



FIRSTBAPTIST KNOXVILLE

In the Center of the City with the Savior

11 AM Service | July 24, 2022

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Organ Prelude | Rhonda Carpenter

A Mighty Fortress is Our God | arr. Mary McDonald

Call to Worship 559

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing | WARRENTON

Welcome | Susan Tatum

Congregational Hymn 689

Let Justice Flow Like Streams | ST. THOMAS

Children's Sermon | Susan Tatum

Congregational Hymn 49

As the Deer | AS THE DEER

Scripture Reading (John 7:37-39) | Chuck Powell

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." ³⁹ By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Pastoral Prayer | Pam Neal

Each week we pray for a local church. This week we are praying for City Hills Church.

Choral Anthem | Sanctuary Choir

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing | arr. Rouse

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by Thy help I'm come
And I hope by Thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wand'ring from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart Lord take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above

Sermon | Dr. Brent McDougal

Sermon Series: Singing Our Faith Through the Summer
Today's Message: Come and Drink! | John 7:37-39

Hymn of Invitation 577

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say | KINGSFOLD

Worship Through Giving/Announcements | Pam Neal

Spoken Benediction | Pam Neal

Benediction Hymn 282 Stanza 2

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken | AUSTRIAN HYMN

Organ Postlude | Rhonda Carpenter

O God, Our Help in Ages Past | arr. Jeff Perks

Sanctuary flowers are given in loving memory of
Bob Davis given by Pat Davis and daughters,
Donna Crisp and Jan Broome.

SERMON NOTES

Come and Drink!
John 7:37-39
Pastor Brent McDougal

“Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.’ By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive” (John 7:37-39, NIV).

In Jesus is life. Through the Spirit there is a reservoir of power and a deep stream of satisfaction.

But the questions that we have to consider are these: is it true? Is He really the source of all life? And if it is true, then what will it be like when you have streams of living water flowing through you? Will it be worth it to come to Him to receive the living water?

Not everyone believes it is true. Jesus is in Jerusalem with a divided crowd of listeners. Do you have doubts that He is the true source of life, and if so, could that limit your experience of streams of living water flowing through you?

Let's look at the condition, the invitation, and the satisfaction promised in Jesus' words.

The condition: T_____.

“Jesus answered her, ‘If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water’” (John 4:10, NIV).

SERMONNOTES

*“Jesus answered, ‘Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life’”
(John 4:13-14, NIV).*

The invitation: Come to Jesus and d_____.

“I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst” (John 6:35, ESV).

“O God, you are my God; I earnestly search for you. My soul thirsts for you; my whole body longs for you in this parched and weary land where there is no water” (Psalm 63:1, NLT).

“If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me...” (John 7:37-38, ESV).

“Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and you will delight in the richest of fare” (Isaiah 55:1-2, NIV).

The satisfaction promised: Rivers of _____ Water.

“I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you” (John 14:16-17, ESV).

SPOTLIGHT ON

Care First Standing in the Gap

Sara struggles to look you in the eye when she tells her story. She is the first to admit that she has made mistakes. She is living in her car. Bad credit, shaky employment history, and substance abuse are just a few of the problems she is facing. She is trying to look up. She is doing everything right. She has a job and is connected to organizations that are helping her move forward. Her excitement last week was electrifying. She was a week away from receiving her first paycheck. As you can imagine, without a place to shower and money for gas, transitioning from nothing to something is not smooth or seamless. Finding a way to stay clean and afford to pay for gas to drive to work are daily challenges that are chipping away at her blossoming hope.

Brett has many tattoos. Not a hodgepodge of the names of ex-girlfriends or indecipherable symbols, but purposeful, distinct military insignias representing three tours in Afghanistan. If you cannot interpret the markings, you can picture the stories behind his many scars. You can tell that he does not smile often but he was almost giddy that night. He said that this was the happiest he had been in a long time. The weight from PTSD became lighter the day he received his service dog. He talked about her as if she were family. Finally, things are looking up, but he is still two years away from being able to move into permanent housing.

Sara and Brett's stories are not unusual. Different combinations of trauma, abuse, mental illness, addiction, and recovery are on display every Tuesday night. For those who are on the long and difficult path to restoration, Care First stands in the gaps and offers hope. For many of our guests, food, safety, a shower, and a pair of clean underwear and socks is the difference between taking a step forward and taking two steps back.

Join us around the table on Tuesday nights at 5:30 pm. We do not ask anything different of you from what we ask of our guests. Come as you are. There is a place for you. Because around God's table, we are fully seen and fully known and there is always room for one more. To learn more, contact Tim Boone at tboone@fbcknox.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Immediate Need for Paid Childcare Workers

We are currently looking to hire some additional paid staff for Sunday mornings, Wednesday evenings, deacon meetings, and other church events. Requirements to work in the nursery are: 1.) a loving and positive attitude with all ages of children, 2.) mobility to allow interaction with children, and 3.) a completed and approved background check. If you are interested in filling out an application, please contact Susan Tatum at statum@fbcknow.org. Many of our programs and ministries depend on childcare in order to function, so please make this a matter of prayer.



COMMUNITY

Coffee and Community

Mondays, 8 am- 2 pm | Dwell Suite

Do you want to extend hospitality to our downtown neighbors and guests, building relationships and helping us demonstrate care? Consider volunteering for our growing "Coffee and Community" ministry. For more information, please contact Sue Fowler at fowersw@bellsouth.net.



COMMUNITY

Wednesday Night Bible Study

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



COMMUNITY

Parables Podcast and Picnic

July 29, 6 pm | Trentham Hall

A great ending to our children's 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

The Bridge Downtown Luncheon

Relaunch, Wednesday, August 24th | 11:50 am

Mark your calendars for the return of The Bridge downtown luncheon each Wednesday at 11:50 am starting on August 24th. This is an opportunity for people working downtown (or anywhere else in the city) to join old and new friends in a time to connect and consider God's word together. The luncheon concludes each week no later than 12:45 pm to allow people to return to work. Cost is \$6 per person. For more information, email Vanessa Moore (vmoore@fbcknox.org).



COMMUNITY

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 - 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 261
Expenses	<u>\$158,844</u>	<u>\$1,797,961</u>	(does not reflect at-home viewers)
Excess/Deficit	(\$24,553)	\$125,845	

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Coming Up This Week

Monday-Friday

Children's Music Camp

Monday

Coffee & Community

Tuesday

Care First

Wednesday

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Friday

Parables Podcast and Picnic

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