

Opportunities for the Week

SUNDAY, April 1

9:45AM Sunday School
11:00AM Worship

MONDAY, April 2 FBC Office Closed

6:15PM WMU at Taylor House

WEDNESDAY, April 4 No TIE

No Wednesday Night Activities

SUNDAY, April 8

9:45AM Sunday School
11:00AM Worship
5:00PM Youth

TUESDAY, April 10

12:00PM JOY Lunch – Easter Menu
5:00PM Property Committee Meeting
6:00PM Finance Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, April 11

9:00AM Sewing Seeds Sewing Session
4:00PM Staff Meeting
5:15PM Fellowship Meal
6:00PM Family Matters
7:00PM Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAY, April 12

5:00PM Sewing Seed Sewing Session

Records at-a-Glance

Sunday School Attendance 03/25	151
Worship Attendance 03/25	203
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$11,491.00
Budget Receipts 03/18	\$10,743.00
YTD Budget Receipts 02/28	\$83,543.55
YTD Expenses thru 02/28	\$88,462.58

MEMORIALS

General Fund

Jane Davis by Glenn C. & Janice M. Sellers
Woody Durham by Glenn C. & Janice M. Sellers
Jane Davis by M/M Reed Furr

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Sandra Stone celebrates her 23rd year as financial secretary for FBC on April 10.

THANK YOU

Words cannot express our gratitude for all the kind acts during the last four months-calls, visits, prayers, and the delicious food you brought us. Without your loving support, life would have been much more difficult than it was. A special thanks to Betty Mauldin who supported us all the way and to Jerry Myers who came twice to measure for a ramp. So many people offered to do anything we needed. Sometimes we needed help and sometimes we managed by ourselves, but it was comforting to know we could call for help if we needed it. Thanks for each kind deed. Soon, we hope things will be almost back to normal. Jim and Linda Henson

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Deadline for submissions for the TIE is Tuesday at noon

Our Church Family

MISSIONARIES

Rob & Amanda Rone	Myanmar
John Taylor	Far East
Molly Peele	Rhode Island

PRAYER LIST

Mary Sullivan, Barbara Bowers, Mildred Miller, Kim Caulder, Cathy Smith, Danny Martin, Anne Denning Myers, Melisa Isenhour, Bev Tucker, Evelyn Rogers, Gary Howard, Johnny Barbee, Pete Culp, Jont Johnson, Doug Archer, Lee Huneycutt, Lou Pontikas, Eddie Dixon, Gene Russell, Pat Sasser

CONTINUAL CARE

Mildred Archer, Mildred Cooper, Joan English, Mary Furr, Ann Gaskin, Frances Newton, Helen Mauldin, Jack Bane, Max Clayton, Aileen Taylor, Herman Faulkner, Barbara Hicks, Mary Sullivan, David & Sandy Young, David Sanges, Lu Phelps, Pete Johnson, Peggy Hill, Mary Garber Don Bennett, Carol Brummitt, Rachel Chandler, Jim Mauney, Agnes Blalock, John & Bonnie Herring, Raynell Cooke, Bear Knotts, Patsy Turbeville, Betty Hartley, Joanna Morgan, Bud Morton

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Patrick and Elizabeth Adkisson on the birth of their daughter, Ava Elizabeth Adkisson, on March 21. She weighed 7lbs 8oz and was 21.5 inches long. Proud grandparents are Jeff and Brinn Smith.

Congratulations to Zack and Amber Rickards of West Palm Beach, Florida on the birth of their son, Crusen Victor Rickard on March 22. He weighed 10lbs 8oz and was 21.5 inches long. Proud grandparents are Jim and Judy Fryar.

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Words From the Pastor

In Rwanda, rural medical clinics are so isolated that deliveries cannot be made by trucks or motorcycles. Storage facilities are inadequate for the blood that is required for emergency transfusions, especially during childbirth. So, airplane-style drones now carry blood to these rural clinics. They save lives by airlifting blood to where it needs to be.

Zipline International, based in San Francisco, has developed this innovative system of blood distribution. Zipline is creating a set of hubs that can reach every health clinic in Rwanda by a drone delivery flight of 45 minutes or less. By the end of this year, two drone bases will cover the entire country, which is about the size of Massachusetts. Here is how it works: After a clinic sends its order for blood via text message, a drone takes off and is guided to its drop site by a military-grade GPS system. Each base has 15 drones and is responsible for as many as 150 flights to rural health clinics each day.

Zipline believes that this kind of drone delivery system will become a normal part of health care in Rwanda and elsewhere. The company also wants to begin the delivery of vaccines and medicine for malaria and HIV / AIDS in addition to its blood drops. Other companies are interested in using its technology for their own purposes, such as delivering snacks. But Zipline says no. The company is totally focused on "serving health care systems," says Zipline's cofounder. "Every delivery you make is potentially saving a human life."

Sometimes, this is the way we want our relationship with Jesus to work. We want the blood of Jesus to cover our mistakes when we are in trouble. We want Jesus to drop in when we need Him but not stay too long after the crisis has passed. We want to drop into church every once in a while to get "clean" and to get our tanks filled but we don't want to

truly invest in a relationship that will eternally change our lives. We sometimes would rather have a genie in a bottle rather than a Savior.

Yet, the life, death and resurrection of Jesus reminds us that Jesus is exactly who he said he was. He is the Son of God. He is our Messiah. He is our Savior and Lord. He is our Master and friend. He is the Lover of our souls.

In the Christian faith, Easter is our Super Bowl, Final Four, Masters Sunday, and 7th game of the World Series all wrapped into one! Christ's resurrection is the climax of God's story, the Greatest Story Ever Told! We should shout, cheer, scream and dance for victory is ours! True LIFE is possible because of Jesus! So, let's celebrate! Let's gather together on Easter Sunday to praise the name of Jesus. Let's share with the world all he has done for us! Praise God from whom all blessings flow! See you on Sunday!



Deacon of the Week
Reta Thompson **April 1 – April 7**
Bruce Myers **April 8 – April 14**

General Announcements

MAGIC SEWING SHOP

It is nearing time to start up our "Magic Sewing Shop" where youth, young mothers and grandmothers make dresses. We need yards and yards of fabric. Our goal this year is to make 300 dresses. We can do this. Please consider donating cotton blend fabric at least 1 1/8 yards long and at least 45 inches wide (this is standard width), or larger and bring to the church office. These new handmade dresses will go into Samaritan Purse Shoeboxes and will be delivered to little girls that live in developing countries who may be struggling to overcome the effects of poverty, disease, famine, and war.



MATTERS

Wednesdays, April 11-May 23 at 6pm

Let's talk about it! We are a Family of Families and we should be able to talk about hard things. So, we are going to talk about these three topics: Race and Culture, Homosexuality and the Church, and Violence in Culture. The purpose of these conversations is NOT to make policies or determine a stance for the church. It is to have a biblical understanding of the topics and to discuss the implications in our culture. Join in on the conversation!

NELL POPLIN STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Student scholarship applications are now available on-line on the FBC website or in the FBC office. Deadline to submit is April 30.

JOY Group

Upcoming Trip (*trips are open for everyone*):

The Ark Encounter: June 18-21, 2018 – Charter Bus
Cost: \$575.00 per person (children: \$440.00 each).
Sign-up sheet is in the church office.

Family Ministry News

PASSPORT

Registration is now open for our Passport MissionBASE Washington, D.C. Trip! This trip is an excellent opportunity to partner with good organizations doing good work with good people all year long. We'll get to learn from them: not only about their mission and work, but about the systemic realities that create the need for these organizations to exist.

The cost of the trip is \$300, and includes the opportunity to experience D.C. the weekend before MissionBASE begins! We'll leave Friday, July 6th, and return Friday, July 13th. Space is limited, so sign up soon! An initial deposit of \$100.00 is due Sunday, April 15, and the balance is due Sunday, July 1. Pick up your brochure at the church to learn more and to register! You can also register online.

When? Fri. July 6-Fri. July 13th
Where? Washington D.C.
What? Passport MissionBASE
Cost? \$300.00
Space is Limited!



STANLY COUNTY YOUTH BREAKFAST
April 16-April 20 6:30AM
First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle

Missions Corner



INASMUCH AS YOU DID IT FOR THE
LEAST OF THESE, YOU DID IT FOR ME.
—JESUS

Saturday, April 28 7:30-Noon

Details of projects will be shared as soon as they are available.

SCCM need for April
Canned or dry beans, canned tomatoes, rice