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United Methodist Church
Loving God • Growing Together • Reaching Out

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Dear First Broad Street Family,
We received word that Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor has announced that worship services in Holston Conference churches will be suspended indefinitely. The news is not surprising given the continued spread of the Coronavirus.

Ways you can stay connected to FBSUMC are abundant, and our staff is continuing to explore ways to reach out to you during our social distancing.

Worship Online with Us:

8:30 and/or 10:45 through our Facebook Page.

Even if you do not have a personal FB page you can follow these steps:
In your search bar type: First Broad Street Facebook. When you get to the Facebook page scroll down to the bottom where you will be able to hit "x" to ignore the log-in prompt. Scroll past all the photos and videos that will appear first and you will eventually come to the live posts.

Weekday Daily Online Devotions:

At 8:00 a.m. every morning (Monday-Friday) we are providing online devotions on our Facebook page.

Online Prayer Service:

We encourage you to be a part of our online prayer service each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. on Facebook.

Mental Health Chats:

Pastor Misti will offer mental health chats for anyone needing encouragement (through Facebook, Zoom, or by phone.) Simply message the church on the Facebook page or call the church office at 423-246-4471 to get connected with her.

Remember, "God has not given us the spirit of fear . . ." (II Timothy 1:7). God is greater than any challenge including Coronavirus!

Dr. Randy Frye, Lead Pastor, FBSUMC

WAYS TO PRAY . . .

Prayer Requests may be reported by:
Calling the Prayer Line -- 423-224-1544
Emailing shopkins@fbsumc.org



Please consider joining the Email Prayer Team, which simply involves praying for individual needs/prayer requests shared with the church. Emails are sent daily (Monday-Friday) that include these requests as well as a list of those who we are aware are in the hospital or members who have had deaths in their families. If you would like to be added to the Email Prayer Team to help the feeling of connectedness to our church, you may email or call Sue Hopkins (shopkins@fbsumc.org or 423-224-1514).

Don't forget to download your **monthly Prayer Guide** offered in your FBS happenings emails each Friday!



Sympathy is expressed to . . .

Cheryl Cleary and Trevis and Matthew Cleary on the February 24 death of mother and grandmother,

Julia Boyd King;

Barbara McCants on the February 27 death of her sister,

Martha Speir; and

Mary Frances McCrary on the March 23 death of her husband, **Willis "Buck" Starnes, Jr.**

In Memory of Our Church Family Members ...

Shirley Ratcliff-Carlson - February 29

*Sympathy is expressed to her husband, Fred Carlson,
son, Robert "Darby" Ratcliff,
granddaughter, Allison Stewart, and
her great-grandchildren, Sam and Sara Stewart.*

Jody Powell - March 10



Congratulations to **Alden Mason and Sarah Wade**, who were married at Pleasant Hill Vineyards in Maryville on March 7.



Congratulations to **Lucas and Sarah Henderson** on the March 20 birth of their daughter, **Parker Kate Henderson** (granddaughter of **Scott and Tricia Taylor** and great granddaughter of **Phil and Jane Skeen**; **Mary Sue Still** on the March 23 birth of her great granddaughter, **Layla Mattison** (daughter of Scott and Ashley Mattison).



CHILDREN'S & PRESCHOOL MINISTRIES . . .

Watch for the weekly Kids JAM videos for kids to watch - it includes a craft and a game with Katie Blalock on Facebook. Preschoolers will enjoy time with Brandy Robinson singing songs and hearing Bible stories!

STUDENT MINISTRY . . .

Even though it seems like everything else is shutting down, First Broad St. is committed to continuing to Love God, Grow Together and Reach Out; it just might look a little different than normal! So on Wednesdays we invite your student (and you!) to join Ralph and me in worship, starting a new student series on judging, and participating in group discussions. It's going to feel just like a Wednesday night or Sunday morning in your own home! Just email John at jrowe@fbsumc.org for instructions on how to plug in!

Grace and peace,
 John Rowe, Director of Student Ministries

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES . . .

We encourage you to plug into Facebook to watch our Livestream worship services at 8:30 and/or 10:45 a.m. OR you can watch the video at your convenience later. We are also offering Monday-Friday devotions and a Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Prayer Service so be sure to check those out!

You do NOT need a personal Facebook page to do so. Follow these steps:

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If you run into problems watching, please let us know by calling 423-246-4471. While our offices are operating from 9 a.m. to noon, our staff is working from home full time to continue ministries for FBSUMC. We are here to help you in any way we can!



MISSIONS- How to help while at home?

Looking for a way for your family to still be a part of our community ministries while staying at home? Here are 3 things you can do today:

- Sort through all your infant to teen clothing for things to donate to the SMILE Foster Care Clothes Closet
 - Sort through your kitchen for extra things such as cooking utensils, plates, bowls, cups, silverware, pots, pans, storage containers and small appliances
 - Sort through your linen closet for extra sheets, blankets, bedspreads, pillows, towels and washcloths
- Then call the Missions Office at 224-1531 for more information on when and how to drop the items off

First Broad Street In Missions God Hugs the World

The annual Mission Celebration was March 6th – 8th, and proved to be a very inspiring celebration of the mission ministry of our congregation as well as a glimpse of how God continues to “hug the world” through the congregation. Stories were shared from local, national, and global ministries that gave vision to the transformative power of God’s love and grace through mission opportunities to be involved with personally as well as to financially support. We were challenged and inspired through the reflections of our keynote speakers, Bishop David Graves and Rev. Dr. Kimberly Reisman. **We experienced the ultimate faith community while packaging more than 45,000 meals that will provide three meals a day (for a whole year) for 200 children who suffer from malnutrition and starvation throughout the world. The congregation celebrated with a commitment of almost \$106,000.00 in response to the offering for ministries highlighted on the Faith Promise card. In addition, \$5425.00 was raised through the silent auction that will be used for the In Mission Together mission trip to Hungary in June.**

We are blessed to be committed in our calling as a local church to the healing and restorative power of God, and his constant hugging of the world to heal the brokenness and pain in our community and around the world. In a time in which so many in the church are skeptical and apprehensive, the congregation of First Broad Street boldly and passionately accepts the opportunity to focus on the ministry of Jesus in sharing his love and grace through mission and outreach. God honors an obedient and generous heart, and we look forward to the opportunities that are before us to fulfill God’s calling. God’s faithfulness to the world is lived out through our faithfulness to him. Thank you First Broad Street for your continued support of the mission ministries entrusted to us! Through your efforts, the world will come to know how it feels to be hugged by God.

If you did not have the opportunity to make your commitment to the Faith Promise for the coming year, you may still do so by contacting the finance office, or by completing a Faith Promise card available in the main office or the mission office. Please contact the Mission Office at 423-224-1531 if you have any questions.





FBSUMC Financial Report: YTD Ending February, 2020

Revenue	Actual	Budget
Pledges	\$283,585	\$260,691
Other Offerings	\$236,338	\$257,452
Total Revenue (includes Child Center, Kitchen, etc)	\$519,923	\$518,143
Expenses	\$492,419	\$515,443
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 27,504	\$ 2,700
Capital Debt	\$ 0	*(289,605) more than required
Cash on Hand (Working Capital)	\$808,081	\$ 518,476*

Ways to Give:

- ❖ Mail: 100 East Church Circle
Kingsport, TN 37660
- ❖ Text **FBSGIVE to 73256**
- ❖ Church app: "churchlife"
- ❖ Online: Give.fbsumc.org

NewsLetter
DEADLINE

All newsletter articles must be submitted for consideration by the first Monday of the previous month for the following monthly newsletter. The deadline for the May newsletter will be 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 6, by contacting Meredith Brown at mbrown@fbsumc.org or 423-224-1522. All articles are subject to editing.

To give a memorial in honor or memory of friend or a loved one, please mail your check to the Finance Office at 100 East Church Circle, Kingsport, TN, 37660 and mark "memorial" on the memo line of your check.

In Memory Of

CAMP BAYS MOUNTAIN

Crandell Craft by Jerry and Barbara Umberger
Edwin Graves, Franklin Welder, Betty Frazier, Birdie Proctor, Jerry Sneed, Velma Rutherford, Florence Gall, Crandell Craft, Martha Speir, Shirley Ratcliff-Carlson by Darres Carter

FOREVER YOUNG

Birdie Proctor by Greg and Mary Easley, friends

FRIENDSHIP DINER

Karen Starnes by members of Discoverers Class

GENERAL

Birdie Proctor by Marilyn Hammonds, Gardner and Wilma Hammond, Steve and Cathy Kilgore, David and Nicki Shivell, David and Cher Taylor

Crandell Craft by Patty Holbert, Bill and Kathy Moore, Rhonda Newton, Bud and Shirley Jones, Terry and Suzanne Goins, Pamela Kelley, members of Lively State Farm, Nancy Olson, Theona Moorehouse, Keener and Nancy Mallicote, Mark Hamilton, Sandra Rogan, Harris and Evelyn Crandell, Harry and Sharon Morris, Ada Rogan, Mike and Carol Rogan, Richard and Ruth Borden, Patricia Pigmon

Velma Rutherford by Harold and Emily Childress

Shirley Ratcliff-Carlson by Charles Lambert

Fielding Rolston by Tom Rice

PARISH NURSE

Birdie Proctor by members of Inquirers Class

SCHOLARSHIPS

Jody Powell by Doug and Linda Arnold

Celebrate Our Birthdays by Calling Someone on the List -- contact info available in the churchLife app or in your printed church directory.

April 1
Bobbie Hutchins
Ed Latham
Cathy Harvey
Diane Shaver
Bob Brock
Mandy Owens
Matthew Spivey
Thomas Carty
Katy Golob
Jennifer Garland
Austin Weaver
Keno Kay

April 2
David Oaks
James Harris
Linda Abbott
Chris Rose
Ross Smith
Erin Wadley
Rachel Bennett
Samantha Culhane
Margo Ford

April 3
Leighton Wood
Christian Humbert
Cary Boggs
Landon Collins
Walker Wolfe
Evelyn Long

April 4
Lee Cornell
John Leonard
Glenn Ward
Brian Robbins
Julie Sproles
Jessie Pedersen
Sarah Pedersen

April 5
Wanda Eisenbise
Joe Stras
Lynn Doane
Todd East
Jane Honeycutt
Ruth Ann Hoard
Sara Yarber
Victoria Edmisten
J. Preston Mercer
Spencer Murphy
Sarah Vaughan

April 6
Judy Blalock
Judy Mosley
Preston Carter

Macie Anderson
April 7
B.J. Reeves
Sheila Cox
Nancy Walker
Bo Corum
Emily Hammond
Luke Musser
Joanna Ramey
Mabel Spivey
Miller Spivey

April 8
Michael Pappas
Thomas Click
James Miller
Lauren Montessor
Braden Boyd
Leo Giaudrone
Sydney Culhane

April 9
Mary Louise
Highsmith
Rick Currie
Tom Brock
Eric Salaita
Karrie Thomas
Lucas Vaughn
Ava Carver

April 10
Tim Thayer
Edithann Wadewitz
Holly Flora
Ava Crowe

April 11
Butch Lady
Joe Bettini
Cheryl Salaita
Debra Wurmser
Ted Glynn
Art Brown
Drew Romance

April 12
Kathi Boyd
Drew Doran
Abigail Robinson
Elisabeth Cowart
Bryson Thorpe
Roe Harrison
Susan McKee
Katie Holt

April 13
Martha Parham
Lyndsey Brundrit

Meredith Dean
Hans Shutts
April 14
Kelly Williams
Angela Duncan
Rochelle Trent
Eddie Simmers
Carter Vickers
Benjamin Culp
Jackson Compton
Benjamin Anderson
Eli West

April 15
Tom LaGuardia
Allison Bonds
Eric Hammonds
Kristopher Forsha
Jackson Marshall
Henry Onks

April 16
June Childress
Ginny Jenkins
Rebecca Kowen
Parker Rose
Chancellor Pickett

April 17
Judy Deere
Gary Casey
Dona Gilliam
Katherine Scoggins
Carrie Bearden
Jane Dean
Joe Doran
Grayson England
Nathan Frazier
Camden Sproles

April 18
Margaret Reel
Judith Sadler
Nicky Mann
Ben Morris
Andy Taylor
Bailey Collins
Heather Jeffers
Brad Onks
Lily Arnold
Lucy Kate Grubbs

April 19
Barbara Lively
Madre Forsha
Ned West
Addison England

April 20
George Mayfield
Anna Moreland
Vernon Walker
Matthew Bonds
Evelyn Merritt

April 21
David Bagwell
Mary Sewell
Jane Skeen
Jan Gibbons
Hunter Jenkins

April 22
Marcine Berry
Sharon Morris
Candy Alexander
Judy Sneed
David Dean
Penny Roberts
BJ Jolley
Grace Macdonald
Kyle Peterson

April 23
Carolyn Salery
Finley Green
Becky Carver
Bonnie Macdonald
Brantley Kilgore
Emily Bounds
Justice Pinney
Cameron Walker
Elliot Tate
Isaac Tate
Ben Welch

April 24
Becky Stone
Marjo Reid
Maribeth Carty
Melanie Hutchins
Leanne Cox
Michael Flanigan
Caitlin Parsons
Kristy Rowe
Val George
Katherine Culligan
Jack Kitzmiller
Ellie Gilly
Hannah Johnson
Brooks Merritt

April 25
Janice Cloud
Dennis Golob
Dennis Cleary
Jim Cox

Jordan Willingham
Brock Jennings
Sithney Wolfe

Jonah Cleary
William McKee

April 26
George Salaita
Charles Fonatine
Stephanie Jolley
Gage Taylor
McConnell Hobbs
Maxwell Goad

April 27
Hoyt Denton
Mike Harvey
Sparky Dyson
Thomas Odom

April 28
Ann Morison
Clara McHorris
Tricia Taylor
Amy Luethke
Chuck Williams
Emily Philip
Lane Taylor
Bradley Bacon
Marilee Hull
Cahill Harvey

April 29
Glenn Gott
Tom Parnell
Andrew Scruggs
Christy Free
Jill Rose
Chase Salyer
Emma Rogers
Kaile Fletcher
Henry Boggs

April 30
Angela Dotson
Nancy Mallicote
Phyllis Hill
Bob West
Michelle McInturff
Kelli Trent
Bryce Herlong
Alexis Mayo
Jacob Dunnivant
Emilyn Medukas
Mary Hopkins

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WHAT IS NARNIA? NARNIA is an intergenerational program designed to allow you to experience the world of NARNIA through story, adventures, and a spirit of imagination. **Stuck at home during social distancing is a prime time to read the books if you haven't yet! We hope to begin the new program in June, but at least you can read or re-read in the meantime to prepare!**

WHAT WE DO: NARNIA is for everyone, whether you've yet to read the books or you're a long-time Lewis fan. Come "further in" to the fun this summer with adventure sessions led by seasoned guides from First Broad Street United Methodist Church's NARNIA program, which began in 1981. In each of the seven adventure sessions everyone has the opportunity to participate in the hands-on adventures, including: Caving, River-crossing by starlight, Lake Day, Compass Orienteering, and Narnian Creation Planetarium Show! All will join in one of the discussion groups, which are offered at different levels of engagement and experience with Lewis's books and scripture.

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ... "Once you get to NARNIA, your Christian faith will never be the same. It will be more alive, more real – something you can put your hands on, examine, and say, 'This is what I believe.'" -Sparky Dyson

"Aslan tells Lucy and Edmund that they were brought to Narnia to get to know him a little there, in order that they could know him better in their own world. For us, NARNIA has been the same - a doorway through which we see and hear and smell and taste things that we suddenly realize are deep and true and are a part, not of a book, but of real life."



- Karen Grisent



**Sessions for NARNIA begin at 4:30 p.m.
and end by 9 p.m.**

Locations and registration guidelines will be available at fbsumc.org soon. Questions, email fbnarniaprogram@gmail.com.

June 7 - The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe (1950)

June 21 (Father's Day)- Prince Caspian: The Return to Narnia (1951)

July 19 - The Voyage of the Dawn Treader (1952)

August 16 - The Silver Chair (1953)

September 13 - The Horse and His Boy (1954)

October 4 - The Magician's Nephew (1955)

October 25 - The Last Battle (1956)

November 1 - graduation