



FIRSTBAPTIST KNOXVILLE

In the Center of the City with the Savior

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Countdown

You Never Let Go

Beth Redman | Matt Redman

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Even though I walk through the valley
Of the shadow of death
Your perfect love is casting out fear
And even when I'm caught in the middle
Of the storms of this life
I won't turn back I know You are near

And I will fear no evil
For my God is with me
And if my God is with me
Whom then shall I fear
Whom then shall I fear

*Oh no You never let go
Through the calm and through the storm
Oh no You never let go
In ev'ry high and ev'ry low
Oh no You never let go
Lord You never let go of me*

And I can see a light that is coming
For the heart that holds on
A glorious light beyond all compare
And there will be an end to these troubles
But until that day comes
We'll live to know You here on the earth

*Oh no You never let go
Through the calm and through the storm
Oh no You never let go
In ev'ry high and ev'ry low
Oh no You never let go
Lord You never let go of me
You keep on runnin' and You never let go
Singin'*

Yes I can see a light
That is coming for the heart that holds on
And there will be an end to these troubles
But until that day comes
Still I will praise You
Still I will praise You

Welcome | Susan Tatum

Prayer for Church Leadership

Graves into Gardens

Brandon Lake | Chris Brown | Steven Furtick | Tiffany Hudson
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I searched the world but it couldn't fill me
Man's empty praise and treasures that fade
Are never enough
Then You came along and put me back together
And every desire is now satisfied here in Your love

Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing
Nothing is better than You

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness
My failures and flaws
Lord You've seen them all
And You still call me friend
'Cause the God of the mountain
Is the God of the valley
And there's not a place
Your mercy and grace won't find me again

You turn mourning to dancing
You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory
You're the only one who can

You turn graves into gardens
You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways
You're the only one who can

Scripture Reading (Psalm 23) | Pam Neal

A psalm of David.

¹ The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

² He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters,

³ he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

⁴ Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

⁶ Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Prayer Litany | Richard Buerkle

Prayer: Encounters with Jesus | Leonard Sweet, preachthestory.com

Leader: Draw me today into fresh encounters with Jesus, O God.

Make me a servant of love

Congregation: so that others may know how much You love them and I may know how much You love me.

Leader: Let me not be afraid of new pastures, whether they be green or brown or parched.

Congregation: And as I pass through whatever the day's valleys, keep my head lifted up to the mountain, from whence my help comes.

Leader: Never let me forget the people Jesus welcomed...

Congregation: the greedy and the great, the bad and the good, the respected and the cheats.

Leader: Even as the world becomes more callous and chaotic,

Congregation: may I never underestimate Your capacity to fashion the miraculous from the monstrous, even to make me a choice masterpiece from the mire and the clay. Amen.

Lord, I Need You

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Lord I come I confess

Bowing here I find my rest

And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

*Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You*

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

*Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You*

Sermon | Tim Boone

Living Without Lack | Psalm 23

I Am Not Alone

Austin Davis | Ben Davis | Dustin Sauder | Grant Pittman | Kari Jobe |
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When I walk through deep waters
I know that You will be with me
When I'm standing in the fire
I will not be overcome
Through the valley of the shadow
I will not fear

*I am not alone
I am not alone
You will go before me
You will never leave me*

In the midst of deep sorrow
I see Your light is breaking through
The dark of night will not overtake me
I am pressing into You
Lord You fight my ev'ry battle
And I will not fear

You amaze me redeem me
You call me as Your own
You amaze me redeem me
You call me as Your own

You're my strength You're my defender
You're my refuge in the storm
Through these trials You've always been faithful
You bring healing to my soul

Worship Through Offering | Susan Tatum

Spoken Benediction

Please drop your offering in the Offering Boxes by the door.

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	June '21	Fiscal YTD	Last Week's Attendance
Revenue (all sources)	\$187,332	\$1,901,506	
Expenses	<u>\$169,242</u>	<u>\$1,652,248</u>	Worship Total 326
Excess/Deficit	\$18,091	\$249,257	(does not reflect at-home viewers)

SPOTLIGHT ON



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

As you can tell from this group shot, we had an amazing turnout for VBS this year! God answered every need and brought us an average attendance of 110 children and 60 adults! It was heart-warming to see children literally running into the church with smiles and laughter and hearing parents tell us, "My child could not wait to get to VBS this morning!" or "My child has been singing the songs ALL WEEK LONG!"

This past week will make a difference in the lives of these children, and we pray decisions are made that will continue to change lives and open hearts to the Word of God and the love of Jesus Christ. Please pray that families looking for a church to attend will be drawn to First Baptist as a church that cares about them and welcomes them and their children.

"Thank You" doesn't seem like nearly enough to say to all of those who gave their time, energy, and most of all, love to these children. You came through in a BIG WAY in so many different areas.

I have been blessed watching you interact with these children! Seeds have been planted, and even though you may not see the harvest, know that you have had a part in God's plan.

I don't think that we should remember 2021 as the year things "got back to normal," but instead, as the year God took us beyond normal in so many ways here at FBC.

Thank you, church, for your support!

Susan

SERMONNOTES

"LIVING WITHOUT LACK" THE PROMISE OF PSALM 23

To experience a life without lack, three things are required of us:

1. We must have faith in the Shepherd:

Is the Shepherd leading and guiding your life?

2. We must entrust ourselves daily to God:

Is there an area of your life that you are struggling to entrust to the Good Shepherd?

SERMONNOTES

3. We must trust the love of God:

What is standing in the way of you trusting the love of God today?

SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray for All Souls Church

Each week we pray for one church in our city. Today we lift up a neighboring downtown church. Please pray for strength, encouragement, and for God's purposes to be fulfilled through our brothers and sisters at All Souls Church.



COMMUNITY

Outdoor Baptism and Church Celebration

Sunday, August 29, 4:30 pm-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. You can email him at bmcDougald@fbcknox.org or see him after a Sunday worship service.



DISCIPLESHIP

Adoption and Foster Care Conference

hosted by KAFCAM

Saturday, August 28 8:30am-3:00pm | 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, TN area. Their annual conference will be held at our church this year. Visit kafcaml.org to learn more and register.



COMMUNITY

Fishing Photos

Photo Deadline: Sunday, July 25

Calling all Fisherwomen and Fishermen - This is a church-wide invitation for you to share your "big catch" photos with us! We want to include your finest fishing photographs as part of our Worship Arts Camp "Fish Tales" program. Please email your photos to tboone@fbcknox.org no later than next Sunday, July 25. Everyone is welcome to share!



WORSHIP

Friday Night Fish Fry

Friday, July 30, 6 pm | Trentham Hall

You are invited to our church-wide Friday Night Fish Fry! This event will be the grand presentation of the Worship Arts Camp musical “Fish Tales.” Tickets will be available for pick up today, July 18, and next Sunday, July 25, at the third-floor crossover. Tickets are free, but donations will be used to cover the cost of the meal and support future Worship Arts Camps. We hope you will join us and show your support for our kids performing “Fish Tales!”



WORSHIP

Wednesday Activities Return & Bible Study Break

We are thrilled to announce that our regular Wednesday activities are relaunching in August! Mark your calendars and plan to join us on August 18th as Wednesday Night dinner, Bible study, and children’s missions and choirs resume once again! In preparation for this comeback, we will not hold Wednesday Night Bible study throughout July and the first two weeks of August. We are so excited and looking forward to Wednesday evening fellowship with you!



COMMUNITY

We’re Hiring

With the approval of our Personnel Committee, we are adding two part-time positions: External Communications Director and Video Media Director.

The **External Communications Director** position will help connect us to people outside the church through social media, general publicity, and website development.

The **Video Media Director** position will help us continue to work toward excellence in our worship services (including sound quality), guide the creation of video content to connect virtually with people outside the church, and recruit/train volunteer tech teams.



DISCIPLESHIP

You can find the full job descriptions at fbcknox.org/work-for-us/. Please help us spread the word about these new two positions and send in your recommendations.

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Coming Up This Week

Today, 2:30 pm, Zoom

Youth Parent Meeting

Tuesday-Thursday

Worship Arts Camp Set Build

Wednesday, 7 pm, Choir Suite

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, 12 pm, 230 Centre

Worship Arts Camp Leaders Meeting

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