

March 6, 2019

the SPIRE



First Baptist Church
columbia



Upcoming Events

March 8
5:30-8:00 pm Parents Night Out

March 21-25
Plowman Chamber Music Festival

March 23-29
Spring Break Ski Trip

March 24
11:15 am Combined Worship



Gary Lee Ostercamp assisted Room at the Inn by transporting clean linens.



Room at the Inn Wraps Up for the 2019 Season

With the weather finally expected to warm up, Room at the Inn is set to close on March 8. Thank you to all of our First Baptist family who helped with Room at the Inn at the shelter and also by providing assistance to our Child Development Center. This winter has been especially tough, and your participation made a huge difference.

If you served in Room at the Inn this season and were impacted by your experience, the Serving Team would love to hear from you. Please take a moment to write about your time with Room at the Inn and send it to Michael McEntyre (mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org). Thank you again to everyone for helping to make such a needed ministry possible.

ONLINE Giving & Payments

Easy ~ Fast ~ Secure

A New Way to Give

We are excited to announce the addition of online giving for our church family. We are partnering with e360 giving, a PCI level 1 Security Certified Provider, to safeguard this process.

With this new option you will be able to:

- login into your giving account and track your donations for the year.
- set up recurring giving by setting the amount that you want to automatically give each month.
- make a one-time donation to the church or special offerings
- and, coming soon, easily pay for church trips/events.

In our church covenant, we commit to "sustain our common mission by proportionate giving." As a church, we understand that all we have is a gift from God. Because giving is an act of worship, our goal is to be a generous community where everyone can give. We understand that people rarely write checks or carry cash anymore, and online giving is a way for us to provide the opportunity to give that is convenient, fast, and secure.

-Ed Rollins
Associate Pastor of Administration

Give Today!

To give online, go to the church website
www.fbc-columbia.org

On the top of the page, click on the link
that says Online Payments/Giving.

There you can create your secure account and make
a single payment or set up a recurring payment.

Please contact the church office if you have any
questions or need assistance with the process.

Phone: 573-442-1149



Save the Date!
April 27, 2019
ForColumbia
Serving Columbia, side by side.
FOR COLUMBIA 2019
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ForColumbia First Baptist Church Projects April 27

We are finalizing our projects with ForColumbia over the next few weeks, but we know that two of our big sites this year will be at Hickman High School and Benton Elementary School. We are excited to help invest in projects that will benefit so many in our community. There will also be a family friendly option to help make freezer meals for local ministries and First Baptist will once again serve as a Prayer Hub on the day of the event.

Sign-up begins March 11 online at www.forcolumbia.com/volunteer/. Look for more details soon and be sure to save the date on April 27 to help serve our Columbia family.



OFFERING FOR
GLOBAL MISSIONS

First Baptist Offering for Global Missions 2019

Thank you to all who supported the work of CBF Field Personnel around the world through the Offering for Global Missions. If you did not have the opportunity to give to this offering but still wanted to, we will wait until March 13 to send in the offering. This means you can mail in a check or drop your donation in the offering plate this Sunday, March 10 and we will include it in the total. Checks should be made out to First Baptist Church with Global Missions Offering clearly indicated on the memo line of the check. Thank you for your generosity.

-Michael McEntyre,
Associate Pastor of Youth, College & Missions

**Thank you for giving!
We raised \$1,348 for
the Cooperative Baptist
Fellowship Offering for Global
Missions in February.**



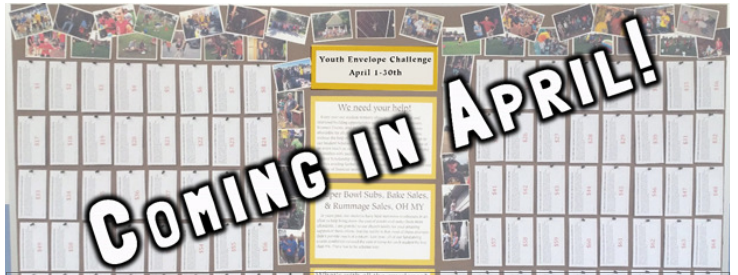
**Daylight Savings
This Sunday!
March 10, 2019**



*Don't forget to move your
clocks ahead one hour this weekend!*

One of Brittany McDonald Null's mentors Meredith Stone, Associate Professor of Ministry and Scripture at Logsdon Seminary, sent this word of blessing for Brittany's recent ordination.

"Two years ago, it was my pleasure to recommend Brittany McDonald Null to become your first pastoral resident, and now it is a true privilege to commend you in your support of her on this, the day of her ordination. In creating a pastoral residency, you have enabled a woman with an unrelenting call to pastoral ministry to find a place where she could not only grow, but thrive; a place where she could not only lead, but be affirmed. Because you changed her life by supporting her calling, you also have impacted the lives of so many others who will be changed by her ministry, who will find the wholeness that Christ's redemption offers, and who will themselves become agents of bringing that hope and peace to others. May you continue to be a force of change through your fortitude in honoring the fact that all human beings are created in the image of God and are worthy of God's empowering call."



Youth Envelope Challenge

Watch for details about the Youth Envelope Challenge coming in April!

Advocacy in Action:
Justice. Freedom. God's Mission.
March 11-14

Next week, Rev. Brittany McDonald Null and Lexie Kieffer (one of our College and Young Adult leaders) will be heading to the United Nations in New York City to take part in the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's Advocacy in Action program. This intensive program is an opportunity to learn how to put your faith to action while impacting the most pressing issues of the day. This



Lexie Kieffer

experience is designed to train participants on how to advocate for the work of God's Kingdom within the systems of governance and policy that shape our everyday lives. Be in prayer for Brittany and Lexie as they experience this incredible learning opportunity. We look forward to hearing more about their work when they return.



CDC teacher, Ima Lou Langley in 1974



Child Development Center

at First Baptist Church Est. 1969

Child Development Center at First Baptist Church 50 Years of Education

The Child Development Center originally opened in 1969 as a place for families to send their children as mothers were starting to go off into the workplace. Moray Loring, the Associate Pastor of Education at First Baptist Church at the time, dreamed of opening a preschool connected through the church and with the help of church members, that dream became a reality. When those first preschoolers walked through the doors in 1969, Loring had no idea the legacy that she would leave behind. Since opening 50 years ago, staff at CDC have helped in teaching thousands of Columbia's youth.

Now Enrolling!

The Child Development Center is now enrolling for Summer and Fall for children ages 2 - 6 years.

Space is limited, so don't delay in turning in your enrollment forms. Enrollment forms may be found in the CDC office or on the bulletin board in the CDC hallway.

Contact Jess at 660-728-0158 or cdcdirector@fbc-columbia.org for more information.

\$50 For 50!

In celebration of their 50th year of quality preschool education, the Child Development Center is asking church members to donate \$50 to help replenish their scholarship fund. Since opening in 1969, the Child Development Center has had a rich history of serving children of lower economic status through the scholarship fund. Donations can be made to the Child Development Center and left at the CDC office, church office, or left in the offering plates during Sunday service.

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"Return Service Requested"



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Combined Worship

March 24
11:15 am
in the Sanctuary

On March 24, we will have combined worship at 11:15 am. Small groups and First Kids Sunday School will meet as usual at 10:15 am. There will be no 9:15 am worship service.

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