BIBLE STUDY



Thursday, April 25, at Noon in the Fellowship Hall

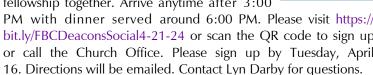
Cost: \$10.00 Menu: Lasagna, Salad, Roll, Carrot Cake Please make a reservation by 3:00 PM on April 19.

DEACONS' MINISTRY

DEACONS SOCIAL AT THE DARBY FARM

Our next deacon's meeting will be a social at Darby Farm in

Due West on Sunday, April 21. Deacons, collections team members, youth, music ministry members, pastors, and anyone who would enjoy this fellowship are encouraged to join us. Hamburgers and smoked chicken will be provided. Dress comfortably and bring your chair, a dish to share, and come enjoy fellowship together. Arrive anytime after 3:00



COMING SOON!



SUNDAY, APRIL 28 - 11:30 AM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

MENU

Bacon Wrapped Chicken (Kids-Chicken Nuggets), Broccoli Casserole, Rice Pilaf, Chocolate Drizzle Cake

Please call the church office or visit andersonfbc.org/community to make reservations by 3:00 PM, Wednesday April 24.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION SERVICE

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Graduate Recognition Sunday is rapidly approaching! If you have a student who is connected with our church and graduating this year from either high school or a post-secondary institution, we would love that information so we can recognize them on Sunday, May 5, in worship. Please forward their name, school, degree (if applicable), and future plans, along with a picture for the cover of the Beacon, to Sharon at sharon.royals@andersonfbc.org, so we can celebrate all of their hard work. Please have all pictures to Sharon by Monday, April 26.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

CAL CAMPBELL

Born April 8, 2024 8lbs 1ozs 20.5" in

Proud Parents: Austin and Meg Campbell

Big Sister: Laney

Grandparents: Charlie and Ann Campbell

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

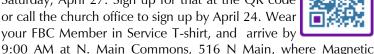


Anderson Free Clinic

Walk with the Docs!

Our church supports the Anderson Free Clinic financially, and this month, we are going to support them in person as

well. Please join us to "Walk with the Docs" on Saturday, April 27. Sign up for that at the QR code or call the church office to sign up by April 24. Wear your FBC Member in Service T-shirt, and arrive by



South is located.



We are still needing a few joy-filled volunteers to help with LEGO Mission Racers at the Soiree on Saturday, April 27 from 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM at the Bleckley Inn. Please contact Timothy Clardy, 864-276-6238, timothyclardy@charter.net. We also need donations of food/money to provide lunch and supper to all the LEGO event volunteers. If willing to provide (dessert, chips, crock pot of green beans, slaw, or money) please contact Jeri Liles, 205-960-5400, lile9829@bellsouth.net.

COMMUNITY GARDEN

First Baptist is exploring the opportunity to assist our church neighbor, Grace Episcopal, with their community garden to feed the needy. In that regard, if you would like to assist with planting the garden, please arrive at the garden, located behind Grace Episcopal on McGee Street, at 9:00 AM on Saturday, April 20. You may wish to bring (but not required): gardening gloves, sunscreen, water bottle, small hand-shovel or trowel. If you need

OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST BAPTIST

more information, please contact Danny Ehlert, 864-276-2579,

Monday, April 15

1:00 PM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, April 17

danny.ehlert@gmail.com.

5:30 PM Handbell Choir (above the Chapel)

5:45 PM Children's Music and Mission

Youth Group

7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Youth Homework and Hangout

Thursday, April 18

Beacon Published

12:00 PM Third Thursday (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, April 21

9:30 AM Worship

10:30 AM Sunday School

3:00 PM Deacons Social (Darby Farm)

MEMBERS IN ACTION

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Offertory Prayer: Jeri Liles Visitor Outreach: T. J. Fusco Children's Worship: Timothy Clardy

Security: Roger Cason and Dale Ellenburg



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We covenant as Christ followers, through humility and love, to share in God's ongoing work of redemption and to serve our world by creating a safe space for healing and wholeness, growth and transformation, awe and wonder.

Welcome **April 14, 2024**

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

The fullness of the resurrection requires more than a day to unpack. The Easter season is a fifty-day celebration that ends on Pentecost Sunday, which falls on May 19, this year. The season of Easter is a time to let the implications of the resurrection sink in deeper, inviting us to realign our worldview and conform our living to the reality that we have been raised with Christ to new life. Easter is full of joy and the laugher of love-the grave is empty, love has won, and Christ is risen! Give yourself over to the experience of that joy-take in the absolute wonder of God's purposeful plan of salvation. (from Seeking God's Face by Philip Reinders)

Serving Today

Offertory Prayer: Larry Mitchell Visitor Outreach: Stacy Hamilton

Acolytes:

Saylor Wilson and Bas Hunt

Trinity Chimes: Emersyn Wilson

Children's Worship: Stephanie Patterson

Nursery: Ann Campbell

Security:

T. J. Fusco and Thomas Roach

Rev. Naomi Black-Bass, Associate Pastor

Mr. Mike Darby, Housing Ministry Manager

Mrs. Shannon Griffin, CDC Director

Mrs. Ramona Hallman, Organist

Mrs. Lesley Hudgins, Financial Manager

Dr. Josh Hunt, Pastor

Rev. Chris Liles, Associate Pastor

Mrs. Sharon Royals, Communications Manager

Miss Natalie Rutledge, Musician in Residence

Mr. Jamie Smith, Asst. Music Director

Mrs. Kelly Smith, Pianist

Mr. Addrian Wilson, Minister of Music

Mr. Greg Wilson, Facilities Manager

The Worship of God

"Of all powers, love is the most powerful and the most powerless. It is the most powerful because it alone can conquer that final and most impregnable stronghold which is the human heart. It is the most powerless because it can do nothing except by consent." -Frederick Buechner, Wishful Thinking

Gathering for Worship

Kelly Smith, Pianist

Welcome

Lise Lingle, Vision Team Member

Prelude

Ramona Hallman, Organist

arr. Raymond Haan

Chiming of the Trinity

Call To Worship

Leader: Though we may be inclined to brag,

let us come together with humility.

People: How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

Leader: Though we may be tempted to use harsh words,

let us come together with gentleness.

People: How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

Leader: Though we may want everything to happen quickly,

let us come together with patience.

let us come together in love.

*Hymn No. 382

HOLY MANNA

Pastoral Prayer

Naomi Black-Bass

Praise Team

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will our trespasses, as we forgive those who have trespassed against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

Postlude

*Hymn No. 308

Rejoice, Ye Poor in Heart Ramona Hallman, Organist

God Who Made the Earth and Heaven

Lise Lingle, Vision Team Member

People: How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

Leader: Though the world around often encourages hate,

People: How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

Leader: In humility, gentleness, patience, love, and unity,

People: Let us worship the God who has called us together.

God, the Father of Your People

Prayer concludes by saying in unison:

be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Songs of Praise and Worship

Love the Lord - Brewster Better is One Day - Redman **The Heart of Worship** - Redman Offertory Prayer Larry Mitchell

> I Love Thee, My Lord arr. Douglas Wagner

Praising God For His Gifts To Us

Offertory Music

Gloria Patri children to attend Children's

Children's Worship

We invite elementary-aged

Worship during the service

with children at the front

sanctuary when indicated

a time for a child-focused

discussion of Scripture and

worship themes, and will

School in the same space.

Parents may pick up their

children from the Rock

Room (329) on the third

We invite you to commit

your life to Jesus Christ as

His disciple and to join our

congregation as a member.

profession of faith in Christ

We receive members in one of three ways: upon

followed by believer's

baptism; by transfer of

Christian church; or by

Christian experience. This

respond to the invitation at

the conclusion of worship

continues with a conversation

with one of our ministers,

a new member orientation

(offered periodically), and a

vote by the congregation at

a quarterly business meeting.

We'd love the opportunity

joining our church as a

by coming forward to

request membership. It

process begins when you

statement of previous

Josh Hunt membership from another

floor of the education

building at 11:30.

The Invitation

be followed by Sunday

in the bulletin. This will be

door to the right of the

this morning. our Children's Worship leaders will exit

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, Amen.

Scripture Colossians 3:12-17 Dale Cate, Vision Team Member

(Pew Bible Page 1167)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

O Love Anthem

Elaine Hagenberg

Sanctuary Choir

O Love, that will not let me go. O Love, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, That in thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

> O Joy, that seeks me through the pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain That morn shall tearless be.

Oh Love, that will not let me go.

(Children please exit for Children's Worship at this time.)

Sermon "Through Humility and Love"

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

Choral Benediction The Bond of Love

> We are one in the bond of love: We are one in the bond of love. We have joined out spirit with the Spirit of God; We are one in the bond of love.

Let us sing now, ev'ry one; Let us feel His love begun. Let us join our hands that the world will know We are on in the bond of love.

arr. Douglas Wagner

PASS ME NOT

SKILLINGS

to talk with you about becoming a Christian or

member.

*Please stand if able.

Trinity Chimes

Rung by one of our

children as we pray,

the Trinity Chimes are

a reminder that God is

revealed as Father, Son,

and Holy Spirit; that we

gather in God's house;

and that we seek God's

Cheerful Giving Is a Part

While we will collect

offering by passing our

offering plates, we also

gifts electronically.

have the ability to receive

Electronic giving is available

at andersonfbc.org/give,

through our church app,

or by texting fbcanderson

and a dollar amount to

73256.

of Worship

will for our worship.

that we are God's people;