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First Baptist News

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Early Childhood Registration for 2019-2020

Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. After-school Pick-up, Hot Lunch, Nutritious Snacks, Reasonable Fees

Registration for 2019-2020 School Year
Currently enrolled students may register now!
February 25th—First Baptist Members
February 26th—Open to Public

Questions? Call 739-4336





A hands-only CPR class (training with the Automatic Electronic Defibrillator) will be held at First Baptist on Sunday, February 24 at 3 p.m. *All ministerial staff, security monitors, greeters, and deacons are encouraged to attend.* The class will last approximately one hour.

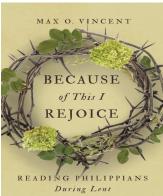
Preparing for Sunday . . .

"From Nothing"

Matthew 14:13-21

Even Jesus needed time away. When he hears the news that his cousin and spiritual "forerunner," John the Baptist, has been ruthlessly executed by Herod, Jesus needs time to pray through what has happened. The crowds have little concern for Jesus' need for solitude however. They await his return and when Jesus sees them, he has compassion for them and cures their sick. A little later the disciples encourage Jesus to send the crowds away because they do not have enough food. Jesus declined the disciples request and then took what little food they had. He then blessed it, broke it and gave it and everyone was fed. There were even twelve baskets of left overs! This is the only miracle story that can be found in all four gospels and perhaps the reason is that it shows us that no matter how hard life gets, we still have something to give.

Because of This I Rejoice—Lenten Study

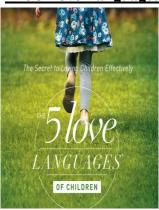


During the Lenten
Season, Dr. Elks
will be leading a
study based on the
book, Because of
This I Rejoice:
Reading Philippians
During Lent, by
Max Vincent.

The study sessions will be held Sunday afternoons

at 4:00 p.m. beginning March 10th. Copies of the book will be available in the church office at a cost of \$12 each.

Mom's Bible Study The 5 Love Languages of Children



Join us for a 5 week study with other moms as we learn about the love languages of children and how we can better understand and care for our little (or not so little) ones!

Sunday afternoons in March, 4:00 pm—for

Moms of children age 16 or younger.

Childcare available for 6th grade and younger. Contact Erin if you are interested in participating.





Say thank you. Say it often, and say it with meaning.-Marne Lavine, Instagram COO

I don't say "thank you" often enough, but I hope people know that when I say it, I mean it. I am grateful for all of the volunteers who

helped make the Valentine Banquet so much of a success this year. Thank you for helping.

Your help contributed to a night of shared food, fun, and laughter among generations. That may seem like a small thing, but it is a much needed and rare occasion when we can come together in such a positive way. If you helped preparing the food, decorating the fellowship hall, or working on the show itself, you had your share of challenges, obstacles, and frustrations. Thank you for pressing on.

Thank you to our youth who spent time preparing, practicing, and contributing to the writing of the show. Thank you to our youth for sacrificing a Saturday night to wait tables, serve, and entertain. Thank you for sharing your God given gifts, being bold enough to get on stage, and supporting each other.

Senior adults, thank you for purchasing tickets to an event that was once free for you. Thank you for encouraging our youth. Thank you for sharing yourselves in conversations and laughter at your table as you included your teenage wait staff.

All in all, it was a wonderful night of celebration. Thanks for being an important part of it. Thank God for the people of this church.

Doug

This Week. . . Sunday, February 24, 2019

8:45 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship

1:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Bonus

Rehearsal

3:00 p.m. CPR Hands-only Training

4:45 p.m. Youth Choir6:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study7:00 p.m. Youth Week Officers

Meeting

Monday, February 25— ECM Registration Opens to FBC Members

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

Tuesday, February 26— ECM Registration Open to Public

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group

Wednesday, February 27

5:15 p.m. Family Night Supper
5:45 p.m. Music Makers Choir
(1st-3rd Grade)
Young Musicians Choir
(4th-6th Grade)

(4111-0111 Grade)

6:00 p.m. Family Night At Prayer WYD (Grades 7-12)

6:30 p.m. 1st-3rd Grade Bible Study 4th-6th Grade Handbells

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Rehearsal

Thursday, February 28

7:00 p.m. Emergency Preparedness Team



Children's Sunday 2019







Servants this Sunday, February 24, 2019

ETC—8: 45 a.m.—Casey Williamson & Becky Thompson 11:00 a.m.—Casey Williamson & Sandra Elks

Entrance Greeters

Children's Building —Margie Cockrell Walnut Street— Mickey & Johnny Johnson 6th Street — Dianne & Layton Britt Senior Entrance — Jim Driscoll

<u>Welcoming Committee</u>— Lewis Lytch & Dianne Britt <u>Security Monitor</u>— Charles Kinlaw

Sound— Amy Gibson

Kids Against Hunger.

Feeding families around the world... and around the corner

Join us March 9th at Godwin Heights Baptist Church as we package meals for Kids Against Hunger.



March 14, 2019
11:00 a.m. in the Activity Building
"Calling North Carolina Home"
Speaker: Senator Danny Britt
Bring a sandwich and a friend!

For the Record

Budgeted 2019	\$700,000.00
Weekly Need (2019)	\$13,461.54
Received February 17, 2019	\$6,113.54
Need to date	\$94,230.77
Received to date	\$78,368.52
Over (Under) Budget	(\$15,862.25)
Sunday School Attendance,	
February 17—181	

Lumberton Christian Care Center is holding its

3rd Annual Empty Bowls Fundraiser

Sunday, February 24 from 11:00-2:00. Join us after church for Sunday lunch at Walnut and 2nd Streets.

Soups and Dessert donated by local restaurants.

Dine in or take out.

For more information call 910-739-1204.

Tickets:

\$15 for meal and locally made pottery bowl. \$10 for meal \$5 for children 3-8 years





Noon Services will be hosted by churches in our community Wednesdays during the Lenten Season. A light lunch will be served following each service.

March 6 Trinity Episcopal

March 13 Chestnut Street United Methodist

Eva Ruth, proclaimer

March 20 Lenten Service at First Baptist

Herbert Lowry, proclaimer

March 27 First Presbyterian

David Elks, proclaimer

April 3 Godwin Heights Baptist

Doug Reedy, proclaimer

April 10 Chestnut Street United Methodist

Leslie Sessoms, proclaimer

Maundy Thursday Service—7:00 p.m., April 18th at First Baptist, Dave Hawes, proclaimer

Good Friday Service, Noon, April 19th at Trinity Episcopal, David Ruth, proclaimer



CBFNC's Annual Gathering March 28-29 FBC Greensboro, NC

For more information and a schedule of events visit www.cbfnc.org

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Baptist Women's Luncheon Monday, March 4, 2019 11:45 a.m. in the Activity Building

Our special guest for March will be Ron Ross, from the Lumberton Boys & Girls Club. Please bring a sandwich.

The Glen Flora Circle will meet at 10:45 a.m.

Bible Study #3 will meet at 11:45 a.m. on March 5th.



Packets of offering envelopes are available in the church office. You may also give your offering to First Baptist online by scanning the QR Code on the back of the Order of Worship or by automatic draft. Draft forms are available on our website — www.fbclumbertonnc.org.

Person of the Week

Thedies Strickland 703 W. 27th St. Lumberton, NC 28358

Send a card, letter, or other remembrance to our special person of the week!