

APRIL 24, 2005
WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

9:00am Sunday School
 10:15am Morning Worship
 On the Radio Each Sunday on WDXL 1490 AM at 11:00am
 Taped from a previous Sunday.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:

USHERS

Steve Helms, Carthel Smith,
 Bill Bobbitt*, and John Mitchell

GREETERS:

Charlotte Hollis and Edith Ramer

ACOLYTES:

Katie Mobley & Molly Meyer

ALTAR FLOWERS

The Walkers give the flowers this week to the glory of God and
 in loving honor of Barbara Clement's birthday.

SOUND TECHNICIAN:

Carole Small

WEE WORSHIP

Lisa and Rob Thomas and Erica Witt

NURSERY CAPTAINS FOR APRIL

Angie Holmes and Tara Gilbert

INFANT NURSERY:

SS hour: Rachel and John Mobley

Worship: Laurie & Conley Sanders and Laura Dyer

TODDLER NURSERY

Amanda & Russ Ramer and Carl Cooley

VISITOR'S MINISTRY TEAM:

Bonnie Mathis

KITCHEN MINISTRY TEAM:

Jan Thomas

OFFERING COUNTERS

Thelma Hawkes & Barbara Clement

Our Loyalty Report

Sunday, April 17, 2005

ATTENDANCE RECORD

Sunday School: 111

Morning Worship: 205

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

Received this week for the budget: \$ 6,126.74

Needed each week for budget: \$ 7,296.22

Needed for budget to date: \$ 116,739.52

Received for budget to date: \$ 104,418.10

Difference: \$ - 12,321.42

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Karyl Fisher	Business Administrator
Lisa Thomas	Ministry Coordinator
David Small	Music Director
Nancy Bogle	Organist/Pianist
Greg Crockett	Facilities Manager

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WORSHIP? RIGHT NOW?

I read a little story about a couple walking out of church one Sunday. The wife asked the husband, "Did you see the strange hat Mrs. O'Brien was wearing?" "No, I didn't," replied the husband. "Ol' Joe Jones badly needs a hair cut, doesn't he?" "Sorry, but I didn't notice," her husband said. "And those Dale twins. I know they were the ones in the choir hitting those sour notes. Did you hear them?" "No, I didn't hear any sour notes," the husband sighed. "You know, John," said the wife impatiently, "sometimes I wonder if you get anything at all out of going to church."

Get anything out, indeed! Many folks approach the church with the 21st century attitude, "What can I get out of this that will convince me that I wasn't wasting my time?" Or when folks are visiting and deciding on a church home, they usually ask, "What have you got that will meet my needs?" Me—mine—my—I.

We just finished The Purpose Driven Life and one real truth was that statement, "It's not about me. It's about God." We just finished the Confirmation experience with our youth and we learned that the definition of sin was "the failure to trust God as the center of our lives." Those truths really live in the church. We don't come to church to grab something as much as we are called to give something of ourselves to God. It is God we've come to worship, not our personal needs. We're not supposed to be in any church spotlight. We're supposed to put God there. Let's twist this around. When we come to church, let's ask ourselves, "What can I offer to the Lord today?"

Stan

OUR CHURCH CALENDAR

Thursday, April 21
 7:00 pm Facilities Team Meeting, Sp. Seekers
Sunday, April 24
 9:00 am Sunday School
 10:15 am Morning Worship
 Gideon Sunday
 Wee Worship
 4:00 pm Confirmation Mentors
 5:00 pm Disciple I
 5:00 pm Glory Choir Rehearsal
 4:00 pm U.M.Y.F.
Monday, April 25
 6:30 pm VBS Team Meeting, Wrather Hall
Tuesday, April 26
 4:45 pm Evening Prayer
 6:30 pm Boy Scout Meeting
Wednesday, April 27
 5:15 pm Fellowship Meal
 6:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal
 6:00 pm Puppet Prayer Keepers
 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Friday, April 29
 Church Office Closed
Saturday, April 30
 8:00 am Outside Church Clean Up Day
Upcoming Events:
 May 1 VBS Preview Day & Registration
 Senior Luncheon
 Dream Team Meeting



Please join us in officially welcoming Ellen Scott to our church family. Ellen comes to our congregation by transfer of membership from First Baptist Church of Lexington. Ellen has twins: Ethan and Audrey who are 4 years old. Ellen is a teacher at Caywood Elementary School. She is a member of the Sanctuary Choir and one of the

directors of the children's Glory Choir. We are truly blessed to have Ellen as a part of our Christian family.

Our church historian needs the help of all team leaders, church members, parents, etc... If your team is meeting, working on a special project, or ministering to others in anyway, please take pictures. Get copies of the pictures to the church office and we will get them into our church scrapbook. What a great way to pass our history on to our children, grandchildren, and great-grand children, and... well, you get the picture. Speaking of pictures, don't forget to take lots of them.



Have you heard? It is time to update our pictorial directory. That means that everyone will

be having new pictures made. The dates for the photo shoots will be August 4,5,6,11, and 12. This is your official notice to make hair appointments, coordinate family outfits, and loose that 5 or 10 pounds that you may have found since the last time your pictures were made. Keep an eye out for more information and sign-up sheets. Let's all participate so that we can have a "real" church wide pictorial directory. It just wouldn't be the same without you and your family.



Spring is in the air and that means that weeds are in the flowerbeds, bushes are overgrown, and mulch needs replacing. EVERYONE is needed on Saturday, April 30th for the Outside Clean Up Day at church. Please bring gloves, clippers, trimmers, rakes, shovels, and other implements of destruction and join in on the sprucing up of our church grounds. The fun starts at 9:00 am. All ages are needed. Come and stay as long or as short as you can. **Remember:** Many hands make light work.



The Vacation Bible School Team is still collecting items to help decorate our Jerusalem Market Place. We would greatly appreciate the following:

- Lg. Wicker Laundry Baskets
- Solid or Striped Material
- Tall Earthenware Vases
- Pottery

- Lg. Cotton Area Rugs or Blankets
- Earthenware Pitchers
- 12 Small, Clay Flowerpots
- Wet Wipes
- 5 Gallon Buckets

Artificial Palm Branches, Bamboo, Decorative Grasses
Items should reflect the style that would have been available in Jesus' time. We are trying very hard to make this year's VBS as authentic as possible.

We also need people to fill the following:

- Playground/Recreation Director
- Costume Makers (very simple, anyone can do it)
- Field trip coordinator (for 6th graders only)
- Potter
- Carpenter

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Joe Don Seaton **Chloe Sill** **Lynn Rhett**
Sabrina Roach **Elizabeth Kelly** **Pam Melton**
Beckie Dean **Janet McGhee** **Ruth Rouse**
Marian May **Drew Thomas** **Johnny Houston**
Pam Sullivan **Mo Ramjohn** **Phil Fisher**
Al Kane **Penny Martin** **Bill Smith**
Tony Holmes and other mission team members
Our confirmands and their mentors
Family & Friends of Brad Woods
Family & Friends of Whitney Siwisk
Family & Friends of Martha Hart

Memorials

In Memory of Reba Booth
 by *Judy & Richard Odle* for the Memorial Fund
In Memory of Myrtle Martin
 by *David & Rena Lewis* for the Bus Fund
In Memory of Marion "Ike" Bateman
 by *David & Rena Lewis* for the Bus Fund

Honorariums

In Honor of Lisa Thomas' Birthday
 by *Jewel Hudson* for the Youth Fund
In Honor of Slater & Charlotte Hollis' Birthdays
 by *Judy & Richard Odle* for the Redbird Mission Fund

"PEACE PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS"

LORD, MAKE ME AN INSTRUMENT OF YOUR PEACE.
 WHERE THERE IS HATRED, LET ME SOW LOVE;
 WHERE THERE IS INJURY, PARDON;
 WHERE THERE IS DOUBT, FAITH;
 WHERE THERE IS DESPAIR, HOPE;
 WHERE THERE IS DARKNESS, LIGHT;
 AND WHERE THERE IS SADNESS, JOY.
 O DIVINE MASTER,
 GRANT THAT I MAY NOT SO MUCH SEEK
 TO BE CONSOLED AS TO CONSOLE;
 TO BE UNDERSTOOD AS TO UNDERSTAND;
 TO BE LOVED AS TO LOVE.
 FOR IT IS IN PARDONING THAT WE ARE PARDONED;
 AND IT IS IN DYING THAT WE ARE BORN TO
 ETERNAL LIFE.