

"Believing in God from Generation to Generation"



First Baptist Church

301 West Pike Street, Louisa, KY 41230

MARCH 2019

An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. - 2 Timothy 2:5

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From Pastor Chuck's Desk



March Madness!

This is Kentucky, it is already March, and we are ready for some good shoe-breaking basketball. Why is basketball better in March? It is win and move on or lose and go home. There are no second chances because the whole season is on the line. Everyone has to give it all they got or they will watch the next game from the bleachers.

That makes basketball more interesting to watch but I am glad it is not how our life works. I believe Jonah would say amen to that. "The Lord gave this message to Jonah son of Amittai 'Get up and go to the great city of Nineveh. Announce my judgment against it because I have seen how wicked its people are.' But Jonah got up and went in the opposite direction to get away from the Lord." Jonah 1:1-3 If it were March Madness, the story would have stopped right there. Thankfully, it didn't. The Lord sent a big storm and Jonah knew the only way to calm the storm was for him to be thrown overboard. The sailors finally agreed, after trying everything else, and they threw Jonah overboard and immediately the storm stopped. The Lord had a big fish ready to swallow Jonah. And Jonah stayed inside the fish for three days and three nights.



While Jonah was there, he had some quality quiet time with the Lord and on the third day the Lord ordered the fish to spit Jonah out on the beach. "Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time, saying, 'Arise, go to Nineveh the great city and proclaim to it the proclamation which I am going to tell you.' So, Jonah arose and went to Nineveh according to the word of the Lord." Jonah 3:1-3

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GO BIG BLUE

How can we learn to better appreciate love, grace, and second chances? Jonah, you and I have something in common: we have all been given another shot. Second chances show us that God is still working on us to make us who He wants us to be and that He loves us too much to allow us to stay the way we are right now. He is faithful to continue the work that He began in us and He is not going to give up on us. There are so many stories of people who failed the Lord in the Bible, but they got back up. When we mess

out to those who cannot read well or cannot read or write at all. There is nothing in the Great Commission about going to Rody and I continually thank the Lord for only literate peoples of the world. Thank those who pray and support the work you for those prayers.



God has given us in Romania. We praise I will be leaving at the end of March for Him in this new year for sending 14 new Romania and will stay about 2 1/2 students to Schitu Duca. Many of those months. It will be a busy time and my come a great distance each month and prayers it will all be for His glory. Rody sacrifice a great deal to be apart of the will not be able to go this year and we school. Continue to pray that they will continue to follow God's will in all He be able to come. asks us to do.



Please continue to pray for the



Just a reminder that the choir has begun rehearsing for this year's Easter cantata, "The Tomb Is Empty Now". Please consider joining in with us. We always have fun! Rehearsals are at 5pm on Sunday evenings and we have practice books and CD's. Thanks! - Michelle Canterbury



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Discipleship

7th at 7pm. If you can make it I would highly recommend this class. We also continue to

thank the Lord for all those home groups and apartment groups that meet weekly or bi-monthly. Wendell will be starting a new home group in his apartment and needs much prayer in this. Also pray for Wendell's group in Inez at that apartment complex. Thank the Lord for all of those that lead and for those that participate in

up, we need to learn and take advantage of the opportunity to changes that are upcoming for our curriculum, especially for the Orality

- Thanks, David & Rody

grow in the Lord. Just like Jonah, we are going to be given a choice. Obey or disobey! Let March be mad because of basketball, but may we be able to sing "I have peace like a river in my soul" because of what Jesus Christ has done for us! May His face shine upon you!

Easter Sunday 2019 is later than usual this year, April 21st!

March 2019

Greeter Schedule

3/3 - Roger Spry Family

3/10 - Brian Frazier Doss

3/17 - Kenny Horn Family

3/24 - Don West Family 3/31 - Stacy Pollock Family

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AS-YOU-GO MINISTRIES

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the groups. &CXKF /C[PCTF #UUQE 2CUVQT

Treasurer's Note



by Debbie Ward

As of February 26th, 2019



did you know? You can give by cash, check, PayPal (through church website

www.louisabaptist.com or the Church App). We also have a

Current Loan Balance: \$1,080,813

YTD BUDGET: \$80,480

YTD GIVING: \$73,627

silver colored collection box in the hallway across from the Life Center that you can drop your tithes and offerings in any time you are in the building. Coming soon is a Giving Kiosk which will allow you to give at church using your debit or credit card for those of us who don't write checks or carry cash.

The definition of generous is: **1)** showing a readiness to give more of something, as money or time, than is strictly necessary or expected; **2)** showing kindness toward others; **3)** larger or more plentiful than is usual or necessary.

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:6-8



Enjoy today. I say this daily to my wife and kids. Our desire is to be intentional by

preparing our hearts and minds for the days ahead and treasuring each as a gift from above. As we head into the warmer Spring, we are reminded that God makes things new. We'll take a deep breath and carry on ministering to our youth and encouraging them toward a stronger relationship with God and a deeper desire to share Him with others. All this while remembering to....enjoy today.

Phillipians 4:8 says, "Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable - if anything is excellent or praiseworthy - think about such things."

In Christ's Care, Tim Ellis

Deacons Of The Week

March 3

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Danny DeLong 606-483-1566

March 10

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Joe Cecil 606-638-9375

March 17

David DeSario 606-571-3059
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March 24

Norman Edwards 606-638-9107
Kevin Arbaugh 606-483-2920

March 31

Denver Chaffin 202-246-7890
Mike Harris 606-638-9040

March Nursery

3/3 - **Team 5** - Shannon Boyd, Amy Doss, Tori Ellison, Kiersten Pannell

3/24 - **Team 6** - Deana West, Courtney Kingsmore, Elaine DeSario, Kate Cecil, Aubrey West

3/3 - **Team 1** - Lindsey Branham, Natalie Wellman, Gretchen Harris, Rylee Miller, Baelli Riffe

3/10 - **Team 2** - Debbie DeLong, Cheryl Roe, Debbie Cordle, Sarah Roe, LeAnne Spry

3/17 - **Team 3** - Elsie Mills, Melissa Stepp, Susan Little, Pam Frazier, Camber Maxie



EVERY SUNDAY @ 11AM!

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