



JESUS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

THE POWER OF FRIENDSHIP



FIRST BAPTIST KNOXVILLE
11 AM SERVICE

11 am Service | August 15, 2021

Prelude | Brandon Coffey

A Mighty Fortress is Our God | Mark Hayes

Call to Worship | Women's Ensemble

I'll Fly Away | arr. C. Courtney

Some glad morning when this life is o'er, I'll fly away.
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.
I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away.
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away, fly away.

When the shadows of the life have gone, I'll fly away.
Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away.
I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away.
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away, fly away.

Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away.
To a land where joys shall never end, I'll fly away.

I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away in the morning.
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, O I'll fly away.
I'll fly away, fly away.

Welcome | Pam Neal

Congregational Hymn 7

Worthy of Worship | JUDSON

Worthy of worship, worthy of praise,
Worthy of honor and glory;
Worthy of all the glad songs we can sing,
Worthy of all of the offering we bring.
You are worthy, Father, Creator.
You are worthy, Savior, Sustainer.
You are worthy, worthy and wonderful;
Worthy of worship and praise.

Worthy of reverence, worthy of fear,
Worthy of love and devotion;
Worthy of bowing and bending of knees,
Worthy of all this and added to these...
You are worthy, Father, Creator.
You are worthy, Savior, Sustainer.
You are worthy, worthy and wonderful;
Worthy of worship and praise.

Almighty Father, Master and Lord,
King of all kings and Redeemer,
Wonderful Counselor, Comforter, Friend,
Savior and Source of our life without end.
You are worthy, Father, Creator.
You are worthy, Savior, Sustainer.
You are worthy, worthy and wonderful;
Worthy of worship and praise.

*During the last stanza, all children are invited to come to the front
and join Ms. Susan for the Children's Sermon.*

Children's Sermon | Susan Tatum

Congregational Hymn 658

Let Your Heart Be Broken | WYE VALLEY

Let your heart be broken for a world in need -
Feed the mouths that hunger, soothe the wounds that bleed,
Give the cup of water and the loaf of bread -
Be the hands of Jesus, serving in His stead.

Here on earth applying principles of love -
Visible expression God still rules above,
Living illustration of the Living Word
To the minds of all who've never seen and heard.

Add to your believing deeds that prove it true -
Knowing Christ as Savior, make Him Master, too;
Follow in His footsteps, go where He has trod,
In the world's great trouble risk yourself for God.

Let your heart be tender and your vision clear -
See the world as God sees, serve Him far and near;
Let your heart be broken by another's pain,
Share your rich resources - give and give again.

Scripture Reading (Proverbs 17:17, Ecclesiastes 4:9-10,

1 Samuel 18:1-4) | Susan Tatum

¹⁷ A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity.

⁹ Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor:

¹⁰ If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.

¹ After David had finished talking with Saul, Jonathan became one in spirit with David, and he loved him as himself. ² From that day Saul kept David with him and did not let him return home to his family. ³ And Jonathan made a covenant with David because he loved him as himself. ⁴ Jonathan took off the robe he was wearing and gave it to David, along with his tunic, and even his sword, his bow and his belt.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Pastoral Prayer | Chuck Powell

Special Music | Sanctuary Choir

Our God Is God | Williams/Martin

Who holds the wind in His hands?
Have you not heard? Do you not know?
Morning breaks at His command, breaks at His command.
Have you not heard? Do you not know?
Who formed the stars? Called them by name?
Who calms the storm? Sends gentle rain?
Who hung the sun and moon in space?

Before all time began, who knew creation's plan?
Who gave the breath of life to man?
Who gave the song its start?
Who whispers to the heart?
Who is the one who made the solemn night?
Who knows the dwelling place of light?

Not a god of clay. Not a silent stone.
Not a graven image made of gold.
Have you not heard? Do you not know?
Have you not heard? Do you not know?

Have you not heard? Do you not know? (x2)
Have you not heard? Do you not know? (x2)
Have you not heard? Do you not know? Do you not know?

Our God is God! We are the works of His hands.
God is Creator. Angels serve at His command.
All creation bows before Him and we must do the same,
For God alone is worthy, worthy of our praise.
All creation bows before Him and we must do the same,
For God alone is worthy, worthy of our praise.
Our God is worthy. He is worthy. Our God is God!

Sermon | Brent McDougal

Jesus in Your Neighborhood: The Power of Friendship | 1 Samuel 18:1-9

Hymn of Response 633

All the Way My Savior Leads Me | ALL THE WAY

All the way my Savior leads me; what have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt His tender mercy, who through life has been my guide?
Heavenly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in Him to dwell!
For I know whate'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well;
For I know whate'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well.

All the way my Savior leads me; cheers each winding path I tread,
Gives me grace for every trial, feeds me with the living bread;
Though my weary steps may falter, and my soul athirst may be,
Gushing from the Rock before me, lo! a spring of joy I see;
Gushing from the Rock before me, lo! a spring of joy I see.

All the way my Savior leads me; oh, the fullness of His love!
Perfect rest to me is promised in my Father's house above:
When my spirit, clothed immortal, wings its flight to realms of day,
This my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way;
This my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way.

Worship Through Giving/Announcements | Tim Boone

Spoken Benediction

Sung Benediction Hymn 653 Stanza 1

Lord, You Give the Great Commission | BEECHER

Lord, You give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard,
Help us witness to Your purpose with renewed integrity;
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Organ Postlude | Rhonda Carpenter

Crown Him With Many Crowns | Mary McDonald

Sanctuary Flowers

In loving memory of
Phyllis Eggers Lyle, James Lyle, Jr.,
Alan Thomas Lyle, and Dorothy Patty Gibbs.
Given by Jim Lyle.

SPOTLIGHTON

FBC CONNECTION TEAM

Imagine for a moment that you have never been to First Baptist Church and are looking for a church to visit. You don't know anyone and the facility is large with two buildings and a parking garage. How do you know where to go? Where do you go in? Where do you park when so many spaces say "reserved?" These are some of the questions that someone might ask if they are visiting First Baptist for the first time. If we are the warm and welcoming church we want to be, we want to put in place people to make sure anyone who comes will find a friendly face and a willing person to show them the way. It is more than just saying, "Hello" and "Welcome to First Baptist Church." That is what the Connection Team is all about.

Our goal is to help people be connected to First Baptist from the first time they visit us. When we don't, they may not come back. We want to make their visit as warm and friendly as we can so that they feel loved and readily part of the fellowship. We need many volunteers to serve as: Parking Lot/Garage Greeters, Welcome Center and Trentham Hall Greeters, Information Desk Volunteers, and Runners who will take a person to their destination instead of just giving directions. All of these things say to someone that we care about them and want them to come back. It is being a "Good Neighbor."

We have some volunteers but not nearly enough to cover every time slot in every location. There are four time slots to volunteer: 8:15 – 8:55 am, 9:15 – 10 am, 10:30 – 11:10 am, and Noon – 12:15 pm. Would you volunteer for one of these slots in one of these positions once a month? We have had some to volunteer, but we need more people to make it work well.

This is a wonderful way for you to serve in our church and, more importantly, be that person to make someone feel at home. Please consider being part of this important Connection Team, and let me know where and when you would like to greet the people that God sends our way for His church.

Blessings,

Pam

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SERMONNOTES

"THE POWER OF FRIENDSHIP"

1 SAMUEL 18:1-9

"A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity."
(Proverbs 17:17, NIV)

That's the baseline for the definition of a true friend. A friend loves at all times. They don't cut and run when it gets hard. God designed us to have close, lasting friendships.

We were made for friendship, but our _____ end up making us.

The sad thing is that even though we are more connected than ever through the internet, social media, telecommunications, and transportation — much more connected to one another than previous generations — there is an epidemic of loneliness in our world. It's not the way it's supposed to be.

"The LORD God said, 'It is *not good* for the man to be alone.'
(Genesis 2:18, NIV)

"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends."
(John 15:13, NIV)

"One who has unreliable friends soon comes to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother." (Proverbs 18:24, NIV)

Three marks of a true friend:

A true friend loves you _____.

"Jonathan made a covenant with David because he loved him as himself."
(1 Samuel 18:3, NIV)

A true friend _____ for you.

"Jonathan took off the robe he was wearing and gave it to David, along with his tunic, and even his sword, his bow and his belt." (1 Samuel 18:4, NIV)

SERMONNOTES

A true friend sticks with you when _____ comes.

How can you experience more of the power of friendship in your life?

1. Expect God to supply you with friends to enjoy life and help you fulfill your _____.

"Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in real trouble."(Ecclesiastes 4:9-10, NLT)

2. Be _____ about whom you choose for friends.

"The righteous choose their friends carefully, but the way of the wicked leads them astray." (Proverbs 12:26, NIV)

"Don't make friends with a hot-tempered person. Do not associate with anyone easily angered, or you may learn their ways and get yourself ensnared." (Proverbs 22:24-25, NIV)

"Keep company with the wise and you will become wise. If you make friends with stupid people, you will be ruined." (Proverbs 13:20, GNT)

3. Be the kind of friend that you _____ to have.

"Encourage one another and build each other up." (1 Thessalonians 5:11, NIV)

How is God speaking to you today? What is your prayer or action step in response?

SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray for Hope Church of Knoxville

Each week we pray for one church in our city. Today we lift up Hope Church of Knoxville. Please pray for our brothers and sisters to have strength and encouragement as they work to advance God's kingdom through the transforming power of the gospel and bring glory to the name of Jesus.



COMMUNITY

Senior Adult Activities: Movie Day

Tuesday, August 24, 1 pm | 230 Centre

There is a new Senior Adult Planning Team that is working to provide some activities for Senior Adults. This month, we will show the movie "Yankee Doodle Dandy" in 230 Centre on August 24 at 1 pm. We will have a light lunch, so please RSVP to Pam Neal at pneal@fbcknox.org if you plan to join. All are welcome to enjoy the fellowship! Future activities are planned, but let us know if you have some ideas for Senior Adult activities or would like to join the Senior Adult Planning Team!



COMMUNITY

Outdoor Baptism and Church Celebration

Sunday, August 29, 4:30-7 pm | Cove Lake State Park

Have you felt that God was leading you to be baptized but have not taken that step of faith? Join us for a celebratory outdoor baptism and church fellowship with games and other activities for children and youth. More details to come on food and other aspects of the gathering. Let Pastor Brent know if you would like to be baptized on this special day or if you want to know more about the importance and meaning of baptism. Email him at bmcdoagal@fbcknox.org or see him after a Sunday service.



DISCIPLESHIP

College Sunday School

Sunday, August 22, 9:45 am | Dwell Suite

Sunday School for college students resumes August 22 at 9:45 am in the Dwell area. Breakfast will be provided. If you know a college student who is looking to plug in or if you would like to get involved, contact Tim Boone at tboone@fbcknox.org.



DISCIPLESHIP

Wednesday Activities New Schedule

Adults Start Back: August 18

Children & Youth Start Back: September 8

As we continue to navigate uncertain times, we believe we need to make a change in the upcoming Wednesday Night schedule. We had hoped to have a kick-off event on Wednesday, August 18, for all of the children, youth, and adult activities. Instead, we will move forward with Wednesday Night Supper and Adult Bible Study in Trentham Hall on August 18. Children's and Youth activities will be postponed until September 8.



COMMUNITY

Volunteer Opportunities in Children's Ministries

As we look forward to starting up Children's mission groups on September 8 (**Note the Date Change**), we find ourselves in need of some additional volunteers to reopen the Children and Preschool areas.

At this time, we need two volunteers to teach in our 2-year-old Sunday School class from 9:45-10:45 am each week.

We **must** have two adults to open this class. Materials and training will be provided.

We also need two male adults to assist Jim Bailey with our upcoming RA group of boys, which meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:25-7:15 pm. We **must** have at least two volunteers to begin this group on the 8th.

Please prayerfully consider these opportunities and contact Susan at statum@fbcknox.org if you can help out.



DISCIPLESHIP

Young Adult Small Group

Every Tuesday, 6:30 pm

If you are a college or graduate student or a young professional in Knoxville who is interested in a weekday small group, please join us every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Contact Tim Boone for the meeting information at tboone@fbcknox.org.



DISCIPLESHIP

Please drop your offering in the Offering Boxes next to the doors.

	July '21	Fiscal YTD	Last Week's Attendance
Revenue (all sources)	\$154,964	\$154,964	
Expenses	<u>\$137,389</u>	<u>\$137,389</u>	Worship Total 310
Excess/Deficit	\$17,575	\$17,575	(does not reflect at-home viewers)

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Coming Up This Week

Today, Noon, Youth Suite

Youth Preview Day

Wednesday, 5 pm, Trentham Hall

Wednesday Night Dinner

Wednesday, 6 pm, Trentham Hall

Adult Bible Study

Wednesday, 7 pm, Choir Suite

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, 6:15 pm, In Person/Zoom

Deacon Meeting

Friday - Saturday

Choir Retreat

VISITING?

Let us know you're here!



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