

The Messenger

First Baptist Church Hilton Head Island • April 2017

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Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday
Sunday, April 9

Good Friday Worship Service
Friday, April 14

12:00 Noon
in the Sanctuary

Lunch Served After the Service
In the Family Life Center Multi-purpose Room
Donations for the lunch are appreciated.

**Annual Easter Egg Hunt and
Family Spring Social**

Saturday, April 15

10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

For children who are walking through 5th grade.
Children must be accompanied by an adult.
Celebrate Jesus' Resurrection with an Egg Hunt, craft
and snacks in our Education/Children's Building.
Donations of pre-filled Easter Eggs are requested.
Pick up a bag of empty eggs in the Family Life Center
foyer, fill with candy (no chocolate please) and return
them there by Palm Sunday.

The Lord's Supper
Sunday, April 2

In the Sanctuary during the Morning Worship Service

**New and Prospective Lunch
and Orientation**

Sunday, April 2

In the Family Life Center Multi-purpose Room
following the Morning Worship Service

Volunteers Lunch
Sunday, April 30

In the Family Life Center Multi-purpose Room after church.
Reservations Needed. Details on page 2.

Easter Sunday, April 16

Sunrise Service

6:30 AM

On the beach at the end of Alder Lane Beach
Access on South Forst Beach Drive

Breakfast Served

7:15 AM

Family Life Center Multi-purpose Room
Donations for breakfast are appreciated.

**Early Morning Easter
Worship Service**

8:00 AM

In the Sanctuary

Coffee Fellowship

9:00 AM

Family Life Center Multi-purpose Room

Sunday School for All Ages

9:15 AM

Classes held in rooms across the campus.

Morning Worship

10:30 AM

In the Sanctuary



**Easter Lilies and Ferns
for Easter Sunday**

If you would like to order an Easter Lily
or fern to decorate the Sanctuary Easter
Sunday in memory or honor of someone,
please use the form on page 7.



Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

First Baptist Church Hilton Head Island could not fulfill its mission without the time, efforts, and prayers from our volunteers.

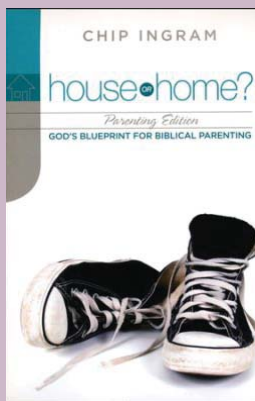
We would like to thank all those who volunteer, who have volunteered, and who will be volunteering as we celebrate on this day together. This includes all ministries and volunteers who spend their time giving so much to our church and church families, in many different areas of the work of our church. We look forward to sharing lunch, fellowship, and information with you!

Lunch will begin at 11:45 AM, on April 30, in our Family Life Center.

Reservations are necessary by calling Paulette at 843-785-4478, or filling out the form you will soon find in the Sunday bulletin.



CORE continues to meet on Wednesday nights at 6:15 PM, in the Family and Student Building, studying Chip Ingram's "House or Home? - God's Blueprint for Biblical Parenting", Parenting Edition. This study is for parents and grandparents of children and students. Please come share your time, wisdom, and talents with us!



Pastor Search Committee Continues Their Work

Our Pastor Search Committee, co-chaired by John Richardson and Mary Smith, meets every other week, continuing the process of looking for our new pastor. Since it has been only a short time into this process, there is no specific news to report. It is important that we continually pray for this committee and for the shepherd that God has already selected to lead this flock in the future. Committee members are: Paula Duncan, Tim Fick, Richard Lewis, John Richardson, Mary Smith with Phil Deagan and Samantha Neville (Secretary) as alternates.



Men's Prayer Breakfast Sunday, April 30 8:00 AM

Family Life Center Multi-purpose Room
All men are invited to meet for a delicious breakfast, brief devotional and prayer.

Financial Statement

Year-to-Date Budget Receipts Goal thru 2/28/2017	\$153,999
Year-to-Date Receipts thru 2/28/2017	\$159,655
Year-to-Date Expenses 2/28/2017	\$142,080
Budget Receipts Goal for March 2017	\$68,444
Month-to-Date Receipts thru 3/27/2017	\$70,441
Month-to-Date Expenses thru 3/27/2017	\$51,115
"Tomorrow's Gifts Today" Capital Fund Campaign for Youth Building Renovation thru 3/27/2017	\$125,467
Annual Mission Offering thru 3/27/2017 - Goal \$38,500 (Collected until the end of April 2017)	\$26,780



From the Minister of Music...

During the many years that I have had the privilege of serving in the music ministry of the local church, I have been exposed to a plethora of composers and arrangers of music through the songs that come my way. One of the arrangers whose music has impacted my ministry is a man by the name of Dave Williamson. I have taught my choirs and ensembles the music of this man for at least 20 years and have appreciated and enjoyed his encouragements to music ministers around the country to build what he called “worship-leading choirs.” Though I never had the privilege of meeting Dave in person, I did have occasion to speak with him by phone and through e-mail conversations in the past. I have always appreciated his encouraging words, his humor, and the freshness and energy he brought to the music he arranged. A few weeks ago, I was stunned and saddened to hear that Dave Williamson had passed away. The Christian music community has lost a great man, who was as humble as he was talented – arranging music for choirs and ensembles for over 40 years. As a tribute to the life and ministry of Dave Williamson, I would like to share the following short article that he wrote back in 2001, which is so appropriate during this blessed Easter season.

Amazing Grace

It was born to us from the moment He thought of bringing us into existence. The mere fact that He knew what we would become, how we would respond to Him, and yet He still created us anyway, that was the beginning of it. It came as proof that He is who He said He is – loving, merciful, patient, protecting, guiding, saving, - worthy. Grace. That wondrous, unfathomable meritless favor that is amazing.

It is a God-feature that almost defies description. Grace is more than favor. It is a gift. It is forgiving mercy. It is the Gospel. It is eternal life. Grace is all surrounding, all penetrating. We are under it. We can receive it. We stand in it. We abound in it. Our strength is found in it and without it we are unable to grow. It is a possession given by God to His own for stewardship, that is at once present and yet also an inheritance to come. It is amazing.

Only Grace would be willing to lead us out of the wilderness experiences of our own making despite our rebellion. Only Grace would actively seek us out when we wandered lost. It is Grace that stands immediately available to calm our fears even as it teaches us the awesomeness of righteous-clothed love. And only Grace would be willing to trade the throne of honor and might for a garment of flesh, willing to trade the ability to alter the Universe for the ability to alter the history of an individual life. Amazing. Grace.

This Easter as the reality of the resurrection rings throughout our churches, as the cries of “Christ is risen” echo within our communities, may His resurrection truly come alive in our hearts. May we find new freedom, life....and grace, in that one bold and resounding proclamation: “He is risen indeed!!”

Happy Easter!

Richard

From the Missions Committee...

Our April Mission Project

Help us fill the well in the foyer of the Family Life Center with items from the list below that will help our community.

Deadline: Sunday, April 23



DEEP WELL **HLTON HEAD ISLAND**

The Missions Committee is seeking help in aiding Hilton Head Island's

Deep Well Organization

They are in urgent need to restock the local pantry and are requesting our immediate help.

The director of the local pantry tells us that the following items always seem to be low on the shelves. They are asking for any aid we can provide in gathering the following items:

- ✚ Diapers- all sizes
- ✚ Baby wipes
- ✚ Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- ✚ paper products, such as Kleenex, toilet paper, and paper napkins
- ✚ Rice and rice products
- ✚ Potatoes-mashed potato flakes, potato boxed products
- ✚ Jellies
- ✚ Applesauce
- ✚ Oatmeal
- ✚ Grits
- ✚ Any and all non-perishable foods are very welcome!

Please open your hearts and pantries to help this very worthy Hilton Head Island organization

Thank You !!!

The Missions Committee



ANNUAL MISSIONS OFFERING

Mission Offering Collection Continues Through April

2016-2017 Goal: \$38,500
Amount Collected through
March 27 - \$26,780

Can you help us reach our goal?

50% of the money collected goes to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions.

25% goes to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions.

25% remains in our local church to be used for mission projects and to support opportunities as designated by our Missions Committee.

Welcome New Members

Wayne Neville

Joined by Profession of Faith and Baptism
2/26/2017

Robert and Anita Shulz

Joined by Watchcare
3/12/2017

Calgary Mission Trip

August 5 - 12, 2017

Information Meeting

Saturday, April 8

10:00 AM

Family/Student Building

If you are interested in finding out more about this summer's mission trip to Calgary, Canada, join us for the information meeting that will be Saturday, April 8, at 10:00 AM, in the Family/Student Building.

The mission work will be a repeat of last summer's trip when 10 church members went to Canada to assist one of our supported missionaries, Brett Myers, with Vacation Bible School style camps for children in the Mahogany area of Calgary. This year, they are looking for 16 - 20 people.

If you are considering making this mission trip, please come to the information meeting, or call Chuck Workman at 843-415-3898.



Photos of last year's Mission Team and VBS Style Camp in Calgary, Canada

Children's Ministry News

Urgently Needed

Our children's ministry is growing,
and that means more babies,
toddlers, and children.

Do you like to hold sweet babies?
Are you really a big kid at heart?
Do you like to tell stories,
and go outside?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions,
then please consider serving in the Children's
Ministry!

The Lord in His goodness is increasing the
numbers in our Children's Ministry, and we are
URGENTLY in need of some people with willing
hearts to serve in our nursery and Children's
Church on Sunday Mornings. You will be blessed
beyond measure while serving the Kingdom in
this way!

Please don't wait for "someone else to step-up-
to-the-plate." Prayerfully consider how you can
help in our Children's ministry, and then contact
Anna Garduce at annagarduce@gmail.com or
803-727-8567 with what you can do for the Lord
through the FBCHHI Children's Department.



Parent's Night Out

Saturday, April 22

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

\$5 per Family Includes Dinner

The deadline to call the church office for a
reservation is Wednesday, April 19.

Call Paulette at 843-785-4478 for a reservation.

Crafts, Games, Activities, FUN!!!



Get Your Baskets Out and Invite Your Friends!

The Easter Egg Hunt and Family Social
For families with children through the 5th grade.
Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Saturday, April 15

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Children of all ages are welcomed to celebrate
Jesus' resurrection with an egg hunt, craft, snack
and tons of fun!

**Filled Easter Eggs Needed for the Egg
Hunt. We'll provide the plastic eggs.
Can you fill them and return them
by Palm Sunday?**

We would greatly appreciate you taking a bag
of empty eggs from the Family Life Center or the
Education/Children's Building to fill with candy and
return them by Sunday, April 9.



**GALACTIC
STARVEYORS
Vacation Bible School
July 17 - July 21, 2017**

VBS is July 17 - 21 from 9:00 am - 12:15 pm! VBS
may seem far away, but planning, praying and
getting the news out is already happening! Be
praying and considering how the Lord can use you
to serve the Kingdom this summer throughout the
week of VBS!

Sign-ups for VBS volunteers will be happening
during the month of April! If you have questions
or desire to go ahead and sign-up to serve in
a specific way, please contact Anna Garduce at
annagarduce@gmail.com or 803-727-8567.

Spring Arbor student-athletes make a lasting difference over spring break

Michigan's Spring Arbor University spring sport student-athletes had the opportunity to compete each day in the warm sunshine, while finding outlets to give back to the communities they visited. For most college students, spring break means time spent away from the snow, relaxing with family and friends. However, for the men's and women's tennis teams and the softball team, spring break meant much more.

The tennis teams traveled to Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, and volunteered their time at the First Baptist Church in Hilton Head on Tuesday, March 14, to help with a few painting projects in the children's ministry building. Head coach Bobby Pratt said this about the culture of his team: "It is very important that no matter where we go as a team that we represent Christ. He modeled for us that we should serve others rather than be served."

Monika Wynne, a junior on the team, had this to say about her experience: "Helping out at the First Baptist Church was one of my highlights during Spring Break, since we were able to serve without limits, and have a blast while doing it."



Thank You

Dear church family,

I want to thank you all for the get well cards, prayers and encouragement, the food and equipment I recieved after my recent surgery. It brought a smile and I felt much love. I saw the love of Jesus from all of you, and I can't thank you enough!

"When you draw close to God...with your faith, with your prayers; with your heart, God will draw close to you,...with His protection, with His guidance; with His love." James 4:8

Love sincerely,
Kathy Shigo



Order an Easter Lily or Fern for Easter Sunday In Honor or Memory of Your Loved One

If you would like to place a plant in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday in honor or memory of a loved one, you have two choices: Easter lilies or ferns. Fill out the order form below (one form per lily/fern please), and place in the offering plate, mail or bring it to the church office with payment of \$10.00 per plant. Please clearly mark your choices in the boxes on the form. Order deadline is Palm Sunday, April 9.

If you purchased a plant, it should remain in the Sanctuary until the conclusion of the 10:30 AM worship service. Plants should be picked up by Thursday, April 20, or they will be disposed of by the church staff.

You may attach additional pages for multiple orders.

Your name (who is purchasing the plant) Please Print: _____

Your Phone Number _____

Name of person for memorial or honoree to print in the bulletin (who the plant is given in Honor or Memory of) _____

Place a check in the box by your desired choices in each of the sections below.

1 - Easter Lily OR Fern

2 - In Honor of OR In Memory of

April Calendar

- Sunday, April 2
Communion during the Morning Worship Service
8:15 AM - 8:45 AM - Open Prayer Time, Family Life Center, Room #2
9:00 AM - 9:15 AM - Coffee Fellowship, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
9:15 AM - 10:15 AM - Sunday School for All Ages in Classrooms Across the Campus
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM - Worship Service in the Sanctuary
11:30 AM - New and Prospective Member Lunch, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM - Middle School High Tide, Family/Student Building
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM - High School High Tide, Family/Student Building
- Tuesday, April 4
10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite
12:00 PM - Administrative Council Meeting, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
- Wednesday, April 5
5:00 PM - Deacons' Meeting, Family Life Center, Room #7
5:00 PM - 6:15 PM - Wednesday Night Dinner, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
5:30 PM - 6:15 PM - Children's Choir Rehearsal, Education/Children's Building, Room #7
6:15 PM - 7:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite
6:15 PM - 7:30 PM - Youth Bible Drill, Family/Student Building
6:15 PM - 7:30 PM - CORE Parents of Children and Youth Study, Family/Student Building
6:15 PM - Pastor Search Committee Meeting, Church Library
6:20 PM - 7:30 PM - Awana, Education/Children's Building, Atrium
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Adult Bible Study in the Family Life Center, Room #4
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Women's Bible Study in the Education/Children's Building, Room #8
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Men's Bible Study in the Family Life Center, Room #5
10:00 AM - Information Meeting About Mission Trip to Canada, Family/Student Building
- Saturday, April 8
Sunday, April 9
Tuesday, April 11
Palm Sunday - Regular Worship Schedule
10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite
12:00 AM - Personnel Committee Meeting, Church Library
2:00 PM - Connection Leadership Meeting, Family Life Center, Room #2
4:00 PM - Missions Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Room #2
Spring Break - No Children's Activities
Youth Bible Drill, Adult Bible Studies and Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal will meet as regularly scheduled
- Wednesday, April 12
- Friday, April 14
Good Friday
12:00 Noon - Good Friday Service, Sanctuary
1:00 PM - Lunch served in the Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
- Saturday, April 15
10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon - *Easter Egg Hunt and Children's Department Spring Social*, Education/Children's Building Area
- Sunday, April 16
Easter Sunday - He is risen!!! He is risen indeed!!!
6:30 AM - Easter Sunrise Service on the Beach at the end of Alder Lane
7:15 AM - Breakfast served in the Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
8:00 AM - Early Easter Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:00 AM - Coffee Fellowship, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
9:15 AM - Sunday School for All Ages
10:30 AM - Easter Worship Service, Sanctuary
- Monday, April 17
Tuesday, April 18
Connection Meetings in Homes
10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite
Connection Meetings in Homes
- Wednesday, April 19
4:00 PM - Stewardship Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Room #2
Regular Wednesday Schedule
Deadline to register for Parents' Night Out
6:15 PM - Pastor Search Committee Meeting, Church Library
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM - Parents' Night Out, Education/Children's Building
- Saturday, April 22
Sunday, April 23
Tuesday, April 25
Regular Worship Schedule
10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite
5:00 PM - Building and Grounds Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Room #2
- Wednesday, April 26
Regular Wednesday Schedule
6:15 PM - Pastor Search Committee, Church Library
- Sunday, April 30
8:00 AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast, Family Life Center Multi-purpose Room
Regular Worship Schedule
11:45 AM - Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room