

THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST TRYON

Sunday, November 11	10:00	am	Sunday School
	11:00	am	Worship
	4:00	pm	Acolyte Training
	5:00	pm	SEE, Children's Choir, Refuge
Tuesday, November 13	9:00	am	Staff Meeting
	7:00	pm	Sisterhood
Wednesday, November 14	10:00	am	Bible Study
	1:00	pm	Capital Improvement Team Meeting
	5:30	pm	Bell Choir
	6:30	pm	Chancel Choir

Acolytes: Mason Littlefield, Oliviah Miller.

Children's Church Leader: Mason and Taylor Jackson.

We welcome Keith Taylor as the newest member of First Baptist.

Acolyte Training today. Today at 4:00pm (before Children's Choir), we will meet in the Sanctuary to talk about ways to participate in Worship, and we will PRACTICE lighting the candles, speaking in the microphone and how to use the bulletin. This is for children in grades 1-5.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes are due today.

Live Generously—Taking the Next Step. November 11-18

Taking the Next Step is a Biblical, spiritual, and inspirational emphasis designed to enrich our understanding of what it means to live every day with gratitude and generosity. Too often, our giving is based on the need of the church to fund a budget, or out of a sense of obligation. *Taking the Next Step*, however, will help remind us that giving is an integral part of our own faith journey and relationship with Christ.



Community Thanksgiving Service. Tryon Presbyterian Church will host the Community Thanksgiving Service on November 18, at 4pm.

Hanging of the Greens. We invite everyone to join in a festive afternoon of decorating the Sanctuary for Advent. On **Nov. 25, from 4-5:30**, we will put up the Chrismon Tree, hang the greenery, decorate the windows, hang the wreaths, etc. and we need many helping hands! Also included: hot chocolate, coffee and snacks. **During this time of decorating, the children will make a family Advent wreath** and learn all about this important season. Parents are encouraged to come and decorate and/or help with the Advent wreath making. Also, families will receive an Advent devotional guide to be used at home with their Advent wreath.

Kid's Night Out, Friday, November 30, 6pm-8:30pm. Please contact Carol Batts if your children are already registered and plan to attend. This event is for children ages K-5th grade. Activities include games, snacks, learning, and a pizza supper. If your children are not registered, and wish to come, forms may be found at the church office, and by notifying Carol Batts.

Annual Christmas Dinner, December 2 begins with the Furman University Tones performing in the sanctuary at 5pm. The Christmas meal will follow in the Activity Building. Please bring a covered dish, side, or dessert to share!

November 4, 2018

Weekly Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 8,126
Weekly Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 8,068
YTD Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 325,740
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Welcome! We are grateful to worship with you today.

If you are a guest, we hope you will experience God's love through our worship and among our congregation. If this is your first time with us, please complete a welcome card, which can be found in the pew pocket, and place it in the offering plate later in worship. As you exit, we have a small gift to offer you in appreciation of your presence.

Nursery Care is provided for children from birth to three years during Worship and Sunday School.

Children, ages 4-Kindergarten, may remain in worship or may exit after the Children's Time for a special time of worship and play. Parents may join them, or stay for the remainder of worship.

Hearing devices are available in the Narthex.

Baskets for recycling bulletins are located at the exits.

NOVEMBER MISSION FOCUS

Our November Mission Focus is to collect new or slightly used warm coats, hoodies, and blankets. Bring your donations here, and they will be given to "Warming the View" - at Polk County-wide collection centers for distribution in December.

OFFERING - NOVEMBER

Stephen Brady, Lead Deacon; Phillip Edwards, Susan Smith, Elizabeth Burrell, Phil Scoggins

GREETERS—NOVEMBER

Linda Martin, Lou Rossi—Front
Joyce Scoggins—Hall
Franklin Williams—Side

DIACONATE

Phil Scoggins, Chair
Keith Collins, Vice Chair
Susan Smith, Recorder
Danny Fox, Phil Feagan, Sadie McKaig
Don Batts, Phillip Edwards, Beth McCallister

CHURCH STAFF

The Reverend Dr. Jeff C. Harris, Pastor
The Reverend Jim Hawkins, Minister of Music
The Reverend Jaime Fitzgerald, Minister to Youth
Jodi Harris, Minister of Education and Children
Kay Greene, Pianist
E. Leslie Raymond, Organist
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First Baptist Church Tryon, NC



November 11, 2018

Eleven O'clock in the Morning

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT WORSHIP

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Eleven O'clock

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Music for Gathering Kay Greene

Opportunities of the Week Jodi Harris

Trinity Chime John Spinks

Prelude *Rondeau on "Royal Oak"* -Helman

Call to Worship Jeff Harris

Good and Generous God, Creator and Sustainer of all life,

You instruct us to live generously and cheerfully.

We come, knowing that all good gifts are from You,

and we give in return without hesitation or pressure.

Trusting that in the upside-down way of the Gospel,

our wealth is measured not by what we have

but by what we give away.

We give joyfully because we trust in Your goodness and mercy.

May our generosity bless your church, your people,

and your creation.

†**Hymn 15** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* NETTLETON

Invocation Keith Taylor

†**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 may leave for Children's Church after the Children's Time.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Psalm 112 Hilda Pleasants

Blessed man, blessed woman, who fear God,

Who cherish and relish his commandments,

Their children robust on the earth,

And the homes of the upright—how blessed!

Their houses brim with wealth

And a generosity that never runs dry.

Sunrise breaks through the darkness for good people—

God's grace and mercy and justice!

The good person is generous and lends lavishly;

No shuffling or stumbling around for this one,

But a sterling and solid and lasting reputation.

Unfazed by rumor and gossip,

Heart ready, trusting in God,

Spirit firm, unperturbed,

Ever blessed, relaxed among enemies,

They lavish gifts on the poor—

A generosity that goes on, and on, and on.

An honored life! A beautiful life!

Someone wicked takes one look and rages,

Blusters away but ends up speechless.

There's nothing to the dreams of the wicked. Nothing.

II Corinthians 9:6-11 (p. 173) Jim Hawkins

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Taking the Next Step Phil Scoggins

†**Hymn 644** *Count Your Blessings* BLESSINGS

I Timothy 6:17-19 (p. 200) Jeff Harris

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem *Walk Worthy* -Martin

Sermon "Generosity Begets Generosity" Jeff Harris

RESPONDING IN FAITH

†**Hymn 605** *Because I Have Been Given Much* SEMINARY

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** Katie Cothran

Offering and Meditation

Blessings -Schram

†**Doxology 253, Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer Jaime Fitzgerald

Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

†**Benediction** Jeff Harris

†**Congregational Response** CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

Christ, Be Our Light!

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.

Shine in the darkness.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church, gathered today.

Postlude *Postlude on 'Nettleton'* -Krouse

†Please stand if you are able.