SUNDAY, August 4, 2013

Communion Sunday
9:15 AM  Deacon Prayer Time in the Pastor’s Study
9:30 AM  **Worship Service**
          “Responding to Others Pain”
          Luke 10:25-37
          Rev. Bernie Jackson
10:45 AM  Sunday School
7:00 PM  Deacon Ministry Team
7:00 PM  Music Ministry Team

WELCOME DESK:
9:30 AM  Laura Dever

GREETERS:
9:30 AM  Fred and Becky Barth

WEDNESDAY
No Wednesday Evening Programs until August 21.

INTERCESSIONARY PRAYER CHAIN
Glen Miller 877-0628, Glenn Cardwell 298-8903,
Lori Moon 236-6437

BERNIE’S BITS
How do you find the time or the place to be quiet, to listen to the Lord and to wait upon the Lord? I know that this idea sounds strange to our ears in the busy schedules of our lives but I believe that being still before the Lord is one of the most important disciplines we can develop as disciples. Interestingly, being still does not just mean being silent but it can also mean waiting or allowing God to act.

In Exodus 14 we see the Hebrew people fleeing Egypt but the Egyptians are pursuing them. In their fear, God speaks through Moses to assure them of His presence and says, “Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. The LORD will fight for you; you need only to be still.” How often in our struggles do we pause, being still before the Lord, to understand that it is God who will deliver us? My suspicion is that we work and worry like crazy to develop solutions which in the long run only complicate the situation. There are places where we need to “be still” and allow God to move!

Other times, to “be still” is to be quiet and to listen. In Psalm 46:10 we hear “Be still, and know that I am God;” as a reminder of who God really is! In our stillness, God is able to more fully reveal God’s self to us! Last week I spent time at the American Baptist Assembly in Green Lake, Wisconsin. It is a place where I find myself “being still” as I relax in the beauty of the assembly grounds. I must confess that it was refreshing to be cut off from the phone, the television and the internet for a week. In the stillness, God speaks! In the stillness I am more aware of the Lord’s presence; it is not that God has not been speaking all along but that I was not attuned to the voice of God!

Today I invite you to find the time and the place to “be still” so that you may encounter and hear the presence of the Lord in your life!

REMINDER FOR PRE-SCHOOL
Toddlers:  1st Hour:  Lois King, Danielle Gayso
         2nd Hour:  Marsha Miller, Jane Everhart, Betty Sizmore
Nursery:  1st Hour:  Marilyn Shaffer, Mid Rusk, Brianna Jackson
         2nd Hour:  Marilyn Shaffer, Jennifer White

VAN DRIVER
Chad White
NEW SERVICE COMING

One of the suggestions that came from our Talk Back Session with young adults was the need for an alternative worship experience. The young adults suggested that we needed something in a more casual, contemporary style. Out of this discussion, we are planning for just a service – to be held on Sunday evenings beginning on September 15th. The service will be held in Esken Hall, with participants seated at the new round tables we have just recently purchased for that room. The songs will be a mix of newer contemporary songs, as well as some new arrangements of older hymns, and we will use a mix of keyboard and primarily DVD accompaniment tracks, since we don’t have a praise band in place at this time. Bernie and John will share in the preaching responsibilities. We hope to include our youth and young adults as much as possible in the worship planning. This service will be held every Sunday evening, at least through the fall season, and if the response is positive, they will continue into next year. We presented this idea to the Ministry Coordination Team and the response was completely favorable; so we move into this schedule with the full support of our leadership team.

It is important to emphasize from the very beginning, that although this style of worship comes at the suggestion of our young adults, everyone – of all age groups – is invited and encouraged to attend. As a matter of fact, I probably receive more requests and suggestions about this style of worship from our middle age adults, than from any other group. I think that comes out of the desire of parents to keep their young adult children connected to the church as they move out of the youth group and into college or work. We always seems to have a great flight of those young people away from the church, and we hope that this service will help us at least in some small way curb that trend. The youth group will be strongly encouraged to attend, and twice a month a youth afterglow will follow the service in various homes.

SANCTUARY CHOIR UPDATE: As I wrote last week, we are full speed ahead for the beginning of a new season of music ministry. All of our choirs and ensembles will resume rehearsals in the near future. The first choir to resume will be the Sanctuary Choir. All present and prospective choir members are invited to join us for a CHOIR GATHERING on Sunday evening, August 18th at 7:00 PM. At that time we will preview the new music for fall and Christmas. Our weekly rehearsals will then begin again on Wednesday, August 21st.

BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

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FLOWERS

Dr. Maryanne Evans Roehm will provide the flowers on the left pedestal in memory of her husband, Joe Roehm, and their 66th wedding anniversary on August 10.

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Betty Heck and family on the loss of her husband, Joe Heck. Joe passed away on Friday, July 26. He had been a member of First Baptist Church for thirty-three years. Visitation will be 5:00 – 8:00 PM Friday, August 2 at Callahan-Hughes Funeral Home and a private graveside service will be Saturday, August 3. Please keep this family in your prayers.

FIRST BAPTIST FAMILY PRAYER LIST

We invite you to join the staff in praying for the following persons during the week of August 4-10. Each week we will be praying specifically for several in our First Baptist family. Please join us as we ask God’s blessing upon our sisters and brothers in Christ: Marvin and Ruth Henry; Rex and Carla Henry; Bill and Louise Higginbotham; Debra Higginbotham; Ron, Pam, and Katie Hodge; Bret and Lindsey Holbrook; Mike and Marylin Warner; Matt, Stefanie, and Audrey Wood; Jim York.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Join us to celebrate the 50th birthday of Trish Beadle on Saturday, August 17, 1:00-3:00 PM, First Baptist Church, 4701 E Poplar Drive, Terre Haute Indiana. Hosted by Dave, Tyler, and Ryan Beadle. RSVP by August 10th to Helen Rogers at (812) 234-1445 or Dave Beadle at sat.techman@yahoo.com.
HELP NEEDED FOR BRIDGE 39

We are collecting school supplies for the needy families of Terre Haute. These supplies will be taken to the Salvation Army and then distributed to those who need them. Backpacks, pencils, crayons, notebooks, and pens are most needed. There is a box in the front hallway, just off the atrium, where you may deposit your contributions. The supplies need to be at the church no later than August 4th.

The Salvation Army also needs volunteers to help register families for school supplies. Over 500 families were helped last year. If you would like to assist, there are sign up sheets in the adult classrooms, or you may contact Fran Campbell at 238-9423.

COMING EVENTS:

- August 14: Sanctuary Choir Gathering
- August 18: Sunday School Promotion Day
- August 21: Wednesday Dinner & Programming Resumes
- August 22: First Friends Pre-School Parent Orientation
- August 23: First Friends Children Open House
- August 25: Young Adult Listening Session #2
- August 26: First Friends Pre-School Classes Begin

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

- August 4: “Responding to Others Pain” (Luke 10:25-37)
- August 25: “Seeing, Believing and Living” (John 20:24-31)
- September 1: “Take Up Your Cross and Follow Me” (Mark 8:34-38)

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

**Thursday Mornings 9:30 – 11:30 AM**

- Starting September 5 to November 14
- Beth Moore---*David, Seeking a Heart Like His*
- Select Option of Study:
  1. View videos and workbook lessons (approx. $19.00)
  2. View videos (no workbook)
- Sign up at Welcome Desk by August 25
- Facilitators: Marla Tucker and Connie Sheehan

**Tuesday Evenings 6:00-8:00 PM**

- Starting September 3 to October 29
- Lecture Series: Beth Moore ----*Proverbs: Wising Up Wherever Life Happens*
- Lecture only, no homework
- List of Lecture titles provided at Welcome Desk
- Sign up at Welcome Desk or come September 3
- Facilitator: Connie Sheehan

DOUBLE RING

Dick Wood concluded the series in Ezra with a lesson titled “Generous Gifts” and passed the baton to Carla Norris who will teach a series in Nehemiah during August.

During our time of sharing prayers were requested for the Joe Heck family, the victims and families in the bus accident involving a youth group at the Colonial Hills Baptist Church in Indianapolis, Roy Milner, Bruce Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cottom, Connie Trautman (Dick Wood’s sister), Bob Clouse, and Lynne and Dan Hunter.

Requests taking the form of a praise and a prayer reflected good progress by Patsy Timberman (Providence Rehab. And Pat Meneely (Meadows Manor North).

Sunday’s lesson titled “Great Rejoicing” is drawn from Nehemiah 8:13-18.

MEN OF ACTION

Our August breakfast will be Saturday, August 17 in Esken Hall at 9:00 AM. All men of our church are invited. Our contact man is Carl Norris – 877-9587. Remember – “We can never out give God.”

CHURCH / SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

- Total Sunday School 182
- Total Worship Service 235
- No Evening Service
MY EBENEZER
By John Campbell

Our youth have returned from Quest and another meaningful time of retreat, worship, and study is in the books. The trip was fun, but my hope is that real, obvious fruit will grow and blossom in and from our youth as a result of the time spent at Green Lake. This year’s Quest theme was “Inseparable.” We are inseparable from God. I do not disagree with this sentiment, yet, I know from personal experience and from the stories told by others that this just doesn’t seem to be the case in most of our lives. At times, we do feel separated from God. Why is that?

Is it God’s fault? I don’t think so. Our God is self-sufficient—he needs nothing, yet, he chose to go to incredible lengths to rescue us from our sin so that we may know him and be known by him. Our God is the God who suffered everything, even death, for that cause. To say that any distance we feel between ourselves and God is his fault is to deny the great effort that he has given for us to have a relationship with him in the first place.

So, is it our fault? Yes, it is. We can blame other things. We can say that we are distracted by work, family time, our kids sports team, housework, fatigue, or any array of additional excuses. However, when it comes down to it, we are the ones who choose how we spend our time and what we focus on throughout the day. How many hours in a week do you watch television? How many do you spend in prayer, reading the Bible, meditating, or practicing some other spiritual discipline? How many hours in a week do you spend working for you, making sure the luxuries of life are paid for? How many hours in a week do you spend working for God, pursuing him, telling people about Jesus, and giving your time and resources to help those in need?

God can feel distant. He can seem far away. Maybe he can even seem like he isn’t there at all. Yet, the reality is that God is here. He is present. He is knocking and he is willing to go to any length to have you. We know this because he already has. This week, I ask you to consider, what is separating you from God? How can you change that?

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS (4-10)
4. Tyler Rogerson
6. Katie Moon, Lisa Reed, Ryan Rogerson
7. Beverly Farnsworth
8. Thomas Bailey, Susan Campbell, Connie Ralston, James Yarber
9. Suzann Malone
10. Brad Campbell, Leslie Cordray

JUICE FROM JILL
On August 7, I will be taking a group of young people who have completed 5th grade and will soon be starting middle school out for dinner. I call it our “Fifth Grade Celebration” but in reality this is a tough night for me. These young people have been a part of my life for many years and now I am passing them on to a new chapter in their journey in which our lives will not cross as much. I love these children to pieces and pray the best for them as they move on. I hope that each of them will join me that evening as we sit around the table and just enjoy our time together.

I continue to seek several people who could help as assistants in the 4th/5th grade class and a co-teacher in the Beginners Class. Please remember to sign up your 2nd-5th graders for candle lighting for the upcoming year.

Staff for August 4
Preschool
9:30 Beginners – Misty Keathley/Karen Lyon
Int/PreK – Amber Renn/Jessie Kirchoff
10:30 Pre-school – Carolyn Manson/Elizabeth Browning
Elementary
K/1st Grade – Mabel/Allen Keathley
2nd/3rd Grade – Darlene Thomas/Mandy Hopton
4th/5th Grade – Marty Petscher
Children’s Church – Jill/Jessie Kirchoff
Candle lighters – Hannah Petscher
KIDS HOPE MEMORIES
I have been involved with Kid’s Hope at Lost Creek for five years, and I can truly say that the experience has been enormously rewarding. Every Tuesday morning, I can expect a big hug, a wide smile, and an “I love you, Mrs. Linda” from my student. She has been my charge for four years. When I first met her, she was a child that loved the attention, and was a “handful” to say the least. She couldn’t sit still for more than five minutes, always wanted to “be in charge” and really, looking back on that year, had to learn to listen and grew to know that I was there only for her. This one thing, the individuality of the program and the prayerful placement of these children in our care, enables the mentors to gain trust, joy, confidence, and with that, the overwhelming love that these children can give, and yearn to receive. That has proven to be the reality of my child. Four years ago, the Lord placed her in my care, and gave me one of the biggest blessings in my life. Sadly, next year, my student will finish her elementary involvement at Lost Creek, but I feel that her Kid’s Hope experience will be with her always, as it will be with me. It is a wonderful program, and I would encourage anyone who wants a true blessing, pray about it, and if led, volunteer for the program. God will let you know if it is for you and if He does, you will never regret it.

Linda Pressley

OUR RECORD THIS YEAR
Beginning January 1, 2013
New Members: 2
Baptisms: 3
Rededication 1

BUDGET INCOME:
Envelopes 9,089.00
Loose Offering 116.01
Bulletin 67.00
TOTAL 9,272.01

NON-BUDGET INCOME:
Designated 49.40
TOTAL 9,321.41

BUDGET FINANCIAL SUMMARY 7/28/13
Budget Weekly 12,294.00
Collected 9,272.01
Difference -3,021.99
Budget to Date 368,820.00
Actual Giving 326,886.97
Difference -41,933.03

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Union Hospital
Bill Kauffman
Gary O’Neal

Methodist Hospital-Avon
Jim Watkins

St. Vincent Hospital
Miller Infant
Lucas Nieman

Rehab. Hospital of Indiana
Maria Exline

Peyton Manning
Children’s Hospital
Parker Auterson

Cobblestone Crossing
Bob Clouse
Bonniell Clouse
Judy Fox

Providence Health Care
Patsy Timberman

First Baptist Family
Tom Bailey
Barbara Caton
Charles Caton
Kathryn Cordray
Carol Crain
Morris Crumrin
Macy Deckert
Kent H. Harris
Bill Higginbotham
Maddie Huffman
Dan Hunter
Dianne Jones
Mabel Keathley
Jonathan Kirchoff
David Manson
Nadine Marina
Bea Maurer
Bob Maurer
Pat Meneely
Dean Miller
Pete Peffley
Don Rusk
Bob Shafer
Cameron Switzer

Others
James Anderson

Martha Anderson
Heather Beel
Marilyn Clark
Kathy Clifford
Penny Conley
Drew Coverstone
Morgan Earl
Jim Everhart
Dawn Forche
Sue Hammons
Danny Harris
Ron Haselgrove
Ed Kirby
Jeremy Leibacher
Donna Loveall
Dorothy Lovell
Donna McClain
Mike McCrisaken
Dave McKenna
Holly McKenna
David McLaughlin
Ruth Marsh
Ron Morgan
Jean Ness
Shelly Pittman
Bob Price
Geri Ralston
Louise Roman
Camryn Saal

Military
LCDR Andy Cain
Maj. Brian Deas
Blaine Hallmark
Robert O’Meara
Andy Petscher
Brad Price

Shut-ins
Karolyn Dreher
Virginia Little
Pam Palmer
Cleon Schafer
Allyn Showen
Juanita Stephens
Leora Taylor
Helen Westerman
Maxine Wilson
Pauline Wilson
Betty Wolfe

Names in italics are new on the prayer list.
Names will remain on the prayer list for three weeks unless the office is notified.