

First Baptist News

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Phone Access to Worship Services

In this time of social distancing, our worship services are currently online only. However, we know there are some in our congregation who do not have internet access or computer/smartphone access, and we have been researching other ways to share our worship services.

While it wouldn't be the complete worship service, we have found a way for people to call in on any phone line and listen to our sermon recordings. There is a catch, though: the number you would call is an out of state phone number, so if your phone plan charges you for long distance calls, your phone company would charge you for that call. While not perfect, this is the best option we have found thus far.

If you currently are unable to access our services online and would be interested in using this phone-in service, please call the church office (739-4336) and leave a message. Once we know what the interest is, we will figure out the next steps.

This Week. . .

Sunday, May 3
10:00 a.m. Worship (Facebook Live & YouTube)
 3:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study (Zoom)
 Fellowship Class (Zoom)

Monday, May 4
 1:00-2:30 p.m. Tithing Time
 7:00 p.m. Monday School
 (Facebook Live & Zoom)

Wednesday, May 6
 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night
 Devotion (Facebook
 Live)
 7:00 p.m. Bridge Class (Zoom)

This Sunday, May 3rd, we will be observing communion together as part of our worship service. What does that look like when we're worshipping together online?

- When Jesus instituted the practice of the Lord's Supper, he took what was in front of him and used it to share his story. In the same way, we will encourage you to use what you have at home to take communion: crackers and juice; bread and milk; donut and coffee. Don't go to the store just so you can have special bread and juice. The significance of this moment is tied not to what you consume, but to the story which is told and remembered.
- Take out your communion elements before worship begins and set them aside where you can easily access them. Dr. Bo will lead us in communion after the sermon.



We look forward to sharing communion virtually this Sunday!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 27

TITHING TIME

April 27, 1:00-2:30 pm

Bring your offering envelope to church! Park at the 6th St. entrance, and a staff member will meet you at your car. Checks only, please.

MONDAY SCHOOL

April 27 at 7:00 pm

Dr. Bo Prosser will teach from the Formations Sunday School literature via Zoom. The lesson will also be livestreamed on Facebook.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DEVOTION

April 29 at 6:30 pm

A brief devotion offered by Bo Prosser will be live-streamed on Facebook.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

May 3 at 10:00 am

Worship with us on Facebook Live or YouTube! Worship will include communion - please "use what you have" to join us in this observance.



Sunday Mornings on Facebook Live & Youtube. Wednesday devotions on Facebook Live.

**Sunday worship at 10:00 am
Wednesday devotion at 6:30 pm**

All on the church Facebook page or YouTube:

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

or <https://www.youtube.com/user/>

For the Record

Budgeted 2020	\$700,000.00
Weekly Need (2020)	\$13,461.54
Received April 20, 2020	\$11,398.00
Need to date	\$209,230.77
Received to date	\$181,119.30
Over (Under) Budget	(\$28,111.47)

We have many ways you can continue giving to FBC. We offer bank draft, you can mail in contributions, or you can give on-line.

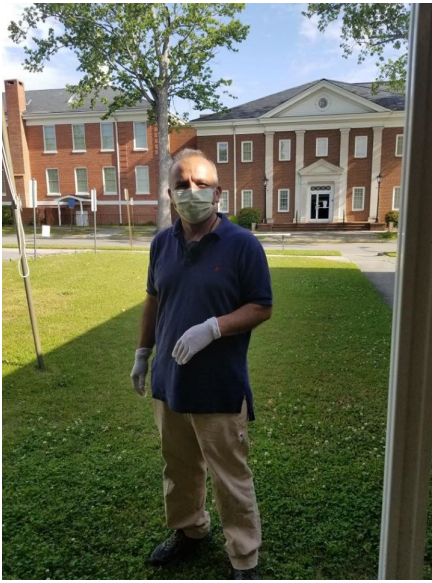
We have tithing time each Monday between 1:00 and 2:30 p.m.

A staff member will be at the 6th Street entrance each Monday and will meet you at your car to receive your gift. We cannot accept cash at this time—checks only, please.



Graduation Information Requested

Commencement exercises may be put on hold for awhile, but we still want to celebrate anyone who is graduating from high school or college this year! If you know someone in our membership who is finishing a degree this year, please email Daphne— daphnefletcher@fbclumbertonnc.org by April 30th with the full name of the graduate, school where they completed the degree, and type of degree received.



Saturday, April 18th was Community Cafe day, and it was a team effort! Doug and Kaitlyn Reedy pre-packed bags of chips and sides, and the Susan Welsh class made and dropped off sandwiches (following proper social distancing procedures, or course). Then, a few volunteers handed them out to our neighbors in need of lunch. Thank you to all who helped make this ministry happen this past weekend!



Office Hours and Administration

Our office is physically closed, but our staff is working remotely as they are able. Committees are still doing their administrative work as needed. Remote meetings via technology are strongly suggested during this time.

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Person of the Week

Gracie Davis
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Send a card, letter, or other remembrance
to our special person this week!



Zoom Meetings for Children!

Preschool and School-Age Zoom Calls are ongoing. Contact Erin— erincollier@fbclumbertonnc.org— for the latest details and log on information!

