

The First Baptist Informer Rockingham, North Carolina

“To know Christ and make Him known.”

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Palm Sunday

April 1, 2012

“The Word of Victory”

11:00 am Worship

Special Holy Week Service

Stations of the Cross and Observance of the Lord’s Supper

April 4, 2012

6:30 pm - FBC Sanctuary

Easter Sunday

April 8, 2012

“Good News from the Graveyard”

11:00 am Worship

Resource Recording Team

Monday, April 2, 2012:
Bonnie Barnes, Louise Deaton
Tuesday, April 10, 2012:
Joanne Cadieu, Dale Ormsby

Attendance Report

March 11, March 18, & March 25, 2012:
Sunday School— 85/96/84
Worship Service—121/132/128
Youth Worship (3/14/12)—26

Serving on Sunday, April 1, 2012

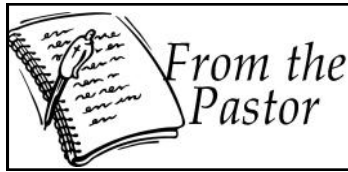
Ushers: Charlie Auman, J.C. Lamm, Chris McDuffie
Greeters: Barbara Coble, Graham Jenkins, Charles and Mary Joyner
Nursery: Dicky and Jan Smith
2s & 3s: Hal Shuler
Children's Church: Angela Cockerton
Sound: Lazelle Marks
Security: Gene Coen
Deacons of the Week: Kenny Melvin, Mark Tyler
Wednesday Family Night (4/4/12): Fried chicken, two vegetables, drink, and desert—\$5.00 plate, \$12.00 for a family of three or more.

Serving on Sunday, April 8, 2012

Ushers: Charlie Auman, Gene Coen, J.C. Lamm, Chris McDuffie
Greeters: Virginia Cole, Robert and Nora Smith, John and Beth Ray, Jean Woodall
Nursery: Cynthia Morris
2s & 3s: Linda Teal
Children's Church: Steve McIver
Sound: Sam Brigman
Security: Dennis Holloway
Deacons of the Week: John Yates, Gene Barnes
Wednesday Family Night (4/11/12): Sloppy Joes with all the fixin's, drink, dessert—\$5.00 plate, \$12.00 for a family of three or more.

Serving on Sunday, April 15, 2012

Ushers: Charlie Auman, Gene Coen, J.C. Lamm, Chris McDuffie
Greeters: Barbara Coble, Helen Cox, Steve and Cynthia Morris
Nursery: Hilda Auman
2s & 3s: Nan Bates
Children's Church: Michelle Ard
Sound: TBA
Security: Lazelle Marks
Deacons of the Week: Steve Bullard, Chris McDuffie
Wednesday Family Night (4/18/12): Potato Bar, drink, dessert—\$5.00 plate, \$12.00 for a family of three or more.



Several years ago Rev. Jerry Spencer told of a witnessing experience while a student at the University of Tennessee in Martin. He and a friend were confronted with a young skeptic who asked, "What's so great about Jesus Christ? He never wrote a book, fought a battle or traveled far from his hometown. What gives him the right to be Savior? I've studied the lives of many men in history who accomplished much more than Jesus, such as Charlemagne (Charles the Great) who was never defeated and by age 30, he had conquered the entire known world. Jesus doesn't even compare."

To that Spencer responded, "Charlemagne was never conquered in life, but he was conquered by death. When Charlemagne died his body lay in state for some days while world leaders made their way to his funeral. They placed his body in a glass hearse drawn by beautiful steeds. Thousands along the way shouted, 'Viva, Charlemagne. Long live Charles the Great.' But while they shouted, he was dead. They placed a golden scepter in his hand, put a golden crown upon his head, and sealed him in a golden tomb. To compare that with Jesus—He was crucified between thieves, He died a criminal's death, and was buried in a borrowed tomb."

The young skeptic was joined by others in laughter: "You've made our case!" But Spencer replied, "Wait, it's not over yet. According to tradition, some time after Charlemagne had decayed in his tomb, it was opened. The golden crown had fallen down over his fleshless skull and rested on his collar bones. His bony fingers had given up the golden scepter which now lay in his rib cage and pointed at an inscription that someone had placed upon his chest, which read, 'What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?' Yes, Jesus, too, was buried, but on the third day He got up and walked out. He conquered sin, hell, death, the grave and the devil. He reigns today as Lord of lords and King of kings."

Friends, this is the meaning of Easter! That Jesus died and rose from the dead is the unique truth that sets Christianity apart from other religions. The resurrection of Jesus means because He lives, we also shall live. Hope and victory are ours forever! And that is good news to celebrate! Be sure to join us for Easter worship. And please continue to pray for our seven focus teams as First Baptist Church moves forward. Jim Nelson

Choir Notes



I want to thank all of you who participated in the "Afternoon of Praise" service. It was a unique blend of old hymns and new ones, and our special guests added so much—as did the testimonies. They were wonderful


Our Terrific Tuesday children are working on a musical to present and the choir chimes will play on Sunday morning soon. Marjorie Hinson

It's a Boy

Congratulations to Matt and Lauren Swinney on the birth of their son, Matthew Reid Swinney, born March 5, 2012. The proud grandmother is Joy Swinney.

Senior Adult Ministry

Save the Date: April 19, 2012, Senior Adult Picnic. Stay tuned for more details.
Save the Date: May 21-25, 2012, Seniors by the Sea...a fun-filled week of food, fun, fellowship and growing in our faith. See Cathy McDuffie for details!

	4/02 Pat Watson	4/06 Sally Pierce	4/12 Charles Joyner
	4/02 Don Auman	4/06 Tess Ann Jones	4/13 Michelle Ard
	4/04 J.C. Lamm	4/09 Betty Evans	4/14 Bobbie Sue
	4/06 Patsy Jenkins	4/11 Bonnie Barnes	Ormsby



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 Mr. Richard Stevenson
Mrs. Marjorie Spencer
 Mr. and Mrs. Lazelle Marks
Mr. John Wallace
 Mr. and Mrs. Lazelle Marks



- Mr. and Mrs. Ric Buckner**
 Dr. and Mrs. Charles Jarrett



VBS Planning Meeting
April 1, 2012 - 7:00 pm



	Week of	Mar
Giving Summary	Mar 11 & 18	MTD
Gen. Oper. Fund	10,748	20,469
Chall. to Maint.	350	1,450
Memorials & Hon.	360	665
Radio Ministry	400	400
Van Fund		
Baptist Men Fund		
Spr. Missions Off.	50	325
Total Gifts	11,908	23,309

General Fund Yr-to-Date Summary:

Budget req. to date 2012	96,543
Actual gifts to date	87,439
YTD req. under actual gifts	(9,104)
% giving to req.	91%

Children and Youth



Come to the Berry Patch! Get ready to grow! Our new older children's Sunday morning program, *God's Kids Grow (The Fruit of the Spirit)*, will involve kids in the Bible in a fresh way. Kids will hear amazing stories about godly believers throughout history and will learn about the spiritual fruit God gives all of us.

God's Kids Grow has exciting songs, adaptable games, worship activities and a fun music video that will give kids new ways to understand and grow the fruit of God's Spirit! But that's not all! This program will keep kids coming back for more through awesome art projects, fresh service opportunities and absorbing *playdough* fun that keeps kid's attention during Bible story time. Act now by bringing your 3rd through 6th grader to church each Sunday.

Back Pack Pals, April 2, 2012, 6:00 pm. We will meet at the church by 5:30 pm to depart for Hamlet to work. We will stop for a snack on the way back. Come join us.

A Very Veggie Eggstravaganza, Saturday, April 7, 2012, 10:00 am through 12:00 pm. The event will include a Children's Hat Parade, Adult Hat Contest, Edible Crafts, Face Painting, Activities, *The Easter Carol*, and Egg Hunt. Come and bring your children and grandchildren for what is sure to be a "very veggie" time!

VBS 2012, August 6-10, 6:00-8:30 pm: We will be recycling the veggie tales *Jonah: An Overboard Adventure*.

Twens meet Sundays from 4:00-6:00 pm. Drama, puppets, signing, Bible studies, and much more.

Parent Meeting, April 1, 2012, 6:00 pm. Parents/grandparents of children and youth are invited to attend an information meeting. We will discuss programs, activities, and schedules. There will be a discussion time which will include Summer Camp. Debbie Holloway

Home Missions Offerings

During this Easter season as we remember our Lord's sacrificial death and glorious resurrection, may we help to proclaim the good news by sharing in this offering. Designate your home missions offering to Global Missions (Cooperative Baptist Fellowship) or Annie Armstrong (North American Mission Board-SBC). **Our church goal is \$2,000.**

Operation INASMUCH

Have you heard? Have you signed up? Operation INASMUCH is almost here...May 12, 2012, 7:30 am until...

Operation INASMUCH sets aside one day a year to go out into the community and spread the good news of Jesus Christ. This is normally done by showing the love of Jesus Christ by cutting and raking yards, trimming shrubbery, building wheelchair ramps, pressure washing houses, painting, minor plumbing, minor carpentry, delivering lunches, visiting, praying, preparing food, and making out and sending cards.

We would not like to leave anyone out so if there is anyone in the church that needs some work done on May 12, please let Harry Coble know.

Grounds Maintenance



With the passage of the new revised budget, the church will soon be doing all the maintenance of the grounds. Before purchasing equipment, we thought we would ask our members if they would like to donate any of the following equipment: riding lawnmower, push lawnmower, wheelbarrow, rakes, pitch fork, gas can, gas hedge trimmer, hand-held hedge trimmers, gas edger, gas weed eater, couple of sprayers, hoes, garden tools. If you would like to donate, please call the church office or Sally Pierce. If you do not have any of the above but would like to help out in some way, monetary donations would be very much appreciated (just write "grounds" in the memo line). Thank you so much for caring. Harry Coble

OPPORTUNITIES FOR April 1, 2012 - April 15, 2012

Sunday, April 1	
Palm Sunday	
Youth Council	9:00am
Praise Singing in E-100	9:30 am
Sunday School	9:45 am
Radio Broadcast on G-104 FM	10:45 am
Morning Worship	11:00 am
Morrison Worship Service	3:00 pm
Praise Team Rehearsal	4:00 pm
Tween Group	4:00-6:00 pm
Parent Meeting	6:00 pm
VBS Planning Meeting	7:00 pm
Monday, April 2	
Back Pack Buddies	6:00 pm
Missions Committee	7:00 pm
Building Maintenance	7:00 pm
Tuesday, April 3	
WMU Group #1	10:00 am
Terrific Tuesday	3:15-5:15 pm
FBC Art Group/E100	6:00 pm
Sound of Victory Youth Praise Band Practice	6:00 pm
Morrison Ministry (Yokefellow)	7:00 pm
WMU #3	7:30 pm
Wednesday, April 4	
Wednesday Family Night	5:45 pm
Special Holy Week Service/FBC Sanctuary	6:30 pm
Stations of the Cross & Observance of the Lord's Supper	
Thursday, April 5	
FBC Prayer Group	11:00 am
Friday, April 6	
Good Friday	
Saturday, April 7	
<i>A Very Veggie Eggstravaganza</i>	10:00 am-12:00 pm

Sunday, April 8	
Easter	
Praise Singing in E-100	9:30 am
Sunday School	9:45 am
Radio Broadcast on G-104 FM	10:45 am
Morning Worship	11:00 am
Morrison Worship Service	3:00 pm
Monday, April 9	
Office Closed	
WMU Group #2	10:00 am
Tuesday, April 10	
FBC Art Group/E100	6:00 pm
Sound of Victory Youth Praise Band Practice	6:00 pm
Morrison Ministry (Yokefellow)	7:00 pm
WMU #3	7:30 pm
Wednesday, April 11	
Wednesday Family Night	5:45 pm
NO CHOIR	
NO YOUTH ACTIVITIES	
Thursday, April 12	
FBC Prayer Group	11:00 am
Friday & Saturday, April 13-14	
NC Missions Conference/Hickory Grove Baptist Church	
Sunday, April 15	
Praise Singing in E-100	9:30 am
Sunday School	9:45 am
Radio Broadcast on G-104 FM	10:45 am
Morning Worship	11:00 am
Morrison Worship Service	3:00 pm
Praise Team Rehearsal	4:00 pm
Tween Group	4:00-6:00 pm
Children's Council	5:00pm

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