



Jan. 8 - Jan. 14, 2011

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THE SPOTLIGHT

a weekly publication of FBSTUMC

A Message from Our Senior Pastor . . .

As we begin the New Year, Will Lauderback and I, with a little help from our 2012 Lay Leader, Russ Brogden, will be preaching a series of messages in the coming weeks, "It's About The Choices We Make." Each of the choices has a personal application as well as a congregational response. We have now celebrated our 100th Anniversary; it's time to faithfully step into the next 100 years. The next 100 years are going to be markedly different from the last 100 years.

Life is changing at a faster pace than ever before. The mainline, protestant Church changed little in the first two-thirds of the 20th century. Most of what we experienced as change happened in the last two decades of the 20th century, and the first decade of the 21st century. The biggest change is yet to hit the mainline Protestant Church; it's what is being called a "death-tsunami." Beginning in 2018, those who study trends say there will be a significant increase in deaths as "baby-boomers" age out. Lovett Weems, who follows these trends in the United Methodist Church, says the average United Methodist Church will lose half of its membership over a 20-year period beginning in 2018. Can you imagine a Church like First Broad Street being less than half of our current membership? Do you remember how large the group of those of age 60+ was at the Centennial Celebration when I asked the different age groups to stand? Maybe it's not so hard to imagine a congregation like First Broad Street being half its size in a few short years.

One of the things I have been so impressed by during my first 18 months here is the tremendous love you have for your church. Many of you have expressed such great love that you have said you are willing to do anything it takes to reach younger adults for the Kingdom of God, regardless of what it means for your own comfort or preference. That's the response we should have whether there is a "tsunami" coming or not -- to do what it will take to save the lives and the souls of those around us.

I can't take credit for the six sermon topics coming up. They are taken directly from the book, "I Refuse To Lead A Dying Church." The book was written by Paul Nixon, who has been serving as ministry coach to me and four other pastors of historically large, downtown churches. I will be leading a Wednesday Night group using this book beginning January 11. If you would like to order a copy of the book, and/or participate in the class, please contact Margaret Deans at 224.1513, or email her at mdeans@fbsumc.org in order that she can reserve a room adequate for our needs and have an appropriate number of books on hand. Each Wednesday, we will discuss the chapter from the prior Sunday. The order and date of the messages are listed below.

January 8	Choosing Life Over Death	January 15	Choosing Community Over Isolation
January 22	Choosing Fun Over Drudgery	January 29	Choosing Bold Over Mild
February 5	Choosing Frontier Over Fortress	February 12	Choosing Now Rather Than Later

I look forward to our journey together in the next 100 years. With my love and prayers,

MEET & GREET EVENT with District Superintendent David Graves

Sunday, January 8 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. at Colonial Heights UMC

During this special event, you will have an opportunity to help with the fund raising for District Superintendent Graves' run for Bishop and will be able to learn more about the United Methodist connectional system.

For more information, please contact the District Office at 224-1533.

Recently Hospitalized . . .

Holston Valley: James David Ketron

Health South: Charles Eberhart

Discharged: Ann Thompson, Susan Girgis, Frank Brogden, Sylvia Sifferd, Pat Basinger, Clay Dubberly, Irene Osborne, Flo Pond, Dale Rogers, Jim Taylor, Lynn Sorrell

In Memory of Our Church Family Members

Robert Douglas "Doug" Coleman--December 25

Sympathy is expressed to wife, Pat Coleman, and son, Glenn T. Ward.

Bonnie Marshall--January 1

Sympathy is expressed to her husband, J.D. Marshall, and daughter, Rev. Janet Batts.

Evelyn Love Starnes--January 1

Sympathy is expressed to her husband, Charles E. Cox, Jr., son, Ernie Cox, and mother, Ethel Hobbs.



Sympathy is expressed to . . .

Edith Isenberg on the death of her brother, **Jack Musick**, who died December 20, 2011; and to **Bruce Chamberlin** on the death of his granddaughter, **Audrey Chamberlin**, who died December 15, 2011.



Bennett Douglas Himelwright, son of Brian Elliott and Christina Ria Himelwright, and **Andrew Klis Zannis**, son of Klis Thomas Zannis and Brooke Johnson Zannis were both baptized on Christmas Day at 10:45 a.m.



Our New Member . . .

Shingai Musesengwa, 4240 Rustic Way, 37664, joined as a transfer from the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Cape Town, South Africa on Sunday, January 1 at the 10:45 a.m. traditional service. Shingai is married to Josie "Bwawa" Musesengwa. Shingai has two children, Michelle and Lyle.



Chancel Arrangements . . .

The Chancel Arrangements will be to the glory of God.

January 8, 2012 Worship

8:30, 9:40, and 10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship

(Sanctuary)

Mickey Rainwater

8:30 and 10:45 Contemporary Worship

"The Connection" (Fellowship Hall)

Will Lauderback

Sermon Series:

"It's about the Choices We Make"

Scripture: Deuteronomy 30:19-20, John 10.10

Message: *Choosing Life Over Death*

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.

"Joy" TV Ministry: *see below

Radio Broadcast: 10:00 a.m., WKPT (1400 AM)

*To Watch JOY TV

We are broadcasting Sunday 9:30 a.m.;

Tuesday 2:30 p.m.; Wednesday 6:30 p.m.;

Saturday 7:30 a.m. on Comcast Systems:

Abingdon, VA Ch. 2; Bristol and Gray Ch. 14

and on Charter Systems:

Ch. 13 Johnson City, Kingsport, Rogersville

Our Father's Place--4:00 p.m. in Chapel

Message: Kay Ann Smith

Evening Worship--6:00 p.m. in Chapel

Message: Jim Harless

December 24, 2011 Attendance

3:00 p.m.	319
5:30 p.m.	515
7:30 p.m.	195
10:30 p.m.	377
Total Worship	1406

December 25, 2011 Attendance

Sunday Worship 410

January 1, 2012 Attendance

Sunday Worship 490

"Welcome to Wednesday Nighter"

January 11, 2012

There's something for everyone on Wednesday Nights at FBSUMC! Try it out!

No charge for the meal on Jan. 11.

Bring the whole family to see the Christian Magician.

Menu: spaghetti, garlic bread, tossed salad, dessert



Single Vision

Join Single Vision on Monday, January 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the theater room for a good classic film along with fresh popcorn and cold drinks. No reservations required.

Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch will go to Fatz Cafe in Kingsport on January 20. The bus will *leave* the Wanola Park lot at 11:00 a.m.

Safe Sanctuary Training

In 2012, everyone who has been trained in Safe Sanctuary and anyone who would like to be trained will need to attend a class this year to be certified. Training sessions offered are as follows:

Sunday, January 15 at 12:00 noon, in room 234. A light lunch will be served.

Wednesday, February 8 at 6:15 p.m. in room L41. Nursery and children's activities are available.

Sunday, March 4 at 12:00 noon, in room 234. A light lunch will be served.

Wednesday, March 28 at 6:15 p.m. in room L 41. Nursery and children's activities are available.

Additional sessions will be announced as needed. Please choose a session and RSVP to Margaret Deans at 224-1513 or mdeans@fbsumc.org. As per our Safe Sanctuary policy, every four years of the program, all adult volunteers with children and youth will need to return to the classroom to be certified, even if you took the training last year. Thank you for your service to our children and youth. First Broad Street UMC could not have the kind of missions and ministry to youth and children without our committed volunteers.

Exploring FBS Class

Sunday, January 8, 2012 3:30 - 5:30 P.M.

...for those seeking membership at First Broad Street

RSVP to Susan Hopkins at shopkins@fbsumc.org.

Thank You . . .

First Broad Street Church was "the" place to be this Advent. The message was clear (God loves us and sent His Son, His gift, to teach us about God's nature), the many varieties of music followed the theme, and the setting became more lovely each week as we moved closer to Christmas. It takes the combined efforts of staff, choirs, bands, orchestra, greeters, ushers, sound techs, altar guild, liturgical dancers and many other volunteers behind the scenes to create the meaningful and beautiful worship services and Wednesday Nites. On behalf of the Worship Committee and a grateful congregation, we thank you. *Lee Cornell*



So Long, Farewell

It is with heavy hearts that we must say good-bye to our church family. Just like the saying goes--"it takes a village to raise a child"--Kingsport has been our village for 23 years but the center of our village has been First Broad. We have been blessed beyond measure by every aspect of this church. Our kids have learned to love the Lord by your example and we have weathered many storms due to your love and faithfulness. Please continue to nurture the young families, children, and youth--it has eternal value! Love and Blessings--*Duke and Susan Dukart*

Our new addresses:

PO Box 6324 Grand Forks, ND 58206

nddukarts@gmail.com



To connect to ministries or small groups, contact Nancy Tate at 224-1507 or ntate@fbsumc.org.

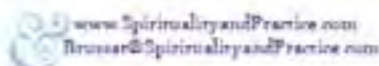


Spiritually Literate New Year's Resolutions

by Frederic and Mary Ann Brüssat

1. I will live in the present moment. I will not obsess about the past or worry about the future.
2. I will cultivate the art of making connections. I will pay attention to how my life is intimately related to all life on the planet.
3. I will be thankful for all the blessings in my life. I will spell out my days with a grammar of gratitude.
4. I will practice hospitality in a world where too often strangers are feared, enemies are hated, and the "other" is shunned. I will welcome guests and alien ideas with graciousness.
5. I will seek liberty and justice for all. I will work for a free and a fair world.
6. I will add to the planet's fund of good will by practicing little acts of kindness, brief words of encouragement, and manifold expressions of courtesy.
7. I will cultivate the skill of deep listening. I will remember that all things want to be heard, as do the many voices inside me.
8. I will practice reverence for life by seeing the sacred in, with, and under all things of the world.
9. I will give up trying to hide, deny, or escape from my imperfections. I will listen to what my shadow side has to say to me.
10. I will be willing to learn from the spiritual teachers all around me, however unlikely or unlike me they may be.

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My Spiritual Growth Plan for 2012

Thus says the Lord, "Stand at the crossroads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies: and walk in it, and find rest for your souls." Jeremiah 6: 16

Choose a scripture for this year. It can be a familiar one, or a passage that stood out to you as you were reading your Bible. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you as you choose, so that the scripture can be your teacher this year, forming you more closely to God's dream for you.

Christian disciplines grew out of the experiences of the early Church with Christ from the beginning. These disciplines do not make us holy or acceptable to God. Instead they are "means of grace" - activities and habits God uses to deepen our relationship with God. Which spiritual discipline(s) do you perceive the Holy Spirit is using to draw you closer to God this year?

After prayerful consideration, I will intentionally invest my time and energy for spiritual growth through the following discipline(s).

- Confession / Worship
- Prayer / Meditation
- Christian Conferencing
- Daily Bible Reading / Study
- Fasting / Abstinence
- Service / Mission
- Silence / Solitude / Simplicity
- Tithing / Generosity
- Celebration

What practical ways will you use to help you grow spiritually, emotionally, and physically? Some time-tested habits are listed to give you ideas. Remember: a deeper relationship with the One who loves us the most is why we become intentional about our actions and habits.

- Prayer Day Apart
- Join a small group study
- Writing, Drawing, or Dancing
- Walking / Running
- Regular, Communal Worship
- Accountability Group
- Cooking or Gardening
- Healthy Diet and Lifestyle
- Meeting with a Spiritual Friend
- Special time with family
- Playing an instrument or singing
- Serving in community/ church

Spiritual (relationship with God): _____

Emotional (relationship with others): _____

Physical (relationship with self): _____

Do not overextend yourself by trying to do too many things. Keep your spiritual plan in your Bible or on your desk at work and refer to it during the year. Add to it or modify it as the Spirit guides you. Additional resources are available. Contact Margaret Deans for suggestions. (mdeans@fbsumc.org or 224-1513)



Memorial Contributions



In Memory Of

GENERAL

Archie Stice-by Mr. and Mrs. Pete Eldridge

Cathryn Tranbarger-by Mr. and Mrs. Gary Keefauver, Mildred McCoy, Isaac and Debbie Larkey

Betty Lou Shearer-by Susan Dedrick, Jean Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Zemp, Pat Terrill

Janet Barnes-by Mr. and Mrs. Jon Peters

Jim Crowe-by Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gilbert

Janet Barnes and Betty Price-by Jack and Phyllis Willis

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Matt Boggan-by Frances Howe

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Reid Brogden, Matt Boggan, Janet Barnes, and Archie Stice-by Mr. and Mrs. Al Tolson

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Janet Barnes, Mark Anthony Carty, Archie Stice, Flo Maddox-by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thomas

Don Jones-by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dobyns

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Marjo Reid-by Gina Parkerson

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FBSUMC Children's News

January 2012

Welcome to 2012!

In making your New Year's resolution, are you having trouble discerning where God needs you? Have you considered serving in the 3 and 4 year old classroom on Sunday mornings during Sunday School? If you are interested, please call Anna Manley at 224-1515 or email her at amanley@fbsumc.org.

You are invited to an **Epiphany Celebration** on January 4 when the Music Ministry presents, "The Three Kings" We will also enjoy a meal of roast beef, mashed potatoes, carrots, roll, and "King Cakes." Please note: standing reservations will NOT apply for this event. Please call 224-1502 for your reservations.

Don't forget to come on January 11 for our "**Welcome to Wednesday Nighter!**" There's something for everyone on Wednesday Nights at FBSUMC! Try it out! **No charge for the meal on Jan. 11.** Bring the whole family to see the Christian Magician and enjoy the menu of spaghetti, garlic bread, tossed salad, and dessert. We hope to see you there!

Art and Soul Kick Off

❖ "Art and Soul" Mid-week Discipleship for Children
Registration for Art and Soul will be held January 11.
Art and Soul Begins January 18.

Art and Soul

Pre-K	5:00-5:40 in Room 236
Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grade	6:15-7:15 in Room 232
3rd, 4th, & 5th Grade	6:15-7:15 in Room 233

Art and Soul will not meet on the following dates: February 22, March 28, and April 4.

❖ **Nursery Rooms are changing:** Toddlers to Rm 136; 2's to Rm 135, and Godly Play to Rm 137. These changes will be effective by January 8.

Check out the **Puzzle of Faith** on the second floor next to the elevator, which is in conjunction with the Wall of Faith outside the chapel.

January and February Forever Young Gatherings

Rev. David St. Clair will present his Mark Twain monologue at our January 24 Forever Young Fellowship. David is the son of the beloved former pastor to FBS, Ben St. Clair. He attended high school at DB as a youth. The February 28 Gathering will feature the Patti Quarles Trio. The theme is “love” for Valentine’s Day.

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New Motorized Wheelchair

Our church has been blessed to receive a motorized wheelchair for use in the building. It is parked in the entrance of the Wesley Wing. The building staff will keep the battery charged up but before you take it out make sure that it is unplugged. Of course this chair is for use by handicapped persons only.

Bring One Items

Bring One items for the week of Sunday, January 1, will be cash or checks for the communion offering baskets. the items for the week of Sunday, January 8, will be spaghetti sauce and noodles. Thank you.

Mayor Dennis Phillips proclaims December 10 as Gene Still Day in Kingsport in honor of the 80th birthday of this truly outstanding citizen



Thank you to all of you who responded to the article, “Reading Request for Ralph,” in a recent edition of *The Spires*. Our congregation really responded, and Ralph has received 78 cards to date!

Messages about being part of the church family and reminders that God is with us were included along with personal notes and photos. Ralph was moved beyond words, and we plan to use the cards in conjunction with the church directory to help him identify fellow members.

--Leigh Anne Hoover