



JESUS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

HOW TO SHARE JESUS
NATURALLY & WITHOUT FEAR



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Countdown

The Joy of the Lord

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Though the tears may fall my song will rise
My song will rise to You
Though my heart may fail my song will rise
My song will rise to You
While there's breath in my lungs
I will praise You Lord

In the dead of night I'll lift my eyes
I'll lift my eyes to You
When the waters rise I'll lift my eyes
I'll lift my eyes to You
While there's hope in this heart
I will praise You Lord

The joy of the Lord is my strength
The joy of the Lord is my strength
In the darkness I'll dance, In the shadows I'll sing
The joy of the Lord is my strength

When I cannot see You with my eyes
Let faith arise to You
When I cannot feel Your hand in mine
Let faith arise to You
God of mercy and love I will praise You Lord

Oh You shine with glory Lord of light
I feel alive with You
In Your presence now I come alive
I am alive with You
There is strength when I say
I will praise You Lord

When sorrow comes my way
You are the shield around me
Always You remain
My courage in the fight
I hear You call my name Jesus I am coming
Walking on the waves reaching for Your light

Welcome | Tim Boone

Missional Moment | Brannon Hulsey

Pastoral Prayer | Brent McDougal

Drama | Jaynie Moore, Mark Palmer

Love Her? | Robyn Berdino

Scripture Reading (1 Corinthians 2:1-5) | Chuck Powell

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!

Holy Spirit

Bryan Torwalt | Katie Torwalt

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There's nothing worth more that will ever come close
No thing can compare You're our living hope
Your Presence

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone
In Your Presence Lord

*Holy Spirit You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory God is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your Presence Lord*

Your Presence Lord

Your Presence Lord

Your Presence

Oh God how we love Your Presence Lord

Let us become more aware of Your Presence

Let us experience the glory of Your goodness (Lord)

Sermon | Brent McDougal

Jesus in Your Neighborhood:

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

Awake My Soul

Brooke Ligertwood

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There is a sound I love to hear
It's the sound of the Saviour's robe
As He walks into the room where people pray
Where we hear praises He hears faith

There is a sound I love to hear
It's the sound of the Saviour's robe
As He walks into the room where people pray
Where we hear worship He hears faith

*Awake my soul and sing
Sing His praise aloud sing His praise aloud
Oh awake my soul and sing
Sing His praise aloud sing His praise aloud*

There is a sound that changes things
The sound of His people on their knees
Oh wake up you slumbering
It's time to worship Him

And when He moves and when we pray
Where stood a wall now stands a way
Where every promise is amen
And when He moves make no mistake
The bowels of hell begin to shake
All hail the Lord all hail the King

Hey oh
Oh let the King of glory enter in
Hey oh
Fall down on your knees and worship Him
Hey oh
Let His praise rise up don't hold it in

Worship Through Offering | Pam Neal

Spoken Benediction

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	July '21	Fiscal YTD	Last Week's Attendance
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-home 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.

1. Keep it simple: who Jesus _____ and what He _____.

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. For when I am
weak, then I am strong." (2 Corinthians 12:9-10, ESV)

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

SPOTLIGHT ON

DWELL COLLEGE MINISTRY

The 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.



COMMUNITY

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 statum@fbcknox.org if you can help out.



DISCIPLESHIP

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 pneal@fbcknox.org if you plan to join. All are welcome to enjoy the fellowship!



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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 kafcaml.org to learn more and register.



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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 pneal@fbcknox.org. 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)



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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.



DISCIPLESHIP

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

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!



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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 bmcdougal@fbcknox.org or see him after a Sunday worship service.



DISCIPLESHIP

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 tboone@fbcknox.org.



DISCIPLESHIP

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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

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