



FIRSTBAPTIST KNOXVILLE



FIRST COMMUNITY
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Countdown

Welcome | Tim Boone

Forever (His Love Endures Forever)

Chris Tomlin

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Give thanks to the Lord
Our God and King
His love endures forever
For He is good He is above all things
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

With a mighty hand
And an outstretched arm
His love endures forever
For the life that's been reborn
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

Sing praise sing praise

Forever God is faithful
Forever God is strong
Forever God is with us
Forever forever

From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever
And by the grace of God
We will carry on
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

Scripture Reading (Psalm 107:1-9) | Susan Tatum

- ¹ Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.
- ² Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story—
those he redeemed from the hand of the foe,
- ³ those he gathered from the lands,
from east and west, from north and south.[a]

- ⁴ Some wandered in desert wastelands,
finding no way to a city where they could settle.
- ⁵ They were hungry and thirsty,
and their lives ebbed away.
- ⁶ Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress.
- ⁷ He led them by a straight way
to a city where they could settle.
- ⁸ Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love
and his wonderful deeds for mankind,
- ⁹ for he satisfies the thirsty
and fills the hungry with good things.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Grateful

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This is the day that you have made
Whatever comes I won't complain
For all my hope Is in your name
And now your joy awaits my praise

*I give thanks for all you have done
And I will sing of your mercy and your love
Your love is unfailing Lord I am grateful*

When I was down you brought me out
And set my feet on higher ground
So here I stand you are my God
Your faithfulness my solid rock

*I give thanks for all you have done
I won't forget all the battles you have won
Your love is unfailing Lord I am grateful*

And as we lift our hands
The heavens open heavens open
So let our lives declare
The love our God has spoken over us

There Is a Redeemer

Melody Green

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There is a Redeemer Jesus God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God Messiah Holy One

*Thank You O my Father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done*

Jesus my Redeemer name above all names
Precious Lamb of God Messiah
O for sinners slain

When I stand in glory I will see His face
There I'll serve my King forever
In that holy place

Pastoral Prayer | Chuck Powell

Sermon | Brent McDougal

Sermon Series: What We Do and Why We Do It

Today's Message: The Alphabet of Thanksgiving | Psalm 107:1-9

Goodness of God

Ben Fielding | Brian Johnson | Ed Cash | Jason Ingram | Jenn Johnson

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I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

*All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God*

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me

Worship Through Offering | Pam Neal

Spoken Benediction

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

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SERMONNOTES

"THE ALPHABET OF THANKSGIVING"

PSALM 107:1-9

How much do you really want to “ascend” into the presence of the indescribable? If you have wandered from God, then how do you come back?

Gratitude is the _____ to worship.

Psalm 107 is a psalm of ascent. It would have been sung when going up to Jerusalem for worship.

*“Enter his gates **with thanksgiving** and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.”*

(Psalm 100:4-5, NIV)

By each letter below, make a note of something for which you are thankful. (Don't fill in what Pastor Brent says for each letter. Think about your life and the blessings for which you can give thanks.)

A-

B-

C-

D-

E-

F-

G-

“For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened.” (Romans 1:21, NIV)

H-

I-

J-

SERMONNOTES

“Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!” (2 Cor. 9:15, NIV)

K-

L-

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N-

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S-

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V-

*“Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”
(1 Corinthians 15:57, NIV)*

W-

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.” (Colossians 3:15-16, NIV)

X-

Y-

Z-

Thank God for _____!

SPOTLIGHTON

FBC YOUTH: FALL RETREAT

On November 5, we took 25 youth and five adults to Camp Living Stones near Athens for our annual Youth Fall Retreat. We had a wonderful time of fellowship, fun, worship, and Bible study together as a group, and I'm already looking forward to the next one.

We focused on the theme of "I am _____," filling in that blank with words like "forgiven," "not alone," "a child of God," and "loved." I believe that if anyone left the weekend with a greater knowledge of being forgiven or loved or not alone, then it was a successful weekend.

We also had fun on the rock wall, zip line, shooting bows and arrows, throwing axes, sharing around a campfire, and making funny little movies to watch together.

Thank you church for all your support and encouragement in giving our youth opportunities that are both fun and help them go deeper in their faith.

Blessings, Chuck



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray for Tabernacle Baptist Church

Each week we lift up a church in prayer. Today we lift up Tabernacle Baptist Church. Please pray for our brothers and sisters to have strength and encouragement as they develop fully devoted followers of Christ through worship, education, discipleship, and empowerment.



COMMUNITY

Thanksgiving Break: No Wednesday Activities

Wednesday, November 24

Please be aware that there will be no Wednesday activities next week due to Thanksgiving. Regular activities will resume the following Wednesday, December 1. Happy Thanksgiving!



COMMUNITY

Hanging of the Green

Sunday, November 28, 5 pm

We begin our Advent journey together by reflecting on the powerful symbols which adorn our sanctuary and homes. These decorations remind us of the Light that has come to dwell with us and in us.

Join your church family at this special service for music and to gain a deeper understanding of the Truth our Christmas decorations proclaim. A small reception with refreshments will follow in the 230 Centre.



WORSHIP

Christmas Cantata: "Darkness Into Light" by Mary McDonald

Sunday, December 5 | 11:00 am Service | Sanctuary

Join the Sanctuary Choir, members of the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra, and guest conductor/composer Mary McDonald for FBC's Christmas Cantata, "Darkness Into Light." It will be a morning of exciting music as we reflect on Emmanuel, the Light of the World, coming to dwell with us.



WORSHIP

Christmas Shop

December 6 & 7 | 5 pm & 8 am | Trentham Hall

Applications have been turned in, and we have 58 families representing 150 children participating in the Christmas Shop. That is an increase of 19 families and 46 children from last year! While a bit of a challenge, we see this as a wonderful opportunity to reach more families with the love of Christ, especially at this special time of year. Please be in prayer for these families as we renew our relationships and form new bonds with them.

If you can volunteer on either Monday evening, December 6, at 5:00 pm or Tuesday morning, December 7, at 8:00 am, please email Susan Tatum at statum@fbcknox.org. We will need some additional volunteers because of this greater opportunity!

Also, if you would like to make a monetary donation, you may do so in the form of a check made out to FBC and marked for Christmas Shop.



MISSION

The WordPlayers Theatre:

"In These Dark Streets"

Wednesday, December 8, 6 pm | Trentham Hall

"Where is he who has been born king of the Jews?" It's a question asked by some who wanted to worship Christ and by some who wanted to avoid His reign. This Advent, join us for "In These Dark Streets," from The WordPlayers' Theatre, which helps us consider that question and the reason why each of us asks it. The 30 minute program will be in place of our regular Bible study, and donations will be accepted at the show.



WORSHIP

Golden Notes Christmas Musical

Sunday, December 19, 5 pm | Sanctuary

Come celebrate with the Golden Notes Choir as they present JOY: A Gospel Christmas Celebration by Joel Raney. Mark your calendars! You won't want to miss this special worship service!



WORSHIP

Name Tag November

We have recently had a large number of guests for in-person worship. We don't always know one another, so throughout this month, we'll be observing "Name Tag November." Each week, we're asking each person to wear a name tag to help us get to know one another better. The name tags will be available as you enter the building. Every person matters, whether in-person or online!



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

	Oct '21	Fiscal YTD	Last Week's Attendance
Revenue (all sources)	\$155,947	\$652,751	
Expenses	<u>\$140,240</u>	<u>\$594,566</u>	Worship Total 303
Excess/Deficit	\$15,706	\$58,186	(does not reflect at-home viewers)

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Coming Up This Week

Today, 12 pm, Trentham Hall

Love Feast

Tuesday, 7 pm, Choir Suite

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday & Friday

Office Closed for Thanksgiving

Saturday, 12:45 pm, Back Parking Lot

UT Home Game Youth Parking

Sunday, 5 pm, Sanctuary

Hanging of the Green

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