Our Firewood Ministry is starting up again! If you're willing to come out and sort, split, and stack firewood with us at Thermal Belt Outreach Ministries on the second Saturday of the month, we'd love to have you join us. Our first day to cut wood is September 10, from 8:30am until noon.

S.E.E. Kickoff and Kickball - Sunday September 11, at 5pm, meal 6pm, and kickball 6:30pm. Children and preschooler activities begin at 5pm in the educational space of the main building. Adults in the Activity Building will study Barbara Brown Taylor's "*The Luminous Web.*" If you're meeting at the Rock House, the study will be Adam Hamilton's "*Half-Truths – God Helps Those Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible Doesn't Say.*"

Acolyte Training is for Children and Youth, grades 1 through 5, at 5pm on September 11. Even if you have served as an acolyte before, please plan to attend this meeting. We'll be finished in time for the S.E.E. meal and kickball.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study resumes at 10am on September 14. We'll be studying Romans. **Wednesday Evening Women's Bible Study** – led by Emily Pereira, starts on September 7 at 6:00pm.

Choir Retreat, Saturday, September 17. The Chancel Choir is having a music retreat, where we'll practice special music for the Anniversary Celebration, and get a head-start on Christmas music. Time is 10am-3pm, and lunch is included.

Old-Fashioned Sunday is September 18. Wear some old-fashioned clothing (or not) and join us for a unique time of worship.

Children's Choir for Grades 1-5 begins Sunday, September 18 at 5pm. The children will meet every Sunday.

Kid's Night Out, September 23 – A chance for adults to have some time to themselves! There will be a fun night for activities and snacks from 6pm-9pm, for children K-5th grade. Registration/permission slips may be obtained in the church office and must be returned by September 18. Sign up quickly – space is limited to 20 children.

Activity Building Workday, Saturday, September 24 – We're going to give the Activity Building a good sprucing up before our Anniversary Celebration. Volunteers are asked to come around 8:30am, and we should be finished by noon.

August 28, 2016

Weekly Budget Giving	\$ 5,794	CBF Global	\$50
Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 6,683		
YTD Budget Giving	\$ 224,495		
YTD Budget Goal	\$ 233,905		

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT WORSHIP

September 4, 2016

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Music for Gathering

Kay Greene

Jeff Harris

Prelude

Jesus Spreads His Banner O'er Us

-Lucy Ann Warriner

Call to Worship (based on Galatians 6:14)

God forbid that I should boast of anything

but the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In him is salvation, life, and resurrection from the dead;

by him we are redeemed and set free.

May God be gracious to us and bless us, and make his face shine upon us.

†**Hymn 385**, In Christ There Is No East or West

ST. PETER

†**Invocation** Phillip Pleasants

†Passing the Peace

Jeff Harris

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

Children's Time

"Mr. Skip" Williams

(Kindergartners and preschoolers may leave for Children's Church after the Children's Time.)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Responsive Reading, Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

Stephanie Mathis

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.

How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you.

†Hymn 441, Since Jesus Came Into My Heart

McDANIEL

Scripture Reading, Philemon 1-21 (p. 207)

Jeff Harris

Solo *My Tribute*

-Andraé Crouch

(soloist: Jim Hawkins)

Sermon "On the Basis of Love"

Jeff Harris

RESPONDING IN FAITH

†**Hymn 305**, I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

ASSAM

(Those making decisions of faith, renewals of faith, or desiring to unite with our church through membership, may come forward at this time.)

†Offertory Prayer

Reva Williams

Offertory and Meditation Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

-Cindy Berry

†Doxology 253, Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100th

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Jeff Harris

DEPARTING TO SERVE

Opportunities for Service

Jeff Harris

Called Church Conference

†Benediction

Jeff Harris

Woodcutting at Thermal Belt Outreach

†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 Church's One Foundation -James Mansfield			
CALENDAR OF EVENTS				
Sunday, September 4	10:00	am	Sunday School	
	11:00	am	Worship	
Monday, September 5	All	day	Office closed – Labor Day Holiday	
Tuesday, September 6	10:30	am	WMU Salad Luncheon (note time change)	
	10:30	am	Staff meeting	
	6:00	pm	Nominating Committee meeting	
Wednesday, September 7	6:00	pm	Women's Bible Study – Rock House	
· -	7:00	pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	

Acolytes for today's service are Katie Cothran and Jonathon Edwards.

We thank Jim Hawkins for his music today.

Saturday, September 10

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

Hearing assistance devices are available in the narthex.

The Nominating Committee will meet in the Rock House at 6pm on Tuesday, September 6.

8:30 am

Put it on your calendar—The 125th Anniversary Celebration of FBC Tryon is October 2, at 10:30am. We'll share a covered-dish dinner in the Activity Building afterward. Help us spread the word by inviting folks who have been a part of FBC to join us.