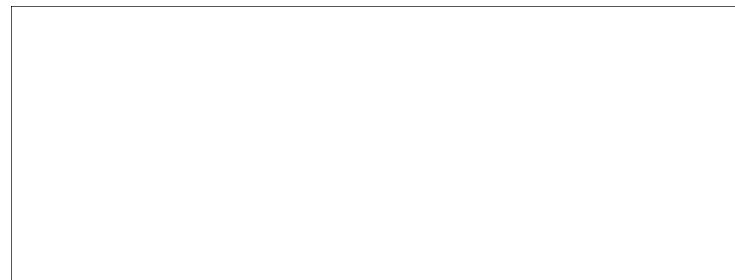


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MISSIONS

On March 19, the Board of the Mission Frankfort Clinic met and had good attendance and discussion. The board took a 'field trip' and saw all the work that has been done in the clinic. We have FBC and Tony Hager to thank for the 'in-kind' gift of our beautiful new paint job in the clinic. We have new signage inside the clinic (thank you to Gary Scott for helping in this area). Our pharmacy has been rearranged and reorganized to better serve our patients and volunteer providers. We have new computers for Dana's office, the Patient Assistance Program office and the Pharmacy. Some had not seen our digital dental x-ray that was installed some time ago. We have a new EKG machine and defibrillator. We have begun work on what will be our new exam rooms in the back hall of our clinic space – all the rooms have been cleared and wall prep for paint has started. We have a new logo (pictured) for the clinic done by graphic designer Claudia Summers (daughter-in-law of the infamous Richard Summers). Plans are being made to redesign our new patient room/space (old Hispanic Worship Room – for those who have been here awhile!) into a prosthodontic lab where dentures and partials will be made in-house! Please pray for the outstanding grant requests that are presently being decided on by the City of Frankfort, Franklin County Fiscal Court and the Good Samaritan Foundation.

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Sixty-five thousand dollars is the total amount requested from these three organizations. I believe prayer has been an important piece of the approvals in the past. Thank you for all the support! What a privilege it is to be on staff at FBC and get to serve alongside Dana Nickels, our hard-working Clinic Administrator.

Thank you to all who contributed to the 'special' request from Karen Thomas Smith who leads the mission we support in Morocco. The 'Welcoming Children' program is one part of the larger ministry plan to help refugees coming to Morocco. This program helps families get assistance from the Moroccan government for their children. We gave \$750 from our 'Local to Global' missions line item of our FBC budget (recommendation from our Missions Advisory Team) and an additional \$300 was also donated by FBC members.

~Keith Felton



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New Member

By Baptism

Angie Ford
March 3, 2019

HOLY WEEK 2019

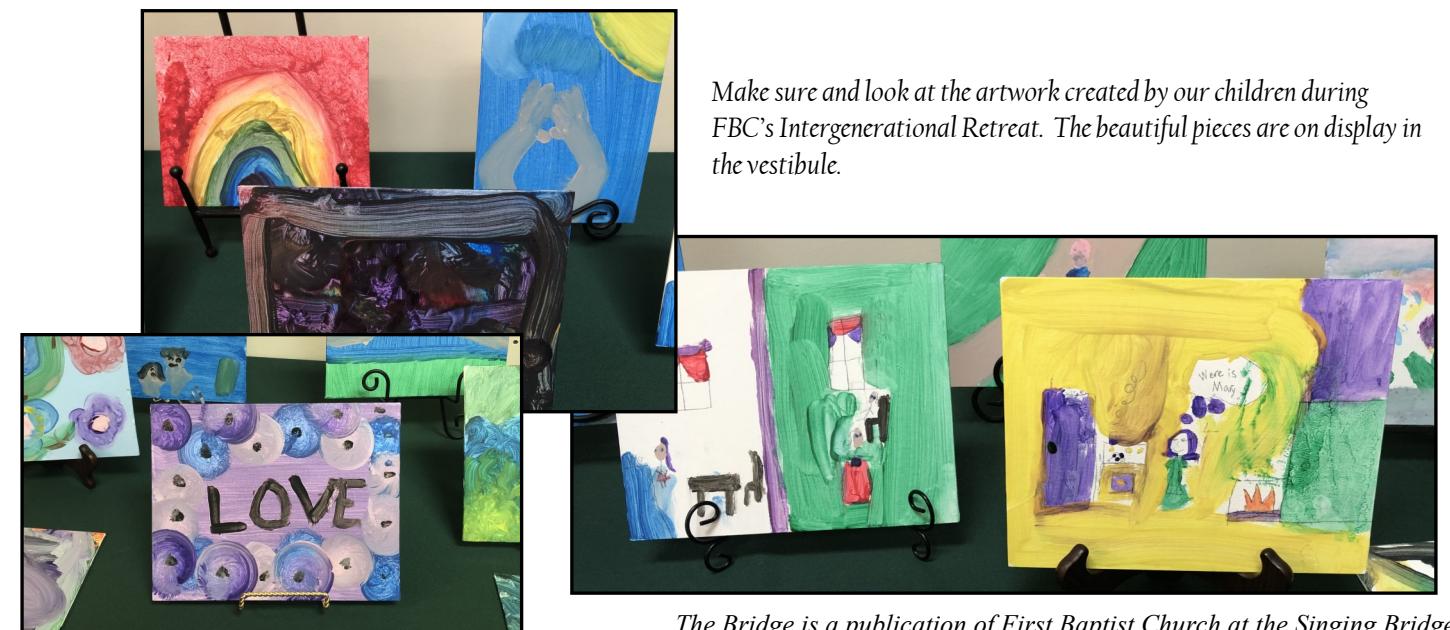
We hope you will continue to use your Lenten Devotional through Easter and take part in all the Holy Week opportunities.

Holy Week Services at First United Methodist Church:

During Holy Week, all are invited to attend services, Monday - Friday at First United Methodist Church. Music begins each day at 11:45 and the service is at noon. A light lunch follows.

Tenebrae Service: Join us at First Baptist Church for our Tenebrae service on Thursday, April 18, 7:00 pm. The Sanctuary Choir will lead this moving "Service of Shadows."

Easter Service: HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! We look forward to seeing you Easter Sunday, April 21. Bible Study begins at 9:45 am, and the children's choirs of FBC will help us worship during our Easter service at 10:50 am.



Make sure and look at the artwork created by our children during FBC's Intergenerational Retreat. The beautiful pieces are on display in the vestibule.

APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 5:00 pm Wed Night Activities NOTE: No children or youth activities tonight!	4 9:00 am ROMEOS 6:30 pm Deacons' Meeting	5	6
7 9:45 am Bible Study 10:50 am Worship Last Sunday to order Easter lilies	8	9	10 5:00 pm Wed Night Activities 5:45 pm Small Group Bible Study	11 9:00 am ROMEOS	12	13
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28 9:45 am Bible Study 10:50 am Worship	29	30 12:00 pm Book Study				

SUNDAY MORNING GREETERS

INVOCATION

NURSERY

DOWNSTAIRS

FRONT DOOR

WORSHIP HOUR

Apr 07 Marla White	Apr 07 Bob Tipton	Apr 07 Helen Tipton	Apr 07 Don Hines	Apr 07 Dwight Lovan
Apr 14 Martha Wade	Apr 14 Laura Branham	Apr 14 Jaime McKown	Apr 14 Christina Keyes	Apr 14 Marcus Pernell
Apr 21 P Manning, K Olson	Apr 21 Helen Tipton	Apr 21 Bob Tipton	Apr 21 Mary Hines	Apr 21 Don Hines
Apr 28 Linda Gaby	Apr 28 Olivia McKown	Apr 28 Sam McKown	Apr 28 Doris Harrod	Apr 28 Keith Felton

DEACON OF THE WEEK

GODLY PLAY HELPERS

SCRIPTURE READERS

3 YR OLDS - K

1st - 3rd GRADE

SCRIPTURE 1


SCRIPTURE 2

Apr 07 Joe Manning	Apr 07 E. Shryock-Allen	Apr 07 A. Thomas, D. Wallace	Apr 07 E. Shryock-Allen	Apr 07 Cindy Fogg
Apr 14 Gary Scott	Apr 14 Vicky Mitchell	Apr 14 A. Smith, K. Bayes	Apr 14 Lena Columbia	Apr 14 Kara Johnson
Apr 21 Karen Sigler	Apr 21 E. Shryock-Allen	Apr 21 A. Thomas, E. McCann	Apr 21 Adell Kemper	Apr 21 Clay Mason
Apr 28 Larry Cleveland	Apr 28 Marla White	Apr 28 M. Simpson, J. Roberts	Apr 28 Laura Hendrix	Apr 28 Karen Sigler

Churchwide Retreat – Thank you

Thank you for all of those who participated in our churchwide retreat and for sharing your many insights into what Luke 10:25-42 teaches us about what it means to love God and neighbors. Special thanks to: The Spiritual Formation Advisory Team for all of their work, planning and great ideas; Amy Smith for her thoughts and work to integrate Godly Play into the retreat; Jenny Luscher for locating and gathering all the materials for a Godly Play new story about Martha and Mary with Jesus; Amy Thomas for sharing the Good Samaritan story; Jaime McKown for all of her excellent planning and leadership and children's leaders, Morgan Burns, Pam Manning, Kim Bayes, and Beverly Lovan for planning and carrying out a wonderful retreat for our children; Richard Summers for planning and leading worship and to Lois Summers for playing the piano; our dramatic readers, Larry Cleveland, Glenn Thomas, Elaine Shyroek-Allen, and Richard Summers for helping bring the scripture to life; Tony Hager and Seldon Jackson for the extra set up; the church staff for their support, assistance, and promotion. Doug Crowe's prayer Sunday reminded us of how many talented and involved members we have here at FBC and that was evident, not only in worship Sunday, but at the retreat on Saturday.

~Keith Stillwell


SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY JOHN: THE GOSPEL OF LIGHT

We are delighted to offer a new small group Bible study based on some key passages in the Gospel of John. Join facilitator Jaime McKown on Wednesdays, 5:45 pm - 7:00 pm, April 10 - May 15, as we use Adam Hamilton's book and videos, *John: The Gospel of Light*.

The Gospel of John is the most deeply spiritual of the four gospels. This writing is filled with rich images and profound truths, but John notes his aim in writing the gospel is that readers will not only believe in Jesus Christ, but that they "may have life in his name." There are six parts to the study:

1. The Word Made Flesh
2. The Miraculous Signs of Jesus
3. The "I AM" Saying of Jesus
4. The Farewell Discourse
5. The Arrest, Trial, and Crucifixion of the King
6. Eternal Life

Register by signing up on the bulletin board or calling the church office. Books, \$10, will be available in the church office. We ask you read the introduction and first chapter before the first session.



THE ENNEAGRAM JOURNEY LED BY CYNTHIA INSKO

A new and stimulating 12 week enneagram study will begin Sunday, April 28, 4:00 - 6:00 pm, led by Cynthia Insko.

As we seek to connect to God and others by growing in our love, we often discover God nudging us to explore unhealthy patterns and habits that may be impeding our growth and transformation. The enneagram is a popular tool to help us see ourselves more clearly so we can wholeheartedly surrender to the Spirit's transforming work in us as we desire to love God and others as Jesus did.

Join us for the **Enneagram Journey** group study by **Suzanne Stabile**, an enneagram master teacher for over 25 years. This 12 session DVD and group discussion is designed to ground us in the basics of identifying our enneagram type within the context of a shared experience with the group. We will learn from Suzanne and from each other as God guides.

Interactive group meetings are two hours and each participant will receive his/her own study guide for some journaling and reflection throughout the week.


Whether you are brand new to the enneagram or are seeking to expand your understanding of it, this group is for you! Feel free to invite a friend and partner to join us for the duration of the course. This could be a great opportunity to invite newcomers to FBC as we connect with God and others.

Please be looking in the weeks ahead for the cost of the study and how to register.

MY FAITH SPARKLES BOOK SIGNING WITH AMY SMITH

We are thrilled for the release of our own Amy Luscher Smith's book, *My Faith Sparkles: Memoir of a Cancer Survivor*, due for release on April 22. You can preorder your own copy at Amazon.com, and you can follow Amy on facebook at www.facebook.com/amyusluchersmith/.

You are invited to a book signing at the church on Sunday, May 5, 9:00 - 9:45 am, before Sunday morning Bible study.

THEME BOOKS AVAILABLE

Our theme for the year is FBC Connect: Called to Love. We have some books on the theme that we invite you to borrow, read, and share your thoughts on. They are located in Kara's office. Simply sign the "check out" card and leave it in the office, then return when finished.

- *A Lens of Love*, Jonathan L. Walton
- *Speak Love*, Annie F. Downs
- *Small Things with Great Love*, Margot Starbuck
- *Essential Teachings on Love*, Richard Rohr

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**MUSIC
 MINISTRY**

One of the most moving worship experiences I ever had was several years ago when our son, who was a college student at the time and singing in First Baptist Church Bowling Green's choir, invited Lois and me to their Tenebrae Service. I had never been to one before and didn't know what to expect. I cannot overstate the effect that service had on me. Easter became so much more jubilant after I had spent that evening remembering Christ's suffering and the darkness of my sin and its impact on our world. As the choir sang and the candles were extinguished I was moved to tears. We cannot fully appreciate light until we experience darkness. The Tenebrae Service is one of my favorite services of the year. Every couple of years the Sanctuary Choir takes the responsibility of leading this service and this is one of those years. They have been working diligently to prepare a service that will help us recall the events leading up to the crucifixion of Christ. We will gather around the Lord's Table and share Communion, and we will experience the extinguishing of candles and ultimately the removal of the Christ candle from the sanctuary signifying the death of Christ. I encourage you to mark April 18 on your calendar now and make this service a priority. The service will begin at 7:00 p.m. I believe you will be led to a deeper appreciation for what Christ has done for us and be better prepared to experience the joy of Easter!

Speaking of Easter, I'm looking forward to our children's choirs and Instrumental Ensemble leading us Easter Sunday morning as well as our Sanctuary Choir. Thanks be to God we live on this side of the resurrection and know that Christ has ultimate victory over death and darkness. I can't wait to celebrate it with you!

~Richard

**CHILDREN'S
 MINISTRY**

Thank You

A huge thank you to Jaime McKown, Amy Thomas, and Amy Smith for leading the children's portion of the church wide retreat on March 23! I appreciate their willingness to make this day special for both the children and adults. You ladies are amazing!

~Jenny

Save the Date

April 3 (Wednesday) – NO CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES this week. Enjoy your Spring Break!

April 10 & April 17 (Wednesdays) – Please have children on time for choir; they are practicing for Easter Sunday!

Easter, April 21 (Sunday) – All children's choirs will help lead our service through beautiful songs.

April 24 and May 1 (Wednesdays) – Preparation for Children's Day in all children's missions classes

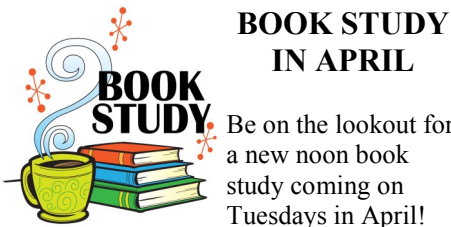
May 8 (Wednesday) – Final evening of preparation for Children's Day

May 12 (Sunday) – Children's Day and Graduate Recognition – All children's choirs will be singing and children will be leading worship

May 15 (Wednesday) – Last night of children's activities for this semester

**BOOK STUDY
 IN APRIL**

BOOK STUDY Be on the lookout for a new noon book study coming on Tuesdays in April!



From the Pastor Search Team:

There is very little we can report right now. We are at a critical juncture in our search process. More than ever we seek to have God's wisdom and discernment showered upon us. We have met face to face and in person with candidates and will, again, over the next three weeks. Technology has provided us with numerous opportunities to see and listen to potential pastors. It makes for a very different approach to the process, but nothing can replace having the opportunity to actually be together with an individual. Your committee is dedicated, bringing a diversity of experience and thought to this process which is serving the church well. Please pray for us and the remaining candidates that together we will discover God's direction for our future.



THE BARNABAS GROUP

The Barnabas Group had a fantastic potluck lunch in February. Church cooks are the BEST cooks! A big Thank You to Linda McKinley, and her smart puppies - Opie and Holly, for their interesting talk and demonstration on therapy dogs! Everyone enjoyed learning about Linda's work in this field, and about "Pawsibilities Unleashed", a Frankfort business specializing in therapy dog training. In March, thirteen folks went to see the play, "Rumors", at the Woodford Community Theatre. We laughed, and laughed, and laughed. It was a great play and even better company.

Our upcoming event for April has been changed to **A Garden Day**. We will meet for lunch at the Sage Garden Café at Wilson's Nursery on the East-West Connector, on Saturday, April, 27th at 11:30. We may have a short talk or demonstration from the folks at Wilson's Nursery about container gardening or raised bed gardening. That is still in the works. Watch the church bulletin for more details. After lunch, we can stroll through Wilson's and get plants for our yards/gardens, or just enjoy the shop and nurseries. I'm so glad Spring is here and we can start thinking about planting again. There will be a sign up sheet soon on the church bulletin board.

As always, if you have any question or comments, please contact me at TheBarnabasGroupFBC@gmail.com.

~Mona Carpenter



Hello! I hope all is well whenever you're reading this. As always, here's what we can look forward to with our youth and the various activities they'll be getting into this April.

During Sunday school, we'll be in the middle of discussing Christ's final meal with the Lord's Supper and the various lessons we can learn from it. The aim with this series is to help students to gain a deeper understanding of communion as a Christian sacrament and worship element. It's begun with an introduction to communion, and will then move into an exploration of three themes present in the story of Jesus' last meal: betrayal, thanksgiving, and remembrance.

Wednesday evenings will continue to include more laidback activities to take a break from the busyness of school and other extracurricular activities our youth are into. As the weather continues to improve (Lord willing!!) we'll be spending more time outdoors with taking prayer walks and even time out to play on a playground or not (Who doesn't enjoy swinging or going down a slide every now and then?).

As far as weekend endeavors are concerned, on Saturday, April 13th the youth will be taking a trip to the Sunshine Center to do some volunteer work with the folks at the center (more details to come!).

On Friday evening, April 26th, the youth will be taking a trip to Capital Bowling for a fun night of bowling! The cost is \$10 (covers two games and shoes), and we'll be bowling from 7:00PM-9:00PM. Any and all also welcome to join!

In closing, I am continually thankful for those who not only volunteer to sit in on our Sunday school classes, Wednesday evening activities, and weekend activities, but as well as for those who've offered to volunteer. If you'd like to get involved with our youth in any way please contact me and we'll get you plugged in somewhere!

Peace be with you!

~Marcus