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Dr. Scott Harrison,
Senior Pastor

Worship Preview

April 20

AM Services:
Sanctuary Choir
Orchestra
John Donnell
JoAnne Carter

PM Service:

Youth Choir
Rebekah Cooper
Jeff Arnold

April 27

AM Services:
Sanctuary Choir
Praise Team
Brady & Laura Finch

PM Service:

Youth Choir



F. R. O. G.

Forever Rely on God

Children's Camp
New Hope Retreat Center
Holt, MO
June 6-8

For Kids who have completed 3rd - 6th grades

Registration forms are available on the worship center
foyer tables or in the church office. Deadline to
register is May 15th.

ANNUAL ALL CHURCH "Chris Cakes" Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, April 19
8-10 AM
Fellowship Hall

Donations Accepted



Education

Allen Baker, Minister of Education

Successful *GriefShare* Ministry

Our first cycle of *GriefShare*, a grief recovery seminar and support group, concluded this past Wednesday with a Dessert Fellowship. Thirteen people participated in this first cycle, including 4 people who were not members of First Baptist Church, Lee's Summit. Our next *GriefShare* cycle will kick-off with a Mini-Retreat including lunch on Saturday, September 13, 2008 from 9:00 AM until 12:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall followed by weekly sessions starting on Wednesday evening, September 17 from 7:30-9:00 PM.

Help Clean Mission Houses

On April 19 & 26, volunteers are needed to help do some "spring cleaning" of our two missionary houses. We will be doing some yard work, cleaning windows and some general repair. It will begin at 9:00 AM and bring your tools and cleaning supplies! Any questions, please call Doug Driskell at 525-8846 (home) or 985-6938 (cell). Thanks in advance for helping with this important ministry of our church!



Church Library Observes *National Library Week*

How well do you know your FBC Library? Visit the Library from now through Noon on April 20 to pick up your official entry form. Then try to locate 15 specific items in the FBC Library as shown

on our promotional posters. All correctly completed entries will be placed in a drawing and two winners will receive a \$10 Borders' Gift Card. Everyone who stops by the Library will also receive a special gift in honor of **National Library Week**. Children may also return coloring pages to the Library for a fun treat (coloring pages are available in the FBC Library).

Calling All Bible Fellowship Teachers

A two session Training Workshop introducing the *Christian Life Profile* assessment tool (CLPAT) will be held for all Bible Fellowship teachers and class coordinators on Sunday evenings, April 20 & 27, 2008 from 5:00-6:15 PM in the Chapel. The assessment tool is designed to help people answer the questions "How am I doing in my walk with Christ?" and "Where do I need to grow spiritually?" The CLPAT is not a spiritual gifts inventory and is much more than a personality profile. It will help users assess how fully they have developed Christ-like character in their lives.

Children

Janis Mansker, Minister of Children

VBS Directors Meeting – Thursday, April 17, 7:00 PM, Room ADM-139.

Preschool Storytime– Tuesday, April 29, 10:00-11:00 AM will be our last story time until this fall. Our stories will be about bugs.

Parent Child Dedication service is on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 11. Parents who would like to participate should contact Janis Mansker or Joni Notestein with the following information: parent's name, child's name, date of child's birth, service in which you want to participate (either 9:30 or 10:45), and a picture of the child. Information and pictures may be emailed to: children@fbcls.com or publish@fbcls.com or mailed to the church at 2 NE Douglas, Lee's Summit, MO 64063 or you may bring it by the church office Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:30. All information needs to be submitted by Wednesday, May 7.

Last Wednesday night meetings for kids until fall is Wednesday, May 7. This includes First Act Kids, Choirs, TeamKID, 1stKids on Wednesday, and Bible Drill. Some special summer Wednesdays activities for kids will be offered in June and July. Childcare will be offered for music rehearsals.

1st Kids CAMP for kids who have completed 3rd through 6th grades will be June 6-8. Cost is \$75.00 per kid. Camp registration is now open. Pick up a brochure and forms at the Children's Ministry Information counter or on foyer tables. Completed registrations are requested by May 15. A few more adult volunteers are needed. Call Janis Mansker to volunteer. (525-0700 children@fbcls.com).

Vacation Bible School 2008 will be July 14-18. Family night is Thursday, July 17. Call or email Sharon Byers to volunteer (524-3447 or sgbyers@yahoo.com).

Sixth Grade Retreat- (for those who have completed 6th grade) July 25-26. We will be going to Jefferson City.

IN SYMPATHY

Our sincere Christian sympathies go out to Steve Brotherton whose stepmother passed away, and to Roger Gleason whose wife, Barbara, passed away.

Associate Pastor

Dr. Gary Snowden, Associate Pastor

This past week marked the anniversary of the death of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a Lutheran pastor who participated in the German resistance during WWII. Bonhoeffer was a leader in the Confessing Church movement which sought to combat the anti-Semitism of the Nazis. His ties to some high-ranking military officials who were plotting Hitler's assassination were discovered and Bonhoeffer was imprisoned in April 1943. He was executed on April 9, 1945, just three weeks before Berlin fell and a month before the Nazis surrendered to the Allies. Among Bonhoeffer's most famous writings is *The Cost of Discipleship*, which begins with these words, "Cheap grace is the mortal enemy of our church. Our struggle today is for costly grace." Bonhoeffer goes on to say, "When Christ calls us to follow Him, He bids us to come and die." His words and his life's example remind us that the cost of following Jesus can at times be extremely high—even to the point of martyrdom. In our culture we know little of the suffering and persecution that others experience daily for being a Christ-follower. My prayer is that we would prioritize our walk with Christ far above all other things in this life, no matter what that might cost us.

Youth

Jeff Arnold, Minister of Youth & Recreation

"Sumphero" is the Greek word meaning to come together for the good of the group. That is precisely what our youth do every Monday night at 8:00 PM. I have found in my short stint in youth ministry that sometimes our students miss out on the deep spiritual disciplines and training they need to make it beyond high school graduation as a mature follower of Christ. Through "Sumphero" we try to give students these truths that will take them to the next step in their spiritual walk. We usually have about fifteen students who have made the commitment to follow Christ in a more disciplined way. They have fasted from television, soda, and computers. They have memorized scripture, served their parents by doing chores, and learned how to study the Bible in a way they have never known before. Please continue to pray for these students as they commit their lives to Christ.

Music

Randy Buffington, Minister of Music

Children's End of the Year Program

Come on May 4 to the evening worship service as our children lead our worship! You will be blessed as this great program is led by our children under the direction of Angie Keeting and Ginger Birch.



Orchestra "Pops" Concert

Hey! We have a special treat for you on May 18! Our Orchestra and Handbells will be bringing a special evening of praise through instrumental music! Come and support and be blessed!

Summer Concert Series

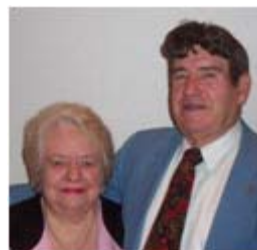
Our Children's Music Camp group will be bringing our concert on *Sunday night, August 3*. They will be presenting music they learned during Music Camp! It will be a GREAT evening of music and fun as our Children lead us under the direction of our Children's Choir Coordinator, Angie Keeting and our Music Associate, Ginger Birch.

On *Sunday night, August 10*, we will have the *Link Family*, sharing *Bluegrass Gospel* with us.

Coming on *Sunday night, August 17*, *OneTimeBlind* will be with us! This is a *drama group from Nashville, TN*, that will be bringing an evening of drama and music that will enhance our understanding of many of our favorite Bible stories.

Sunday night, August 24, we will have *Journeybound*, a *Gospel Quartet*.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Herb & Coylene Stevens



Larry & Judith Miller

Budget Receipts 2008	
Needs Each Week	\$28,779.00
Gifts Given 4/6	\$38,757.26
Gifts Given 4/13	\$25,498.62
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Needs Year to Date	\$431,685.00
Gifts Year to Date	\$409,963.93
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Finish the Work	
Given 4/6 & 4/13	\$4,462.85
Total Indebtedness	\$879,462.25
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KIDSHEART Africa	
Given 4/6 & 4/13	\$1,859.11
Given to Date	\$113,436.01

Featured Homebound Person

Ann Hoover

11705 N. Harrison St.

Kansas City, MO 64155-1583

Please pray for and/or send a note to our Featured Homebound Person to let them know they are in your thoughts and prayers.

Bible Fellowship Attendance

	4/6	4/13
Preschool	80	90
Children	56	59
Youth	51	47
Adults	384	396
Total	571	592



National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 1

6:30 - 8:00 PM

The Pavilion at John Knox Village

Join others in a spirit of unity and prayer. Area pastors and special guests will lead with heartfelt worship, prayer and repentance for our city and nation.

