

**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.

**June's Mission Focus** is feeding the hungry in our community. We give third-Sunday gifts to Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry, and we are asked to collect food during the month of June. Items needed are jelly, syrup, hand soap, soup, and instant potatoes. There will be a box for collection of these items in the Lair Sunday School classroom through June.

**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. Next Sunday, there will be a planning meeting for Vacation Bible School in the Activity Building immediately following the service. Lunch will be served.

We want to thank our church family for all the prayers, thoughts, phone calls and cards during the passing of our mother. Also for the meal that was served after our mother's service. Thank you to Rev Jeff Harris and Phil Scoggins for the beautiful service and to Kay Greene for the lovely music. We will always be grateful and appreciate your thoughtfulness. God bless.

-The family of Emily Rose Scoggins

**May 24, 2015**

Weekly Budget Giving	\$ 4,000	Baptist Retirement Home	\$50
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 6,640	I Love My Church	\$100
YTD Budget Giving	\$ 125,853		
YTD Budget Goal	\$ 139,440		

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*First Baptist Church*

May 31, 2015

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

Trinity Sunday

*The Worship of God*

Music for Gathering Kay Greene

Words of Preparation Jeff Harris

Prelude *O Lord Most Holy* -Franz Abt

Call to Worship Jeff Harris

In mystery and grandeur  
**we see the face of God.**  
 In earthiness and the ordinary  
**we know the love of Christ.**  
 In heights and depths and life and death:  
**the spirit of God is moving among us.**  
 Let us praise God,  
**Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

†Hymn of Praise 2 *Holy, Holy, Holy* NICEA

Invocation Stephen Morris

†Passing of the Peace Jeff Harris

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Children's Time "Mr. Skip" Williams  
 (Kindergartners and preschoolers leave for Children's Church after the Children's Time)

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 6:1-8 (p. 605) Shelvie Foust

Responsive Reading                  Psalm 29    Alyssa Fincher  
 Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.  
**Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendour.**  
 The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.  
**The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**  
 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.  
**He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.**  
 The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.  
**The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**  
 The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, ‘Glory!’  
**The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.**  
 May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

New Testament Reading                  Romans 8:12-17 (p. 149)    Shelvie Foust

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

†Hymn of Dedication 146         *O How He Loves You and Me*    PATRICIA

Gospel Reading                                  John 3:1-17 (p. 91)    Jeff Harris

Solo    *Holy Ground* (Sandy Frady, soloist)    -Geron Davis

Sermon    “A God like Jesus”    Jeff Harris

Time for Reflection

Offertory Prayer    Danny Fox

Offertory and Meditation                  *Holy is the Lord Medley*    -arr. Lloyd Larson

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

†Hymn of Response 384                          *The Bond of Love*    SKILLINGS

†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    *The Ancient of Days*    -Robert J. Powell

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<b>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</b>			
Sunday, May 31	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	4:00	pm	Fishing at Derbyshire/Lake Sandy Plains
	5:00	pm	No Evening Activities
Tuesday, June 2	10:00	am	WMU Group 1
	10:30	am	Staff meeting
	7:00	pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (note day change)
Sunday, June 7	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	12:00	pm	VBS planning meeting – Activity Building

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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 Elliott Whiteside and Sydney Waldman.

Our thanks to Sandy Frady, today’s soloist.

**I Love My Church Offering.** On fifth Sundays (today), we help supplement our budget with the “I Love My Church” Offering. If you have an offering envelope box, an envelope for this should be included. Extras are available at the sanctuary entrances.

**Let’s Grace It Forward!** Slips of paper are found in your bulletin, as we plan for this year’s Mission Initiative and GraceItForward. We are called to be Christ’s hands and feet for our community, and we are asking for your help on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Help is needed both in the morning (8-12) and afternoon (12-4). There are ways for all ages to participate, whether building, repairing, yardwork, crafts and games with seniors, handing out gift cards, or paying it forward at the local laundry mat. Prayerfully consider how you can help. To assist with planning, complete the form found in today’s bulletin and drop in the offering plate as you leave.

## **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 you may be able to 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.