



JESUS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

FACING THE FEAR OF FAILURE



FIRST BAPTIST KNOXVILLE
11 AM SERVICE

11 am Service | September 19, 2021

Prelude | Rhonda Carpenter

Partita on "Blessed Name" | Mary McDonald

Call to Worship | Sanctuary Choir

We Are a People of Faith (Hymn 252, stanza 1) | Hendricks Avenue

We are a people of faith - we believe God's Word.
We are a people of faith - we believe that Christ is Lord.
Every knee will someday bow, but we confess Him Savior now.
We are a people of faith - we believe God's Word.

Welcome | Chuck Powell

Congregational Hymn 32

God Has Spoken by the Prophets | HYMN TO JOY

God has spoken by the prophets, spoken the unchanging Word;
Each from age to age proclaiming God, the One, the righteous Lord!
'Mid the world's despair and turmoil one firm anchor holding fast:
God eternal reigns forever, God the first and God the last.

God has spoken by Christ Jesus, Christ, the everlasting Son,
Brightness of the Father's glory, with the Father ever one;
Spoken by the Word incarnate, God of God ere time was born;
Light of light, to earth descending, Christ, as God in human form.

God is speaking by the Spirit, speaking to our hearts again;
In the age-long Word declaring God's own message, now as then.
Through the rise and fall of nations one sure faith is standing fast:
God abides, the Word unchanging, God the first and God the last.

*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 671

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending | BEACH SPRING

God, whose giving knows no ending,
From Your rich and endless store:
Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,
Costly cross, grave's shattered door,

Gifted by You, we turn to You,
Offering up ourselves in praise;
Thankful song shall rise forever,
Gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing
Toward the goals of Christ, Your Son:
All at peace in health and freedom,
Races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor,
Lest we strive for self alone;
Born with talents, make us servants
Fit to answer at Your throne.

Treasure, too, You have entrusted,
Gain through powers Your grace conferred;
Ours to use for home and kindred,
And to spread the gospel Word.
Open wide our hands in sharing,
As we heed Christ's ageless call,
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming,
Serving You by loving all.

Scripture Reading (Matthew 25:14-30) | FBC Drama Team

¹⁴ “Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. ¹⁵ To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. ¹⁶ The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. ¹⁷ So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. ¹⁸ But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

¹⁹ “After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. ²⁰ The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.’

²¹ “His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!’

²² “The man with two bags of gold also came. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.’

²³ “His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!’

²⁴ “Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘I knew

that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. ²⁵ So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.'

²⁶ "His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed?' ²⁷ Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest.

²⁸ "So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. ²⁹ For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. ³⁰ And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Pastoral Prayer | Pam Neal

Special Music | Sanctuary Choir

Like a River Glorious | John Purifoy

Like a river glorious is God's perfect peace.
Over all victorious in its bright increase.
Perfect, yet it floweth fuller ev'ry day.
Perfect, yet it groweth deeper all the way.

Hidden in the hollow of God's blessed hand,
Never foe can follow, never traitor stand.
Not a surge of worry, not a shade of care,
Not a blast of hurry, touch the Spirit there.

Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest,
Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.
Like a river glorious, like a river glorious,
Is God's perfect peace.

Today's anthem was written for First Baptist Knoxville by John Purifoy in honor of its 175th Anniversary in 2018 and his minister and friend, Wendell Boertje.

Sermon | Brent McDougal

Facing the Fear of Failure | Matthew 25:14-30

Hymn of Response 665

Because I Have Been Given Much | SEMINARY

Because I have been given much, I, too, must give;
Because of Thy great bounty, Lord, each day I live,
I shall divide my gifts from Thee with every person that I see
Who has the need of help from me.

Because I have been sheltered, fed, by Thy good care,
I cannot see another's lack and I not share
My glowing fire, my loaf of bread, my roof's safe shelter overhead,
That they too may be comforted.

Because love has been lavished so upon me, Lord,
A wealth I know that was not meant for me to hoard,
I shall give love to those in need, shall show that love by word and deed:
Thus shall my thanks be thanks indeed.

Worship Through Giving/Announcements | Tim Boone

Spoken Benediction

Sung Benediction | Sanctuary Choir

Find Us Faithful | arr. Mayfield

Oh, may all who come behind us find us faithful.
May the fire of our devotion light their way.
May the footprints that we leave lead them to believe,
And the lives we live inspire them to obey.
Oh, may all who come behind us find us faithful.

Organ Postlude | Rhonda Carpenter

Prelude in Classic Style | Gordon Young

Sanctuary Flowers

In honor of Catherine Hill and Davis Millians,
married September 18, 2021.

SERMONNOTES

"FACING THE FEAR OF FAILURE" MATTHEW 25:14-30

Every person is afraid to fail at least some of the time. You may not think that's a problem with you, but sometimes we don't always realize how big a deal it is.

Based on the nine-question quiz from Pastor Brent, in what areas of your life do you see the fear of failure?

No matter how successful we are in some areas of life, there are other areas that scare us to death. Nobody can be good at everything, so we tend to stick with what we know and what makes us appear successful to others. We don't want people to know how much we fail, so the anxiety causes us to shrink back. But the fear of failure is devastating.

Jesus knew this was so important that He addressed it with his followers before He went to the cross. He knew that the fear of failure would paralyze our potential, rob our happiness, and kill our dreams. Jesus told a whole story to help us face the fear of failure: the parable of the talents.

"Master...I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground." (Matthew 25:24-25, NIV)

Here's a truth that can help you overcome your fear of failure.

The Master of the Universe _____ you with His

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." (Isaiah 41:10, NIV)

SERMONNOTES

And here's more good news:

If you're faithful with a _____ things, God will put you in charge of _____.

Faithful is our theme for this year's ministry and mission focus. Ask yourself: am I being faithful in these areas? What would taking a risk look like in each of these areas?

Faithfulness in worship

Faithfulness in mission

Faithfulness in discipleship

Faithfulness in community

Don't you want to one day hear the words, "Well done, good and faithful servant?" Not well-said, not well-believed, but *well done*.

God gives His greatest _____ to those who fulfill the Great Commission.

William Borman: *No reserve, no retreat, no regrets.*

What would you do if you were not afraid? What kind of joy are you missing because the fear of failure is holding you back?

How is God speaking to you today?

SPOTLIGHT ON

BLUEGRASS, BBQ, & MORE!

We have enjoyed this event in past years as a church family. This year, we are excited to try some new things in an effort to attract more of our surrounding community to our church.

Our pastor continues to share his vision of reaching people in the downtown area and beyond and drawing them onto our church campus environment in a way they will feel comfortable and welcomed. For many, that will not be a drop-in visit on a Sunday morning. Statistics prove that the majority of individuals do not want to be singled out as “guests.” They want to check out a church on their own through social media, web pages, streaming, and other ways to have their questions answered before they visit in person. This event hopes to provide an opportunity to do just that!

This year’s event will include food trucks with the availability to purchase a variety of items from BBQ to burgers to ice cream!

We will host the local band, "The Tenos," who will provide bluegrass music for your entertainment.

Our Community Council is extremely excited about this year’s event and has been hard at work making it happen!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray for North Knoxville Baptist Church

Each week we lift a church up in prayer. Today we lift up North Knoxville Baptist Church. Please pray for our brothers and sisters to have strength and encouragement as they share the gospel with the Knoxville community and advance the Kingdom of God.



COMMUNITY

Senior Adult Picnic

Tuesday, September 21, Noon | Norris Dam State Park
Everyone loves a picnic. So please join us this Tuesday as the Senior Adults take a trip to Norris Dam State Park for a picnic! Margaret will prepare our food, and we will eat at noon. We have a pavilion reserved. Please RSVP to Pam Neal at pneal@fbcknox.org if you plan to come to the picnic. We hope you can join us!



COMMUNITY

Quarterly Church Business Meeting

Wednesday, September 22, 6 pm | Trentham Hall
Mark your calendars and please plan to join us for First Baptist's Quarterly Church Business meeting.



COMMUNITY

A Day of Service

Saturday, October 2, 8-12:30 pm
Join us for the church-wide Day of Service! There will be projects supporting various FBC ministries and local partners all across Knoxville. You can sign up online at fbcknox.org/events or fill out a sign-up form at the front desk. Contact Tim Boone at tboone@fbcknox.org if you have any questions.



MISSION

How Sweet the Sound! A Concert for Piano & Organ

Sunday, October 10, 6 pm | Sanctuary
Join us this October as our pianist, Brandon Coffey, and Central Baptist Bearden's organist, Trey Ogle, come together to perform a piano and organ recital to kick off FBC's Concert Series! Tickets (\$10) are required for this concert and will be available for purchase on Sundays after the 11 am service on the 3rd Floor Crossover. Music lovers will not want to miss the talents of Brandon and Trey! Come show your support!



COMMUNITY

Habitat for Humanity Baptist Build

*Fall Build Dates: September 25 | October 2, 9, 16 |
November 13, 20*

We are so excited to partner with Central Baptist Bearden to build a home for an East Knoxville family. This will be a meaningful opportunity to come together as brothers and sisters in Christ to bless a deserving single mother. We do not want to be outdone by our sister church! The first build date is September 25, and we will need 10-15 volunteers. If you would like to volunteer for this build date or any of the other build dates, please register at <https://knoxvillehabitat.volunteerhub.com/lp/firstbaptistknoxville/>. A computer will be set up in the 3rd floor crossover on Sundays after the 11:00 am service for you to use to sign up. If you have any questions, please contact Tim Boone at tboone@fbcknox.org.



MISSION

College Sunday School

Sundays, 9:45 am | Dwell Suite

Sunday School for college students has resumed at 9:45 am in the Dwell area. Breakfast is 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

Season of Prayer for Tennessee Missions

Our state is a mission field. The Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions and the Volunteer State Missions Offering stay in Tennessee to reach Tennessee for Christ. Visit goldenoffering.org and tncbf.org/vsmo to find Prayer Guides and more information online. These resources are opportunities to learn more about caring for “the least of these” across Tennessee with your prayers, involvement, and offerings. WMU encourages you to use the Prayer Guides in your personal prayer time to learn more about state missions, unite our hearts in prayer, and consider how God might be calling us as individuals and congregations to become involved in these life-changing ministries. Thank you, First Baptist, for supporting missions and ministry.



MISSION

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.



MISSION

COVID-19 Reminder

Please remember that we ask people to wear masks in common areas (welcome center, hallways, etc.) and when entering worship spaces. Once seated, you are welcome to remove your mask. Masks are required for adults and kids in the preschool, children's, and youth areas at all times. Please use hand sanitizer regularly when on the church campus. If you feel sick, please stay home and participate through the internet or television. If you have a positive test for COVID-19 and were on the church campus within 48 hours of feeling sick, please contact the church office as soon as possible to let us know (865-546-9661). We'll get through this together!



COMMUNITY

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

	Aug '21	Fiscal YTD	Last Week's Attendance
Revenue (all sources)	\$148,473	\$303,437	Worship Total 256
Expenses	<u>\$138,173</u>	<u>\$275,462</u>	(does not reflect at-home viewers)
Excess/Deficit	\$10,300	\$27,975	

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Coming Up This Week

Today, 2 pm , Sanctuary

Spencer Hudson's Funeral

Today, 4:30 pm,

Knox County Association of Baptists

Deacon Picnic

Tuesday, Noon, Norris Dam State Park

Senior Adult Picnic

Wednesday, Starts @ 5 pm, Trentham Hall

Dinner & Wednesday Night Activities

Wednesday, 6 pm, Trentham Hall

Quarterly Church Business Meeting

Thursday, 10:30 am, 302

Golden Notes Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, 7:30 am

Habitat for Humanity Build Begins

VISITING?

Let us know you're here!



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