



Forerunner

First Baptist Church
1024 E. Stuart Drive
Galax, VA 24333

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April 1—30, 2019

The Music Ministry at First Baptist Church presents ...

TRIUMPHANT & ALIVE

Saturday April 13
Sunday April 14

8:00 pm

Easter Morning

April 21

8:00 am — Easter Breakfast

9:30 am — Worship & Communion Service

Special Easter Message:
“An Easter Perspective from Petros”

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sundays

9:45 am—Sunday School
11:00 am—Worship Service
6:15 pm—TruNorth (Youth Group)

Mondays

8:30 am—REFIT Exercise Class
5:15 pm—Pilates Class

Tuesdays

10:00 am—Staff Meeting

Wednesdays

1:30 pm—Clothes Closet
6:30 pm—Sanctuary Choir
6:30 pm—Prayer Meeting
(Fellowship begins at 6:00 pm)

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 01

6:30 pm—Bible Study *with Pastor Kevin*

April 06

10:00 am—WMU Annual Meeting
Fries Baptist Church

April 08

6:30 pm—Bible Study *with Pastor Kevin*

April 09

11:00 am—Women on Mission
5:30 pm—Loss Support Group

April 10

6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

April 13 & 14

8:00 pm—Easter Program:
“Triumphant & Alive”

April 15—April 19

12:00 pm—Holy Week Services
Galax First United Methodist

April 15

3:30 pm—Soup Kitchen Ministry (Rooftop)
6:30 pm—Bible Study *with Pastor Kevin*

April 18

8:00 pm—Maundy Thursday Service

April 19

7:00 pm—Movie: ***“Passion of the Christ”***

April 21

8:00 am—Easter Breakfast
9:30 am—Worship / Communion Service

April 22

Church Offices Closed

April 24

6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

April 27

10am—3pm: Red Cross Blood Mobile
Fellowship Hall

April 28

12:15 pm—Quarterly Business Meeting

April 29

6:30 pm—Bible Study *with Pastor Kevin*

Nursery Schedule

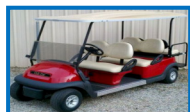


- Apr 07** Tammy Anders,
Erica Testerman
Apr 14 Lewis & Marian Porter
Apr 21 Scott & Sara Hall
Apr 28 Ronnie & Debbie Harris

First Impressions Team



- Apr 07** Johnny & Karen Dickson
Pam Turner
Apr 14 David & Mimi Banks
Bob Leonard
Apr 21 Marty & Cathy Parks
Debbie Adams
Apr 28 Mike Coomes, Ruth Hall
Lewis Porter



Golf Cart Schedule

- Apr 07** Tammy Anders
Apr 14 Basil Carpenter
Apr 21 Larry Spangler
Apr 28 Doug Morgan



Security Team Schedule

- Apr 07** David Banks / Dick Cooley
Apr 14 Eric Testerman / Jack Bryant
Apr 21 Royce Easter / Paul Walker
Apr 28 Scott Hall / David Banks



A FUN WAY to exercise to Christian music!!

Mondays: 8:30 AM, Rm 271
above the Fellowship Hall

Change your body. Change your mind. Change your life. Workout and have fun! Christian music! First class is FREE — then \$3 a class or \$10 for a month. Both men & women are welcome! There is always some heart work at the end which is a short devotion and prayer! For more info: contact Patti Holderfield or Samantha Goad.



Who Rolled Away the Stone?

Did you ever wonder about that stone at the tomb of Jesus? Why was it moved? The reason the stone was rolled away was not to let Jesus out, but to let the disciples and the world see that even in death, Jesus could not be detained! And what did they see there? They saw that the body of Jesus was gone, but the grave clothes were still there, lying undisturbed.

John 20:1-8

1 On the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark. She saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. **2** So she ran to Simon Peter and to the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put Him!"

3 At that, Peter and the other disciple went out, heading for the tomb. **4** The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and got to the tomb first. **5** Stooping down, he saw the linen cloths lying there, yet he did not go in. **6** Then, following him, Simon Peter came also. He entered the tomb and saw the linen cloths lying there. **7** The wrapping that had been on His head was not lying with the linen cloths but was folded up in a separate place by itself. **8** The other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, then entered the tomb, saw, and believed.

But by the time John wrote his gospel, they knew what Christ's resurrection meant. Their faith, once based on physical evidence—the open tomb, the body gone, the clothes intact (as good as that was to convince John at that moment)—wasn't enough for understanding the true and deep meaning of what is the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In verse 9, John says, "This is what we saw, but we didn't know the scripture yet" points to the fact that there's something even better to base your belief and knowledge upon. That is why we need the Word of God, the Word that became flesh and dwelt among us, and the Word that is eternal to become our steady diet.

That's what I want you to see here—the fundamental importance of the Word of God. Jesus said in Matthew 24:35 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away." The experience which we have with Christ is valid only as it is tied to something that is outside of our experience, something that is objective—the inerrant Word of God. With that, we can face anything.

If you just have the inerrant Word of Scripture but you don't have an experience with God yourself, then it's not personal. If you have your personal experience but it doesn't match what the scripture says, then it's not reasonable. We need both personal experience with the Word. Who rolled away the stone...well, I will leave you with that to ponder and chew on...

*In Christ's Love,
Kevin*



A WORD FROM THE MUSIC MINISTER

Spring has arrived, and Easter is just around the corner, so this is the perfect time to invite friends and family to our Music Ministry's presentation of **"Triumphant and Alive!"** on Palm Sunday weekend. The worship event will take place on **Saturday, April 13** and **Sunday, April 14** at **8:00 p.m.** each evening. Come experience the Easter story as we witness Jesus' life and ministry and as we celebrate His glorious resurrection. We look forward to worshipping with you!!

"Lord of life, He's alive; triumphant and alive again, proving death is not the end. Lord of life, He's alive! He fought the fight and won the war; the grave has no hold anymore on those belonging to the Lord of life." *Lanny Wolfe*



GREETINGS FROM OUR HISPANIC CONGREGATION!

Greetings and thank you for the opportunity to develop a ministry among the Hispanics of the city of Galax. We are on the verge of launching our Salvation Campaign ("**10+ for Christ**") from April 18 to 21, for which we ask for your prayers. The invited preacher is pastor brother **Juan Martinez Bautista** of North Carolina.

This past Saturday, March 23 we met with couples, enjoying a time of good fellowship and studying the theme *"The Current Assaults of the Family."* Regarding the study of the Word of God, we are giving priority to the themes of *"Prayer"*, and on Sunday afternoons the topic is *"Evangelizing the Religious and the Sinner."*

Thank you for your prayers for the ministry and my family.

*Que Dios los bendiga (God bless you),
Rev. Pedro Alvarado Rodriguez*



Donor **Fund** **In Memory of:**
Gardner Brannon Mary E. Brannon
Fran Cregar Fund



First Baptist Church Family,

We can't thank you enough for your kindness and generosity over the past two months during mother's illness. The gift of paper products, coffee, tea and other necessities was so appreciated. Your support and care brought comfort, relief and peace-of-mind during this very difficult time. Times like these are so very hard, but the display of love for our family has been tremendous. Thank you for thinking of us and for the thoughts and prayers. We are so blessed to have a church family like we do.

*With Much Love,
Tony & Sonia Truitt
and Roy & The Truitt Family*

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for all the items collected for the Hope House. This was a wonderful blessing and will bless so many in need. We appreciate you sharing God's love.

*God Bless You,
The Hope House Ministry*



... to the family of **Russell Dickerson** who passed away on Sunday, March 10, 2019.

... to the family of **Earl Morgan** who passed away on Saturday, March 23, 2019.

... to the family of **Fred Adams** who passed away on Sunday, March 24, 2019.



Thank you so much for your very generous contributions to the **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering** for North American Missions. We collected the amazing total of **\$3,243!**

The North American Mission Board partners with churches to send out missionaries who share the love, hope, joy, and peace with the lost and hurting of the U.S. and Canada — teaching that this can only be found through a saving relationship with Jesus Christ. Your prayers and support are vital to the ministry of these servants of the Lord. One hundred percent of this offering will go to local missionaries in our country to help spread the Hope of Jesus. Thank you again for your support of this ministry.

REMINDER: Please remember the **Annual WMU Associational Meeting** will be held at Fries Baptist Church on Saturday, April 6 from 10:00 until noon. A light luncheon will be served following the meeting. You are invited to come and join us. If you would like more information please contact the church office or womgalax@mail.com



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**April 15 – 19
Noon–1:00 pm**

First United Methodist Church
306 W Center St, Galax

Each day a different church in our community will be providing the Easter Message, Special Music and furnishing the food for the "free" Fellowship Luncheon. First Baptist is supplying the Tuesday service. Make plans to come each day at noon for this special community event.

The Closet Schedule

April 03

Judy Hennis, Susan Honaker,
Ann McMillan

April 10

Benita Bryant, Debbie Patterson
Lisa Siegle, Elaine Widner

April 17

Mimi Banks, Phyllis Barker, Paulette Peterson

April 24

Martha Dozier, Margaret Liddle

CURRENT WORSHIP STATISTICS

	03/03/2019	03/10/2019
Evening Attendance	96	139
Sunday School	155	150
11:00 A.M. Worship Service	207	179
Hispanic Worship Service	48	48
Total Worship Attendance	255	227
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,227.95	\$ 9,227.95
BUDGET RECEIVED	17,653.99	6,975.36
REQUIRED TO DATE	83,051.55	92,279.50
RECEIVED TO DATE	82,345.61	89,320.97
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	6,465.01	2,874.99
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 24,119.00	\$ 9,850.35
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	99%	96%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	191%	75%

	03/17/2019	03/24/2019
Evening Attendance	59	-
Sunday School	159	149
11:00 A.M. Worship Service	191	177
Hispanic Worship Service	53	48
Total Worship Attendance	244	225
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,227.95	\$ 9,227.95
BUDGET RECEIVED	5,486.12	6,975.28
REQUIRED TO DATE	101,507.45	110,735.40
RECEIVED TO DATE	94,807.09	101,782.37
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	2,860.14	1,198.72
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 8,346.26	\$ 8,174.00
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	93%	91%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	59%	75%



Monday - Thursday

8:30 to 5:00

Friday

8:30 to 3:00

CHURCH STAFF

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Mrs. Marie Combs Financial Secretary
Mrs. Nancy Hazelwood Organist
Mrs. Patty Davis Pianist
Mrs. Marian Porter Weekday Preschool Director
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Mrs. Penny Adams Bus Ministry Director
Mrs. Martha Easter, RN Volunteer Health Nurse
Mr. Paul Sawyers Sexton

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Prayer Requests


Mark Horton, multiple myeloma; Bobby Lee Jones, pneumonia; The Family of John Hamilton, III, (Joanne Radcliff's father); Diane Springs (Pauline Robinson's daughter); Kim Kinser (Mary Ann Dotson's daughter); Family of Lloyd Bowman (Ileta Billings' Brother); Basil Carpenter; Edna Coleman, broken hip; Doris Bedwell; Betty Parrish; Wanda Jean Harris; Mike McMillan; Nancy Blair; Juan Rios; Steve Cone; Colene Larrowe; Cami Gathercole & Ava Rhodes (Joe & Bobbi Sizemore's daughter & granddaughter); Mary Corbin (Martha Easter's sister); Arville Stanley (Glenn Morris' brother); Chad Eddy (Tara Spurlin's brother); Geraldine McMillan (Rhonda McMillan's mother); Ronald Vaught, stroke (Lib Russell's cousin); Fran Halsey; K.T. Carico; Betty Walker, Stage IV cancer (Penny Adams' sister); Iva Wagner, (Glenn Morris' sister); Stanley Meador (Marie Combs' son); Gladys Catron; Max Brown, leukemia (Martha Dozier's great-grandson); Mary Littreal; Sylvia Robinson, cancer; Nell Bartlett; Betty Robinson, kidney failure; Judy Fayne, cancer (Eugene Fayne's daughter); John & Debby Stringer; Rose Cox; Ronald Cummings (Dolly Moss' brother); Betty Fender (Ann Roberts' mother); Our Country; The Unemployed; USA Military and other coalition forces;

NURSING HOMES: Hillsville Health & Rehab - Martha Combs, Rm 203 (Dennis Combs' Mother); Doris Marshall, Rm 206 (Benita Bryant's Mother); Galax Health & Rehab - Juanita Bolt, Rm A-23 (David Banks' Mother); Waddell Nursing Home - Helen Robinson, Rm 209-D; Yadkin Nursing Care Center - Kent Cox, Rm 202;



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April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 8:30am-REFIT Exercise 5:15pm-Pilates Class 6:30pm-Bible Study <i>with Pastor Kevin</i>	2 9-12 Weekday Preschool 8:30am-WOM in F. Hall Baking Cookies	3 9-12 Weekday Preschool 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm)	4 9-12 Weekday Preschool	5 9-12 Weekday Preschool	6 10:00am-WMU Annual Mtg Fries Baptist Church
7 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service 6:15pm-TruNorth	8 8:30am-REFIT Exercise 5:15pm-Pilates Class 6:30pm-Bible Study <i>with Pastor Kevin</i>	9 9-12 Weekday Preschool 10:00am-Staff Meeting 11:00am-Women on Mission 5:30pm-Loss Support Grp	10 9-12 Weekday Preschool 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Kingdom Kids 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm)	11 9-12 Weekday Preschool	12 9-12 Weekday Preschool	13 8:00pm-Easter Program: <i>"Triumphant & Alive"</i>
Choir & Orchestra Practice Each Night at 7 PM						
14 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service 8:00pm-Easter Program: <i>"Triumphant & Alive"</i>	15 8:30am-REFIT Exercise 3:30pm-Soup Kitchen 5:15pm-Pilates Class 6:30pm-Bible Study <i>with Pastor Kevin</i>	16 9-12 Weekday Preschool	17 9-12 Weekday Preschool 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm)	18 9-12 Weekday Preschool 8:00pm-Maundy Thursday Service	19 9-12 Weekday Preschool 7:00pm-Easter Movie <i>"Passion of the Christ"</i>	20
Holy Week Services at Galax FUMC— Noon Each Day						
21 8:00am-Easter Breakfast 9:30am-Worship/Communion 	22 Church Offices Closed	23 9-12 Weekday Preschool 10:00am-Staff Meeting	24 9-12 Weekday Preschool 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Kingdom Kids 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm)	25 9-12 Weekday Preschool	26 9-12 Weekday Preschool	27 10:00am—3:00pm Red Cross Blood Mobile Fellowship Hall
28 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service 12:15pm-Quarterly Business Meeting 6:15pm-TruNorth	29 8:30am-REFIT Exercise 5:15pm-Pilates Class 6:30pm-Bible Study <i>with Pastor Kevin</i>	30 9-12 Weekday Preschool				



April 02

Dolly Moss

April 11

*Cathy Parks
Wendi Pemberton
Lewis Porter*

April 18

Lynne Barker

April 06

Alex Galvan

April 12

Aubrey Hall

April 19

Susie Garner

April 08

*Imogene Frye
Robert Hill
Lora Williams*

April 13

Savanna Lumpkin

April 24

Dick Cooley

April 14

*Evelyn Beamer
Harlos Larrowe
Veronica Robles*

April 27

Selena Cline

April 09

*Iona Adams
John Garner*

April 15

*Lois Billings
Mary Ann Hampton
Ches Helmick*

April 28

*Susan Higgins
Eric Testerman*

April 10

David Peterson

April 16

Sharlyn Lowe

April 30

David Matthews