

“Communion”

We Assemble in God's Name

THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

"Christians have long recognized that our daily work is much more than a regrettable burden which must be endured to produce the weekly paycheck. In Eden, after all, Adam worked the soil long before the Fall. It seems that laboring in creation is one of the ways we express the image of God implanted within us." - Christopher Webb

MUSIC FOR GATHERING

“What Gift Can We Bring?”

“Shine on Us”

“Make Me a Servant”

[Please sign and pass the pew registration pad to those seated next to you. Prayer cards can be found in the pews. You may place these in the offering to share with the church staff.]

WORDS OF WELCOME

BUILDING CONNECTIONS

Jeff Caldwell

CALL TO WORSHIP L – Leader P – People Ch – Choir

L – It does not matter where you work,

P – or whether you get paid or not;

Ch – for earthly work takes second place

P – to the work that is done for the kingdom of God.

Ch – So we come to praise and honor our Lord,

L – for he is our true Master and King.

P – The works of our hands

L – and hearts and minds

P – in his name we humbly bring.

Ch – As servants of our gracious God,

All – We come to worship him.

*HYMN

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

No. 379

*INVOCATION

“Lord of all, you give each of us work to do, whether it is at home, at school, at a place of employment, at church or elsewhere. Above all, you give us the greatest work of love. Master, be at work in our hearts and minds, transforming and growing your love in us, empowering us with your Holy Spirit, and giving us grace sufficient to labor in love with you. God of love, teach us and train us to imitate you. Amen.”

ANTHEM

“Here’s One”

(Arr. Tom Fettke)

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 3:23-25

*HYMN

“God of Love and Truth and Beauty”

No. 428

[During the Hymn, children age 4 through Kindergarten are dismissed to Children's Worship.

Older children are invited to stay and participate in worship.]

OFFERING PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY

THE CONGREGATION'S PRAYER

MESSAGE

“It’s Off to Work We Go”

Pastor Dan Cash

COMMUNION

BREAD

“More Love to Thee”

(Richard Kingsmore)

Chancel Choir

CUP

*HYMN

“Forth in Your Name, O Lord, I Go”

No. 397

-During the hymn those who would like to profess their faith in Jesus Christ or transfer church membership to First Baptist are encouraged to come forward.

The Pastor will meet you at the front of the sanctuary.-

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

We Depart to Serve

*All who are able may stand

(Please remember to turn off your cell phone.)

All songs copied by permission CCLI # 167629

The Body of Christ Prays For... Military Personnel & Families & Homebound Members

Also remember... Margo Hughey, Carl Harlow, Fannie Barker, Marie Burton, Sally Flint,

Carolyn McIntire, June Ann Vickers, Margaret Nelson, Duane Miller

We celebrate with Allen & Carolyn McIntire on their 43rd wedding anniversary on 9/10.

We celebrate with Dr. E.C. Mayfield who turns 86 years old on Sept. 10.

Please join us in wishing him a happy birthday!

Emergency Responder – Joyce Briggs

Cookie Ministry – Ilene Ballinger

Pastoral Care Team for this week: Buddy & Ilene Ballinger

THIS WEEK

TODAY, September 6

9:30 a.m. – Worship
10:45 a.m. – Sunday School
6:00 p.m. – Touring Bell Choir

MONDAY, September 7

Labor Day – Church Offices Closed

TUESDAY, September 8

9:00 a.m. – Staff Meeting
11:30 a.m. – Prayer Shawl Ministry
1:00 p.m. – Jubilation Ringers
2:45 p.m. – Joyful Ringers
5:15 p.m. – Bell Quartet

WEDNESDAY, September 9

9:00 a.m. – Four Seasons Mending
6:00 p.m. – Alpha Course
6:15 p.m. – Awana (K-6)
6:30 p.m. – Kingdom Kids (K-6)
6:30 p.m. – Adult Bible Study
7:45 p.m. – Chancel Choir

FRIDAY, September 11

6:15 a.m. – Men of Faith Bible Study at Sadie's Restaurant
6:00-9:00 p.m. – Emmaus Training

SATURDAY, September 12

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. – Emmaus Training
8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. – AB Women's Retreat at Mt. Pisgah

NEXT SUNDAY, September 13 – Commitment Sunday

9:30 a.m. – Worship – Building Connections, Pastor Dan Cash
11:45 a.m. – Church Picnic (following Sunday School)
3:30 p.m. – ABY
6:00 p.m. – Touring Bell Choir
7:00 p.m. – Exultation Ringers begin

Looking Ahead

September 15 – Deadline for Newsletter Information
September 15 – “Wings for the Journey” Bereavement Support (7:00 pm)
September 15 – Church Council (7:00 pm)
September 20 – Mexico Mission Trip Meeting (following worship)
September 22 – Abigail Circle (7:00 pm)
September 26 – ABC IN/KY Healthy Church Seminar (9:00 am-3:00 pm)
September 27 – Youth Ministry Team (2:30 pm)

Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Daniel Cash, Senior Pastor

Joyce Crowder, Minister of Music; Corey Brasher, Youth Pastor;

Lauren Russell, Children's Minister; Donna Tull, Organist; Laura Friedrich, Secretary;

Dortha Anderson, Librarian; Peter Hensley, Barry Ferrill, Custodians

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Starting Tuesday, Sept. 8, the Church Office will be closed from 12:00-12:30 for lunch. If you cannot reach anyone, you may leave a message on the answering machine.

*First Baptist Church
3300 Fairlawn Drive
Columbus, Indiana*

“Practicing Our Faith”

September 6, 2009

MESSENGER EXTRA



Building Connections Commitment Sunday Next Sunday - September 13th

- A special day of worship
- Sharing our Commitment Gifts & Pledges
- Church Picnic to follow morning services
 - Main dish provided—please bring a dish or 2 to share
 - please sign up through registration pads

BRING A LARGE STONE TO WORSHIP

We invite each worship participant to bring a large stone with you to worship **next Sunday, Sept. 13**, our Building Connections Commitment Sunday. During worship we will build these stones into an altar (as in Joshua 4:8-9) in witness to the Lord's faithfulness.

NEW CLASS OPPORTUNITY

The Followers class, a new Sunday School class led by Tom & Peggy Ganus, will use a format of selecting popular faith based novels for reading and discussion during the Sunday School hour. Drop in for a book of interest or join us permanently. Our first book will be William P. Young's ***The Shack***. The reading of this book begins today. See Tom or Peggy Ganus if you would like to participate. Class size limited to 16 due to space.

FBC Women's Retreat ~ January 22, 23 & 24, 2010 "Prayer"

Join us at the Artist Colony Inn for the 2nd Annual FBC Women's Retreat. Lois Griffith will lead us in a study on prayer. This is a wonderful opportunity for women of all ages to gather for a weekend of study, worship and fun. Registration will begin in September and run through November 1. Cost is \$135 per person. Scholarships are available for those needing financial assistance. Pick up a brochure for more details. Feel free to contact the church office if you have questions.

2010 SUMMER MISSION TRIP MEETING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 Following Worship in the Sanctuary

There will be an informational meeting concerning a proposed June 2010 Mission Trip to Calnali, Mexico. This trip is open to persons of all ages and skill sets. We are especially encouraging youth, young adults, and families to consider participation. Join Pastor Cash and Marcia Cheek for more information.

AWANA NEEDS YOU! – If you would still like to be a part of our Awana ministry with kdg.-6th graders, contact Lianne Wright at 372-0497 or kipwright@gmail.com.

CELL PHONE COLLECTION

Through September our church is participating in a **cell phone fund raising drive**. We simply ask that you donate your extra inactive cell phones. They will raise much needed funds and **100% of the proceeds go directly to Love Chapel**. This drive will benefit your family, our community, our church and the environment by keeping harmful materials out of our landfills. Also included is a tax deductible receipt for your donation. Bring the cell phones with their batteries to church and deposit them in the basket provided in the Narthex. No chargers or accessories are needed. Please help make our fundraiser effective for Love Chapel. Ask friends, family members, neighbors, & co-workers to donate their used cell phones.

AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMEN ~ THE BEST RETREAT EVER!! THIS SATURDAY, SEPT. 12 ~ MT. PISGAH BAPTIST CHURCH REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 8:30 AM ~ PROGRAM IS 9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

Ladies, TODAY is the last day that you can sign up for this retreat! See Susan Carter if you would like to attend this fun-filled day of laughter, learning, lunch, inspiration, and music. Cost is \$11.99. Come and enjoy the humor of award-winning speaker and best-selling author, Liz Curtis Higgs... travel to far-off lands without having to pack a bag... enjoy a delicious lunch you don't have to make... hear songs from the heavenly pipes of Dave Roberts... bring your best friend and come meet the ladies of the Flatrock Association. We will carpool. **All ladies are invited!**

FBC COOKBOOK COVER DESIGN CONTEST ~FORMS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WELCOME DESK~

Draw and color a picture to go on the cover of the First Baptist Church Cookbook. If your picture wins it will be on the cover. All other pictures will be included throughout the book.. Ages 0-13 years are eligible for cover contest, but others can submit pictures for inside. Please put your name on the back in pencil. **Deadline: September 20**. Return to Heidi Jones, Jane Ellen Watkins or the Church Office.

RECIPES NEEDED FEEL FREE TO SUBMIT AS MANY AS YOU WOULD LIKE

The children will be selling 2009 First Baptist Church Cookbooks and we want to include all of your favorite recipes! The cookbooks will be completed just in time for Christmas gifts! Orders will be taken at a later date. Please give copies of the recipes to Jane Ellen Watkins or to the church office **by Sept. 27**. We will include the following categories: breakfast, appetizer, main dish, side dish, desserts, soups, breads and slow cooker favorites. Please include your name and if you would like it submitted in memory/honor of someone for a handed down recipe.

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## FIRST BAPTIST TO HOST SENIOR ADULT DAY IN OCTOBER

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This semi-annual event will feature special music and a presentation by Bob Pitman, Executive Director of the Bartholomew County senior center, entitled "Two Presidents from Illinois." A comedic sketch by Charlotte Battin and Troy Taber, "An Afternoon with Gracie (Allen)" is scheduled after a lunch at the church.

The planning committee is looking for volunteers to welcome visitors and provide directions for guests as needed. Other volunteers will be needed to assist with parking and registration. The greatest need, however, is for helpers to serve a catered soup and sandwich meal. Individuals are also needed to provide baked items for the coffee fellowship when people first arrive. Persons of any age may serve as a volunteer and participate in the day's activities.

All volunteers are urged to register and participate in the program, including lunch. If you are available to help with Sr. Adult Day, please complete the registration form below and indicate the ways you are willing to help. Return the form with your \$10 registration fee to the Welcome Desk in the Narthex on a Sunday morning or to the church office **before September 30**. All registrations will be mailed collectively to the state office.

Volunteers are encouraged to wear their First Baptist shirt during the day so they can be more easily identified by visitors. Shirts may be ordered from Keith Arbuckle.

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**Thursday, October 15, 2009**

(during fall break on the school calendar)

**Volunteers needed between 8:30 AM and 3:00 PM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Check any task below which you would be willing to do. Someone will call you with your assignment early in October.

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|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Provide baked goods      | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome visitors/staff desk |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assist with parking      | <input type="checkbox"/> Drive shuttle (golf cart)   |
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