



THE TORCH

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The Pastor's Pen

Last year a few of us had the opportunity to do some mission work in the East African country of Tanzania. I believe God is giving us a vision to establish a ministry there, specifically in the city of Longido. I have had the privilege of preaching there twice, and visiting one of the villages nearby. There are great needs there and I believe we can share with them in addressing those needs. The needs range from helping to build a building for the congregation to worship in, to establishing a school and/or orphanage. It will be our task to understand more specifically what we will be willing and able to do.

It is my desire for us to have a mission team to go there this fall (tentatively, October 6) to meet the community, to see the area we will be working and better understand what we can do that (Acts 13:2 – 3). The trip will take about 10 days. We would like to know if any of you are interested in going to Tanzania and helping to establish the work there. At this time we don't have all of the details worked out as to what the cost would be. Bro. Paul Luter and I will travel there during the month of May to make arrangements for the mission team to come in October.

I am aware that this is a "short window" for you to consider this trip, and to pull the resources together. It is my hope, however, that the desire to do this work will encourage you to find a way to make it happen for you. If you think you may be interested in going with the team this fall I would ask that you pray about it. Then if you believe God is leading you to do the trip you will need to complete an application we will make available to you. Applications should be available by May 7. Once we work out all of the details of the work that needs to be done and what your cost would be you can then decide yes or no about going. We should know the cost by the June 3. But please consider completing the application so we can know the level of interest.

Since my coming to First Baptist Church, Capitol Hill (FBCCH) in 2010, one of the things I have asked the church to give strong consideration to is our work in the area of missions. My desire is to see that we are choosing to make a difference for the Kingdom of Jesus Christ beyond the walls of our building (Psalm 96:3). Tanzania is a good place for this to happen. Part of our challenge over the past several years has been focusing on the debt that we had. Last October we were able to put that behind us and can now more keenly focus on the work ahead. We have committed that at least 10% of our budget goes to the work of mission. We were already at @5% prior to this year, and increased it this year to meet the expectation. Some of this will go towards our work in Tanzania. I am excited about the possibilities that God is opening up to us and looking for us to embrace the work there.

On another note, you will soon notice that there will be additionally people working alongside the deacons and trustees. We are going to begin the training of persons to work in these important areas of church life (Acts 6:3). Even as we will be training them, the church will have the opportunity to consider making them a part of those ministries sometime in the future. They are: deacons-in-training – Sis. Adrienne Fancher and Bro. Derek Howard; trustees-in-training – Bro. Kevin Copeland, Bro. Johnny Holmes, Bro. David Jones and Sis. Ryann King. Also in the near future we hope to have youth who will train as "junior" officers of the church. Please be in prayer for these as they work to understand other ways in which they can minister in the life of the church.

Kelly M. Smith Jr.
Pastor

SUNDAY

morning live

May 2018 Lessons

“Give Praise to God,” has four sessions that emphasize the people’s response by bringing offerings and dedicating their lives to God’s work. Three of the responses are found in the books of Exodus, Leviticus, and 2 Corinthians. The unit concludes with one session drawn from the books of Psalms and Hebrews that rejoices in God’s reconciling action on behalf of the people.

May 6th: Giving From a Generous Heart

Adult Topic
Generous Giving

Youth Topic
Cheerful Giving

Children Topic
Giving Is Good

Background Scripture: Exodus 25:1-7; 35:4-29; Leviticus 27:30-33;

Key Verse: 2 Corinthians 9:6 *Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.*

May 13th: Brining First Fruits

Adult Topic
Reasons to Give

Youth Topic
Giving Your Best

Children Topic
Giving Your Best

Background Scripture: Leviticus 2:14; 23:9-22

Key Verse: Leviticus 23:10 *“Speak to the Israelites and say to them: ‘When you enter the land I am going to give you and you reap its harvest, bring to the priest a sheaf of the first grain you harvest.*

May 20th: Remembering With Joy

Adult Topic
Creating an Equitable Economy

Youth Topic
Joyful Responsibility

Children Topic
Take Care of the Land and Yourself

Background Scripture: Leviticus 25

Key Verse: Leviticus 25:10 *Consecrate the fiftieth year and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you; each of you is to return to your family property and to your own clan.*

May 27th: Rejoicing in Restoration

Adult Topic
More than Good

Youth Topic
Restoration Project

Children Topic
Who Can Help?

Background Scripture: Leviticus 16; Psalm 34; Hebrews 2:5-18

Key Verse: Psalm 34:8 *Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.*

March
18

"The Scent That Makes Sense"
Pastor Smith
Scriptural Text: John 12:1-8
Submitted by: Kathy Harrell

There ought to be a fragrance to our faith in terms of how our faith is carried out. It should be a fragrance that reflects the goodness of the intimacy of the relationships that we have with Jesus Christ. The sweet fragrance of Jesus' presence should fill our hearts and lives every day.

The Scriptural Text tells us that Jesus was (1) sharing in the Passover, (2) preparing for His death and having fellowship with His friends Mary, Martha and Lazarus. To show her love and honor for Jesus, Mary took her expensive perfume and anointed the feet of Jesus, then wiped them with her hair. This was a scandalous act for Mary (or any woman). But even as the pleasant aroma of the perfume filled the house, everyone was not pleased. Yet, it is the scent that makes sense.

Point 1. It is the sense that makes sense because of her celebration.

When Jesus went to Bethany, despite the threat on his life, Mary wanted to celebrate Jesus' presence 'now', because no one knew if they would see Him again. Jesus' presence in our lives every day is what we should celebrate and be jubilant about.

Point 2. It is a scent that makes sense because of her authenticity.

Mary's genuine response to show what Jesus meant to her was pouring her expensive perfume on Jesus' feet. We must be real, sincere, and honest in our own faith walk, and which comes from deep inside of us as evidence of what the Lord means to us.

Pont 3. It is the scent that makes sense because of her devotion.

Without hesitation, Mary's use of her pure perfume to anoint the feet of Jesus was not an act of sacrifice (to give up), it was an act of devotion (to give to). Devotion has no price tag. Devotion is about enthusiasm, joyfulness and excitement. Our desire must be to demonstrate *to* the Lord our love, loyalty, and allegiance *for* the Lord, without worry over expense or over concern about the judgement of others.

March
25

"Hosanna: The People's Plea"
Intern Candice Nunn
Scriptural Text: John 12:12-16
Submitted by: Beverly Brown

Intern Nunn began by providing a historical perspective of the scripture selected as background information for her message which was John 12 chapter. The purpose of gospel of John, as stated by John himself is to show that Jesus of Nazareth was Christ, the Son of God, and that believers in him might have eternal life. The purpose was one that John had in common with the men who wrote the Synoptic Gospels, but his method for achieving it distinguishes his gospel from the earlier ones. The central theme in the Synoptic Gospels is the coming of the kingdom of God, and it was in relation to this event that accounts were given of the life and teachings of Jesus.

When the people of Jerusalem heard that Jesus was coming; they took palm trees and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna; blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord (John 12:12-13). Furthermore, the excitement, the waving of palm, Passover, and resurrection of Christ Jesus was compared to a tailgate party at Nissan stadium before a game or some of the classic football games at some historically Black Colleges/Universities. Hosanna is what got God/Christ Jesus people thru slavery, they asked God/Christ Jesus to save them and He met their needs and saved His Children.

God/Christ Jesus people were prodded to aim not to worship weighted and to leave the same. Often, there are no quick fixes to life hurts, pain of living, and issues that will confront an individual; but, God/Christ Jesus is always nearer than one thinks- just seek Him, talk to Him and ask Him - Hosanna, help me/save me. Finally, even though life can be confusing, be steadfast, be vigilant, trust Him, and allow Him to deliver you. And, and just know that God/Christ Jesus acknowledges and will assist you in whatever task(s) life presents. Amen, Amen, & Amen.

April
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“The Game Changing of Easter”

Scriptural Text: John 20:1-9

Submitted by: Kathy Harrell

The most significant day in all of the Christian Faith is Easter. Even with its broader appeal, Christmas only has its significance because of the events at Easter in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

A game changer is an event or catalyst that causes something *significantly* different to happen from the current way of doing or thinking about something. When Jesus was crucified and buried that was supposed to be the end of the story. But when Mary Magdalene saw that Jesus was no longer in the tomb, it was the game changer in Mary’s life. And Easter should be the game changer for us. **Easter is game changing because:**

Point 1. It challenges us to do something.

When extraordinary things happen, we have to be intentional in our thoughts, actions, and behaviors—we have to do *something*. Like Mary Magdalene and the disciples ‘running’ to the tomb of Jesus because the stone was rolled away, we too must learn to move excitedly when wonderful things occur.

Point 2. It is God’s way of letting us in.

God’s desire is to have an open and intimate relationship with each one of us. The stone being rolled away from the tomb is symbolic: it is not so that Jesus could *get out*, it is so that people could ‘get in’. All obstacles have been removed; there is *nothing* that blocks us from having full access to a complete love faith relationship with Jesus Christ.

Point 3. It reminds us to never give up hope.

Many people see death as the final chapter of life. But the story of Jesus lets us know that, no matter the circumstances, there’s always a reason to maintain hope. Life can bring many situations that cause us times of great struggle, grief, and uncertainty, when our faith may be tested. But, when we remember Easter, we are reminded to never give up hope. The game changer for us as Christians is that God *always* has ‘one more move’!

April
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“Tying Up Loose Ends”

Pastor Smith

Scriptural Text: John 21:15-19

Submitted by: Adrienne Fancher

The Easter story extends beyond Easter Sunday. Jesus spent another 40 days appearing to people so that they could see and believe for themselves. It was necessary for Jesus to tie up “loose ends;” that is, unfinished business. He needed to restore the apostles to the mission by tying up loose ends with them. The apostles needed to believe that Jesus was alive, and the apostles needed to know their mission.

We must tie our confession to our commitment.

To be a disciple of Jesus Christ is to have a confession of love and commitment. Then, we must demonstrate that commitment. Jesus demonstrated His commitment on the cross. He asks Peter, “Do you love me?” Peter responds, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.” Jesus refocuses Peter to the mission: “Take care of my sheep.”

We must tie our hearing to our heart.

We have a lot of noise in our lives that disrupts our focus. Jesus asks Peter three times “Do you love me?” to mirror the three times Peter denied Jesus. Jesus asks the question to make Peter think. The first time, Peter only hears with his ears. The second time, Peter hears differently with his mind. The third time, Peter hears with his heart, and he hurts at the recollection of his denials. When we listen with our hearts, we become heart disciples.

We must tie our faith to our follow.

Following is not easy. Jesus told Peter that part of the maturity of discipleship is that he would notice a change within himself regarding his approach to life, and then Jesus said, “Follow me.” The path to follow Jesus is not an easy path, but it will take you places you never thought you would go and you will do things you never thought you would. Our faith causes us to follow.

May Deacons of the Week

If you should need pastoral assistance, contact the Deacon of the Week for assistance.

Week of	Deacon	Phone #
6 th	Beverly Brown	(615) 885-5334
13 th	Ronald McFarland Sr.	(615) 331-0564
20 th	Sunny Owunnah	(615) 708-1893
27 th	Brian Wood	(615) 259-0623

Words of Thanks

We would like to thank our FBCCH family for all of their acts of kindness shown to us during our loss of our niece and cousin Charlotte Ellison Taylor. May God continue to bless each and every one of you.

Sincerely,
Lois Suttles, Marilyn Jackson, and Sheila Littleton

To Our Church Family

You have been very very supportive during this difficult time.

On behalf of the Risby Family we thank you for your thoughts, prayers, cards, gifts, food, and especially the contributions made to the FBCCH Jubilee Drive in memory of Edward. Thank you for being a blessing to our family and may the peace of God be with you and bless you. We cannot express to you enough the comfort that it brings. Thank you. Alice Smith-Risby.

“I thank my God every time I remember.” Philippians 1:3

Pastor Smith, Rev. Martin, Rev. Darby, Rev. Kimbrough and our First Baptist Church Capitol Hill Family-

Words cannot express our sincerest and most heartfelt gratitude to our First Baptist Church Capitol Hill Family for your support during the illness and passing of our brother, Rev. Larry Wayne Currie.

We are so grateful your thoughts, prayers and many acts of kindness. We appreciate your outpouring of love through calls, cards, money, flowers, gift cards, notes of encouragement, visits, emails, and yes those members who sacrifice their Saturday to drive out to the “country” to share with us in the home-going celebration in Henning Tennessee.

Thank you from the depths of our hearts.

You have lifted our spirits in ways we can't even express. Please continue to remember us in your prayers as we pray for you.

God bless

Vernell Currie Neely, Melody Grace Neely
The Curries; Martin, Miriam, Kristopher and Wesley

First Baptist Church, Capitol Hill Family,

Words cannot adequately express the love and support shown to our family at the sudden passing of our father. The cards, calls, texts, emails, monetary gifts in our dad's honor, and your attendance at his funeral services were all sweet gifts of grace. Thank you for joining us on our grief journey by reminding us of God's presence with us. From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you. Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers.

Best,

Sis. Cornelia Cruson, Rev. Joe Ella Darby, and the rest of the Darby Family

Blood Pressure Screenings

The Health Care Committee will be available on the 2nd and 4th Sundays to provide blood pressure screenings in the Frankie Pierce Lounge and on the lower level.

Help Needed!

First Baptist Church, Capitol Hill is in need of people who are willing to provide homework help to our children after school. Our church will begin offering homework help in all subject matters this school year. Help will be available Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Contact Jill Jones at (404) 723-5384 or Miriam Currie (615) 948-6580 to sign up if you are willing to help.



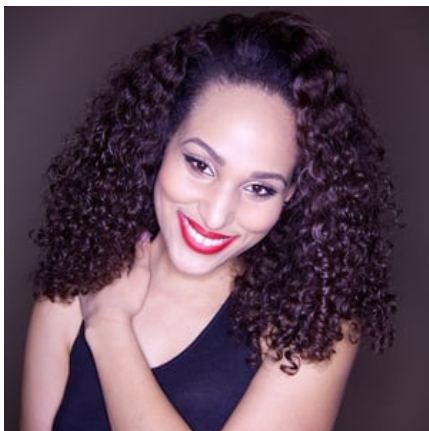
Children's Church convenes 2nd and 4th Sundays (September through May) in The Chapel. Children ages 5 – 12 are welcome. Parents may pick children up downstairs after the worship service is over. To volunteer, or for questions, contact Felecia Johnson at fakcjohnson@aol.com or (615) 209-8035.

<p>Praise Dance Rehearsals Wednesdays 4:30 pm– 5:30 pm (May 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th)</p>	<p>Hand Bell Choir Rehearsals Saturdays 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm (May 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th)</p>
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FBCCH RETIREES' VALENTINE CELEBRATION

The annual retirees Valentine Luncheon was held at Swett's Restaurant on Wednesday, February 14, 2018 from 11 till 1:30 p.m. Trustee Bill served as our Master of Ceremony. Prayer and blessing of the food was done by Rev. Dr. Arrold Martin. In memory of our deceased members, a moment of silence was observed. After lunch, each one introduced themselves, Our new retirees in attendance were Trustee Zelma Ewing, Anita Greene, Trustee Paul Luter and Valerie Smith Robertson. Sharanda Smith dropped in on us to find out what retirees do. Pastor Kelly M. Smith gave greetings and remarks. Rev. Dr. Edith W. Kimbrough gave a beautiful meditation on Love. Joyce Hayes shared her yearly collection of "Helpful Sayings". Clara Elam gave us all a reason to laugh with her collection of jokes.

Bernice Barnes and Betty Wilson facilitated the exchange of Valentine cards. Trustee and Mrs. Paul Robertson furnished numerous gift cards for door prizes which were distributed by Mona Hayes. Mai Olive Lusk was very generous as usual with many monetary gifts. The room was beautifully decorated by Bernice Barnes, Clara Elam and Betty Wilson. Music was furnished by Drs. Arrold Martin and Edith W. Kimbrough. Our photographer was Anita Greene. Each attendee went away with a treat from Clara's kitchen. It was a fun day for all.



Myah Naomi Lipscomb's original comedy series "**#WeirdMYAH**" is an official selection of the 2018 National Black Film Festival in Houston, Texas and the 2018 Nashville Film Festival! The thirty minute episode, "**#photobomb**", was selected out of 6,000 entries to premiere at Regal Hollywood Stadium 27 Theater ([719 Thompson Lane](http://www.719thompsonlane.com)) this May! There will be two screenings for her episode on Saturday, May 12th at 9:00 PM and Wednesday, May 16th at 6:00 PM. Tickets are on sale now at www.nashvillefilmfestival.org. The five episode **#WeirdMYAH Miniseries** can be viewed on Myah's website

at www.myahnaomi.com/weirdmyah. Be on the look out for the **#WeirdMYAH** t-shirts that will be available soon on her website! Myah thanks her First Baptist Church Capitol Hill family for always supporting and encouraging her!



Experiencing God as Abba (Part III)

But to as many as did receive and welcome Him, He gave the right [the authority, the privilege] to become children of God, that is, to those who believe in (adhere to, trust in, and rely on) His name.—John 1:12














Submitted by Joe Ella Darby, *Ministry of Discipleship Chair*

I hope you all took time to sit and soak in Romans 8:38-39 and are more fully convinced that nothing can separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus, our Lord. To know deep in our souls that we are loved is a real game changer. Life is different and sweeter when we live from the place of adoption. Let's take this last installment to look at a couple of benefits of our being adopted; I will focus on my top two benefits. Although fully aware of my frailty, I've learned that the more I grow in my intimacy with God and access God's power made available to me, the freer and more alive I live. I'm free to fail and be imperfect, yet I'm also more alive in my purpose. I am more fulfilled in my calling: first as a daughter of the most-high God, and second as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Intimacy: Oftentimes, discussion of intimacy is limited to sexual relations. Many people engage in sexual activity looking for intimacy and are left still longing for closeness that surpasses mere physical contact. I once heard that intimacy means “into me you see.” Many psychologists would say that being known or seen is one of our basic desires—but also one of our basic fears. We tend to believe that people love us because they really don't know us, and also fear that if people really knew us, they would not love us. In Christ, our adoption removes all fear, as we trust that the God of the universe loves each of us because God knows us completely (Psalm 139). God's love is not so *despite* what He knows about us—it is rooted in full knowledge of us. God is not disillusioned with us; God knows what He signed up for when He chose us; we are disillusioned with ourselves. In Genesis 3:22, the writer nods at God's concern of man's being like God and knowing good and evil. God is neither narcissistic nor insecure. God is omniscient; thus, He knows what is best for each of us—hence His withholding some knowledge. Like Paul desired in Philippians 3:10, the knowledge that we should seek is to know Christ. This knowing is an intimate knowing that only comes through great intentionality of creating space in our hearts, lives, and days to allow God to see into us and we into God—getting to know God in a sweet fellowship that takes time to cultivate but will satisfy.









Access to Power: As believers, we all have access to God's power; yes, the same power that raised Jesus Christ from the grave is the same power to which we have been granted access through the Holy Spirit (see John 14:17, 1 Corinthians 6:19, Ephesians 1:18-20). It is through the Holy Spirit that God dwells in us and among us. As we yield more to God, including doing the work that God has given us to do, we are helped. 2 Peter 1:3 reminds us that “His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness” (NIV). Everything that we need to live for God and to live into our purpose is granted to us by God's divine power. We access that power every time we yield in obedience to God, during small times as well as big times. For instance, I'm trying to work on being less opinionated; and while my exhibiting that quality equates to my being true to my nature, sharing my opinion sometimes gets me into trouble, especially when I could have used wisdom instead. There are times when the Lord tells me that I do not need to speak. Sometimes I yield, and sometimes I do not. During the times when I bridle my tongue, I am able not only to see the fruit of that obedience, but also, I am enduring discipline that is preparing me for the “bigger” times of surrender. My surrendering my will requires God's power, and not just when it comes to sharing my opinions—I need to concede my will to His power in every facet of my life. Despite my strong-willed nature, I've been humbled enough to know that I need God's power to BE more like Jesus. I'm grateful that I have full access to God's power!



As you go along this month, practice living as a child of God. Take time to write a statement of affirmation of your adoption. Spend time reading and studying God's Word by conducting a word study on love, adoption, or power, or even tracing God's pursuit of our hearts through Scripture. In small ways, access God's power through prayer/meditation and, above all, surrender to God's love.

01	TUESDAY				Marcia Mitchell Marlee Wade
02	WEDNESDAY		Cody Sims Charles Williams	7:00	Morning Prayer Call
12:00	Noonday Bible Study			26	SATURDAY
5:00	Fellowship Meal			27	SUNDAY
6:00	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>				Carlton Crutchfield Sunday Morning <i>Live!</i>
03	THURSDAY		 National Day of Prayer	8:45	Worship Service
			Kristen Daniel Ian Dinkins	10:00	Worship Service
04	FRIDAY		Fred Jones, Jr. Edith Kimbrough	28	MONDAY
7:00	Morning Prayer Call			29	TUESDAY
05	SATURDAY				Antonio Stacker
06	SUNDAY			30	WEDNESDAY
8:45	Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i>				Ta'naisha Hillman Allison Johnson Dainon Sidney
10:00	Worship Service			12:00	Noonday Bible Study
07	MONDAY			5:00	Fellowship Meal
08	TUESDAY			6:00	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>
09	WEDNESDAY			17	THURSDAY
12:00	Noonday Bible Study			18	FRIDAY
5:00	Fellowship Meal			7:00	Morning Prayer Call
	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>			19	SATURDAY
10	THURSDAY		Emmitt E. Hayes	20	SUNDAY
11	FRIDAY			8:45	Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i>
7:00	Morning Prayer Call!			10:00	Worship Service
12	SATURDAY		Keyonce Shaw	21	MONDAY
					Sunny Owunnah Denzel Williams
				22	TUESDAY
					Larry Baker Melanie Knight Aerin Washington
				23	WEDNESDAY
					Suanne Padgett
				24	THURSDAY
				25	FRIDAY

JUNE CALENDAR

01	FRIDAY
7:00	Morning Prayer Call
02	SATURDAY
03	SUNDAY
8:45	Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i>
10:00	Worship Service
04	MONDAY
	<i>Shalone Sampson</i>
05	TUESDAY
	<i>Kyndal R. Christion</i>
06	WEDNESDAY
	<i>Anaya Campbell</i>
12:00	Noonday Bible Study
5:00	Fellowship Meal
6:00	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>
07	THURSDAY
08	FRIDAY
7:00	Morning Prayer Call
09	SATURDAY
10	SUNDAY
8:45	Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i>
10:00	Worship Service
11	MONDAY
	<i>Courtney Greene</i> <i>Weldon Kidd</i>
12	TUESDAY
13	WEDNESDAY
12:00	Noonday Bible Study
5:00	Fellowship Meal
6:00	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>
14	THURSDAY

15	FRIDAY
	<i>Gretchen Perkins</i> <i>Jamar M. Ritch</i> <i>Joy Sims</i>
7:00	Morning Prayer Call
16	SATURDAY
	<i>Walter Vincent</i>
17	SUNDAY
8:45	Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i>
10:00	Worship Service
18	MONDAY
	<i>Desiree' Robertson</i>
19	TUESDAY
	<i>Jewel Burks</i> <i>Ronald Jones</i>
20	WEDNESDAY
	<i>Kerry Schrader</i>
12:00	Noonday Bible Study
5:00	Fellowship Meal
6:00	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>
21	THURSDAY
	<i>Ernest Rhodes</i>
22	FRIDAY
23	SATURDAY
	<i>Ryan Gentry</i>
24	SUNDAY
8:45	Sunday Morning <i>LIVE!</i>
10:00	Worship Service
25	MONDAY
	<i>Kenya McDaniel</i>
26	TUESDAY

27	WEDNESDAY
12:00	Noonday Bible Study
5:00	Fellowship Meal
6:00	Wednesday Night <i>LIVE!</i>
28	THURSDAY
	<i>Anita Greene</i>
29	FRIDAY
	<i>John Donaldson</i> <i>Laquilla Robertson</i>
7:00	Morning Prayer Call
30	SATURDAY

*(May 1-6, 2018)***Giving From a Generous Heart**

TUESDAY, May 1: “Give Alms Quietly” (Matthew 6:1-4)

WEDNESDAY, May 2: “Gather Together Your Bountiful Gift” (2 Corinthians 9:1-5)

THURSDAY, May 3: “All Tithes Are Holy” (Leviticus 27:30-33)

FRIDAY, May 4: “Blessings of the Righteous” (Psalm 112)

SATURDAY, May 5: “Gifts for the Tabernacle” (Exodus 35:10-19)

SUNDAY, May 6: “Give Cheerfully and Generously” (Exodus 35:20-29; 2 Corinthians 9:6-8)

*(May 7-13, 2018)***Bringing First Fruits**

MONDAY, May 7: “Honor God with Your First Fruits” (Proverbs 3:1-10)

TUESDAY, May 8: “Martyrs, First Fruits for God” (Revelation 14:1-5)

WEDNESDAY, May 9: “Gifts, a Pleasing Sacrifice to God” (Philippians 4:15-20)

THURSDAY, May 10: “Preparing Grain Offerings” (Leviticus 2:1-10, 14)

FRIDAY, May 11: “Acceptable Offerings Are without Blemish” (Leviticus 22:17-20)

SATURDAY, May 12: “Observing the Sabbaths and the Festivals” (Leviticus 23:1-8)

SUNDAY, May 13: “Present Your Fruits to God First” (Leviticus 23:9-14, 22)

*(May 14-20, 2018)***Remembering with Joy**

MONDAY, May 14: “Keeping the Sabbath Yields Good Crops” (Leviticus 26:3-6)

TUESDAY, May 15: “Lands and Houses Shared with All” (Acts 4:32-37)

WEDNESDAY, May 16: “Bear Each Other’s Burdens” (Galatians 6:1-5)

THURSDAY, May 17: “I Will Maintain Covenant with You” (Leviticus 26:9-13)

FRIDAY, May 18: “Fairness in Buying and Selling Property” (Leviticus 25:13-17)

SATURDAY, May 19: “Helping One Another Face Difficulties” (Leviticus 25:35-38)

SUNDAY, May 20: “Sabbatical Year and Year of Jubilee” (Leviticus 25:1-12)

*(May 21-27, 2018)***Rejoicing in Restoration**

MONDAY, May 21: “The Atoning Sacrifice for the People” (Leviticus 16:15-19)

TUESDAY, May 22: “The Lord Hears the Righteous Cry” (Psalm 34:11-18)

WEDNESDAY, May 23: “Jesus Tasted Death for Everyone” (Hebrews 2:5-9)

THURSDAY, May 24: “Jesus Brings Salvation through Suffering” (Hebrews 2:10-13)

FRIDAY, May 25: “Jesus Destroys the Devil’s Power” (Hebrews 2:14-16)

SATURDAY, May 26: “Jesus, the People’s High Priest Forever” (Hebrews 7:18-28)

SUNDAY, May 27: “Jesus, Our Redeemer and Deliverer” (Psalm 34:1-10; Hebrews 2:17-18)

*(May 28–May 31, 2018)***Justice and Sabbath Laws**

MONDAY, May 28: “David Eats the Bread of Presence” (1 Samuel 21:1-6)

TUESDAY, May 29: “Lord Desires Mercy, Not Sacrifice” (Hosea 6:1-6)

WEDNESDAY, May 30: “Plucking Grain” (Leviticus 19:9-10; Deuteronomy 23:25)

THURSDAY, May 31: “The Sabbath Is for Merciful Acts” (Luke 14:1-6)

“We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember one another in prayer...”



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