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**Facilities/Grounds Report**

If any one sees or knows of anything that needs repair or our attention concerning the buildings or grounds, please contact Eddie Coats. Custodian Susie Juma has placed a suggestion box in the Fellowship Hall for church cleaning needs.



**Martha's Kitchen Pig Cooker**



The cooker is available to Church Groups at no charge, but individual church members are asked to pay a rental of \$60 a day or \$80 for weekend. We do ask that you bring it back clean and tanks full. For information contact Bob Hodge 458-4302

**Prayer Requests**

If you have a prayer request please email Frances Ray ([frances@fbccb.org](mailto:frances@fbccb.org)), call the Church Office (458-5134), or fill out a Prayer card from the pew and drop it in the offering plate.



**Office News & Deadlines**

By Debbie

**Deadline for the April Newsletter is March 18<sup>th</sup>.  
Please email your articles to me by the deadline.**



**Al-Anon Meeting**

Each Friday evening at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall., an Al-Anon group meets to welcome and support family and friends of alcoholics.

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**Alcoholics Anonymous**

Each Sunday evening at 7 pm FBCCB hosts the "Only Today" group of AA, which follows the Speaker Meeting format and is open to all.

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**Narcotics Anonymous**

Each Sunday evening at 7 pm, the church will be hosting a Narcotics Anonymous open discussion meeting group called "A New Way of Life."

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# The Lighthouse

A Newsletter of the First Baptist Church of Carolina Beach

*Putting the Focus on Christ . . . in our personal lives,  
in our families, in our church, in our community, in our world!*

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## Mission Statement

*"First Baptist Church is committed to building a bridge to the community through outreach, education, spiritual and personal development. This is our mission."*

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## Lenten Living: Commitment, Connection, Communion



When Jesus "set his face toward Jerusalem" in Luke 9:51, traveling toward his suffering and death, *he meant it*. He was committed to being our Messiah. On the way to Jerusalem, he taught and preached, healed and delivered people, living out God's kingdom here on earth. His **commitment** to us was based on love: saving us from the brokenness and sin we could never overcome.

Reflecting on Jesus' commitment invites us to reflect on our own **commitment**. Where are we serving God now and how committed are we to doing so? How deeply committed are we to the practices essential to our spiritual growth and nurture: prayer and time alone with God, scripture study and reflection, worship with our brothers and sisters in Christ, serving others?

Jesus' commitment was also revealed in his **connection** to God the Father and his connection to others. Jesus went away by himself a number of times to pray, beginning his ministry with 40 days of prayer and fasting in the wilderness. Centered in his relationship with God, Jesus connected fully with those around him, from answering his disciples' questions and addressing their squabbles to understanding the needs of those who came to him for help.

Through our commitments to God, our church body, and our neighbors, we deepen our **connection** to God and one another. We also deepen our connection to God and other another through what we might call "quality time": undistracted, intentional time spent concentrating on and attending to the other—whether that other is God or the person sitting across from us.

Jesus' last meal with his disciples reflected his commitment and connection to them--and to all of us--as he taught them the pattern of **communion** we still remember today. He shared that meal with them even as he knew one of them would betray him. He shared that meal so that we would have a way to remember him together.

On Good Friday at a special 6:00 pm worship service, we will share **communion** and remember Jesus' gift of life through his death and resurrection. On the first Sunday of Lent, we began this holy season together with communion. We will share it again, to mark the day Jesus died for us, even as we anticipate celebrating his resurrection.

Good Friday was the first service I led for you as the new interim pastor in 2015. What a joy and privilege to be sharing this holy time with you again, as we continue in commitment, connection and communion—following Jesus together.

*Blessings,  
Alicia*

# MARCH

## NURSERY SCHEDULE

### 8:30 am Service

Hostess: Beverly Lovingood  
6 – Beverly Lovingood  
13 – Tammy Dew  
20 – Peggy Creech  
27 – Debbie Morris

### 11:00 am Service

Hostess: Dianne Tucker  
6 – Dianne Tucker  
13 – Melissa Story  
20 – Roxanna Barker & Dianne Tucker  
27- Jane Walker



## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

### 8:30 am Service

6 – Need Volunteer  
13 – Melinda Latta  
20 – Sherri Broom  
27 – Tina Stanley

### 11:00 am Service

7 – Molly Painter  
13 – Molly Painter  
20 – Molly Painter  
27- Molly Painter



## GREETERS

### 8:30 am Service

6 – Young Adults  
13 – Ben & Beth Yarborough  
20 – George Pinkston & Sherri Broom  
27 – Steve & Leslie DuPre`

### Sunday School

6 – Tommy Tucker  
13 – Lee Latta  
20 – Marie Underwood  
27 – Brian Dew

### 11:00 am Service

6 – Jerry & Diane Johnson  
13 – Margie Underwood & Bernie Mitchell  
20 – Mike Sanford & Jane Walker  
27 – Barbara Bigley & Inez Malloch



## TELLERS

Lenita Griffin & Diane Johnson



## Sunday Morning Worship & Sunday School



8:30 Contemporary Worship Service  
9:45 Sunday School  
11:00 Traditional Worship Service

Whichever time or style you prefer, come with hearts prepared to worship. Bring your Bibles and plan to spend time studying and discussing God's Word during the Sunday School hour. We offer classes for all age groups.



## Nursery

During our worship services, the church provides a nursery for children 0-5 years old. Located on the first floor of the Education Building just behind the sanctuary.



## Children's Church

Following the time of offering during both worship services, all children in K – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades are invited to join our children's leaders in the foyer to be led over to the second floor of the Education Building for a special time of worship and activities.



## Prayer Time

Everyone is encouraged to join the pastor every Tuesday morning at 8:30 am in the Sanctuary to pray for our church and community.



## Palm Sunday – March 20

9:45 Sunday School  
11 am – Combined Worship Service

## Good Friday – March 25

6 pm – Good Friday Service - Communion

## Easter – March 27

6:30 am – Sunrise Service at the Boardwalk  
8:30 – Contemporary Easter Worship Service  
9:45 am - Sunday School  
11 am – Traditional Easter Worship Service  
We will be decorating the cross with flowers, so plan on bringing fresh or silk flowers with you that day.



March 4 – Jeff and Susan DiMauro

March 16 – Jim and Dianne Wind



### Deacon Ordination Service

On March 20, during our combined service for Palm Sunday, we will ordain Molly Painter as a deacon. Our church ordained Molly as a minister previously, but deacon and minister are two separate roles with two different calls and ordinations. During the service, we will celebrate Palm Sunday and also set aside time to address Molly's service as a deacon and invite the congregation to lay hands on her as a sign of blessing and affirmation of this call. Join us as we celebrate Jesus' obedience to God's call and our sister Molly's call to serve our church family in the role of deacon.

### Wednesday Night Bible Study: Lenten Living



For the first three Wednesdays in March, we will gather at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a "Lenten Living" Bible Study. Together we will study Bible passages associated with Lent and Jesus' journey to the cross. We will use visual art, poetry, and music to deepen our study and reflection. Join us as we prepare our hearts and minds to truly honor God's sacrificial love expressed in Jesus' death and resurrection.



### CHURCH "GET TOGETHER"

On the third Sunday night of each month at 6 pm, members and friends of the church are invited to meet at Rucker Johns Restaurant for a time of fellowship and meal. Our next Get Together will be Sunday, March 20.



### MISSIONS AND MORE

#### Ladies of All Ages – Come Join the WMU

All women are invited to come out to the church on the second Monday of each month to join the Vera Harris Circle of the WMU as it focuses on missions education and prayer and plans missions projects in our community.

#### WMU NEWS.....

The February meeting of the Vera Harris Circle was cancelled due to two deaths related to our group. We will be meeting Monday, March 14, at 1:00 p.m. Please bring dry spaghetti/pasta as we had planned for February

The animals that our circle purchased through World Vision are one sheep, one pig, one goat and

10 chickens. This purchase will save 5 families from hunger. This will provide milk, eggs, and meat for years to come as the animals multiply. These animals were donated in honor of Mr. James Davis, Alicia's father. He had supported this ministry for many years.

See you in March!

Margie Underwood, WMU Director

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### Baptist Men



For more information, or mission projects, please contact Ben Yarborough, (398-8023).

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### Meals on Wheels



On the 4th Saturday of each month, our Missions Committee has a team that prepares and delivers meals in the community for the Meals on Wheels program. If you are interested in learning more about how this ministry works or if you would like to be a part of this ministry, contact Lori Griffin (798-5857). We now have volunteers to make desserts. Thanks to all our Meals on Wheels volunteers! We couldn't do this without you! The next opportunity to serve will be Saturday, March 26 at 10 am.

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### Needs for the Help Center

The Federal Point Help Center is in need of the following items: Canned fruit, dry pasta, two-pound bags of rice, jelly, or any other canned or dry goods (not out of date), and toiletries. Please place your items on the table in the sanctuary.

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### Martha's Kitchen

#### Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6 – 7 PM

Everyone is invited to participate in our weekly ministry of offering warm, free meals to members of our community. We really need additional teams to form.

Contact Bob Hodge (458-4302) for info.



### ▶ Martha's Kitchen Silent Auction ◀

Martha's kitchen has approximately 7 plus lbs. of Westwater Country Ham The ham is sliced and vacuum packed. MK is putting it up for silent auction Please submit your bid to Bob Hodge before March 15<sup>th</sup> at 458-4302 or [shannshaun@charter.net](mailto:shannshaun@charter.net) I will post the bids as they come in We have a bid of \$50 now.