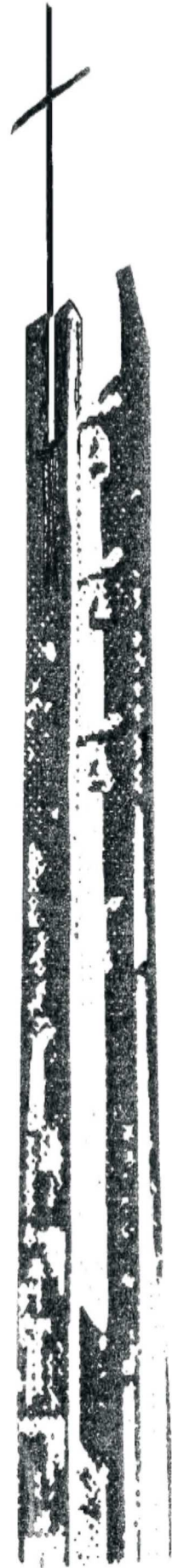


First Baptist Church

February 18, 2018

*I saw the cross of Jesus,
when burdened with my sin;
I sought the cross of Jesus,
to give me peace within;
I brought my soul to Jesus,
He cleansed it in His blood;
and in the cross of Jesus
I found my peace with God.*



The Body of Christ Gathers in Worship & Praise
Sunday, February 18, 2018
First Sunday in Lent
Saying “Yes” to the Cross

10:55: *Please take time to greet one another,
warmly welcoming visitors in the name of Christ.*

Gracious God, our way in the wilderness, guide us by your Word through these forty days and minister to us with your Holy Spirit, so that we may be reformed, restored, and renewed through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Welcome Rev. Kevin Wilson

Prelude *Lamb of God, Our Savior* Linda Denney, organ
J. S. Bach

Invocation Rev. Wilson

Call to Worship Nevan Owens, Congregation
The Lord is merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in love.

God’s promise is for all generations;

God’s covenant is with every living thing.

Let us worship God.

Hymn 171 *What Wondrous Love Is This* WONDROUS LOVE

Children’s Moment Carole Kerley
Following the children’s moment, children ages five through first grade should meet their leaders at the door by the organ to proceed to Kids’ Korner.

Litany of Saying “Yes” Rev. Meadows, Congregation
Today we bring the crown of thorns to the cross. With a crown of thorns we mocked and marred the one who proclaimed a Kingdom we did not want. But today we also remember a redemption that came to us through suffering.

Lord Jesus, with a crown of thorns we rejected you as our King. Help us say “No” to our private notions of how the Kingdom of God should look. Help us say “Yes” to the cross.

Through the centuries we have ascribed greatness to those who bring quick resolutions to our political conflicts. We want immediate results with little cost.

Lord Jesus, we confess we are often disappointed in the Kingdom you reveal. Your Kingdom reflects your patience with creation. Your Kingdom requires our participation. Help us say “No” to our craving for ease and luxury. Help us say “Yes” to the cross.

Our world honors kings who enforce peace by destroying their enemies. The King we crowned with thorns established peace by dying for his enemies—the righteous for the unrighteous, to reconcile us to God.

Lord Jesus, we still look for leaders to bring peace through power. To the mighty, the strong, and the beautiful we grant our places of honor. Help us say “No” to our dread of weakness. Help us say “Yes” to the cross.

Let us pray together...

All: Almighty God, we want kingdoms with great power. Your Son came in weakness. We want deliverance through conquest. Your Son brought deliverance through suffering. We want freedom from temptation. Your Son participates in our struggles. Free us from ourselves; deliver us from our evil; conform us to the image of your Son. Amen.

Anthem

A Lenten Prayer

Chancel Choir
Cheryl Hicks, solo
Hal Hopson

Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray,
Teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself;
Oh, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself.

We must walk this lonesome valley, we have to walk it by ourselves;
Oh, nobody else can walk it for us, we have to walk it by ourselves.

You must go and stand your trial, you have to stand it by yourself,
Oh, nobody else can stand it for you, you have to stand it by yourself.

And through these days of penitence, and through thy Passiontide,
Yea, evermore, in life and death, O Lord, with us abide.

Offertory Prayer Rev. Seth Hix
Minister and Church Relations Coordinator, CBFNC

Offertory *Meditation on ROCKINGHAM* Neil Harmon

Scripture Mark 1:9-15
Pew Bible page 1185 Rev. Meadows

Sermon *The Good, the Bad, and the Beautiful* Rev. Meadows

Hymn 167 *I Saw the Cross of Jesus* WHITFIELD

Baptism The Baptism of Terry Honeycutt

Benediction Rev. Meadows

Postlude *Musette* Michelle Corrette

We are delighted that you have chosen to join us in worship today. It is our sincere hope and prayer that you will know the saving presence, power, love and authority of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and that you will leave encouraged and spiritually refreshed.

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*******BULLETIN BOARD*******

Wednesday, February 21

Menu: Baked Spaghetti w/Garlic Bread, Salad

WMU NC Heck-Jones Offering

Contributions to the WMU NC Heck-Jones Offering will be collected during the month of February. This offering helps fund ministries such as Camp Mundo Vista Summer and Year-Round Camp, Military Ministry, Habitat for Humanity Women Build, Women's Prison Retreat, New Ministers' Wives Retreat, Christian Women's and Men's Job Corps, and development and training for Associational and Church WMU Leaders. This is the only offering that supports the work of WMU.

Crockpot Creations: Sunday, February 25, 5:30pm

To add more variety to our usual menu of chili, we're asking folks to also bring their favorite soup, stew, or dessert. There will not be a judging for this event but just a good time of fellowship. Sign up sheets will be in your Sunday School class or you may call the church office. The meal will begin at 5:30pm.

Senior Gathering, Monday, February 26

Information Coming Soon

NC Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Annual Gathering- March 15-17,

Knollwood Baptist Church, Winston-Salem. Go to www.cbfnc.org for details and registration information, See details on hall bulletin board or talk to Becky Keesler.

Primetimers Trip

"Tunes & Tales" with David Holt and Josh Goforth

Thursday, March 15,

5:00pm: Bus leaves the church

6:00pm: Dinner at K&W- 7:30pm: Concert

Join the Primetimers as they travel to Winston-Salem, March 15 to enjoy a performance by four-time Grammy Award winner David Holt and rising acoustic music star and Grammy nominee Josh Goforth as they join together to bring to life the joy and spirit of old time mountain music and stories. Between them they combine the virtuosic sounds of guitar, banjo, fiddle, slide guitar, mandolin, and a world of exciting rhythm instruments from hambone (body slapping) rhythms to spoons, stump-fiddle, rhythm bones, jaw harp, and even paper bag. It is a program of songs, stories and amazing musicianship that will appeal to all ages. Please call the church office to sign up. Ticket price for this event is \$25 plus the cost of your meal at K&W. Your ticket will need to be paid to the church by Monday, February 26 to secure your spot for this trip. You don't have to be a Primitimer to join this event, which is part of the NC Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Annual Gathering.

Caswell Summerfest May 28 -June 1 "Enjoying the Journey"

5-day, 4-night retreat for retired and semi-retired adults.

Speaker: Bobby Morrow; **Worship Leader:** Clyde Buckner ;**Pianist:** Larry Keesler

Cost for all meals and lodging :\$330

We have 10 fully furnished rooms reserved in Fort Caswell Hotel

Call the church office by **MARCH 1** to reserve a space – you will be glad you did!!

Ministry for Sunday: Rev. Jay Meadows ; **Scripture:** Mark 1: 9-15 **Sunday School Greeters:** Benny & Diane Robinson ; **Deacon Greeters:** Jimmy & Cindy Jones ; **Babies:** Paula Brinkley & Maggie Nicholson ; **Toddlers:** Mary Alice Leonard & Dora Gwyn ; **Preschoolers:** Angela Stroup & Helper ; **Kid's Korner:** Marsha Meadows & Mercer Meadows ; **Children's Sermon :** Carole Kerley ; **Sound:** Paul Madren, Mark Hensley, Jeff Harmon

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, February 18 **First Sunday in Lent**

8:45am Sunday School Breakfast
 9:00am Prayer Time-Prayer Room
 9:45am Sunday School
 9:45am New Members and Prospects Class
 11:00am **The Church at Worship & Praise
 4:00pm Children's Handbells
 4:45pm Youth Choir
 5:00pm Griefshare Class
 5:30pm Granite City Ringers
 5:45pm Youth Supper
 6:00pm Youth Group Family Time

MONDAY, February 19

6:00pm Friends Helping Seniors Planning-Library
 6:30pm *Cub Scouts

TUESDAY, February 20

7:00am Baptist Men's Breakfast- Olympia
 10:30am Jackson -Meeks-Beck Group

WEDNESDAY, February 21

10:00am Beth Moore-Rebekah Class
 4:30pm Grades 1-2 Music; Grades 3-5 Missions
 5:00pm Pre-School -Kindergarten Music & Missions
 5:15pm Grades 3-5 Music; Grades 1-2 Missions
 5:45pm Family Night Meal
 6:30pm Bible Study
 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, February 15

5:30pm Feeding Friends Meal
 7:00pm *Boy Scouts—Scout Hut

FRIDAY, February 23

3:30pm Youth Ski Trip

SUNDAY, February 25 **Second Sunday in Lent**

9:00am Prayer Time-Prayer Room
 9:15am Coffee Fellowship-Fireside Room
 9:45am Sunday School
 9:45am New Members and Prospects Class
 11:00am **The Church at Worship & Praise
 4:00pm Children's Handbells
 4:45pm Youth Choir
 5:00pm Griefshare Class
 5:30pm Granite City Ringers
 5:30pm Crockpot Creations-Fellowship Hall
 5:45pm Youth Supper
 6:00pm Youth Group Family Time

MONDAY, February 26

11:45am Senior Gathering-Fellowship Hall

*Community Ministry **Hearing Assists / Valet Parking available upon request. Wheelchair spaces are available in the sanctuary for the convenience of those who need to stay in their chairs.