# The Contact

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Sunday, April 3

Sermon: Faith Like Thomas

John 20: 19-29

**Pastor** Rev. Ryan Clore





CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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### **CHURCH STAFF:**

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Members in Ministry Sunday, April 3, 2016

> Children's Church Grayanna Young

Worship Service Greeter Brenda Carter

Deacons of the Week Melvin Ezzell & Sylvia Walker

Nursery

Ann & Lewis Sauls

Sound/Video Jason Schoolcraft

Offering Tellers Trish & Kirby Sanderson

> Pew Stocker Dale Duncan

**DVD** Distribution

Peggy Walter & Hilda Butler

Ushers

April Chairperson: Charlie Duncan Ellis Jordan, Jerry Wilson,

Clint Grainger, Buster Carter

Hospice Meal for Month of **April** 

Yvonne Bass



# "The Lion and the Lamb"

Have you ever wondered what the story would have been if the world had not rejected the Son of God the first time he came into the world? Without a crucifixion we would have no resurrection story. Was the intent for God all along to have Jesus die on the cross so he could be raised from the dead, or did God have another result in mind from the onset?

The story, as we know it now is that God broke into this world, as a human, because humanity didn't quite understand God. I think we have to believe in the possibility that God's hope was that the world would have accepted his son. We know that God sent Jesus to establish God's Kingdom here on earth that would last for eternity. We also know that the world was not ready. But what would it look like if the world had been ready?

The Prophet Isaiah tells us that the ferocious beasts of this world (like the lion, wolf, and poisonous snakes) will live peaceably with the gentle animals of this world (like the lamb, calf, and kid). Rather than looking at the world as a lion, it may be more productive to consider the lion that resides in each of us.

Many Christians in this world like to roar (and we are all guilty). My prayer is that every follower of Christ in this world searches diligently for the type of Kingdom Jesus came to establish...the first time. Perhaps this Easter season we should celebrate Christ's victory by channeling our inner lamb.

- Rev. Ryan K. Clore

# Music Ministry



God has blessed First Baptist Church richly with musical talent. Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday were testaments of this and inspired us in greater ways. It is always my joy to lead each and every musician in this church. To God be the glory for blessing us with musicians who are willing to serve and praise him through song.

Join a Choir Today!

For Children (Wednesday)

Children's Chimes (grades 3-5) 4:40 p.m. Children's Choir (grades 1-5) 5:00 p.m.

For Youth (Sunday)

Youth Ensemble (grades 6-12) 4:50 p.m. Youth Handbells (grades 5-12) 5:25 p.m.

For Adults
(2nd Tuesday of each month)

Sing Joyfully! (All ages) 11:00 a.m.

(Wednesday)

The Chancel Choir (adults-all ages) 7:00 p.m.



# A Note of Thanks from Myrtle & Haywood Corbett

Dear First Baptist Church Family,

What a blessing it was to be in church on Palm and Easter Sundays! How we have missed being there! Through your many calls, cards, visits and prayers, you have kept us close and connected, but nothing can replace the feeling of handshakes, hugs, smiles and sounds of personal contact. Listening to the worship service by radio was a wonderful substitute.

Thank you so much for all of the thoughtful gifts of food you have provided. We were treated to delicious meals by the Chancel Choir and many others of the congregation and we are most grateful. We were well fed!

We also appreciate your condolences in the death of my sister, Berlene McCormick. Her passing came at a time of weakness for me, but God's timing is perfect in that I am receiving both physical and emotional healing.

May God bless our church and continue to work through us as we seek to do His will with courage and faith.

In Christian Love, Myrtle and Haywood Corbett

# **Missions Announcement**

OPERATION INASMUCH: RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE - MAY 1, 2016 - 1:30 - 6:00 in Church Fellowship Hall. Team leaders are Carolyn Grainger 234-1929 and Carol Greer 642-5883. Our goal is 50 units of blood which translates to 50 individuals willing to sign up and donate. This is a great opportunity to involve our community. Feel free to invite family and friends to sign up. You can also call the church office 642-2139 to register. GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE!

# Happy Birthday!

Mar 31 Josh Austin

April 1 Bill Lewis

April 1 Michael Memory

April 1 Emily Grace Cole

April 2 Karen Hall



# COOKING

# WEDNESDAY NIGHT April 6, 2016

Brenda Carter & Genie Carter

Hot Dogs, Baked Beans & Chips Dessert: Apple Cobbler

# Sunday Service Time Announcement



Don't forget, this Sunday our morning services will begin at 11:00 a.m.

## Our Financial Stewardship

Worship Attendance: 170 Average Attendance for March: 124 Sunday School Attendance: 35

# This Week (March 27, 2016)

 Budget Rec'd
 \$ 11,645.00

 Budget Needed
 \$ 8,795.15

 Under
 \$ -2,849.85

#### This Year

 Budget Needs to Date
 \$ 228,673.90

 Budget Received YTD
 \$ 170,865.25

 Budget Under YTD
 \$ 57,808.65

## Special Mission Offerings Collected

 Baptist Retirement Homes
 \$417.00

 Lottie Moon Offering
 \$2,032.00

 Global Missions
 \$3,407.00

 Heck-Jones
 \$1,945.21

 Total
 \$7,801.21



Youth, please mark your calendars for the following events:

#### SPRING RETREAT

Overnight Trip to Fort Caswell

**Dates:** April 9-April 10 (Leaving at 7:30 a.m.) **Registration** is \$11 for adults and \$10 for youth The deadline to register is March 27 (Contact John Sauls – 910-207-7992) Bring money for a nice dinner out

### **YOUTH SUNDAY**

**Date**: April 24<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 a.m.

We are beginning to plan the order of worship now, so if you are interested, or know a youth who may be interested please call the church office or call John Sauls.

#### SUMMER MISSION TRIP

Our youth are going to participate in mission's projects in Nashville, TN. They will find out what kind of work they will do when they get there. Their service will be meeting a need that is unique to that particular area. We are still looking for one female chaperone to join us. Help us recruit by spreading the word!

Dates: June 26-July 2

**Cost:** \$265 (50% due at registration) The deadline to register is May 22 (Contact John Sauls)

| April 2016  |  |   |   |  |     |  |
|---|--|---|---|--|-----|--|
| Sun   | Mon  | Tue   | Wed   | Thu  | Fri | Sat                                      |
|   |  |   |   |  | 1   | 2  |
| 9:45 Sunday School<br>10:30 Chancel Choir<br>Warmup<br>11:00 Morning Worship<br>& Children's Worship<br>4:50 Youth Ensemble<br>5:25 Youth Handbells<br>6:00 Youth Group | 4  | 5 4:00 Boy scouts of Wilmington, Exec. Board meeting, Fellowship Hall | 6 4:40 Children's Chimes 5:00 Children's Choir 5:45 Wednesday Night Supper 6:30 Prayer Meeting 6:30 Children in Action 7:00 Chancel Choir         | 7  | 8   | 9 7:30am Youth Spring Retreat——          |
| 10 9:45 Sunday School 10:30 Chancel Choir Warmup 11:00 Morning Worship & Children's Worship  Youth Spring Retreat   | 11<br>10am Staff Meeting                                     | 12 11am Sing Joyfully- Hymn Sing                                      | 4:40 Children's Chimes 5:00 Children's Choir 5:45 Wednesday Night Supper 6:30 Prayer Meeting & Children in Action 7:00 Chancel Choir              | 14  10am Peer Learning Group for Pastor— Bladenboro  7pm Annual WMU Meeting, Porter Swamp BC | 15  | 16                                       |
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| 24 YOUTH SUNDAY 9:45 Sunday School 10:30 Chancel Choir Warmup 11:00 Morning Worship & Children's Worship 4:50 Youth Ensemble 5:25 Youth Handbells 6:00 Youth Group      | 25   | 26  | Covered Dish, Church Conference 4:40 Children's Chimes 5:00 Children's Choir 5:45 Wednesday Night Supper 6:30 Prayer Meeting & Children in Action | 28   | 29  | 30<br>Operation<br>Inasmuch!!<br>All Day |

Sunday Morning Worship www.wtxy1540.com, Audio Streaming Live......at 11:00 am Scroll to the "Click to Listen Live" link

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