JESUS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD HOW TO SHARE JESUS NATURALLY & WITHOUT FEAR



FIRST BAPTIST KNOXVILLE 11 AM SERVICE

11 am Service | August 22, 2021

Prelude | Rhonda Carpenter

All Creatures of Our God and King | Gayden Sikes

Call to Worship Hymn 618

Love Lifted Me SAFETY

I was sinking deep in sin, far from the peaceful shore, Very deeply stained within, sinking to rise no more; But the Master of the sea heard my despairing cry, From the waters lifted me, now safe am I.

Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me. Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

All my heart to Him I give, ever to Him I'll cling, In His blessed presence live, ever His praises sing; Love so mighty and so true merits my soul's best songs; Faithful loving service, too, to Him belongs.

Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me. Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

Souls in danger, look above, Jesus completely saves; He will lift you by His love out of the angry waves; He's the Master of the sea, billows His will obey; He your Savior wants to be, be saved today.

Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me. Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

Welcome | Tim Boone

Congregational Hymn 601

O How I Love Jesus | O HOW I LOVE JESUS

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth; It sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth. O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, because He first loved me! It tells me of a Savior's love, who died to set me free; It tells me of His precious blood, the sinner's perfect plea. O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, because He first loved me!

It tells of one whose loving heart can feel my deepest woe; Who in each sorrow bears a part that none can bear below. O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, because He first loved me!

> 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

Scripture Reading (1 Corinthians 2:1-5) | Taylor McKeel

And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God **Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

Missional Moment | Brannon Hulsey

Pastoral Prayer | Brent McDougal

Drama | Jaynie Moore, Mark Palmer Love Her? | Robyn Berdino

Special Music | Sanctuary Choir

O Love | Hagenberg

O Love, O Love, O Love, that will not let me go. O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee. I give Thee back the life I owe, That in Thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O Joy, O Joy, O Joy, that seeks me through the pain. O Joy, I cannot close my heart to Thee. I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be, That morn shall tearless be.

O Love, O Love, O Love, that will not let me go. O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee. I give thee back the life I owe. I give thee back the life I owe. I give thee back the life I owe, And in Thy ocean depths its flow shall richer, fuller be. That morn shall tearless be.

O Love, O Love, O Love, O Love, O Love, O Love, that will not let me go. O Love, that will not let me go.

Sermon | Brent McDougal

Jesus in Your Neighborhood: How to Share Jesus Naturally and Without Fear | 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Hymn of Response 607

I Will Sing the Wondrous Story | HYFRYDOL

I will sing the wondrous story of the Christ who died for me: How He left His home in glory for the cross of Calvary. I was lost, but Jesus found me, found the sheep that went astray, Threw His loving arms around me, drew me back into His way.

I was bruised, but Jesus healed me; faint was I from many a fall; Sight was gone, and fears possessed me, but He freed me from them all. Days of darkness still come o'er me, sorrow's paths I often tread, But the Savior still is with me; by His hand I'm safely led.

He will keep me till the river rolls its waters at my feet; Then He'll bear me safely over, where the loved ones I shall meet. Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story of the Christ who died for me, Sing it with the saints in glory, gathered by the crystal sea.

Worship Through Giving/Announcements | Pam Neal

Spoken Benediction

Sung Benediction Hymn 619 Stanza 1

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine | ASSURANCE

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood. This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.

Organ Postlude | Rhonda Carpenter

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee | Robert Lau

Sanctuary Flowers

Flowers are given in loving memory of Dean Sanders by Gene Sanders and family. In honor of Dean's love of books and reading, please visit our church library.

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

	July '21	Fiscal YTD	Last Week's Att	andanca
Revenue (all sources)	\$154,964	\$154,964		
Expenses	<u>\$137,389</u>	<u>\$137,389</u>	Worship Total	. 289
Excess/Deficit	\$17,575	\$17,575	(does not reflect at-ho	me viewers)

SERMONNOTES

"HOW TO SHARE JESUS NATURALLY AND WITHOUT FEAR" 1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-5

Most of us want to share our faith. But even knowing that God is the one who saves and that God will provide us with what we need, we still end up shrinking back in fear when it comes to talking about our faith. Can we also be honest in saying that it often doesn't feel natural to talk about our faith? It feels strange to introduce God into a conversation.

Just about all of us need confidence in sharing spiritual matters. Where does it come from, and how can we take hold of it?

- "I came to you in *weakness* with great fear and trembling."
- (1 Corinthians 2:3, NIV)

Today we'll see a side of Paul that you may have not seen before. In Acts 18, we hear the story of Paul going to Athens and then making the journey to Corinth. Athens really affected Paul. He showed up on Mars Hill and began to preach the gospel of Jesus dying and rising again, but he was surrounded by skeptics and people who worshipped idols. No church was established. Few converts. He probably felt like a failure.

When was the last time you lost your confidence? Or when did you face something that made you physically sick or so nervous that your hands shook?

"When I came to you, *I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom* as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God." (1 Corinthians 2:1, NIV)

"I resolved to know *nothing* while I was with you *except Jesus Christ and him crucified*." (1 Corinthians 2:2, NIV)

Here's a baseline question:

Do you accept your ______ to share the good news with others?

SERMONNOTES

Here's what we learn from Paul about how to share the truth of Jesus.

I. Keep it simple: who Jesus	and what He
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When you're sharing the story of Jesus, you're really sharing three stories in one.

The story of God

Your story

The story of your friend

2. Rely on the _____ _

"The Lord will be your *confidence* and will keep your foot from being caught." (Proverbs 3:26, ESV)

"My grace is sufficient for you, for *my power is made perfect in weakness*. Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. <u>For when I am</u> <u>weak, then I am strong</u>." (2 Corinthians 12:9-10, ESV)

How is God speaking to you today? What is your response?

SPOTLIGHTON

DWELL COLLEGE MINISTRY

he Dwell Young Adult Ministry is excited to welcome college students back to Knoxville! The summer is almost over, a new semester has begun, and we are ready to invest in students from Carson-Newman, University of Tennessee, Pellissippi State, and other colleges around Knoxville!

First Baptist is a great place to find community with other young adults that live, work, and study in and around downtown. If you are a college or graduate student looking for a place to worship and find community, join us every Sunday at either 8:45 am or 11:00 am for worship. At 9:45 am, you can find breakfast and a small group in the Dwell area. There are also other opportunities to serve and grow together throughout the month. If you would like to know more, contact Tim Boone at tboone@fbcknox.org.

If you see new young adults in worship over the next few weeks, take time to introduce yourself and welcome them to First Baptist.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray for The Point

Each week we pray for one church in our city. Today we lift up a church called The Point. Please pray for our brothers and sisters to have strength and encouragement as they work to connect people to a growing and reproducing relationship with Jesus.

Volunteers Needed for Children's Missions

As we prepare to start up Children's mission groups on September 8 (**Note the Date Change**), we find ourselves still needing some additional volunteers.

At this time, we need an additional male volunteer to assist with our upcoming RA group of boys and another female volunteer to help with our GA group of girls. These groups meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:25-7:15 pm.

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

Senior Adult Movie Day

Tuesday, August 24, 1 pm | *230 Centre* 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 <u>pneal@fbcknox.org</u> if you plan to join. All are welcome to enjoy the fellowship!

Missions Intern: Sarah Pippin

Sarah Maegan Pippin is joining us as our Missions Intern for the Fall semester. She is from Waxhaw, a small town in the suburbs of Charlotte, North Carolina. She is a Sophomore at Carson-Newman, where she is studying elementary education and religious studies. In addition to her studies, she is a member of the Lady Eagles Dance team, a Faith and Justice Scholar, and Eagles Engage. Sarah has served in the children's and music ministries at her home church. She believes that God is calling her into ministry and is excited about serving alongside First Baptist.









Adoption and Foster Care Conference hosted by KAFCAM

Saturday, August 28, 8:30 am-3 pm | Trentham Hall Are you interested in exploring foster care or adoption? Knox Area Foster Care & Adoption Ministries (KAFCAM) encourages, equips, and connects people to make the gospel visible through adoption and foster care rooted in the local church in the Knoxville area. Their annual conference will be held at our church this year. Visit <u>kafcam.org</u> to learn more and register.

Volunteers Needed for New Connection Plan

Thank you to those who volunteered to help as Greeters this past Sunday. We are still working to fill our schedule so that each week we have volunteers as Greeters, Information Volunteers, and Runners. Please consider where you might serve and let me know at <u>pneal@fbcknox.org</u>. We need your help to make this Connection Plan work! You can volunteer as:

- Parking Lot/Garage Greeters
- Welcome Center and Trentham Hall Greeters
- Trentham Hall and Welcome Center Runners (can be Adult or Youth)
- Welcome Kiosk and Information Desk Workers (we already have gift bags)

Please consider volunteering at least once a month during the following time slots:

- Time Slot A: 8:15 8:55 am
- Time Slot B: 9:15 10 am
- Time Slot C: 10:30 11:10 am
- Time Slot D: Noon 12:15 pm

College Sunday School

Sundays, 9:45 am | Dwell Suite

Sunday School for college students resumes today, 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.







Help Welcome Refugees to Knoxville

We are partnering with Welcome House Knoxville and Bridge Refugee Services to support refugees moving to Knoxville. These organizations are working to provide housing and household items for five to seven families each month. They need our help to ensure apartments are furnished for each family before they arrive. Here's how you can help: Challenge your friends or Sunday School class to furnish a room or entire apartment for a family. If you are interested in this opportunity, contact Tim Boone to receive a complete list of the items that need to be purchased. If you would like to be added to the Refugee Care Team that will be alerted each time there is an urgent need for a refugee family, you may also contact Tim at tboone@fbcknox.org.

Senior Adult Picnic

Tuesday, September 21, Noon | *Norris Dam State Park* Everyone loves a picnic. Senior Adults will go to Norris Dam State Park on September 21 for a picnic. Please plan on joining the fun! The church van will leave at 10:30 am, and we have a pavilion reserved. Margaret will prepare our food, and we will eat at noon. We hope you can join us!

Outdoor Baptism - Postponed

Cove Lake State Park

We have decided to postpone our outdoor baptism but still plan to hold this celebration at a future date. Have you felt that God was leading you to be baptized but have not taken that step of faith? If so, let Pastor Brent know if you would like to be baptized on this special day or if you want more information about the importance and meaning of baptism. You can email him at <u>bmcdougal@fbcknox.org</u> or see him after a Sunday worship service.

Young Professionals 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 <u>tboone@fbcknox.org</u>.









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> **Dave Ward** Minister Emeritus

Coming Up This Week

Today, Noon, 230 Centre

Children Teacher Appreciation Lunch

Tuesday, 1 pm, 230 Centre Senior Adult Movie 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

Saturday, 8:30 am, Trentham Hall KAFCAM Conference

VISITING?

Let us know you're here!



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To reach the Minister On Call, please call the main church number and when prompted for an extension, choose option 9.

