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A Word From Our Pastor, Paul Strahan

Worship Service Times

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
6:00 p.m.
*Morning Service
Broadcast on WJLT
(105.3 FM) at 10:00 am
and on Channel 52
Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.*

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

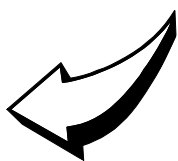
Minister on Call 685-3681

March 17-24
Mark Slaughter

March 31-April 7
Matt Mason

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WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY!

We rejoice with **Ian Baumgardner's** decision to accept Jesus Christ. Ian is the son of Scott and Ann Baumgardner. I want to encourage you to pray for Ian as he begins the wonderful journey of following Christ. I look forward to sharing with Ian in his baptism. Make him feel at home.

HOLY WEEK!

We will observe this most important week with a Maundy Thursday service, a Good Friday service and close the week celebrating our Lord's Resurrection on Easter Sunday. You will find a more detailed information on page 3 in the newsletter and online.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER TRAINING!

For those of you who are presently teaching and for those of you who are interested in becoming a teacher we are going to make available some training. The training will be identical and available at three different times so you will only need to attend one. We expect all of the present teachers to attend. The dates are **April 27, April 30, and May 4**. The times have not yet been determined but you will notice the dates are on Sunday and Wednesday. We want to provide it on days you are already here. Mark these dates on your calendar and we will be sharing the time of the training soon.

CHILDREN'S/PRESCHOOL SEARCH!

Keep praying. The search committee consists of **Charlotte Burton** (chairperson), **Sharon Johnson, Liz Floyd, Luanne**

Robbins, Jeff Willis, Richard Burgan, and Steve Clark.

CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER SEARCH!

The search committee was named on Sunday evening during our business meeting. Begin praying for this group as they begin their work. Those on this committee are; **David Moore** (chairman), **Kathryn Fruge', Corey Clark, Wes Dunn, Bruce Baldwin, Jeff Poole, Donnie Bryant, Cortney Inklebarger, Jerry Kasinger, and Deb Schrooten.**

I LOVE YOU! Paul

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Holy Week Services

Maundy Service
Thursday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m.
"Song of the Shadows"

Good Friday
March 21 at 7:00 p.m.
"Reflections on the Cross"
*A five minute video clip will be shown during this service that may not be suitable for small children.
Childcare will be provided.*

Easter Sunday Worship
March 23 at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.
No Evening Service

DETAILED INFORMATION ON PAGE 3!




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First Baptist Church *Becoming Fully Devoted Followers of Christ!*

New Church Members

Sunday, March 16

Profession of Faith/Baptism:

Ian Baumgardner

Baptized:

Bethany Roberts
Emily Brown

The Church Office and CLC will be **CLOSED** this Friday. Newsletter information must be submitted **in writing** by Thursday at 9:00 a.m. for the following week's newsletter.

You may fax your information (683-8067) or email it to myoung@fbcowb.org.



First Baptist Church Family Olympics

(Birth-5th graders, parents and guests)

Saturday, April 12

4:00-7:00 pm

Yellow Creek Park

Enjoy events for all ages, food, and fellowship.

Each family will design and create a flag to be carried by the children for the opening ceremonies.

Look for a sign up sheet in the preschool and children's Sunday School areas.

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Men's and Women's Softball sign-ups happening now!

Call the CLC office to have your name added to the roster.

Season begins in May.

Pacesetters Luncheon

Monday, March 24th
Noon in Fellowship Hall
Cost \$3 for lunch

Call the Church office for your reservation. Program provided by Susan Taylor.

Senior Adult Trip

Amtrak/Northwest Adventure

September 23-30
Cost \$1250

\$250 per person deposit due Wednesday, March 26th

Call Susan for details.

Calendar of Activities

Thursday, March 20

CLC open 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
11:30 a.m.....Ladies Bible Study
7:00 p.m.....Maundy Service

Friday, March 21

Office & CLC CLOSED
7:00 p.m.....Good Friday Service

Saturday, March 22

CLC open 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 23

CLC Closed
Library open 9:15 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
8:30 a.m.....Morning Worship
9:45 a.m.....Bible Study
11:00 a.m.....Morning Worship

Monday, March 24

CLC open 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
12:00 p.m.....Pacesetters Luncheon
6:00 p.m.....Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday, March 25

CLC open 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
6:00 a.m.....Promise Keepers
6:30 p.m.....Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, March 26

CLC open 7:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
9:30 a.m.....Ladies Bible Study
4:45 p.m.....Family Supper
5:30 p.m.....Team Kids/Mission Friends & Orchestra
6:00 p.m.....Bible Study & Youth
6:15 p.m.....Celebration Choir
7:15 p.m.....Sanctuary Choir

Cincinnati Reds vs. Atlanta Braves

May 30th (Cost \$40 per ticket)

Only 45 tickets available

Call the CLC for more information and to sign up.

Ministry Reports

Sunday, March 9, 2008

Sunday School..... 503
Nursing Home 32
Jail..... 45
Total..... 580
DT Total..... 453

Our Stewardship

Weekly Budget Requirements: \$47,532.45
Weekly Budget Offering:\$31,839.60
Designated:\$ 2,758.00
STV Offering:.....\$ 400.75
Total Offering:.....\$34,998.35

Budget Goal to Date:\$475,324.50
Budget Offering to Date:.....\$434,679.78
Amount Under:\$ 40,644.72
YTD STV Offering\$ 7,027.00

In the Hospital...Richard Anderson and Jeff Clark.

Sympathy...Christian love and sympathy to Ivy Morris in the death of her father, Charles Edward Hagan; Howard Sanders and family in the death of his mother, Ann Sanders; and Sonja Wethington and family in the death of her sister, Sherrie L. Pointer Bolton.

Flowers...The flowers in the sanctuary this Easter Sunday are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Rick Johnson by Brenda Johnson and family.

Congratulations...Jason and Susan Bivins on the arrival of their babies, Ava Jean and August Lee on February 28. Grandparents are David and Bonnie Bivins and great-grandmother is Mrs. Ava Bivins.

First Baptist Church

Children's Easter Event

2:00 p.m. Saturday, March 22nd at Reid's Orchard

For ALL Children (Birth-5th Grade), Parents, & Guests

Come be a part of our First Baptist Church Children's Easter Event!

Easter Devotional, egg hunt, games, snacks & more!

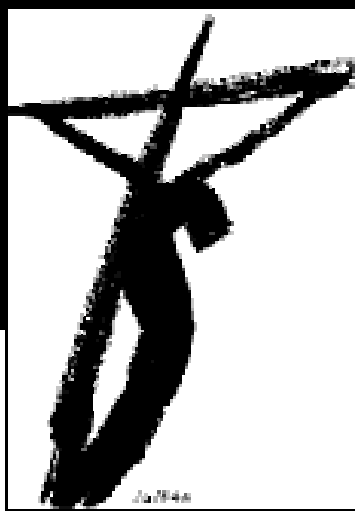
Bring a container to gather eggs.

Dress according to weather.

Egg hunt will be in a field.



Please call Reid's Orchard at 685-2444 for inclement weather information.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Holy Week SERVICES

For centuries the church has designated the week prior to Easter as "Holy Week." These days are for reflecting on the final acts of Christ's saving work. The ancient church would use this time for prayer and fasting in an attempt to remember Christ's sacrificial offering and to prepare for His bodily and glorious resurrection.

We will also use this week to prepare our hearts as we spend time reflecting on the cross and the difficult road to Golgotha. It was here that Christ bore the weight of the cross and yes, even the weight of our sin and destruction.

SONG OF THE SHADOWS

Thursday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m.

The earthly life of Christ began in shadows. By the flickering of a candle flame in a rugged stable, the Light of the World delivered himself into our darkness.

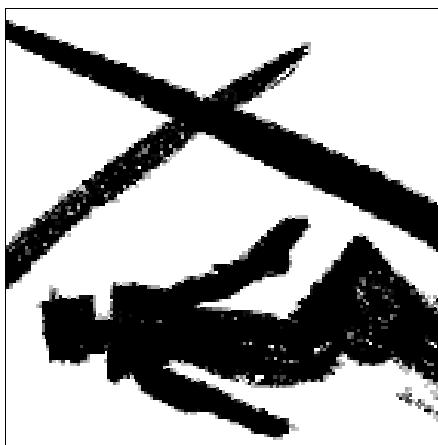
In the shadows of ancient temples, we see him preaching "let there be light," and hope began to live where once despair and night had ruled.

In the shadows of an upper room, we see him experiencing betrayal, but teaching the world about forgiveness and servant hood.

In the midnight of Gethsemane, we see Christ himself, struggling as we do with the lengthening shadows of life, and still he teaches us about obedience and sacrifice.

Past Pilate's court we see Jesus walk through the valley of the shadow of death as he embraces the cross. Yet it is the silhouette of that same cross which, cast onto the sands of time, offers rest and shelter for those who are weary from the journey. In the sacred shadow, we discover our faith. It is there we develop our night vision, trusting God to be our guide.

Shall we walk together for awhile in the shadow of the cross? It will not be an easy sojourn, but we will not walk alone. As we confront the "dark night of the soul," we can always find comfort in this: That wherever there are shadows, there is also light.



REFLECTIONS ON THE CROSS

Friday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m.

A five minute video clip will be shown during this service that may not be suitable for small children. Childcare will be provided.

On Friday, March 21 we will gather as a congregation to view the journey from Pilate's hall to the scornful cross and then end at the tomb. During this time of reflection we will view tableaus created in a contemporary setting with fluid movement across the stage allowing us to relive the difficult journey of our Savior. In a dramatic and compelling way each of us will participate and respond to the suffering Christ, seeing the weight of our own sin.

With dramatic lighting, costuming, music and movement you will visualize the journey to the cross as never before. Please join us for the incredible portrayal of the passion of Christ as we spend time during this "Holy Week" *Reflecting on the Cross*.

JOIN US FOR EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

March 23 at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

The culmination of Holy Week concludes with the triumphant celebration of Jesus' victory over death and the grave... Hallelujah!

NO EVENING ACTIVITIES