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THE FIRST WORD

April 2018

JOANN FEAZELL CHOIR REUNION

Joann Feazell was known by hundreds of youth throughout Bristol, VA & TN. As the Minister of Music at First Baptist Bristol for 40 years, she led choir tours all over the country and abroad. At one time she had more than 500 members in her choirs.

Miss Feazell was a native of Bristol and worked for the telephone company. She was encouraged by her music teacher at the age of 13 to study music. She attended Sullins College and Virginia Intermont College. Joann later transferred to study at King College earning a degree in psychology. She also had the opportunity to study abroad at Westminster Choir College, while at Westminster she also studied organ at Princeton University. Joann was involved throughout the Bristol community with various organizations and clubs and received many awards along her way.

In 1954 she became Minister of Music at First Baptist Bristol. She served as the organist and planned all the church music, directed a wide spectrum of choirs, and maintained individual instruction schedules in both organ and piano. At one point she had more than 18 choirs rehearsing and performing at various times.

Joann Feazell was known to her students not only as their choir director, but also their friend, confidant, teacher, and leader. She taught them that dreams can come true, and the possibilities are endless when you believe in God and yourself.

To honor her, a reunion for all crib choirs through youth touring choirs has been planned for **September 22-23, 2018**, at First Baptist Bristol. With this reunion, we can fellowship with one another, reminisce, and sing together to honor this multi-talented lady!



You can help honor her memory in these ways.
1. Contact anyone who has been a member of one of her choirs from Crib Choir, Celestial Choir, Cherub Choir, Concord Choir, and International Touring Youth Choir and share this information.
2. Bring or send memorabilia, stories, and memories for display during the weekend.
3. Check out First Baptist Touring

Choir Facebook page for additional details and connect with our group.

REUNION SCHEDULE

DATE	EVENT	TIME
Saturday, September 22	Meet & Greet at FBC	4 p.m.-8 p.m.
Saturday, September 22	Choir Rehearsal	TBA
Sunday, September 23	Continental Breakfast at FBC	9 a.m.
Sunday, September 23	Worship Service with Full Choir	11 a.m.



1962 Bristol Preaching Mission
Miss Feazell, Choir Director & Rev. Billy Graham, Preaching

5TH SUNDAY POT LUCK & SINGING

The Membership Team has planned a special evening for Sunday, April 29, in Rosser Hall. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish for a Pot Luck Meal beginning at 6 p.m. (The Membership Team will be providing the meat and drinks.) Anthony Mangrum, a well-known musician in our area, will be providing music and singing. For more information, please contact the church office. We hope to see you there.



Our Quarterly Business Meeting

will be held on Sunday, April 22, after the morning worship service. There will be a luncheon provided.

According to our church's by-laws, chairs of teams and boards are asked to give a quarterly report of the group's activities. The report can be either written or oral. If the report is written, please give a copy to the church office so copies can be made for the membership. If at all possible, please submit the report no later than April 19. The information you share will be helpful in keeping the membership informed of what is happening in our church.



Carson Peters & Iron Mountain

Dust off your flat footing shoes and plan to attend our annual trip to The Carter Family Fold on Saturday, April 28, 2018.

Carson Peters & Iron Mountain will be appearing on stage that evening at 7:30 p.m. The bus will leave the church at 6 p.m. The venue has a great snack shop and is famous for their hot dogs and homemade cakes. Reservations can be made through the church office at 276-669-8191. This is a great opportunity to invite friends for a fun evening of fellowship.



The choir will be hosting desserts beginning at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11, in celebration of Baby Davies, first child of Deidre Yowell Davies and husband, Rhys.

Because Deidrea & Rhys live in Wales we are planning to shower first time Grandparents, Roberta & Greg Yowell, with monetary gifts. Roberta will exchange to Euros and send to Deidre & Rhys. Cash & Checks (made out to Roberta) should be given to Sara Parker, Donna Hare or Joyce Crockett. Cards are welcome. We are hoping to Facetime with Deidre & Rhys during our party. We look forward to seeing you there!



Billy Graham: God's Ambassador

is a pictorial history of the life of "America's Pastor" as witnessed by Photographer Russ Busby. For fifty years, Billy Graham traveled the world preaching the gospel to more

than 100 million people. Across the globe his crusades broke stadium attendance records. This book includes hundreds of photos from the archives of Busby along with personal reflection, quotations, and comments from Graham and those who were closest to him.

Graham is captured as advisor of presidents and world leaders, as counselor, as an advocate for human rights and world peace. You won't want to miss this book that captures the public and private moments of the most influential evangelist of the twentieth century. You may check it out or you may choose to enjoy it in the library at your leisure. It will be on display beside the table lamp in front of the circulation desk.



FIRST MONDAY

On Monday, April 2, we will visit the One Acre Café in Johnson City, TN. One Acre Café utilizes the model provided by the One

World Everybody Eats Foundation joining the growing family of more than sixty other community cafes across the country. One Acre Café offers healthy and nutritious food in a warm and inviting space. There are suggested donations for those who can pay or pay it forward and the ability to volunteer in exchange for a meal for those who cannot. The café offers a passionate, skilled chef who works with local farmers to produce amazing cuisine. The bus will leave the church at 10:30 a.m. Please contact the church office to sign up.



April is National Kite Month!

On Sunday, April 8, we will be having a Family Kite Day at FBC for ages babies to 5th grade immediately following morning worship service in Rosser Hall.

Children and their families will eat lunch (provided by the children's program), build a kite, then take their kites outside and fly them. This is a free event for our children and their families. So let's go fly a kite!!

Attention Graduates:

On Sunday, May 20, we would like to honor any FBC family members who are graduating from high school or college. If you or someone in your family would like to be recognized, please contact the church office.



On Sunday, April 29, our youth will be leading us in worship. Please support our youth as they serve the Lord and seek to encourage us.

Youth News

Put these dates on your calendar! FBC Youth Yard Sale Fundraiser May 4 & 5, Youth/Adult Mission trip June 20-27, Youth Camp "Unidiversity" July 23-28.

Youth Mission Trip - Mission to North Charleston, SC. We will be helping the Metanoia Ministry. They work with inner city families to get them set up in new or refurbished housing. They also run programs for inner city kids. They have a wonderful volunteer house in which we will be staying. Total cost is \$75 per person.

Youth Summer Camp - "Unidiversity 2018" July 23-28 at University of Tennessee in Knoxville. There are still spaces available. Register now to reserve your spot!

Church Wide Yard Sale

May 4 & 5

Start your spring cleaning early! Our youth are sponsoring a church-wide yard sale in May to raise money for this year's mission trip, camp, and summer activities. You can call Ben Ondrak at 423-217-8934 or the church office and arrange for pick-up. You may also drop off donations yourself any Friday in March or April between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Let's make this one the biggest sale yet!



Saturday, April 28
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Freedom Hall Civic Center
Johnson City, TN

This is a free event for all children. There will be games, inflatables, petting zoo, face painting, snacks, drinks, KidzChoir and "The Greatest Journey Live," as well as a message by Will Graham.



TERRIFIC TUESDAYS

Terrific Tuesdays - One Tuesday in June and two in July, children are invited to be a part of Terrific Tuesday which includes games, sports, swimming, and learning of God's love for us and how to share it! Tuesday, June 12 & July 10, will begin at 9 a.m. at the church and end officially at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 31, will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. Cost for children K-5th grade is \$10 for each Tuesday with early registration before June 8 and \$15 after this date. This includes lunch, snacks, activities, tickets, and transportation.

Our preschool program will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 12 and July 10. The preschool children are invited to join us for the afternoon activities on June 12 and July 10. However, on July 10 if your preschooler is attending the afternoon activity there must be a parent available to attend with them for liability purposes due to this being a swim activity. Our preschool program will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. on July 31, for we will be visiting the Ripley's Aquarium in Gatlinburg, TN. (There is a \$10 charge per child if attending the afternoon activities and July 31). Please register by June 8.

Terrific Tuesday Schedule

June 12 - Creation Kingdom Zoo - Gate City, VA
July 10 - Kingsport Aquatic Center - Kingsport, TN
July 31 - Ripley's Aquarium - Gatlinburg, TN

Call or visit the office to register during regular business hours. You can download the forms on the church website, www.fbcbristol.org. If there are spots available on a given Terrific Tuesday event after registration, then a late registration will be accepted with a cost of \$15. Youth may register as junior counselors for the same fee. ***If a booster seat is required, parents will need to leave one at the church.**

Our Staff

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March 2018 Financial Report

Monthly Information

Budgeted Income	\$ 36,125.00
Actual Income	\$ 36,488.00
Actual Expenses	\$ 33,723.00
Monthly Gain/(Loss)	\$ 2,765.00

Year-To-Date for 2018

Budgeted Income	\$ 107,770.00
Actual Income	\$ 111,906.00
Actual Expenses	\$ 100,341.00
YTD Gain/(Loss)	\$ 11,565.00

Account Balances

General Fund	\$ 136,077.00
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Ushers for the Month of April

Head Usher: Harry Scanlan (423-217-9347)

JoAnne Barbour, Susan Barnes,
Mike & Linda Browder,
Dean Cloyd

Greeters:

Jason & Joni Leonard

Deacon of the Week for April

April 1 – Dennis Hare
April 8 – Jerry Sorrell
April 15 – David Hicks
April 22 – Chris White
April 29 – Linda Pruner