

Lamplighter

Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In

Exalting the Savior by evangelizing the lost and equipping the saints



Pump the Brakes

"You have an anointing from the Holy One, and you know all things" (1 John 2:20).

The other day I was backing out of my driveway when, I saw a car coming down the road. I decided to stop and let the car pass. The only problem was that when I pressed the break, my truck did not stop. My driveway is on an incline, so the truck continued to roll toward the road. For a moment, I felt fear in my heart. I did not want to cause an accident. Thankfully, I was able to turn sharp enough to keep the truck on my side of the road and the car passed without incident.

The next day I took my truck to the mechanic and they replaced the brake cylinder. We depend on the braking system working when we are driving our vehicles. It is a safeguard to both us and others on the highway. When the brakes work correctly our journey is both safe and enjoyable.

God has given us a spiritual braking system as well. It is the Holy Spirit. Our verse for today speaks about the anointing of the Holy One. The word used in the KJV for anointing is "unction." It means to rub or smear with oil. The Holy Spirit lives in each believer. One of His functions is to *"convict the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgment" (Jn. 16:8)*. When we are travelling on the right road, headed in the right direction, the Holy Spirit confirms everything is okay. But if there is danger ahead, He will warn us that something is wrong and alert us to be on the lookout. Sometimes He will redirect us to a path that is less dangerous. God has given us this divine braking system to make sure we do not cause a wreck in our lives or someone else's life. Pay attention to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. You will be glad you did.

Blessings in Christ.

Pastor Larry



The Great Easter Egg Hunt

First Baptist Church Collinsville

3339 Virginia Ave.,
Collinsville, VA

Saturday, April 8th 11:00am

Kids PreK-5th grade

~Jesus—Candy—Prizes,

Snacks—Fun~

Happy Easter Sunday April 09

7:00am Sunrise Service

9:30am Sunday School

10:30am Worship Service



VBS NEWS



The HCBA VBS clinic

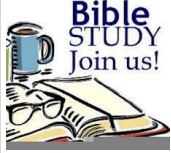
will be at First Baptist Church in Collinsville on April 13 at 6:00pm.

Please come and join us for a night of VBS training

and fun.

Our Kickoff for VBS will be on May 21st from 4-6:00. We will have family game night. Come and enjoy a fun time with games, snacks and pizza. It will be a blast for all ages.

Our VBS will be June 11-15. We still need volunteers to make this happen. See the sign up sheet at the VBS table. If you have questions see Rebecca Vernon or Suzanne Terry



Tuesday Morning Bible Study

with Pastor Larry

10:00am

SonShine Classroom

Everyone is invited to attend



The Ladies Card Ministry

Monday, April 17

12:00 Noon

SonShine Classroom

Making Birthday and Anniversary Cards

Mark Your Calendar

April 8—11:00am—Easter Egg Hunt

April 9—7:00am—Easter Sunrise Service

April 9—9:30am—Sunday School

April 9—10:30am—Worship Service

April 10—Easter Monday—FBCC Office Closed

April 13—6:00pm—HCBA VBS Clinic

April 21-22—8:00pm—7:00am—Youth Lock-In

April 26—6:45pm—Quarterly Business Mtg.

Grace Network

As a church family, we have committed to helping Grace Network with stocking their food pantry for those in need. Please remember to pick up our assigned item the next time you visit the grocery store.

April Grace Network Food Item

Peanut Butter

April Featured Items

Toilet Paper, Feminine Products, Deodorant

February Report

Monthly Offering needed (4 Sundays)	55,570
Monthly Offering Received	35,506
Rental Income	1,913
Other Income (undesig. memorials, use of building, etc.)	50
Monthly Operating Expenses	44,084
Operating Account Balance	373,595
Weekday Education Acct. Balance	5,898
Benevolence Designated Fund	1,860
Project Hope	1,461
Bereavement Meal Ministry	2,974
Van Fund	13,398
Capital Campaign Fund	45,248

Detailed finance reports are available at the information stands located in the vestibule areas of the sanctuary, or you may call the church office if you would like a copy mailed to you.

In Sympathy:

Fern Edwards Joyce, aunt of Stacy Craven
Margaret Vernon, grandmother of Rebecca Vernon
Billy Harter, brother of Bobby Harter

Welcome New Members:

Oliver McCall joined FBCC on Sunday, February 26
David and Linda Conner joined FBCC on Transfer of Membership on Sunday, February 12. Their address is:
403 Pioneer Trail, Collinsville, VA 24078
Telephone: 276-647-8575

RACEWAY MINISTRIES

Please spread the word to your congregations, WMU, youth groups, senior citizen groups, etc. that our Raceway Ministries Team again is asking for individually wrapped snacks. (Little Debbie type snacks, Chips, etc.), These will be offered to all who come to worship and fellowship at our Raceway Ministries tent at the Martinsville Speedway race weekend coming up in April. One of the missions there, in addition to the snacks, is the hope that we may plant a seed that the Holy Spirit can use to begin a work in someone's life.

This is a very easy ministry that all ages can participate in. **So please have your snacks to FBCC by Thursday, April 13 @ 10:00am We will take them to the HCBA office.**

Tim Byrd, Leader—Raceway Ministries Team

BOOK OF THE MONTH



Heaven Rules

Take courage,

Take comfort,

Our God is in Control

By: Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth

Heaven Rules is the two-word answer for every two-word worry. The promise we need for every wave of trouble, every assault on our peace of mind. Heaven's rule is God's rule: His rule over nations and nature. His rule over renegade viruses, cancer, and concerns about your marriage, your kids, your job, and everything else. The Bible says God is personally, purposefully involved in all that's taking place here on earth. His peace rule in our hearts.

Capital Campaign Fund Summary

(March 01, 2022—January 31, 2022)

Received thru Building Improvement Fund	\$36,830.00
March-Dec. donations to Capital Campaign	\$76,124.91
January 2023 donations to Capital Campaign	\$ 4,871.25
February 2023 donations to Capital Campaign	3,582.25
Total Received	\$121,408.41
Less Total spent on Roof	\$76,160.00
Capital Campaign Fund Balance 02/28/23	\$45,248.41



Women on Mission,

As I write this I am preparing to go to Harmony Hall tomorrow (March 29th) for the Bingo Birthday Party. Thank you for the quarters for Bingo, they love getting them for the drink machine!

Also, I have collected several things from our WMU Closet that we have been saving (socks, jewelry, combs, lotion, brushes, chap stick, toothbrushes, shaving cream, etc... to let them pick what they want out of the basket! We will be serving cupcakes, chips and ice cream and drinks. Bobbi Fraizer, Betty Crotty, Shelly Belcher, Hope Johnson and myself will be going, it is a fun time to see the excitement on their faces as they play bingo and eat the goodies!

Our Mission Action for April is "Blessings for Teachers" This year we will be sharing with Martinsville Middle School (Rebecca Vernon is a teacher there). We are asking for individually wrapped goodies, cookies, cake, brownies, or anything you might like to fix. We want them to stay fresh, so please wrap them. I am asking you to have them to the church by April 28th, before noon. May God bless each of you that are so faithful to this ministry. Have a blessed Easter as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Savior.

In His Name, *Hope and Lana*

P.S. Please put the goodies in the kitchen and mark them for WMU

Evangelism/Mission Development

The second 4-week Bible study series based on the movie 'Do You Believe?' will begin Sunday, April 16 - the Sunday after Easter. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board between the church office and Pastor Christian's office. You can pick up a study guide from the office.

The Good News Jail & Prison Ministry banquet will be Monday evening, May 1 at the NCI building. The theme for this year is 'Re-Entry to Society'. The table our church has this year is now full - which is great news. But, if you are interested in attending to see how the Lord is moving in our community's jails, you can register by calling 804-896-0359 or do so at <https://goodnewsjail.org/martinsvillebanquet/>.

The multi-church community outreach program 'In As Much' is back after a 3-year hiatus. This year's event will be Saturday, May 6 (with Saturday May 13 as a rain day) and will be called 'Community Impact Day'. Details are still developing; but, collectively, local Baptist churches will be providing a presence at the first day of the Spring Sports program in our local parks. We need volunteers! If you are interested in taking part, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the church office hallway. For more information, please see Pastor Larry or Rocky Rockwell.

YOUTH CORNER

Greetings from the youth and leadership team. I pray that you have been enjoying the warming trend over the course of the last month. I know I sure have. It's been fantastic up on the third floor as we have experienced some great times together. We went roller skating and I must admit it only took one time of falling to be enough for me. Our teens however were avid skaters. They never gave up and some even thanked our team for doing this activity. So I guess that means that I will likely be planning a future roller skating trip and likely falling again but it's about what our teens love and our opportunities to show them the love of Christ.

Where are you at in life? Has life given you some challenging moments? I don't believe life is always meant to be easy. I think God throws many challenges our way to keep us relying and looking to Him. If we didn't go through tough times in life we would be more self-reliant and think that we had all the answers. We have such great opportunities to grow in our most difficult circumstances. So just like our teens giving 110 percent on the skating rink, that's what we need to do. When we fall on our face, it is often pointed in the direction of the sky. Is there a better direction to look than up to Christ. He is always there with an outstretched arm helping you get back up. No matter if you fall once or fall 77 times Christ is there to help us up. All we got to do is give Him our hand. Proverbs 24:6 says "The godly may trip seven times, but they will get up again, but one disaster is enough to overthrow the wicked. So get back up again and grab the hand of Christ.

Until the whole world hears

Pastor Christian Lund

Youth Events

Saturday April 8th

Humble Hands

This month for Humble Hands the youth have a distinct opportunity to help serve the families of Henry County by participating in the Easter Egg hunt at First Baptist church of Collinsville. This will take place on Saturday April 8th 11am. We have so many children in our community that just want to be loved on and have fun. On this Saturday morning we will hide eggs and then assist children in searching for eggs. We will also help out during the telling of the Easter story because nothing is more important than the telling of Jesus and his resurrection. I hope all the teens of our group will join us and not miss this great chance to serve our great community

Friday April 21st 8pm-7am next day

Youth Spring Lock In

After a successful lock in the fall, we are gearing up to do our spring lock-in 2023. Come join us and bring all your friends as we stay up all night playing games, eating food, jamming to music, and just hanging out with all of our friends. Parents I know you want a night to yourself so send your teens our way. You will not regret it and the teens will be begging for more lock-in's. The Collinsville Cup will make its return as the winning team will enjoy a special treat. There will be prizes given out such as large sums of candy, gift cards, and one big prize to be revealed the week of the lock in. I always try to incentivize the youth by bringing a large number of teens. This year is no different. If there are 50 teens, I'll shave my legs. If there are 60 teens, I'll dye my hair blond, if there are 75 teens, I'll dye my hair orange and blue for one week. This is a lock in and teens must attend the whole time unless there is an emergency or other parents' request.



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Sunday School	9:30am
Worship Service	10:30am
Children's Church	
Awana (May - Sept.)	4:00pm
Youth	4:00pm
Adult Bible Studies	4:00pm

Wednesday Evening Activities:

Children's Choir Practice	5:15pm
Fellowship Meal	6:00pm
RA's & GA's	6:30pm
Youth (Middle & High School)	6:30pm
Mission Friends	6:30pm
Prayer Service & Bible Study	6:45pm
Adult Choir Practice	7:30pm

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

- April 2023 Birthdays**
- 01 Marietta Gunter
 - 02 Pam Albanese
 - 03 Debbie Hancock
 - 06 Sharon Barrow
 - 07 Karen Castro
 - 07 Noah Castro
 - 08 Jonathan France
 - 08 Christian Lund
 - 09 Margie Woods
 - 10 Tim Gary
 - 10 Gwen Lewis
 - 10 Tom Prato
 - 11 Betty Jones
 - 11 Paul Setliff
 - 11 Ashton Manns
 - 12 Felecia McBride
 - 12 Ella Santoemma
 - 14 Bobby Harter
 - 15 Jim Joyce
 - 15 Becky Johnson
 - 17 Pauline Nuzum
 - 17 Laura Whitlow
 - 18 Christopher Hatchett
 - 19 Kristen Tilley
 - 22 Joyce Pace
 - 22 Ruby Wright
 - 24 Josh Acord
- 24 Kellie Norris
 28 Polly Dodson
 30 Cindy Tilley
- May 2023 Birthday**
- 01 Bailey France
 - 02 Carrie Williams
 - 02 Agnes VanHulzen
 - 03 Ann Thomason
 - 04 Tim Atwood
 - 04 Sidney Lavinder
 - 04 Wendy Gilbert
 - 04 Tami Olalya
 - 05 Hope Johnson
 - 05 Allison Prato
 - 05 Michael Walker
 - 06 Keith Eggleston
 - 06 Dee Webb
 - 07 Sarah France
 - 07 Shelly Gibson
 - 07 Savannah Lund
 - 11 Pamela Jones
 - 11 Sylvia McKinney
- April 2023 Anniversaries**
- 01 John & Sherry Flanagan
 - 02 David & Melanie Catron

- 08 Jamie & Denise Collins
- 09 Jason & Paige Collins
- 18 Billy & Carrie Pinnix
- 24 Alex & Angie Alley
- 25 J. D. & Joan Collins

- May 2023 Anniversaries**
- 01 Roger & Judy Dodson
 - 05 Sidney & Betty Lavinder
 - 06 Ricky & Sharon Anderson
 - 07 Steve & Leslie Houston
 - 09 Jeff & Wendy Watkins
 - 16 Brad & Sue Ella Ferguson
 - 16 Tom & Ellen Prato
 - 17 Robert & Kit Scott
 - 20 Jimmy & Pam Joyce
 - 23 Alan & Elizabeth Teal
 - 29 Scott & Suzanne Terry
 - 30 Wayne & Becky Johnson



AWANA
 Sundays
 4:00pm
 2 Years to 12th Grade



**Loving Hands
 Ministry Meets**
 1st & 3rd Thursdays
 of each month
 10:00am-12:00 noon
 Church Parlor
 We welcome anyone who would
 like to join us.
 Any questions call
 Bobbi Frazer @
 276-252-8106.

Please Take Note:

If you have not been receiving the email notices the church has been sending out or the One Calls the Pastor has been making and you would like to be included, please call the church office at 647-3774 and we will be glad to add you to the list.