

Pastor's Lines

Dear Church Family,
I called my sister on National Sibling Day. (Actually it was a day late, but she didn't know!!) Anyway, Candy and I started talking about Easter services, and the significance of many events related to the Easter Story. She shared this one with me...

"In order to understand the significance of the folded napkin, you have to understand a little bit about Hebrew tradition of that day. The folded napkin had to do with the Master and Servant, and every Jewish boy knew this tradition. When the servant set the dinner table for the master, he made sure that it was exactly the way the master wanted it. The table was furnished perfectly, and then the servant would wait, just out of sight, until the master had finished eating, and the servant would not dare touch that table, until the master was finished. Now if the master was done eating, he would rise from the table, wipe his fingers, his mouth, and clean his beard, and would wad up that napkin and toss it onto the table. The servant would then know to clear the table. For in those days, the wadded napkin meant, "I'm done." But if the master got up from the table, and folded his napkin, and laid it beside his plate, the servant would not dare touch the table, because... The folded napkin meant, 'I'm coming back!'"

I began to wonder, what the thought process was as Jesus woke up from the dead and meticulously folded the garment that had been his death cloth? He realized at the moment of the folding no one, but His Father knew he was alive again. I suggest that Jesus had a moment to refresh his relationship with His Father. After all, the Father turned His back on Jesus at the cross, and this could have been the first time for them to re-connect after a terrible time apart. I also would suggest that Jesus was feeling victorious. After all, Satan appeared to have won when Jesus died. Of course Jesus knew that death was only temporary, and Satan would ultimately be defeated (tricked) at the death and subsequent resurrection of the Lord. I also imagine, that Jesus would take a moment to chuckle as He observed the surprised faces of His friends and disciples, when that stone was rolled away. And, in a way that only Jesus could do, I can imagine that He would look into the future, and see you, and feel so full, so blessed, that He did all of this for YOU!
And the stone was rolled away. Jesus is alive. And Jesus is coming back to take believers home!

What a day!!
Blessings,
Dr. j.

Church News

First Place 4 Health Mini-Summer Session

A six-week session will begin
Monday, May 1st at 6 p.m.
Cost for this session is \$16.00

Summer-time is filled with sunshine, picnics at the lake, special outings, family vacations and celebrations. But it is also a time when disruptions in the normal routine can make it difficult to stay committed to healthy living. Join us for a six-week Bible study, **Fit and Healthy Summer** which is designed to help stay on course toward a balanced life.

To register or for more information, please call the church office at 824-3271.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION MINISTRY

Food Distribution will resume on **Monday, April 17 from 3-5pm**. Individuals whose last name falls between **(I-P)** will be served. If you are interested in being involved, you are welcome to participate. Thank you for your prayers and service.



Mark your calendar for the our Spring Garage Sale which will be on **Saturday, April 29th from 8-11am**. It will be held in our Family Life Center.
Donations are needed and can be brought to the designated rooms in the Education Building.

Children's Calendar

July 31-August 2 - Tall Timbers Camp for 2nd - 6th graders

Church News

Window/Door Offering

March 19 - \$7,355 received
March 26 - \$7,545 received
April 2 - \$ 300 received
April 9 - \$2,100 received

Total \$ 17,300

Offerings and pledges will continue to be received throughout the construction period. The cost for the construction is \$75,000.



The next BYAH Luncheon will be on **Tuesday, April 18th** at 11:00am in the Family Life Center. Meat will not be provided so we will need some to bring a meat dishes as well as other dishes to complement our meal. Sean Bean will be singing at the luncheon. Come and enjoy the fellowship!



Mark your calendar for the next business meeting which will be on **Wednesday, April 19th at 6pm in the Sanctuary**.



Pinewood Derby will be on **Wednesday, May 3rd** in the Family Life Center from 3-6pm. Open to all boys and girls 1st-6th grade. All pinewood derby cars have to use approved wheels and axels and weigh 5oz or less.

Church News

Student Ministry students.fbcjennings.com

We live in a culture that values shallow, superficial, and temporary things. Students are told lies every day about what's important in life and how to be important in life. In the Known series, students will learn that their identity is not dependent upon what others say about them, or even what they say about themselves, but by what God says about them. Join us on Wednesday Night from 6-7pm as we start a new series called Known.

Youth Work Day - April 22 - If you (or someone you know) is in need of work, our students want to help. Saturday, students want to work to raise money for camp. You can hire a student to do work for you, or as a gift for someone else. Work can include pressure washing, outdoor painting, yard work, garden work, etc. Please sign-up by calling or texting Derrick. More details are online at students.fbcjennings.com. All money raised helps students with cost for summer mission camp.



VBS Teachers and Helpers meeting Sunday, April 23rd at 3:30pm in the Family Life Center.

Many of the VBS classes need teachers and helpers. If you are able to fulfill any of the positions available contact Ruth Cardoza, Cindy Sonnier or Bro. Brian.



The Baptist Singing Women and the Baptist Singing Men will present a joint concert on Thursday, April 20th at 6:30 pm at the First Baptist Church in Deridder.
Please come out for an amazing night of worship in song.

Sunday, April 16 - Saturday, April 22

Sunday, April 16:
 8:30 a.m. Morning Worship
 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

Monday, April 17:
 4:30 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 3-5 p.m. Food Distribution (I-P)

Tuesday, April 18
 4:30 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 11:00 a.m. BYAH Luncheon

Wednesday, April 19:
 4:30 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 6:00 p.m. Business Meeting
 6:00 p.m. GA's, RA's, CA's and
 Mission Friends Cancelled
 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, April 20:
 4:30 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking

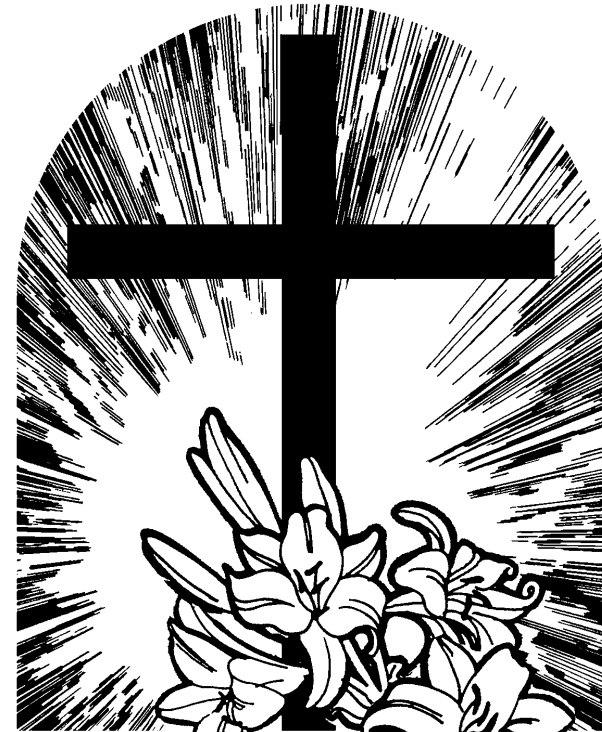
Friday, April 21:
 4:30 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking

Saturday, April 22



Welcome to the worship services of First Baptist Church

Sunday, April 16, 2017



"HE HAS RISEN!"

Luke 24:6

Dr. jeff Cook Pastor
Brian Wells Minister of Education & Sr. Adults
Sean Bean Minister of Music

Derrick Laughlin Youth Leader
Eric Sonnier CC Leader

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Morning Worship

Prelude

"This Is Amazing Grace"

Welcome & Fellowship

"Cornerstone"

"Forever"

Scripture Reading & Offering

"Glorious Day"

"Crown Him"

Sermon

Dr. jeff Cook

Invitation

"At The Cross"

Evening Activities

**All Evening Activities
 are
 cancelled**

Sermon Notes

**Unwrapped
 Luke 24:12**

Jesus Came into this world, WRAPPED.

- Submitted
- Sacrificed
- Sinless

He Went to the Cross, Writhing

- Sinless Still
- Beaten
- Humiliated
- Unto Death

He was Wrapped Again -Luke 23:53

He Came out of the Tomb, Unwrapped

Nursery workers for extended session:

April 16 Brittany Trahan
 April 23 Glenn Carter
 April 30 Regilyn Carter

CHURCH FINANCES

Monthly Budget Requirements: \$39,993.17
 April 2017 Receipts to Date: \$23,555.69