

Happy Mother's Day



**First Baptist Church
Greenwood, South Carolina
May 12, 2019**

The painting on the front cover is "Maternal Love" by Iranian artist Mitra Shadfar. It is dated 2004.

The Worship of God
May 12, 2019
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day
Morning Worship at Eleven O' Clock

Meditation: "Show your children God's love by loving them and others as Christ loves you. Be quick to forgive, don't hold a grudge, look for what's best, and speak gently into areas of their lives that need growth."

- Genny Monchamp

The Ministries and Opportunities of the Church David Jennings

Prelude "Children Will Listen" Steven Sondheim
Chuck Neufeld, Solo

The Lighting of the Gospel Candles

The Chiming of the Trinity

*Morning Hymn 26 "God of Creation, All Powerful" SLANE

*Invocation and Welcome Blake Kendrick

Scripture Thoughts for Children David Corbitt
(Immediately following Scripture Thoughts, children ages 3 years through K5 will meet a Children's Church worker at the back of the Sanctuary to go to Children's Church.)

*Hymn of Offering and Gratitude 77 "In Heavenly Love Abiding" NYLAND

*Offertory Prayer Nick Nichols

Offertory "Take My Life and Let It Be" setting by Dan Forrest
Judi Neufeld and Betty Walker, Piano Duet

*The Presentation of Gifts and the Congregational Response to God's Goodness
"We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer" KREMSER
(Hymn 356, vs. 3)

**With voices united our praises we offer,
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With You, Lord beside us, Your strong arm will guide us.
To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer Anna Burch
Leader: Lord, in Your mercy
Congregation: Hear our 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 and ever. Amen.**

Reading of Holy Scripture: Ephesians 6:1-4 Sam Smith

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" – this is the first commandment with a promise: "so that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth."

And, parents, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

Reader: This is the Word of God for our time and our lives.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

“Be Thou My Vision”

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord.
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance now and always;
Thou and Thou only first in my heart,
High King of heaven my treasure Thou art.
High King of heaven, my victory won.
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart whatever befall,
Still be my vision, oh ruler of all.

Chancel Choir

Words and music from Irish tradition, arranged by Robert Hunter

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Sermon

“The Instruction and Discipline of the Lord” Tony Hopkins

*Hymn of Commitment 48 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” FAITHFULNESS

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction Response “God Made from One Blood” ST. DENIO
(Hymn 686, vs. 1)

God made from one blood all the families of earth,
The circles of nurture that raised us from birth,
Companions who join us to walk through each stage
Of childhood and youth and adulthood and age.

Postlude

“How Firm a Foundation” setting: Raymond Haan
Judi Neufeld, Organ

*Those who are able, please stand.

Welcome to First Baptist Church, a warm fellowship of Christian believers. We hope you enjoyed your visit today. Here you can find wonderful opportunities for worship, fellowship, and Christian growth. Please sign the register at the end of the pew and give us your contact information, and please join us again.

Worship leaders for today are: Camden Nave, Acolyte; Nick Nichols, Deacon of the Week; Chuck Neufeld, Soloist; Sam Smith, Scripture Reader; Chancel Choir; Judi Neufeld, Guest Organist and Piano Duet with Betty Walker; Ministerial Staff: Tony Hopkins, Senior Pastor; Blake Kendrick, Associate Pastor; David Jennings, Minister of Administration; David Corbitt, Minister of Music; Anna Burch, Minister to Children.

The Sanctuary flowers are given by Beth Hardage to the glory of God and in memory of her mother, Virginia Hutto Rickborn.

Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, May 12 - Mother's Day

- 9:30 am Diaconate Executive Committee
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship

Monday, May 13

- Noon Edgewood Cemetery Board
- 6:30 pm Laucis-Parham Circle

Tuesday, May 14

- Noon Young at Heart at Country Club
- 6:30 pm *Sounds of Grace* Encore performance of "Sentimental Journey through the 1940s"
- 6:30 pm Children's Teachers Appreciation Dinner

Wednesday, May 15

- 5:15 pm Children's Choirs
- 5:30 pm Family Meal - Group 8
Menu: Baked Spaghetti and Salad
- 6:15 pm The Grind
- 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study, Grace Street Parents, Chancel Choir, CIAs, Infant and Toddler Childcare
- 7:15 pm *Voices of Grace* Youth Choir

Thursday, May 16

- 9:30 am Betty Schopp Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 6:00 pm Cheerful Cherubs End of the Year Program

Sunday, May 19

- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship
- Noon Spring picnic and Thank You to the Kendricks
- 7:00 pm Diaconate

Tuesday, May 21

- 10:00 am Buses leave for *Sounds of Grace* performance in Abbeville

CHURCH NEWS

Opportunity to Express Appreciation and Offer Well Wishes: Blake Kendrick's last Sunday is May 19. Immediately following worship, we will have our annual Spring Picnic. The Congregational Life Committee will provide the meat and drinks (water and tea). The congregation is asked to provide sides and desserts. This event will also give the church family an opportunity to say thank you to the Kendrick family and offer them our blessing as they transition to their new place of service. There will be a basket for personal notes and gifts.

Connections Class: GFBC is offering an intentionally inter-generational Sunday School class for anyone grade 6 through adulthood. The class will meet every Sunday at 10:00 am through August 11. The class meets in the Youth Lounge (across the hall from the Bowers Class on the ground-level under the Sanctuary). The class features engaging conversations about contemporary culture, videos, and ice-breakers that invite participants of all ages to connect. Potential topics include: social media, religious and social history, pop culture, and more. If you would be interested in facilitating/leading a session of the Connections Class, email Greg Anders at greganders@gmail.com or leave a message for him in the church office (229-5557).

Young at Heart: The Young at Heart group will meet at the Country Club at noon on May 14.

"Sentimental Journey through the 1940s" ENCORE Performance: On Tuesday, May 14, at 6:30 pm in the church fellowship hall, *Sounds of Grace* will present an ENCORE performance of "Sentimental Journey through the 1940s." This concert features popular selections from the decade of the 1940s. Bring the entire family and friends too!

GFBC Is Collecting "Box Tops for Education": Please place "Box Tops for Education" in the basket on the table by the restrooms in front of the office. Donations will be given to Greenwood School District 50.

Cheerful Cherubs Registration: Registration is now open for children ages 1-4 for the 2019-2020 school year. Forms are available in the church office or from Claudia Burch. If you have any questions, please call Claudia at 229-2787.

CHURCH NEWS (cont'd)

Transportation Need: Jo Stevenson comes to GFBC every Monday to arrange the flowers used during Sunday worship into smaller vases. These vases are taken to shut-ins and hospitalized members. Jo enjoys this ministry and wishes to continue it. She can no longer drive. Jo is seeking volunteers to drive her to the church at 9:00 am on Monday mornings and to drive her home around noon or 1:00 pm. Drivers do not need to stay at the church and will not be responsible for delivering the flowers. Anyone willing to drive Jo at least one Monday per month is asked to call her at 223-7567.

Graduates of Fall 2018 and Spring and Summer 2019: The church office needs the graduate's name, school, graduation date, degree (if applicable), future plans, and a recent photo. **The information and photo is needed no later than May 17.**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Camp P.R.I.S.M.: Camp P.R.I.S.M. is July 16-19 at Bonclarken Conference Center in Flat Rock, NC. This year's theme is "Free to Be God's People." Camp P.R.I.S.M. is for children completing Grades 3-5. The cost is \$160.00. **A deposit of \$50.00 is due by May 24.** Contact Anna Burch (229-5557 or aeburchfbc@gmail.com) to sign up a child or to volunteer to chaperone.

2019 Vacation Bible School, June 10-14, 2019, Age 3K* through 5th Grade: Children 3K* through 5th grade are invited to GFBC's annual VBS, June 10-14, 2019, from 8:30 am to 12:00 noon. Children will experience Paul's journey in Athens to share the truth of Jesus. Children will travel back in time to see Paul begin his second missionary journey.

*Children must have turned age three on or before September 1, 2018 to participate.

End of the Year Children's Pool Party: Children's Pool Party is Sunday, June 2, 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm. Snacks will be provided. The party is at the Youngs' Home (106 Amherst Dr.).

STUDENT MINISTRY

"Photos, Hellos, and Dominos" All GFBC youth and their parents are invited to a special event this Wednesday, May 15, at 6:15 pm in the Youth Lounge. The event will be led by Greg Anders, Interim Minister to Students. The group will partake of pizza, enjoy some fabulous fun with photos, and discuss the direction of the GFBC youth program. This will be a great opportunity to get to know one another better, share ideas, and begin to chart the course ahead—all in a relaxing atmosphere of food and fun. Please join us!

End of School Youth Pool Party: All youth are invited to a pool party at the Youngs' home in Cherokee Hills (106 Amherst Drive) on Wednesday, June 5, from 5:30 pm until 8:30 pm. Youth are asked to bring drinks (individually packaged, like Capri Sun or 12 oz. cans), chips, and/or dessert. Greenwood FBC will supply pizza and ice. Drop off and pick up is at 106 Amherst. Invite friends! Plan for sun (bring sunscreen, towel, modest swimwear).

Summer 2019: Summer 2019 is just around the corner. Here are some dates to save on your family calendars:

June 2: Graduate Recognition Sunday

June 5: Pool Party at the Youngs/Smiths in Cherokee Hills

June 10-14: VBS at GFBC (youth volunteer)

June 14: Youth VBS volunteers go out to lunch together (church's treat)

June 22: Zen Tubing in Asheville

June 30: 5th Sunday - Connections Class in Fellowship Hall

July 1-6: Passport Summer Missions Camp

July 20: Youth volunteer at the Hospice Store (9:30 am-Noon)

August 7: Daytrip to Carowinds

Registration for Vacation Bible School

June 10-14

8:30 am - 12:00 noon



Child's name _____

Age _____ Last grade completed _____ Home Church _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone numbers: Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____

Email address _____

 Emergency, contact: Name _____

Phone _____ Relationship to child _____

Allergies and other medical information _____

By allowing your child to participate in Vacation Bible School at GFBC, you are granting GFBC permission to take photos and videos that may be used in promotional materials.

CHURCH USE ONLY VBS Group _____

Parent Helping?/Where? _____

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