

Pastor's Lines

Dear Church Family,

We have been allowing our children to live in our house in Lafayette, while they finish school. Well, as of January everyone has moved out, and no one is living there now. So, we have listed the house with a real estate agent and we are hoping for a quick sale (you can pray with us about that if you like!).

Anyway, our friend who is a real estate agent is the one doing the listing. She came into our house and began to tell us all the things we needed to do to get the house ready for sale. It was A LOT of work, and we are still not quite done. I must admit that I bristled inside at the notion that our house needed to be improved in order for someone to like it enough to buy it. After all, "it was good enough for me!", I thought. But, she knows what she is doing so the process began. This closet was cleaned, this couch was moved, this pile of trash was discovered and discarded. After a few hours of "getting the house ready", I realized that our Real Estate friend was right. There was so much unneeded clutter that needed be removed. I had just gotten used to looking at our house the way it was, and wasn't able to see it as others saw it. So clean, and clean again, until someone else falls in love with it.

I think that is a characterization of our lives. We get comfortable with a certain amount of clutter, and step over unresolved matters with God and with others. (ouch!)

We need someone telling us the truth so that we can get cleaned up and start over. That is what Easter IS. It is a time to come before Jesus, with ALL Of our junk, and ask Him to tell us the truth. He will ALWAYS say, you need to lighten the load, and get rid of some unneeded junk in your life. Resistance is our initial reaction, but if we hear the truth of the Lord, and get started, we will find the activity and refreshing as we truly start anew.

Thank you Jesus for telling us the truth.

Blessings,
Dr. j

Ps Thank you Choir and leaders for leading us in worship last week and this week. You guys are awesome!!

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VBS CLINIC For all Directors, Teachers, Leaders and Helpers

**FBC Lake Charles,
Saturday April 14 from 9am-12noon**
If you plan on attending this event, meet in the FLC parking lot at 8:00am, plan on leaving by 8:15am.
Contact Brian Wells for more information.

D-Now Help Needed

We are looking for help with our student ministry **Disciple Now on April 20-22**. We need volunteers to help with registration, host homes, group leader, food team, transportation and logistics. If you are able to help out in any way, please contact Derrick or signup online at students.fbcjennings.com.

Registration - Check-in churches and students
Host Homes - Offer a place for students to spend the night in their small group. (5-10 students per home)
Group Leader - teach and lead a small group (5-10 students)
Food Team - Prep and cook 2 meals for 100-150 students
Transportation - Help get students from church to host home, and to mission sites
Logistics - Help out with setup, take down, and other issues throughout DNow

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Mid Week Prayer Service will be held on Wednesday, April 4th.

All other activities for Wednesday, April 4th have been cancelled and will resume next week.

On Sunday, April 15th there will be a Covered Dish Luncheon following the morning worship service. Meat will not be provided. Bring a dish to share. Mark you calendar and plan on attending this time of fellowship.

Compassion Ministry Service Day---April 21st

Beth Moore's Esther Bible Study

A 9-week Bible Study will be held on Mondays at 6pm in the FP4H room starting on May 7th. Lisa Royer will be the facilitator. Cost for materials is \$16.00. If interested you may call the church office at 824-3271 by April 23rd to place your order for a book.

To send a prayer need to the prayer chain, e-mail Liz Bollich at bollich@bellsouth.net text or call @ (337) 580-2896.

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Student Ministry
students.fbcjennings.com

RENEW

D-Now: RENEW
April 20-22

D-Now is a weekend retreat that focuses on discipling students to follow after Christ. Our theme is RENEW. We will meet at the church on Friday April 20 and return after the service on Sunday. Cost is \$35 per person. Sign up in the Refuge or online at students.fbcjennings.com.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION MINISTRY

Food Distribution will resume on **Monday, April 2nd 3-5pm.**

If you are interested in being involved, you are welcome to participate. Thank you for your prayers and service.

Here For You- April 21st

Compassion Ministry Service Day here in our community. If you would like a t-shirt, please see Bro. Brian. Also, do you know of a potential project or someone who needs help with a task? Provide information in the space below and give to Bro. jeff or to Bro. Brian.

Sunday, April 1- Saturday, April 7

Sunday, April 1:

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

Monday, April 2:

5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise Walking
 3-5 p.m. Food Distribution

Tuesday, April 3:

5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking

Wednesday, April 4:

5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 10:00 a.m. Jeff Davis Living Center Sing-a-Long
 6:00 p.m. Mid Week Prayer Service
 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, April 5:

5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 10:00 a.m. Camelot Nursing Home Visitation

Friday, April 6:

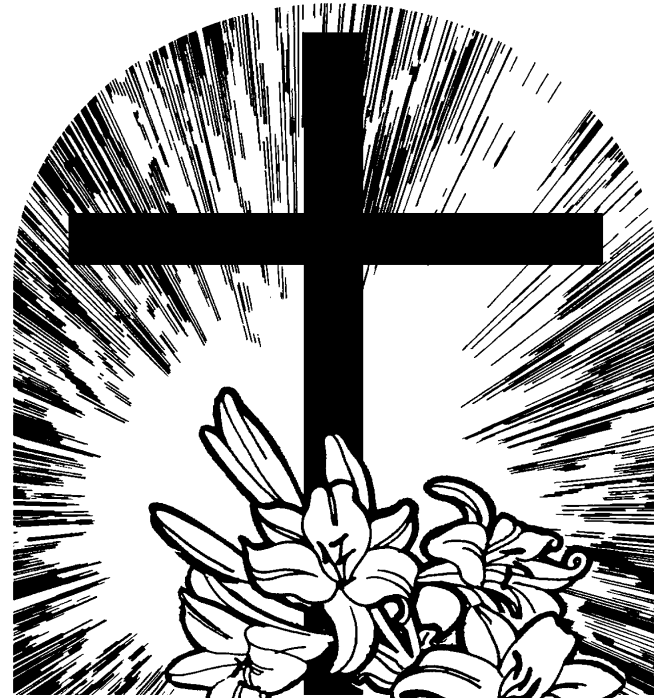
5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking

Saturday, April 7:



Welcome to the worship services of First Baptist Church

Sunday, April 1, 2018



**"HE HAS
 RISEN!"**

Luke 24:6

Dr. jeff Cook
 Pastor

Brian Wells
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Morning Worship

"Here I Am to Worship"

Welcome & Fellowship

"Christ The Lord Is Risen Today"

"Christ Arose"

Anthem *"Finally Gone"* Choir

"At the Cross"

Scripture Reading & Offering

Children's Dismissal

"Calvary's Love" Rev. Charles Dean

Lord's Supper

Sermon Dr. jeff Cook

Invitation

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Evening Activities

**All Evening Activities
 Cancelled**

Enjoy Family Time

Sermon Notes

AS WE WALK WITH THE LORD

LUKE 24:13-35

1. The Story v. 13-24

2. The Teaching v. 25-27

3. The Revealing v. 28-31

4. The Testimony v. 32-35

**Nursery workers for
 extended session:**

April 1 Tina Goebel
 April 8 Nonie Sonnier
 April 15 Carolyn Delahoussaye
 April 22 Cassandra Garbarino
 April 29 Regilyn Carter

Window/Door Offering

March 19,2017 - March 25, 2018
 \$ 37,045 received
 Amount invoiced to date: \$77,210.18
 Offerings and pledges will continue to be
 received throughout the construction
 period.

CHURCH FINANCES

Monthly Budget Requirements: \$39,993.17
 March 2018 Receipts to Date: \$36,852.00
 Annie Armstrong Offering \$6,830.52
 as of March 25