

This Week's Events

(continued)

Tuesday, March 16

6:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.....AYMC Open
9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.....Media Center Open
9:15 a.m.....Beginner Yoga (8th/9th Grade Class)
Noon.....Centering Prayer (E-338)
1:00 p.m.....Knit/Crochet Group (E-206)
2:30 p.m.....Yoga (8th/9th Grade Class)
6:00 p.m.....Anne Poole Circle (7th Grade Class)

Wednesday, March 17

6:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.....AYMC Open
6:30 a.m.....Men's Bible Study (A-416)
9:00 a.m.-7:15 p.m.....Media Center Open
10:00 a.m.....Limited Exercise Class (AYMC Terrace Level)
3:30 p.m.....Zumba (Practice Gym)
4:45-6:30 p.m.....Churchwide Supper (Fellowship Hall)
5:30-7:00 p.m.....Children's Choirs and Missions (B-200 and B-400 Halls)
6:20 p.m.....MidWeek Worship (AYMC Terrace Level)
7:00-8:30 p.m.....Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, March 18

6:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.....AYMC Open
9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.....Media Center Open
9:15 a.m.....Beginner Pilates (8th/9th Grade Class)
Noon.....Interfaith Forum Board (A-418)
2:30 p.m.....Yoga (8th/9th Grade Class)
6:00 p.m.....Basketball Banquet-Grade 2-Adult (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, March 19

Women's Conference
6:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.....AYMC Open
9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.....Media Center Open
10:00 a.m.....Limited Exercise Class (AYMC Terrace Level)
Noon.....Adult Pick-up Basketball (AYMC Gym)

Saturday, March 20

Women's Conference
8:00 a.m.-Noon.....AYMC Open

Sunday, March 21

Women's Conference
9:00 a.m.....Worship (Sanctuary)
9:30-10:45 a.m.....Media Center Open
9:45 a.m.....Sunday School
11:00 a.m.....Worship (Sanctuary)
1:00-5:00 p.m.....AYMC Open
4:00 p.m.....NEXUS Dream Group (E-317)
5:00 p.m.....Sunday Evening Bible Study (F-308)
5:00 p.m.....High School Youth Choir (8th/9th Grade Class)
5:00 p.m.....Middle School InnerMission (10th/11th Grade Class)
6:00 p.m.....Youth Snack Supper (AYMC Terrace Level)
6:30 p.m.....Middle School Youth Choir (8th/9th Grade Class)
6:30 p.m.....High School Bible Study (6th/7th Grade Class)

Looking Ahead

March 19-21 – Women's Conference

April 1, 7:00 p.m. – Maundy Thursday Service

April 4, 7:00 a.m. – Easter Sunrise Service (Parlor)

April 4, 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. – Easter Services
with Sanctuary Choir and Brass

April 4-11 – GAIHN Hosting

April 9 – *First Friday*

April 17 – Operation Inasmuch

April 25 – Foundation Sunday – Deb Richardson-Moore, preaching

April 25 – Open House

A Community of Believers

Each Member A Minister

Pastoral and Program Staff

Gina M. Brock, Singles/Young Adults/Youth

J.R. Christy, Facilities

Herlane Edwards, Neighborhood Partnership

Vivian Hamilton, Music

Priscilla Harris, Children's Music

Janice R. Johnson, Administration

Kyle Matthews, Worship and Mission

Susan Matthews, Youth Music

B. Michelle McClendon, Christian Education

Rod McClendon, Communications/Media Center

Juli Morrow, Preschool

Rosemary New, Infant-Toddler Program

Bev Rogers, Children

Jeffrey S. Rogers, Senior Minister

Matt Rollins, Activities

Laura Shelley, Missions

Frank A. Smith, College and Youth

Kathy Stewart, Kindergarten

Baxter M. Wynn, Pastoral Care and Community Relations

The 11:00 a.m. worship service is broadcast on WLFJ-AM 660.

The live radio broadcast can also be heard via the World Wide Web.

Go to www.firstbaptistgreenville.com and the link to the radio broadcast is located on the church's homepage. For information about downloading sermons to a portable MP3 player, visit www.firstbaptistgreenville.com/podcast.



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The Worship of God
Eleven O'Clock
March 14, 2010
The Fourth Sunday in Lent

A Time of Gathering and Greeting

Welcome to Worshipers

Jeff Rogers

We welcome those who are visiting with us today. Please complete a welcome card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. We hope you will consider making First Baptist Greenville your church home.

Choral Introit

“O Taste and See” *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

*O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
Blest is the one that trusteth in Him.*

Prayer for Our Worship

Lord Jesus, you are the Way, the Truth and the Life: as we remember and give thanks for your atoning sacrifice, help us to worship you with all our heart, soul and mind; in your holy name we pray. Amen.

*Processional Hymn 166

CWM RHONDDA

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

*Opening of the Bible

*Lighting of the Christ Candle

*Opening Sentences

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Come, let us celebrate the forgiving, reconciling love of God.

People: For once we were lost and felt so far away; now we have been found and welcomed home.

Leader: Know that God's love is lavished on us forever.

People: We rejoice at the news of forgiveness and hope!

Leader: Come, let us celebrate and praise the God of Love.

People: Amen!

(adapted from Psalm 32; worshipconnection.cokesbury.com)

*Response (Hymn 346, stanza 2 alt.)

CWM RHONDDA

***See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, while such a river ever will their thirst assuage?
Ever will their thirst assuage!***

Old Testament Lesson Exodus 34:29-35 Michelle McClendon
The scripture may be found on page 71 of the Bible in the pew rack.

New Testament Lesson Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
The scripture may be found on page 850 of the Bible in the pew rack.
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Call to Prayer “Call to Prayer” *Stephen Stacks*
*O Lord, incline Thine ear to me,
Hear my prayer, O God.*

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our
trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead
us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is
the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

*Hymn 298 “Where Charity and Love Prevail” ST. PETER
All children first through fifth grades are invited to come to the front during the
singing of the last two stanzas of this hymn.

Children’s Sermon Baxter Wynn

Anthem “How Far Away Is Heaven” *Carson P. Cooman*
*How far away is heaven, your home, O Holy One?
The distance of a journey made by a younger son.
With wealth his father gave him, he went away from home;
And how far did he travel? As far as he could go.*
*How near at hand is heaven, your home, O Holy One?
Near as a father waiting to welcome back a son.
A feast for all will welcome the child he waits to see;
And how near is the father? As near as he can be.*
*How far away is heaven? As far as lost from found;
As one who leaves his father, and will not turn around.
How near at hand is heaven? As near as found to lost;
As love whose wait and welcome are precious past all cost.*
– *Richard Leach*

Sermon **With Unveiled Faces** Paula Dempsey

*Invitation Hymn 177 WELLESLEY
“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”
Please come forward during the singing of this hymn if you wish to confess
your faith or identify with this fellowship. A pastor will greet and receive you.

*Offertory Scripture and Prayer Tedd Garner
So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed
away; see, everything has become new! (2 Corinthians 5:17)

Musical Offering
Introduction of New Members

*Doxology (Hymn 28) OLD 100TH

*Benediction

*Choral Response “Peace I Leave with You” *Walter Pelz*
*Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you:
Not as the world giveth give I unto you.
Let not your heart be troubled; neither let it be afraid.*

Celebration Peal of the Bells

Postlude “If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee” *J.S. Bach*
*Please stand if able.
Hearing aid receivers are available. Please contact an usher.

The soloist is Debbie Paden Mobley, soprano.
The service choir is the Sanctuary Choir
under the direction of Stephen Stacks.
The organist is Charles Tompkins.
The acolytes are Seth Hammack and Sarah Miller.

Paula Clayton Dempsey is the minister for partnership relations
for the Alliance of Baptists. In addition to college and seminary
degrees, she has trained with Contemplative Outreach and the Shalem
Institute. With more than 25 years in ministry, Paula has served as
a Hospice chaplain, coordinating director of the Advent Center for
Spirituality, church pastor and campus minister. She and her husband,
Paul, have two sons.

Stephen Stacks holds the Herring Church Music Internship at First
Baptist Greenville. He is a senior church music major at Furman
University.

Assisting in worship is Tedd Garner. Tedd is a member and teacher in
the Adkins-Bouton Class and serves on the Children’s Ministries and
Intern Committees. He has also led numerous Klesis/Intersections
classes here at First Baptist. Tedd and his wife, Anne, have two
daughters, Mason and Kate.

We are continuing to receive designated offerings for Haiti relief.
Our gifts are going to Partners in Health with whom Christ
Church Episcopal has been working in Haiti for many years in its
partnerships with individuals, churches and social service agencies.
You may use any offering envelope and write “Haiti” on it.

Deacons scheduled this morning are Paul Aiesi, Ralph Bouton,
Shannon Dobson, Tyrone Edwards, Anne Martin, Sherwood Mobley,
Cindy Craig, Vaughn CroweTipton, Jim Gibbs, Mary Jane Gorman,
Betty Stall, Gayle Bolt Price and Cherron Saad.

Ushers serving during the month of March are Carol Ann Anderson,
Marion Armstrong, Don Caldwell, Bob Cloaninger, Bobby Elrod,
Carroll Luck and Sara Mansbach.

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by the Seminar Class in
memory of Wade Bryant, Ad Carwile, Randy Chalker, Bill Chapman,
Mona Chapman, Aleck Clark, Pat Durham, Margaret Elliott, Syl
Elliott, Darrell Floyd, Dan Foster, Dave Foster, Peggy Foster, Evelyn
Hayes, Gordon Howle, Bill Hughes, Margaret Hughes, Shack
Jackson, Don Loving, Frank Mims, Billy Mitchell, Pat McCoy,
Don Ormsby, Douglas Owens, Buddy Putnam, Carolyn Rayas, Jim
Sparks, Sylvia Stoner and Siste Williams.

The flowers in the Narthex are given in honor of Betsy Bob and Earl
Miles’ 60th wedding anniversary by their children, Mary Beth and
Rocky Stoudenmier, Candace Adeimy, and David and Donna Miles,
and grandchildren.

Thank you for supporting the recycling efforts of First Baptist
Greenville by leaving your bulletins in the basket on one of the tables
in the Narthex or Balcony as you leave worship.

Mission and Ministry Opportunities

For information on the many mission and ministry opportunities of
First Baptist Greenville, visit the church Web site at
www.firstbaptistgreenville.com or read the *News*
(the church newsletter). Some copies are available in the Narthex.

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Sunday, March 14

Youth Choir Retreat
Noon.....Lunch for College Students (Fellowship Hall)
12:15 p.m.....Preschool Ministries Committee (E-340)
12:15 p.m.....Deacon Officers (Conference Room)
12:15 p.m.....Spiritual Formation Committee (Fellowship Hall)
1:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.....AYMC Open

Monday, March 15

6:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.....AYMC Open
10:00 a.m.....Limited Exercise Class (AYMC Terrace Level)
11:45 a.m..... Restructuring Engagement Opportunities Task Force (F-308)
Noon.....Property Committee (A-418)
7:00 p.m.....Zumba (AYMC Gym)

Music selections offered this morning include: “Peace I Leave with You” Walter
Pelz, Augsburg Publishing House, 1963; and “How Far Away Is Heaven” Carson P.
Cooman, Selah Publishing Co., 2005.