFERTORY HYMN (#476)

STRENGTH

"Be Strong in the Lord"

OFFERTORY PRAYER

GEORGE HESTER

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

2 Kings 2:1-14

¹Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal.²And Elijah said to Elisha, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.³And the sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he said, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet."

⁴Elijah said to him, "Elisha, please stay here, for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho.⁵The sons of the prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet."

⁶Then Elijah said to him, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on.⁷Fifty men of the sons of the prophets also went and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan.⁸Then Elijah took his cloak and rolled it up and struck the water, and the water was parted to the one side and to the other, till the two of them could go over on dry ground.

⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you." And Elisha said, "Please let there be a double portion of your spirit on me."¹⁰And he said, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you, but if you do not see me, it shall not be so."¹¹And as they still went on and talked, behold, chariots of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.¹²And Elisha saw it and he cried, "My father, my father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" And he saw him no more.

Then he took hold of his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.¹³And he took up the cloak of Elijah that had fallen from him and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan.¹⁴Then he took the cloak of Elijah that had fallen from him and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" And when he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

Acts 20:36-21:6

³⁶And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all. ³⁷And there was much weeping on the part of all; they embraced Paul and kissed him, ³⁸being sorrowful most of all because of the word he had spoken, that they would not see his face again. And they accompanied him to the ship.

21 And 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. ²And having found a ship crossing to Phoenicia, we went aboard and set sail. ³When 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. ⁴And 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. ⁵When 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 prayed ⁶and said farewell to one another. Then we went on board the ship, and they returned home.

SERMON

TOM TUCKER

“Christian Good-byes”

HYMN OF RESPONSE (#663)

STERNS

*“Grace to You”***DEPARTING TO SERVE**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP AND REACHING OUT

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

TOM TUCKER

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

TOM TUCKER

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I will come to you.’ If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I.

—John 14:27-28

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@fbcwestpoint.com.

The Bulletin Board

August Birthdays

- 2 – Lisa Cowart
- 2 – Phil McLain
- 3 – Nolan Dallas
- 9 – Ann Adams
- 10 – Kaitlyn Smalley
- 12 – Christine Bryan Dean
- 18 – Dionne Scannell
- 18 – Howard Bryan IV
- 18 – Marty Hagood
- 27 – Tyler McLain
- 27 – Walter Graben
- 29 – Margaret Bartlett

Families under the watch care of Deacon Dantz Frazer:

Marty & Erica Hagood
Ann Elizabeth
Howard & Suzanne Bryan
Jack & Linda Combs
Marsha Fitzgerald
Ashely Ann & Olivia
Phil McLain
Lori McLain
George & Dianne Hester
Daniel Smith



Yard Sale
*to help raise funds for
a service dog for
Beverly Bohem
Saturday, August 2nd
in the Gold Room
8:00-12:00*

Also, if you have items to contribute, contact Ann Kerr at 706-957-9803. Anything and everything will be appreciated!

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