

FIRSTBAPTIST KNOXVILLE

In the Center of the City with the Savior First Community Service April 24, 2022

A New Sermon Series from Dr. Brent McDougal Building Better Relationships

Today's Message: Building Better Friendships

First Community | April 24, 2022

Countdown

The Cost

Rend Collective

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I'm saying yes to You And no to my desires I'll leave myself behind And follow You I'll walk the narrow road 'Cause it leads me to You I'll fall but grace will pick me up again I've counted up the cost Oh I've counted up the cost Yes I've counted up the cost And You are worth it I do not need safety As much as I need You You're dangerous But Lord You're beautiful I'll chase You through the pain I'll carry my cross 'Cause real love is not afraid to bleed Jesus take my all Take my everything I've counted up the cost And You're worth everything

Welcome | Chuck Powell

Scripture Reading (Luke 5:17-26) | Pam Neal

One day Jesus was teaching, and Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting there. They had come from every village of Galilee and from Judea and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was with Jesus to heal the sick. 18 Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a mat and tried to take him into the house to lay him before Jesus. 19 When they could not find a way to do this because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and lowered him on his mat through the tiles into the middle of the crowd,

right in front of Jesus.

20 When Jesus saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven."

21 The Pharisees and the teachers of the law began thinking to themselves, "Who is this fellow who speaks blasphemy? Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

22 Jesus knew what they were thinking and asked, "Why are you thinking these things in your hearts? 23 Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'? 24 But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the paralyzed man, "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." 25 Immediately he stood up in front of them, took what he had been lying on and went home praising God. 26 Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God. They were filled with awe and said, "We have seen remarkable things today."

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

How He Loves Us

John Mark McMillan

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He is jealous for me loves like a hurricane I am a tree bending beneath
The weight of His wind and mercy
When all of a sudden I am unaware of
These afflictions eclipsed by glory
I realize just how beautiful You are
And how great Your affections are for me

Oh how He loves us so Oh how He loves us How He loves us so (REPEAT)

(Yeah) He loves us Oh how He loves us Oh how He loves us Oh how He loves (REPEAT)

We are His portion and He is our prize
Drawn to redemption by the grace in His eyes
If grace is an ocean we're all sinking
So Heaven meets earth
Like a sloppy wet (unforeseen) kiss
And my heart turns violently inside of my chest
I don't have time to maintain these regrets
When I think about the way that

Pastoral Prayer | Susan Tatum

Build My Life

Brett Younker | Karl Martin | Kirby Kaple | Matt Redman |

Pat Barrett

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Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name Jesus the only one who could ever save Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe We live for You We live for You

Holy there is no one like You There is none beside You Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are And fill me with Your heart And lead me in Your love to those around me

I will build my life upon Your love It is a firm foundation I will put my trust in You alone And I will not be shaken

Sermon | Dr. Brent McDougal

Sermon Series: Building Better Relationships Today's Message: Building Better Friendships Luke 5:17-26

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 | Chuck Powell Spoken Benediction | Chuck Powell

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

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Join us after First Community for Discover First

Sunday, April 24, 9:45 am | 230 Centre

For those who are thinking about becoming members of First Baptist or have joined recently, the next session of Discover First will be today at 9:45 am, in 230 Centre. Perhaps you have been attending First Baptist for a while but just aren't sure what it means to join the church. The class will include information about First Baptist, the staff, a brief history, and include a booklet of information as well as a book on church membership.

SERMONNOTES

Building Better Friendships Luke 5:17-26 Pastor Brent McDougal

What we need most is God and each other. Relationships are what life is all about.	Or perhaps you need Jesus' first words to the man on the mat: "Child, your sins are forgiven."
"I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you" (John 15:15, NIV).	How is God speaking to you today? What is your prayer of response?
Sometimes you're the friend on the mat, and some-	
times you're the one called to carry a friend. But in God's kingdom, you can't make it without true friends. So what does true friendship look like?	
True friends have	
when we don't.	
"I long to see you so that I may impart to you some	
spiritual gift to make you strong— that is, that you	
and I may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith" (Romans 1:11-12, NIV).	
True friends to go together.	
go together.	
"Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can	
reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in	
real trouble" (Ecclesiastes 4:9-10, NLT).	
True friends	
quickly.	
"Be gentle and ready to forgive; never hold grudges.	
Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others" (Colossians 3:13, NIV).	
True friends their	
faith.	
All of us find ourselves on the mat some days. Today	
you may need to hear Jesus' liberating command, "Rise, take up your mat and walk"	
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SPOTLIGHTON



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Transformation Church

Each week we lift up a church in prayer. Today we lift up Transformation Church. Please pray for our brothers and sisters to have strength and encouragement as they strive to be a light to this community and Knoxville. Pray that God will help them to meet the needs in our city.

COMMUNITY

Wednesday Night Activities

Join us next week for dinner beginning at 5 pm. We will be serving chicken & dumplings, collard greens, mashed potatoes, carrots, cornbread, and dessert. Kid's Hut Cafe will be serving chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, veggies, and dessert. Menu is subject to change upon product availability. Bible Study will start at 6 pm.



McDougal Housewarming

Today, Noon | Trentham Hall

Pastor Brent and Jen have recently moved into a new home. With that in mind, the Community Council is hosting a "Housewarming" reception to provide an opportunity for the church to celebrate with them. Stop by Trentham Hall today and wish them well. If you would like to provide something for their new house, gift cards are recommended to local home stores. Let's show our love and appreciation as Brent and Jen begin this new adventure!



Alpha Course on the Basics of Faith

May 8 through June 12 (Six weeks)

Sundays, 9:45 am | 230 Centre

Alpha is a series of video sessions that explores the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create open conversation. This course is a great fit for anyone who wants to know more about questions such as "Who is the Holy Spirit?" and "What Happens When We Pray?" There will be good food, a meaningful video presentation, and safe conversation to express questions and doubts. Email Pastor Brent McDougal at bmcodugal@fbcknox.org to express your interest.



Music and Missions Open House

Wednesday, May 11, 5:45 pm | Preschool and Children's Floors

We are excited to try something NEW this year to end our weekly choir and mission programs until the Fall. Parents and any other interested adults are invited to participate in an Open House. Beginning at 5:45 parents will visit their child's choir classroom where they will see and hear all of the many songs and other activities that their children have been working on this year. At 6:25 adults will proceed to their child's mission classroom where they will see all of the wonderful mission activities and service projects in which their child has participated. There will be light refreshments on both floors and awards will also be presented. Please plan to join us as we wrap up a wonderful year! This will be the last meeting until August.



Ladies' Luncheon

Godwinks: Signs of God's Presence and Encouragement

Saturday, May 14, 11 am | Trentham Hall

Join us for three inspirational speakers, Harpist Rhonda Carpenter, a delicious meal, and door prizes! Tickets go on sale Wednesday, April 20th - Sunday, May 8th for \$8.00 each and may be purchased online at fbcknox.org/events or on Sundays at the Third-Floor Crossover. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Pick up a brochure with more information at the reception desk. Invite a friend to attend with you!



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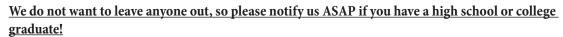
Graduate Recognition

Sunday, May 15 | Both Services

As the school year comes to a close, we want to honor and recognize the hard work of FBC's high school and college graduates. We will recognize our high schoolers on stage and our college graduates in the bulletin. For this recognition, please email the following information to Michelle Allen (mallen@fbcknox.org) by MAY 11:

High school graduates: the school they are graduating from, where they plan to attend/what they plan to do, and their photograph.

College graduates: the school they are graduating from and their degree received.





Thursday, May 19, 12:15 pm | Trentham Hall

Senior Adults are invited to join David Crocker as he discusses his book, Compassionaries: Unleash the Power of Serving. David says, "Compassionaries are about doing what they can to apply the power of serving to the vast needs of people who are hurting, hopeless and hapless - transforming their own lives and those they touch." Come learn about the power of serving. Lunch will also be offered at 11:30 am. RSVP to pneal@fbcknox.org by May 13.



COMMUNITY

Kids Camp 2022 Make Waves!

June 15-18 for children who have completed grades 3-5

Carson Springs Retreat Center Newport, TN (note: NEW place!)

What WE do today can change the world around us when we put our trust in Jesus! Cost is \$200 per camper and covers everything except snacks. Scholarships are available. Families with more than one child attending will receive a discount. A deposit of \$100 is due by April 24. Please turn in to Susan Tatum. Checks should be made out to FBC Knoxville and designated to Kids Camp. Friends are encouraged to attend!



Summer Music Camp

July 25-29 | Trentham Hall

Mark your calendars for this year's Summer Music Camp, *Parables and Percussion*. For children ages 1st - 5th Grade, camp will be daily from 9 am until noon, and there is no charge to take part. Watch upcoming announcements for more information or contact rbuerkle@fbcknox.org.



Monthly Budget		
	Mar '22	Fiscal YTD
Revenue (all sources)	\$145,646	\$1,640,995
Expenses	<u>\$188,557</u>	\$1,454,109
Excess/Deficit	(\$42,910)	\$186,885

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Minister Emeritus

Coming Up This Week

Wednesday, 5 pm, Trentham Hall Dinner, Adult Bible Study, Children & Youth Activities

Wednesday, 7 pm, Choir Suite Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, 6:30 pmDeacon Meeting

Sunday Communion

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