

**Our May Mission Focus** is support for Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina. Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc. is a church related not-for-profit organization committed to providing quality care and a meaningful way of life for residents and staff. There are envelopes for donations and other information at the church entrances and large medicine bottles to collect your loose change, which will be used to pay for medications. Thank you for helping to improve the lives of our elders who lack the resources needed for a quality life.

**I Love My Church Offering.** On fifth Sundays, we help supplement our budget with the “I Love My Church” Offering. If you have an offering envelope box, one should be included. Extras are available at the sanctuary entrances. We will collect that offering next **Sunday, May 31.**

**Hooked** The David Stillerman Fishing Project of FBC Tryon  
 We'll go fishing at these times and places, and hope that you can join us:  
 May 31, at Derbyshire/Lake Sandy Plains, 4-7pm  
 June 28, Tryon Estates, 4-7pm  
 July 19, White Oak Mountain, 4-7pm  
 Aug 23, Derbyshire/Lake Sandy Plains, 4-7pm  
 Sept 20, Tryon Estates, 4-7pm  
 Please RSVP to 828.859.5375 or tryonfirstbaptist@gmail.com

**Vacation Bible School 2015** is scheduled for August 2-6 (Sunday-Thursday). The theme is *G-Force: God's Love in Action*. It is a mission-focused VBS in which children will explore putting their faith into action. If you are interested in helping in any way with VBS planning or helping during the week of VBS, please contact Candy Wilson.

Dear Church Family,  
 I would like to thank each of you that prayed for Lachlan during his journey here on earth. I would also like to thank you all for the prayers, cards, calls and texts when hearing of his passing. It means so much to me and Lachlan's family to have the support you all have given. Please to continue to pray for Mary, Jason and the family. In Christ's Love, Diane Cothran

<b>May 17, 2015</b>		
Weekly Budget Giving	\$ 7,173	Food Pantry \$343.82
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 6,640	Baptist Retirement Home \$414.05
YTD Budget Giving	\$ 121,853	Church Scholarship Fund \$2,000
YTD Budget Goal	\$ 132,800	

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# *First Baptist Church*

May 24, 2015

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

Pentecost Sunday

## *The Worship of God*

Music for Gathering		Kay Greene
Words of Preparation		Jeff Harris and Candace Wilson
Prelude	<i>A Mighty Fortress Is Our God</i>	-Gordon Young
†Hymn of Praise 247	<i>Come, Thou Almighty King</i>	ITALIAN HYMN
Invocation		Katie Cothran
†Passing of the Peace		Jeff Harris
	The peace of Christ be with you.	
	<b>And also with you.</b>	
Children's Time		“Mr. Skip” Williams
	(Kindergartners and preschoolers leave for Children's Church after the Children's Time)	
First Reading	Romans 8:22-27 (p. 149)	Candace Wilson
Response 244	<i>Spirit of the Living God</i>	IVERSON
Responsive Reading	Psalm 104:21-34, 35b	Ken Raymond
	O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.	
	<b>Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.</b>	
	There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.	
	<b>These all look to you to give them their food in due season;</b>	

when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

**When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

**May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works—**who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

**I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord.

**Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more.**

**Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!**

Response 244 *Spirit of the Living God* IVERSON

Second Reading John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15 (p. 106) Jeff Harris

Response 244 *Spirit of the Living God* IVERSON

Silence for Memorial Day Jeff Harris

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer Jeff Harris

†Hymn of Dedication 241 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* TRENTHAM

Offertory Prayer Jamie Greene

Offertory and Meditation *Spirit, Breathe On Me* -arr. Ruth E. Schram

†Doxology 253 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100<sup>th</sup>

Third Reading Acts 2:12-21 (p. 114) Jeff Harris

Anthem *Holy Spirit, Hope and Healer* -Beall/Carter

Sermon "Conspiring With the Spirit" Jeff Harris

†Hymn of Response *Spirit, Come, Dispel Our Sadness* NETTLETON

Spirit, come, dispel our sadness; pierce the clouds of nature's night; come, O Source of joy and gladness, breathe your life and spread your light. From the height that knows no measure, as a gracious shower descend, bringing down the richest treasure we can wish, or God can send.

Let your fire heal our dissensions, let your flame refine our goals, let your peace resolve our tensions, send your dove to soothe our souls. Let your wind flow fresh within us, sweeping clean all hate and strife from our hearts; O come and win us for a more abundant life.

Author of the new creation, com, anoint us with your power. Make our hearts your habitation, with your grace our spirits shower. Hear, O hear our supplication, blessed Spirit, God of peace! Rest upon this congregation, with the fullness of your grace.

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†Benediction Jeff Harris

†Congregational Response *May the Spirit Bind Us Together* -Brad Stevens  
(*May the Spirit bind us together as we build this house of faith; One in heart and one in spirit may we grow; May we raise our voices in witness; May our lives reflect Thy grace; One in heart and one in spirit as we go, as we go.*)

Postlude *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness* -James Manley

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, May 24	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	5:00	pm	NO Evening Activities
Monday, May 25	All	day	Office Closed – Memorial Day
Tuesday, May 26	10:30	am	Staff meeting
Wednesday, May 27	6:00	pm	NO Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00	pm	NO Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	5:00	pm	NO Evening Activities (Fifth Sunday)
Sunday, May 31	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	4:00	pm	Fishing – Derbyshire/Lake Sandy Plains

If you are a guest, we are grateful that you are here. Please complete a welcome card (found in the pew pocket) and place it in the offering plate, so we can send you a written word of greeting. As you exit, we have a small gift to offer in appreciation of your presence with us today.

Acolytes for today's service are Caitlin Britton and Jack Fox.

Anyone interested in helping with the "Hooked" fishing project should come to the parlor after today's service.

Thanks for a great Spring Bible Study – have a good summer, and see you in the fall!

## **FBC going to CAROWINDS!!!!**

**WHAT:** An outing to Carowinds

**WHEN:** Thursday, June 18. We will depart at 8:00 am and return no later than 8:00 pm.

**WHO:** Youth, Children, and Adults are invited and encouraged to participate!

**HOW:** Sign-ups will be accepted until Sunday, June 7.

**WHY:** To have fun and fellowship together—we will be going on a commercial bus—so no worries about parking, cost of gasoline, keeping up with a multi-vehicle convoy (which is quite dangerous), or back seat drivers! ☺

### **IMPORTANT INFO:**

~The cost for the day will be \$40 which includes an all-day pass to the park and transportation to and from the park.

~A regular single day pass is \$59.99---not to mention the high cost of gasoline these days—so \$40 is a pretty good deal!

~Children who haven't completed the third grade must be accompanied by a parent.

~**We will not make use of the waterpark that day.**

~You must sign up and make a deposit of \$20 per person by June 7

*You know you wanna go—so don't delay—make your reservations quickly!!*

## **Spirituality/Backpack Trip June 12-14**

This year we'll be trekking in the Pisgah National Forest and Shining Rock Wilderness from June 12-14.

The purpose of the backpacking trip is to provide an opportunity for Sabbath in a natural environment, and to help participants explore opportunities for prayer and silence. We'll also have a lot of fun! This trip is open to anyone 16 or older who can carry at least 30 pounds on his/her back, while hiking 5 to 7 miles per day in mountainous terrain. If you are under 16, you must be accompanied by a parent.

Participants are required to bring their own back-pack, sleeping bag, sleeping pad, and tent/shelter. If you do not own these items, Sunrift Adventures in Travelers Rest rents them, or maybe you can borrow these items from someone. Also, many backpacking tents sleep two people, therefore not everyone has to have a tent. Stoves and other cooking gear can be shared as well. If you are interested in this trip, but do not have the equipment, please let Pastor Harris know, and he'll be glad to help.

If you are interested in being part of this group, please contact Jeff Harris.