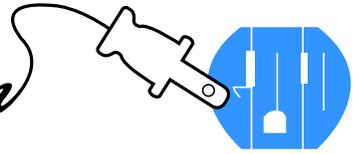


"Believing in God from Generation to Generation"



The Connection



First Baptist Church

301 West Pike Street, Louisa, KY 41230



September 2018

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. - Eph 2:10

From Pastor Chuck's Desk

The internet is packed full of how-tos. How to make slime (I have heard some complaints about this), how to can tomatoes, and even how to lose that stubborn belly fat. You can find out how to do about anything nowadays. Before the internet, how did we know how to do anything?



We just now started a series on the most famous sermon of all time, the great Sermon on the Mount. I believe a good summary would be How to live a life that is pleasing to God! "Obviously, I'm not trying to win the approval of people, but of God. If pleasing people were my goal, I would not be Christ's servant." Galatians 1:10 What are the "how-tos" of the Sermon on the Mount? How to know our need for the Lord, To have His comfort, to be humble, to hunger and thirst after righteousness, to be merciful, to be pure, to be a peacemaker, to follow the Lord no matter what, to be salt and light, to understand that Jesus fulfilled the Law, to not sin, to tell the truth, to deal with marriage, to go the second mile, to love your enemies, to give, to pray, to fast, to store up treasures in heaven, to not worry, to not judge, to ask, to get to heaven, to deal with false teachers and

how to build a house. Matthew 7:28-29 ends the Sermon on the Mount with Matthew saying that "When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at His teaching, because He taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law."

May we be amazed at His teaching and follow the principles that He taught in the Sermon on the Mount!

Can we please God? Even with these How-tos? The apostle Paul reminds us "that they who are in the flesh cannot please God." Romans 8:8 - The first step in pleasing God is believing in the sacrifice for sin that was provided by Jesus Christ when He died on the cross, was placed in a borrowed tomb, and rose victorious from the grave. Only when we believe are we "in the spirit" and not "in the flesh"! Do you remember Hebrews 11:6? "Without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him"

"Finally, dear brothers and sisters, we urge you in the name of the Lord Jesus to live in a way that pleases God, as we have taught you. You live this way already, and we encourage you to do so even more." 1 Thessalonians 4:1

May His face shine upon you!

Pastor Chuck Price



Treasurer's Note



by *Debbie Ward*

As of August 27th, 2018

Current Loan Balance: \$1,146,208

YTD BUDGET: \$337,543

YTD GIVING: \$329,677

CHANGE – it comes to all of us at some point, whether it is the birth of a baby, the loss of a spouse or parent, or a child leaving home we will all experience it.

The ONLY thing that never changes is God and His love for us. We may feel He has left us but the real truth is we let go of Him. But just like a mother eagle, He swoops in and catches us before we hit the ground. Isaiah 43:2 reminds us that "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze." It seems so many in our church family have experienced or are experiencing dramatic changes recently. HOLD on to the One who never changes and know that your church family loves you and will help you through whatever trial you are facing.

MUSIC MINISTRY

It's that time of year already! Christmas cantata rehearsals will begin on Sunday, September 9th at 5pm in the choir room. This year's cantata is Breath of Heaven, an intimate look at the Christmas story magnificently crafted to display Mary's posture of servanthood and what that means for us this season. I will have practice books & practice CDs with your specific part that you can take home and work with. Please join us as we prepare to spread the joy of the birth of our Savior!
-Michelle Canterbury

Thank you to all volunteers that helped with the church directory project!



Your WMU is busy this summer. We have been collecting items for the backpack program and you have given over \$700 towards the Louisa Elementary schools backpack program. This will insure that the kids will get food for the weekends in the month of November. Thankyou

for helping. In Sept we will be collecting for the Eliza Broadus State Missions offering. Our goal is \$1800. Each month our ladies meet on the second Wed of the month to learn about mission work throughout our state and across the world. We meet at 1:00 and have a time of fellowship proceeding the meeting. We invite all our ladies to come and join us.

In Christ, Judy Evans & Rody Maynard

September 2018
Greeter Schedule

- 9/2 - Roger Spry Family
- 9/9 - Brian Frazier Family
- 9/16- Kenny Horn Family
- 9/23 - Don West Family
- 9/30 - Stacy Pollock Family



Did you know that FBC has a library?

It's located in Thelma Hardwick's Sunday school classroom at the sanctuary side entrance. We have shelves full of books for every aspect of Christian life. This includes Billy Graham books, Christian fiction novels, dictionaries, bibles, and much more. It's the perfect opportunity to study in the Word or relax with popular Christian fiction. Just borrow what you need and bring it back when you are finished with it.

Kim Cecil



Thank you to everyone who took part in the church directory photos this year. If you missed the sessions, there is still a chance to be in the directory! Makeup days are Friday October 26th and Saturday October 27th. Call Carolyn Thompson at (606) 483 - 1113 to schedule your makeup pictures. Also, a very special thank you to those who volunteered at the check-in table!

Musician Jason Crabb is coming to Louisa on October 26th for a concert at Lawrence County High School. There are still tickets available. You can call the church if you would like a ticket or check with Pastor Chuck.



He poureth contempt upon princes, and causeth them to wander in the wilderness, where there is no way. "I don't need any help. I can do everything just fine on my own!" - Psalms 107:40

Randy shouldered his pack and headed off down the path. Jerry and Tom shook their heads and followed along. Before long, Randy was out of sight, and his two friends gave up trying to follow. As evening set in, they made camp and waited for their friend to return. While they sat by a warm and inviting fire, Randy stumbled

through dense forest, lost, alone, and afraid.

We were created for one another. There is not sense in trying to deny it. Those who attempt to stand on their own two feet find that they tire before long, and they wish they had someone to lean on. God created us equal, so that we can adequately fill one another's needs. He hopes we will share our lives with one another and with Him. People who feel they are above needing others will be shown the error of their ways in due time. It is better to admit our need and wander this wilderness with companions who make the journey a lot more enjoyable.

[obtained from www.crosswalk.com]

I would like to say a huge thank you to all who have helped to provide food for all of the funeral meals we have provided as of late. Your time and efforts are so greatly appreciated! - Elsie Mills

Deacons Of The Week

Sept 2

Brian Withers 606-638-9009
Donnie Ratcliffe 483-8029

Sept 9

Randy Hinkle 606-477-5080
James Ellis 606-571-0082

Sept 16

Paul Miller 606-638-4345
Mark Jackson 840-3343

Sept 23

Clyde Johns 606-638-9856
Tim Ellis 606-624-5181

Sept 30

Ken Borders 606-673-4251
Mike Ellis 606-483-3523

September Nursery

9/2 - Team 5 - Kali Sturgill, Amy Doss,
Shannon Boyd, Torri Ellison, Kiersten
Pannell

9/9 - Team 1 - Lindsey Branham,
Natalie Wellman, Gretchen Harris,
Rylee Miller, Baeli Riffe

9/16 - Team 2 - Debbie DeLong,
Cheryl Roe, Debbie Cordle, Pam
Frazier, Luke Brumfield

9/23 - Team 3 - Elsie Mills, Melissa
Stepp, Susan Little, Camber Maxie,
Leanne Spry, Courtney DeLong

9/30 - Team 4 - Allison Arbaugh, Amie
Chicko, Stacy Pollack, Cam Diamond,
Rikki Staniford



Celebrate Recovery is growing and needs more helpers! If you would like to furnish desserts, please call Lynette Miller at (606) 483 - 2898



EVERY SUNDAY @ 11AM!

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