

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST TRYON

Sunday, March 19	9:30 am	Coffee and Catch-Up
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
Monday, March 20	6:00 pm	Deacons Meeting
Tuesday, March 21	5:30 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, March 22	11:00 am	Bible Study

The third Sunday of each month we collect an offering for the Food Pantry of Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry. This offering directly helps feed hungry families in Polk County. You may give as you exit today.

The Chancel Choir will be leading a Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service in the church sanctuary on April 6, 2023 at 7:00 PM. This somber and prayerful service will focus on the three days before Easter Sunday, using new and familiar music with narration. The Lord's Supper will be observed and the service will conclude in darkness. Everyone is encouraged to participate in this Holy week celebration. A nursery will be provided.

### S.E.E. Sunday, March 26

Formation Opportunities, 4pm:

Preschoolers - Faith Formation Activities

Children - Children's Choir

Easter Egg Hunt, 4pm

Youth - Fun, Fellowship, Sermon On The Mount

Adults - Exploring Worship

**Dinner for all afterward**

**New Book Study.** The Book Club Class, led by Rachel Hawkins and Phil Feagan, is starting a new study on March 19, with "The Reason for God" by Timothy Keller. Keller, the founding pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in NYC, addresses the frequent doubts that skeptics, and even ardent believers, have about religion. Using literature, philosophy, real-life conversation, and potent reasoning, Keller explains how the belief in a Christian God is, in fact, a sound and rational one. To true believers he offers a solid platform on which to stand their ground against the backlash to religion created by the Age of Skepticism. And to skeptics, atheists, and agnostics, he provides a challenging argument for pursuing the reason for God.

**Please note:** Church Office hours are now on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am-2:30pm.

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### March 12, 2023

Weekly Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 7,627	Earthquake Relief	\$ 350
Weekly Ministry Plan Goal	\$ 8,322	CBF Global	\$ 175
YTD Ministry Plan Giving	\$ 85,360	Capital Campaign	\$ 195
YTD Plan Goal	\$ 91,542		

Total Received for Capital Campaign (through February) \$1,188,823.60

Remaining balance on Construction Loan \$269,510.75

**Welcome! We are grateful to worship with you today.**

If you are a guest, we hope you will experience God's love through our worship and among our congregation.

Nursery is provided during church for children ages 0-2, and Children's Church is provided for children ages 3 to 5.

Children's Church begins after the Children's Time.

Light refreshments are available in the Gathering Space after worship.

### March/April Mission Opportunity — Easter Missions Offering

During the month of March, we are collecting an offering for missions.

You may designate your gift to:

**CBF -Offering for Global Missions** provides the love of Christ in real ways to children, women, and men in most need by life-saving medical care and ministry in hard-to-reach places of the world, food and shelter for people living in poverty, education for forgotten children, loving compassion and community for marginalized people, and care and support for widows and orphans.

**SBC -The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering** go to train, resource, and send missionaries across the United States and Canada, as well as international missions.

#### GREETERS

Elizabeth Burrell and Katy Wall, Sanctuary Door

Shelvie Foust and Sadie McKaig, Lobby Entrances

#### OFFERING

Keith Collins (Lead), Susan Smith, Elizabeth Burrell, JT Johnson

#### NURSERY WORKERS

Andrea Lay, Emily Dale

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Susan Smith

#### ACOLYTES

Jack Baughman, Katie Benedict

#### DIACONATE

Ellis Fincher Jr., Lane Price, Susan Smith, Di Greene, Rachel Hawkins, Phil Scoggins, Justin Lay, Beth McCallister, Alice Tennant

#### CHURCH STAFF

The Reverend Dr. Jeff C. Harris, Pastor

The Reverend Jim Hawkins, Minister of Music

Jodi Harris, Minister of Education and Children

Kay Greene, Pianist

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# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH TRYON, NC



MARCH 19, 2023

ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AT WORSHIP  
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 19, 2023 Eleven O'clock

Music for Gathering Kay Greene

Welcome Jeff Harris  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Trinity Ring John Spinks

Call to Worship Jeff Harris  
Let us worship God, who has done great things.  
**We rejoice in God, who made a way through the desert.**  
Let us worship God, who offers streams of mercy.  
**We are the people God has formed through Christ; the salt of the earth, the light of the world.**  
Let us worship God, whose kingdom is coming.  
**May God's will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

Voluntary *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* -arr. Kidwell

Invocation Phil Scoggins

†Hymn 437 *How Wide the Love of Christ* FESTAL SONG  
Children are invited to come forward during the last stanza.

Children's Time Jodi Harris  
Kindergartners and preschoolers may leave for Children's Church after the Children's Time.

Psalm 75 Alice Tennant  
We give thanks to you, O God;  
we give thanks; your name is near.  
People tell of your wondrous deeds.  
**At the set time that I appoint, I will judge with equity.**  
When the earth totters, with all its inhabitants,  
it is I who keep its pillars steady.  
**I say to the boastful, "Do not boast," and to the wicked, "Do not lift up your horn; do not lift up your horn on high or speak with insolent neck."**

**For not from the east or from the west and not from the wilderness comes lifting up,**  
but it is God who executes judgment,  
putting down one and lifting up another.  
**For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup with foaming wine, well mixed; he will pour a draught from it, and all the wicked of the earth shall drain it down to the dregs.**  
But I will rejoice forever;  
I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.  
**All the horns of the wicked I will cut off, but the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.**

†Choral Response *Lord, Have Mercy* LAND OF REST  
*Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.*  
*Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Matthew 7:1-6, p. 5 Joyce Scoggins  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Matthew 7:7-12, p. 5 Cathy Johnson  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Solo *Broken and Spilled Out* -Gaither  
Mona Kimble, Soloist

Sermon "Do Not Judge!?" Jeff Harris

Offering and Meditation -arr. Bober  
*My Savior's Love*

†Doxology *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100th  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*  
*Praise him all creatures here below;*  
*Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;*  
*Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer Jeff Harris  
Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory for ever.  
Amen.

†Hymn 188 "Man of Sorrows!" *What a Name* HALLALUJAH, WHAT A SAVIOR!  
Those making decisions of faith, renewals of faith, or desiring to unite with our church through membership, may come forward at this time.

Benediction Jeff Harris

Postlude *Postlude on "Converse"* -Haan  
Please use this as a final opportunity for prayer as you head into the new week.  
†Please stand if you are able.

"A Beginner's Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven"



Exploring the Sermon on the Mount

- 1/29 Matthew 5:1-12
- 2/5 Matthew 5:13-20
- 2/12 Matthew 5:21-37
- 2/19 Matthew 5:38-48
- 2/26 Matthew 6:1-21
- 3/5 Matthew 6:22-34
- 3/12 Matthew 7:1-6
- 3/19 Matthew 7:7-14
- 3/26 Matthew 7:15-29