

First Baptist Crossings

Lent Edition

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SMITHVILLE
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Join us on Sundays in Lent as we journey with Jesus, beginning March 9 through Easter Sunday, April 20.

A Journey Through Lent

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, March 5

5:30 pm, Light Supper

*Sign up to bring soup or sandwiches

6:30 pm, Ash Wednesday Service

*Children & youth are invited to attend.
Nursery care will be available.

Lenten Bible Study

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

(March 12-April 9)

Adult & Young Adult Group Combined

Holy Week

Wednesday, April 16

4:30 pm, Easter Egg Hunt & Crafts

5:30 pm, Light Supper

6:30 pm, Holy Week Service

Weekly Events

Sundays

- 9:30 am Worship
- 10:15 am Coffee & Snacks
- 10:30 am Bible Study

Tuesdays

- 1:00 pm PEPPi Exercise Class, FBC gym

Wednesdays

- 6:30-7:15 pm Adult Bible Study
- 6:30-7:45 pm Children & Youth Programming

Church Events

- March 2, 11:30 am Teams Meeting
- March 5, 5:30 pm Light Supper, 6:30 pm Service
- March 6, 9:30-11:30 am Dresses with Mission (also March 13, 20, 27, April 3)
- March 9, 11:30 am, Sip & See Shower for Hannah Bettis
- March 11, 5-8 pm Pizza Hut Fundraiser
- March 18, 6:00 pm Deacons Fellowship Banquet
- March 23, 6:00 pm Deacons Meeting
- (Children's Workshop — Being Rescheduled)

News from the Youth

Last fall students started raking leaves and doing clean-up work to raise funds for this summer's youth camp. Church members and friends have been very supportive. In February they shoveled snow and had a very successful Valentine's banquet, thanks to "Emergency Exit" and others who helped our youth. As you may have seen by their energy and enthusiasm, they are very motivated to get back to camp this summer.

During March and April Students will be available for Spring Cleaning projects. Two service days are tentatively scheduled for Sat. March 29th and April 5th. You can call the church office and request a crew to help you out and we will try to work with your schedule. Small teams may be able to work on other days than the two scheduled service days.

One other note as you think about spring cleaning. While students are cleaning garages and basements etc., they will offer to take any contributions toward a Garage Sale in May. (We will coordinate this with the city-wide Garage Sale.) To pull this off we will need one or two pick up truck drivers and their trucks on those work days. If you would be willing to drive your truck and haul a few things, we will definitely need the help.

We are also looking for a few more people to make snacks for our youth on Wednesday evenings. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board if you'd like to make brownies, cookies, snack mixes, etc.

To sign up for our spring cleaning project or for any questions contact the church office or email Jeff at: buscherj@william.jewell.edu.

**Thank
YOU!**

On behalf of the young people, thank you for all the ways the church family supports our students.

Jeff Buscher

Church Directory

It's time for a new church directory!

Please sign up for a photo session on either April 7 or 8 with our professional photographers. You may sign up in three convenient ways:



1. Go online to firstbaptistchurchsmithvillemo.com and click the Directory link.
2. Sign up at our directory table on Sunday mornings (March 9 & 16).
3. Contact the church office for help at 816-532-0164.

Make sure you don't miss out on this great opportunity to be a part of our directory. You'll also get a free 8x10 photo from your photography session and a free copy of the directory. Check out our newsletter's insert for further information!

Dresses With a Mission

We need your help! During Lent we will be sewing simple dresses to be provided to young girls in orphanages in Honduras through the Village Partners Project.

You can help by joining us anytime at the meeting times listed below when we will be making the dresses. You can also donate fabric for the project. It will take about 1-2 yards of fabric for each dress, depending on the size. This might be a great time to clean out your bins of fabric or shop the fabric sales!



**Thursdays from 9:30 –11:30 am
FBC Fellowship Hall**

**Thursday, March 6
Thursday, March 13
Thursday, March 20
Thursday, March 27
Thursday, April 3**

New and experienced sewers are invited! You are welcome to store your sewing machine at the church during the project. If you have questions, please contact Ruth Hiatt or the church office.

Children's Ministry Workshop

**Coming Soon on a Saturday
(9:30 am—12 noon)
in the FBC Fellowship Hall**

(Due to conflicts the previous set date is being rescheduled.)

If you volunteer with our children (teach Sunday school, lead children's sermons, help out on Wednesday nights, etc.) or if you are interested in working with our children, you're invited to join us for a workshop led by Gwen Phillips, Children's Minister at Second Baptist Church in Liberty. Please let Pastor Stephanie know if you will be in attendance.



Deacons Fellowship Banquet

Deacons and spouses (active and inactive) are invited to the

Deacons Fellowship Banquet
Tuesday, March 18
6:00 pm, Golden Corral

See Hubert Shuler for further information.



Join us as we

CONNECT our families

Please be a part of our new family directory program—we need YOU to make our new family album complete!

Let's put names with faces. We have chosen to partner with Lifetouch for professional photography that will connect our members and tell our story.

Convenient

Lifetouch will photograph at our location.

In your one-hour session you will:

- Check-in
- Be professionally photographed
- Immediately view your portraits
- Have an opportunity to purchase additional portraits

When was the last time you or your family had a professional portrait taken?

Portraits are valued family keepsakes. Watch for more information coming soon about the opportunity to schedule your portrait session.

We look forward to seeing you!



Each family will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and directory for participating



Exciting products turn your portraits into cherished memories

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Volunteers in March

Nursery Department: Baby Room

March 2	Jennifer Edwards, Donna White
March 9	Cody Wilson, Tammy Kelly
March 16	Courtney Jones
March 23	Ruth Hiatt, Jacque Herrod
March 30	Kathy Petty, Joy Bettis

Nursery Department: Toddler Room

March 2	Carla Berner, Christen Doerzbacher
March 9	Carlene Rubicam, Dorothy Allen
March 16	Pam Petty, Cassidy Hopkins
March 23	Carol Shaffer, Linda Frazier
March 30	Jennifer Edwards, Whitney Kelly

Greeters

March 2	Rosalie Swaney, Lois Earlywine
March 9	Linda Frazier, Carol Shaffer
March 16	Darlene McMillian, Carlene Rubicam
March 23	Lee & Dorothy Huntley
March 30	Judy Asher, Betty Shuler

Children's Sermon Leaders

March 2	Jenny Holmes
March 9	Randy Kelly
March 16	Ruth Hiatt
March 23	Jeff Buscher
March 30	Randy Kelly

Deacon of the Week

March 2	Andy Bettis
March 9	Bob Callaway
March 16	Dave Chiles
March 23	Jess Edwards
March 30	Mel Evans

Communion Preparers

March 5	Deacon Team #2
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Hospitality

March	Carolyn Jensen
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Congratulations



Congratulations to Andy & Joy Bettis and big brother Lucas on the birth of

Hannah Joy

Saturday, February 1
8 lbs. 3 oz.

Congrats also to grandparents, Joel & Donna White!

Sip & See

Sunday, March 9

11:30 am, FBC Fellowship Hall

Please join us to "sip" some punch & "see" baby Hannah!

Financial Figures

February Offerings \$9,352.50

Recipe of the Month

Coconut Custard Pie

By Dorothy Huntley

Ingredients:

4 eggs	1 tsp. vanilla
2/3 cup sugar	1/2 tsp. nutmeg
1/2 cup flour	Dash of salt
2 cups milk	1 cup coconut
6 tsp. soft margarine	

Mix together flour, sugar, nutmeg, and salt. Add eggs and margarine and beat well. Stir in milk, vanilla, and coconut. Pour into a 10 in. pie plate, greased and dusted with flour. Bake one hour at 350 degrees. Makes its own crust and delicious served warm!

Daylight Savings



Don't forget to set your clocks forward by 1 hour on Sunday, March 9 for Daylight Savings!

Safety Training

Our threat assessment and medical improvements discussed in last month's newsletter are underway. We are currently in the process of installing an AED defibrillator and updating all our first aid supplies. These items will be installed near the women's and men's restroom at the center of the building in the upcoming weeks. We will be organizing a training session for AED, CPR, and general First Aid. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you are interested in participating or contact Andy Bettis for further information.

In our prayers

- Glenn Petty
- Lettie Pemberton
- Lloyd Wilson
- Linda Mangels
- Georgia Callaway
- Gary Teegarden
- Hannah Bettis
- Rob Earlywine, *Lois Earlywine's son*
- John Allen, *Dorothy Allen's son*
- Nancy Brown, *Beth Asher's mother*
- Georgeanna White, *Ruth Hiatt and Joel White's sister-in-law*
- Floyd Huntley, *Lee Huntley's uncle*
- Lisa Warne, *Lenny Hill's niece*
- Jenny Wiltshire, *Tammy Kelly's niece*
- Bill Nolker, *Pam Petty's brother*
- Peggy Shaffer, *Carol Shaffer's daughter-in-law*
- Troy Meek, *Judy Asher's son-in-law*
- Brantley Sutton, *Bonnie Chancellor's great*
- Bill Edwards
- Lee Huntley
- Al McNeal
- Roy & Linda Thomas
- Joyce Teegarden
- Joni Teegarden
- Viola Meyer

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March Birthdays



March 2	Mary Srite
March 5	Joel White
March 9	Lenny Hill
March 11	Randy Holmes
March 15	Leroy Fales
March 16	Delores Moreland
March 22	Carol Callaway
March 24	Joy Bettis
March 26	Tony Edwards
	Georgia Callaway
March 28	David Petty
March 31	Ann Davis

Ministers & Staff

Rev. Stephanie Swanson, *Pastor*

Rev. Jeff Buscher, *Associate Pastor*

Betty Shuler, *Secretary*

Tammy Kelly, *Secretary*

Margaret Fales, *Music*

Athena Gillespie, *Pianist*

A.J. Kelly, *Custodian*

Office Hours

Mondays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Tuesdays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Thursdays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Food Pantry is available during office hours.

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