



FIRSTBAPTIST KNOXVILLE

In the Center of the City with the Savior

11 AM Service | July 3, 2022

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Organ Prelude | Rhonda Carpenter

All Creatures of Our God and King | arr. Gayden Sikes

Call to Worship | Hymn 340

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name | DIADEM

Welcome | Susan Tatum

Congregational Hymn 354

Praise Him! Praise Him! | JOYFUL SONG

Children's Sermon | Susan Tatum

Congregational Hymn 215

Rejoice, the Lord Is King | DARWALL

Pastoral Prayer | Tim Boone

Scripture Reading (Revelation 4:1-11) | Emery Kirby

After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." ² At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it. ³ And the one who sat there had the appearance of jasper and ruby. A rainbow that shone like an emerald encircled the throne. ⁴ Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads. ⁵ From the throne came flashes of lightning, rumblings and peals of thunder. In front of the throne, seven lamps were blazing. These are the seven spirits of God. ⁶ Also in front of the throne there was what looked like a sea of glass, clear as crystal. ⁷ The first living creature was like a lion, the second living creature like a calf, the third living creature had a face like a man, and the fourth living creature was like a flying eagle. ⁸ The four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within. And they do not rest day or night, saying:

"Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God Almighty,
Who was and is and is to come!"

9 Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say:

11 “You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they were created
and have their being.”

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Choral Anthem | Sanctuary Choir

Crown Him | arr. Dan Forrest

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing
who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified;
no angels in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends their burning eye
at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of years,
the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

Sermon | Dr. Brent McDougal

Sermon Series: Singing Your Faith Through the Summer

Today's Message: The Crown You Can't Keep | Revelation 4:1-11

Hymn of Invitation 431

Jesus Is Lord of All | LORDSIP OF CHRIST

Worship Through Giving/Announcements | Pam Neal

Spoken Benediction | Pam Neal

Sung Benediction | Sanctuary Choir

America the Beautiful | MATERNA

O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears.

Piano Postlude | Rhonda Carpenter and Brandon Coffey

The Stars and Stripes Forever | arr. John Philip Sousa

Sanctuary flowers are given in honor of our dear
Dr. Mercy Jeyaraja Rao, who celebrates her
birthday tomorrow, July 4th.

SERMONNOTES

The Crown You Can't Keep
Revelation 4:1-11
Pastor Brent McDougal

On this Independence Day weekend, we celebrate the freedom that we have as Americans. We also remember that we are first citizens of heaven, giving our highest worship and allegiance to God. The Bible says that those who faithfully endure will one day receive a reward.

This is a time for endurance.

“Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take your crown”
(Revelation 3:11, NIV).

1. Expect _____.

“God blesses those who patiently endure testing and temptation. Afterward they will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him” (James 1:12, NLT).

2. Pray for _____.

“Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow” (James 1:2-3, NLT).

3. Work not for a crown that fades away but one that lasts

_____.

SERMONNOTES

“Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing” (2 Timothy 4:8, NIV).

“Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever” (1 Corinthians 9:24-25, NIV).

4. Never forget that it's all _____.

“The twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying, ‘Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created’” (Revelation 4:10, ESV).

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

SPOTLIGHT ON

Youth Beach Camp 2022



Two weeks ago, 21 youth, two of their moms, our youth intern, and myself all spent the week at Orange Beach, Alabama for our annual "Beach Camp" trip with Student Life Camps.

We were led in worship by a wonderful group of musicians from The Bridge Church out of Nashville and taught by Pastor Kris Dolberry on the theme of "Unlikely". We heard from Kris about how God uses the unlikeliest of people to do great things, and talked in our small groups about King David and how he was an unlikely King, unlikely to be of "God's own heart," and an unlikely hero against Goliath. We had many great small group discussions, prayed for each other, shared communion on the beach, played in the gulf waters together, ate a great seafood dinner together, and just had a generally great time growing closer to God and closer to each other throughout the week.

We also are excited to share with you and celebrate together in one of our own, Landon James', decision to follow Christ! Congratulations, Landon! Thank you as always church for your support of our youth ministries. Without it, we wouldn't have as many opportunities to have fun together, to grow in our faith, and to celebrate decisions like the one Landon made.

Blessings,
Chuck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Bible Study

We are taking a short break from Wednesday night dinner and Bible study. We will *resume on August 17*.



COMMUNITY

"Meat" and Greet Men's Cookout

July 22, 6 pm | Trentham Hall

All men are invited to come to a cookout to get to know other men and encourage one another through fellowship. We will have a guest speaker and discuss some short-term small groups to continue to deepen relationships and discipleship. There's no need to bring anything, but please let us know if you plan to attend by contacting Vanessa Moore, Ministry Assistant, at vmoore@fbcknox.org or 865-546-9661. You can also let Vanessa know if you would like to contribute a food item or help with set up/clean up.



COMMUNITY

Very Important VBS Updates

We are down to one 4-year-old class that still needs two adult volunteers. Thank you to all of the ones that have responded this past week! If you are leading a group and have not picked up materials, please see Susan ASAP! If you have not pre-registered your child, do so NOW! **Registration closes on Friday, July 8 at NOON.**



DISCIPLESHIP

Parables Podcast and Picnic

July 29, 6 pm | Trentham Hall

A great ending to our summer music camp will be a dinner and performance by our camp participants. Everyone is invited to attend. Tickets will be available July 17 and 24 on the third-floor crossover. There is no charge but donations are welcome.



WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Food items needed for the FISH Pantry

FISH provides bags of food for dozens of people on the first Monday of each month. Please support this ministry by dropping off peanut butter at the front desk.



MISSION

Mission Trip to Uganda

October 8-16

Missy Ward and Francis Angalla will host a team from First Baptist that will focus on cultural education and ministry with refugees. Cost for the trip is \$1,500 (scholarships are available for young adults). This includes airfare, lodging, and transportation. There will be an optional two-day safari at the end of the trip for an additional cost of \$600. Only three spots remaining! For more information, contact Tim Boone at tboone@fbcknox.org.



MISSION

Care First Ministry - Volunteers Needed Every Tuesday

Did you know that each week we serve food and offer showers to 30-40 people? We need your help to serve our guests well and build relationships. Care First is every Tuesday night from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm in the Trentham Hall parking lot. No additional training is needed.

Contact Tim Boone at tboone@fbcknox.org if you would like to be involved.



MISSION

| | May '22 | Fiscal YTD | Last Week's Attendance |
|-----------------------|------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
| Revenue (all sources) | \$134,290 | \$1,923,807 | Worship Total 318 |
| Expenses | \$158,844 | \$1,797,961 | (does not reflect at-home viewers) |
| Excess/Deficit | (\$24,553) | \$125,845 | |

Money raised for the North American Missions offering

Annie Armstrong \$ 3,234.00
CBF Mission Offering \$ 1,291.94

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Coming Up This Week

Monday

Church Office Closed
FISH Pantry

Tuesday

Food Co-Op
Care First

Wednesday

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

Knots of Love

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