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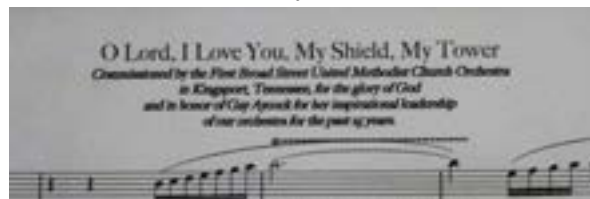
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Celebrating 25 Years of Service: Here's to 25 More!

In celebration of Gay's 25th anniversary conducting our orchestra, a piece of music by Jeff Cranfill was commissioned in her honor. It is adapted from Camille Saint-Saens' finale of the "Organ Symphony," "Maestoso" from Symphony No. 3 in C Minor, Op. 78. The hymn, "O Lord, I Love You, My Shield,



My Tower," is based on this music and the words of Psalm 18. Mr. Cranfill was very excited to be writing this piece for us in honor of Gay.

The efforts were led by Susan Lodal and Bill McSpadden, who facilitated a live-stream event in the FBSUMC sanctuary so the entire orchestra could join in on the presentation without concerns about Covid-19. Gay, all of us at First Broad Street are so thankful for your 25 years of ministry, and look forward to many, many more! Thank you for your ministry, and for all you do to bring us joy as we worship God through such incredible music!



Due to the significant rise in Covid cases in our area, *First Broad Street UMC has suspended in-person worship services indefinitely.* We will keep you updated when we can begin offering in-person worship again. **We hope you will continue to join us for worship on Facebook Live Stream.** Join us for Encounter at 8:30 and Traditional Worship at 10:45 a.m.





**In Memory of
Our Church Family Member . . .**

Betty McDavid - June 27

Sympathy is expressed to her daughter, Jane Guy, and granddaughter, Kimberly Guy.

Patricia Ann Addington - July 19

Sympathy is expressed to her sister, Cathy Evans.

Sympathy is expressed to . . .

Betty Howle on the June 24 death of her sister,

Frances Hovdesven;

Marion Carney on the June 25 death of her sister,

Ruby Nell Mays;

Vincent Guidi-Louviere and Veronica Ponnier on the

July 5 death of their father, **Don Louviere**



SingleVision

With the Safer at Home measures still in place to some extent, it is probable that SingleVision will not be able to meet until further notice. Please contact Jane Adams at jane.adams.kpt@gmail.com or 423-246-1727 for updates.

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:

1. In your search bar type: First Broad Street Facebook.
2. When you get to the Facebook page scroll down to the bottom where you will be able to click "x" to ignore the log-in prompt.
3. Scroll past all the photos and videos that will appear first and you will eventually come to the live posts.

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!



Graduating?

If a member of your immediate family is graduating from college or graduate school in August, please contact Darres Carter at dcarter@fbsumc.org or 423-224-1506.

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Brandy and Stephen Robinson**, who adopted **Charlotte Katherine** and **Eleanor Ruth** on July 14!

FBS Child Care Center Birth
Announcement: Congratulations to mother, **Cheyenne Patrick** on the July 9 birth of baby, **Everett Jo Patrick**.



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 whom 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!



LISTEN TO WORSHIP BY PHONE

Listen to FBS worship service via phone call only.
1-423-207-1268

Just dial the number and sit back and listen. You can even put on speaker and enjoy at any time of day or night.
New service available after noon on Mondays.

Live Wires Sunday School by dial up telephone. A lesson is presented each week via teleconference. 10:30 on Wednesdays. Please call Linda Morton for information or to join the group. 423-247-4882.

Senior Adult Fellowship and Gatherings will occur as soon as it is safe to connect in larger groups.

History of Hymns:

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

Thomas Andrew Dorsey

Article by C. Michael Hawn, reprinted from umcdiscipleship.org
(July 2014)

*Precious Lord, take my hand,
lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the
night, lead me on to the light:
Take my hand, precious Lord,
lead me home.*

Many hymns are conceived in the throes of tragedy. “Precious Lord” was written in Chicago in 1932 following the death of Thomas Dorsey’s wife, Nettie, and infant son during childbirth.

Dorsey (1899-1993) was born in Georgia. His father was a Baptist preacher, and his mother a piano teacher. Known as the “Father of Black Gospel Music,” Dorsey combined African American church hymns such as those by Methodist minister, Charles A. Tindley (1851-1933), with blues and jazz. This “worldly” combination was not without controversy at first, but set the tone for gospel music for decades to come.

Born in Villa Rica, Georgia, Dorsey was reared in Atlanta from the age of five, where he came in contact with the musical sounds of the blues. He moved to Chicago in 1915 and studied at the Chicago College of Composition and Arranging and began playing in nightclubs under a variety of names as a young man, including, “Georgia Tom,” “Texas Tommy” and “Barrelhouse Tom.” Dorsey started to play rent parties — house parties in which tenants would hire a musician or band to play for a party and pass the hat to raise money to pay their rent. The rent party played a major role in the development of jazz and blues music.

Dorsey put together the “Wild Cats Jazz Band” to play for Ma Rainey in 1925. His wife, Nettie, was Rainey’s wardrobe mistress. After suffering a severe illness in 1926, Dorsey was converted in 1928 and became active in Pilgrim Baptist Church in Chicago. Beginning in 1932, he served as the church’s choir director for forty years. Of his 1,000 musical works, at least 200 were gospel songs. He promoted the gospel song through the formation of the National Association of Gospel Choirs and Choruses, serving as the organization’s president. Black musicians during the pre-Civil Rights era often formed their own publishing companies in order to make their music available. He began the Thomas A. Dorsey Gospel Song Music Publishing Company, a publisher of inexpensive gospel blues music.

Even though he had hundreds of jazz and blues songs to his credit, he turned to gospel music, one of the first to use that

term, following the tragic death of Nettie and their infant son in 1932. Dorsey provides an account of the circumstances surrounding the composition of this famous song: “Back in 1932 I was 32 years old and a fairly new husband. My wife, Nettie, and I were living in a little apartment on Chicago’s Southside. One hot August afternoon I had to go to St. Louis, where I was to be the featured soloist at a large revival meeting. I didn’t want to go. Nettie was in the last month of pregnancy with our first child. But a lot of people were expecting me in St. Louis. . . . In the steaming St. Louis heat, the crowd called on me to sing again and again. When I finally sat down, a messenger boy ran up with a Western Union telegram. I ripped open the envelope. Pasted on the yellow sheet were the words: YOUR WIFE JUST DIED. . . . When I got back, I learned that Nettie had given birth to a boy. I swung between grief and joy. Yet that night, the baby died. I buried Nettie and our little boy together, in the same casket. Then I fell apart. For days I closeted myself. I felt that God had done me an injustice. I didn’t want to serve Him any more or write gospel songs. I just wanted to go back to that jazz world I once knew so well. . . . But still I was lost in grief. Everyone was kind to me, especially a friend, Professor Frye, who seemed to know what I needed. On the following Saturday evening he took me up to Malone’s Poro College, a neighborhood music school. It was quiet; the late evening sun crept through the curtained windows. I sat down at the piano, and my hands began to browse over the keys.”

Dorsey remembered an old pentatonic (five-note) melody from his Sunday School days, MAITLAND (The United Methodist Hymnal, No. 424) by George Allen (1812-1877), paired with the text “Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone.” Arranging this tune and adding his own words, “Precious Lord” became the most famous of his many gospel songs. He gave the song to Frye who introduced it to the choir at Atlanta’s Ebenezer Baptist Church the next Sunday, an event that, Dorsey later remarked, “tore up the church.” Martin Luther King, Sr. was the pastor of Ebenezer at this time, beginning his ministry there in 1931.

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Peace in Troubled Times

We were blessed to go to the beach for a brief respite. Our granddaughter, Olivia, age 5, asked me, “Can’t we just live here?” Yes, Olivia, sometimes I do wish we could live on vacation! Between COVID-19 and the recent racial strife, our lives may feel less peace-filled. Besides living in an escapist reality, how do we find peace in our current situation?

† Stay close to the Master. As Jesus followers, our peace comes from our proximity to him. Our closeness to him comes through daily and intentional practice. What can we do to seek out Jesus each day?

† Live selflessly. Peace and true pleasure are found in giving up our very selves. Paradoxically, the more we think about our own satisfaction, the less content and peace-filled we are. What can we do to live more selflessly?

† Do what we can. Love is a verb. It is an invitation to do what we can to serve others, whether it means wearing a mask out of consideration for others or whether it means asking ourselves the hard questions about our sometimes misplaced priorities. What can we do today for others?

† Lean into learning. Learning can help us be more peace-filled as we seek greater understanding and wise guidance. What can we learn today?

Recently, a small group gathered to discuss ways we could help our church move forward in the conversation about racism. We decided that one important step is to educate ourselves in order to understand more about what it means to be anti-racism. With that in mind, we are publishing a list of movies and starting a book group. -- Joy Eastridge



Fall Women’s Bible Study

You are invited to a Bible study! Starting August 1 and 3, we will launch 2 different Zoom groups that will study the same book: Barb Roose’s, *Surrendered*. The sessions will be Tuesday and Thursday mornings, 9-10, with Joy Eastridge as the discussion leader and Joyce Brogden as the group prayer guide. Sign up today by responding to jeastridge@fbsumc.org. Keep in mind that you can invite friends from other places to join us. Each participant will be responsible for ordering their own book and will then receive the link for the video.



A Note from Lisa Tencer and the FBS Task Force on Racism

After the deaths of Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and George Floyd, many in our nation have entered a time of self-reflection and questioning about racism and its impact. Over the next several months, we will be sharing movies, websites, and books that will provide opportunities for conversation and for exploring other viewpoints. Five recent biographical movies provide good snapshots of the impact of racism throughout our history.

Anti-Racism Movie List

Harriet (2019) - based on the life of Harriet Tubman, her escape from slavery in 1849, and her courage as she repeatedly returned to free hundreds of slaves.

The Butler (2013) - Loosely based on the life of White House butler Eugene Allen, who served the presidents for 34 years beginning during the Eisenhower administration.

Hidden Figures (2016) - The story of a team of female African American mathematicians (Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughn, and Mary Jackson) who served a vital role with NASA in 1961-62 in Langley, VA.

Selma (2014) - Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King’s campaign for equal voting rights via the march from Selma to Montgomery, AL in 1965.

Just Mercy (2019) - Civil rights defense attorney Bryan Stevenson works to free a death row inmate wrongly convicted of a murder in 1987.

Anti-Racism Book Group

Everyone is welcome to participate in a Zoom Book Group. We will read books to explore issues of race in the United States as a means of better understanding ourselves, our history, and our community. Education and self-awareness are foundational for change. This group will meet over Zoom from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. on the following dates. Email Joy Eastridge or Linda Coffey for Zoom numbers prior to the meeting.

September 22: “Beyond Racial Gridlock” (George A. Yancy), led by Nathan Flora

October 27: “Stamped from the Beginning” (Ibram X. Kendi), led by Jim Welch

November 17: “White Fragility” (Robin DiAngelo), led by Joy Eastridge

January 26: “How to Be an Antiracist” (Ibram X. Kendi), led by Gail Preslar and Cameron Nelson Hardamon

February 23: “Why Are all the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria?” (Beverly Daniel Tatum), led by Denise DePriest

March 23: “Tears We Cannot Stop: A Sermon to White America” (Michael Eric Dyson), led by Caryl Griffin

Activity in Time of COVID-19

Many of us are feeling closed in by the recent restrictions related to COVID-19 transmission. But take heart! We can still have fun and do it safely. If we are smart and wear our masks, we can continue to be out and about safely and see our economy flourish.

What makes an activity risky?

- Enclosed spaces.
- Forceful exhalations: singing, yelling, coughing.
- Duration of interaction
- Existence of crowds.

What are some moderately safe activities?



What are some safer activities?

In general, outside, safe-distancing=good. So plan a get-together with a couple of friends outside at a park or in the yard: camping, boating, hiking—all can measure up to be fun and safe.



Kids JAM small groups will resume the week of Aug. 9th. These groups will be kept to under 10 and will meet outdoors. **FBS Kids online worship** will continue each week. If you would like to be a part of the FBS Elementary Facebook page, contact Katie Blalock.

Story Time will continue weekly on Tuesdays on the FBS Elementary Facebook page.

Monthly Challenge for August: Learn all 12 disciples names for a small prize delivered to your doorstep!

If you are interested in being a part of reaching out to **Terrific Tuesday kids**, please contact Katie Blalock at kblalock@fbsumc.org.

Back to School Blessing: August 2 in all services.

Kindergarten Welcome Event: August 9 from 6:30-7:00 on Zoom for our incoming Kindergarten kids.

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

Jim Harless by Roger Hanz

FOOD

Nancy East, Betty Starnes, Ed Miller, Earl Feathers, John King, Charles Large, Annette Pannell by Darres Carter
Annette Pannell by Virginia Tanner

Ed and Birdie Proctor and Leslie and Mary Ann Heaton by Bill and Janace Grigsby

FRIENDSHIP DINER

Betty Starnes by Louise Piazza, Linda Morton

Annette Pannell by George and Geri Taylor

Karen Starnes by Mary Sue Still

GENERAL

Nancy East by Chris and Janet Mullins; Doug and Linda Arnold, Judge Ronald J. Beck, Jordan and Stewart Toohey, Martha White, Chris Hall and family

Annette Pannell by Ti Alley, Laura Jane Yantz, George and Amy Lynch, Tom and Margaret Torbett

Anna Dukart and Nancy East by Richard and Brenda Doane

Bill Stuckey by Charlie and Fay Weaver, Susan Sensabaugh and Luke, Paulette Dean, Fr. Henry Arms HOA

Annette Pannell and Nancy East by Locke and Janet Carter

SCHOLARSHIPS

Annette Pannell and Jim Harless by Bob and Dot Dorr, Linda Morton

In Honor Of

CARPENTER'S HELPERS

Fred Petke's Birthday by David and Sharon Petke

Carpenter's Helpers Volunteers by Margaret Colley

ENDOWMENT

Randy Frye, Jack Weikel, Anne Sorrell by Joe Morley, Michael and Lisa Morley, Paul and Sandra Penland, John Penland, Michelle Penland

FOOD

Glenn Gott by Lavinia Gott

Jack Weikel's Birthday by Bill and Janace Grigsby

LIVEWIRES

Sue Hopkins by Linda Morton

MUSIC

Evelyn Bateman by Bruce and Rosalee Sites

50th Anniversary of Jim and Lee Cornell by Martha and Paul Vickers

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

August 1
Dorothy Randall
Linda Danko
Sloane Parker

August 2
Jim Pollock
Alice Kirk
Sue Thomas
Linda Gemayel
Wayne Garland
Darrell Duncan
Denise Gilly
Nicholas Trent
Mattie Lu Grubbs
Elizabeth Mayhew
Henry Shutts

August 3
Martha Bates
Scott Macdonald
Ed Reynolds
Scott Reynolds
Annette Giaudrone
Sally Hull
Owen Arnold

August 4
Jack Ailshie
Gina Parkerson
Ron McCall
Joyce Brogden
Jason White

August 5
Edward Parise
Richard Keesling
Joyce Smith
David Johnson
Debbie Mykytka
Julie Bennett
Arthur Todd
Dalton Cradic
Kevin Peterson
Alex Montgomery

August 6
Rodney Burton
Bill McDaniel
Ken Romance
Thomas Jolley
Elizabeth Schnede
Sophia Foster

August 7
Karen Guidi
Linda Sanders
Teresa Bass
David Pond

Emily Hilton
Terri Taylor
Jack Britt

August 8
Irene Snapp
Ron Isaacs
Iva Clark
Marc Mayhew
Sarah Wright

August 9
Edie Swaim
David Quisenberry
Patty Williams
Debi Johnson
Kurt Steiner
Carol Garland
Jan Garver
Angie Everett
Sarah Hepler
Wesley Anderson
Seth Smith
Lousie Harrison

August 10
Chris Mullins
Jennifer Hong
Brad Province
Ashley Dukart
Anna Jones
Makenzee Frohlich
Caroline Luethke
Danielle Luethke

August 11
John Mullen
Wayne Culbertson
Susan Claytor
Tina Stuckey
Lynn Lodien
Vickie Nowlin
Rasheeda Hogg
Anne-Sterling
Rogers
Colt Marcum

August 12
David Cumbow
Ed Everett
Joe Taylor
Samantha Hoskins
Caleb Yarosh

August 13
Charlie Floyd
Bradley Hoover
Drew Carter
Levi Henderson

August 14
Daisy Wampler
Douglas Springer
Wesley Craig Sorrell
Cameron Roberts
Scarlett Cech
Elena Cooley

August 15
Mary Ladd
Ted Province
Antoine Kay
Russ Brogden
David Richard
David Dean
Scott Umberger
Jimmy Cooper
Hailey Moore

August 16
Dolores Gott
Charles Guest
Kitty Smith
Lynda Dunnivant
Chris Metzger
Susanna Hauk
Jennifer Cox-Sisson
Lucy Johnson

August 17
Charles Martin
Sandy Fontaine
Donna Pappas
Susan Cole
David Marcus
Andrew Montgomery
Anna Owens

August 18
Paul Sides
Charlie Sorrells
Richard Quesenberry
Mitzi Odom
Christie Pickett

August 19
Vickie Rothrock
Carol Duncan
Myra Danehy
Macee Page
Sydney Ridings
Virginia Copple

August 20
Steve Young
Karen Todd
Beth Herr
Bo Corum

August 21
Kathleen Beine
Sheryl Edwards
Stephen Harnsberger
Harry Vengchiem

August 22
Wayne Lambert
Lisa Templeton
Shawn Burdge
Lucas McHam
Caroline Begley
Abby Weakley
Anna West

August 23
Peggy Carico
Keener Mallicote
Charles Penley
Rob Johnson
Becky Bonds
John Siner
Julie Bark
Jeremy Klug
Hagan Hensley

August 24
Louella Blair
Bob Grygotis
Macie Riddle
Henry Clark
Emily Collins

August 25
Dick Hopson
Martha Allen
Helen Kite
Karen Cox
Andy Wolfe
Leslee Dunkerson
Sophie Frohlich
Ava Armstrong
Collins Stocker
Luis Garcia-Garland

August 26
Joyce Eberhart
Annie Hill
Paul Turner
Crystal Smith
Katie Doane
Wells Lemons
Langley Brents
Ava Corum

August 27
Laura Waddey
Kevin McCreight

Miranda Walker
Nathan Rogers

August 28
Helen Parris
John Kivlighan
Don Sanderson
Hannah Day

August 29
Cathy Hunt
Gail Eldridge
Rick Witt
Joy Eastridge
Jeff England
Cecilia Garland
Rachel Dean
Ellie McCord

August 30
Fritz Pilgrim
Dan Chase
Ben Weakley
Cade Page
Clara Mullins
Emmett Williams

August 31
Rodney Umberger
Dannie Shupe
Susie Tinnon
Cynthia Mechem
Janet Brundrit
Catherine Marcum
Clayton Kilgore



Crossroads Medical Continues Medical Assistance during Pandemic

Crossroads Medical Mission is a nonprofit Christian ministry providing quality primary medical services to those “falling through the cracks” of the current health care system in southwest Virginia and northeast Tennessee. Such Individuals include the uninsured, the underinsured, those with poor access to medical care, and anyone not currently receiving medical care. The ministry has been working in conjunction with other outreach organizations, such as homeless shelters, food pantries, community centers, and Christian churches of various denominations since 2002.

Healthcare provided by Crossroads is free to all and primarily funded through the Healthcare Safety Net funding through the State of Tennessee and the Commonwealth of Virginia. Additional funding comes through private donations and church partnerships. The annual budget of \$370,000.00 provides approximately \$1,500,000.00 worth of healthcare in a year's time to an average of 3000 patients a year. There have been approximately 25,000 patients provided life giving and life transforming healthcare since the ministry began.

First Broad Street has partnered with Crossroads Medical Mission for sometime, both in financial support through the Faith Promise Budget, and by being a host church to the medical bus in our parking lot, where our volunteers join the Crossroads Medical staff in providing health care to our surrounding community. It is a blessing to be a partner in providing such a transforming ministry of spiritual and physical healing! Thank you First Broad Street for your generosity and commitment to the mission ministry of the church that enables this ministry to reach out in our region, following in the footsteps of Jesus. “I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.” Matthew 25:40.

Home Repair Ministry Providing Essential Assistance

The current distancing guidelines due to Covid-19 make it difficult to provide home repairs, but some needs are seen as essential, and Bill Campbell and Cloyd Clipse have insured that these identified needs are met. They, along with the summer interns, Hannah and Elly, have built several wheelchair ramps and steps in the last few weeks to make sure those needing them have safe passage in and out of their home. We appreciate their commitment to this ministry opportunity, and look forward to the day when they can involve more people in reaching out into the community in such a meaningful way. Thank you, the congregation, for your support of this and all of the ministries that share God’s love and grace in the community in such a powerful way!





Summer Mission Interns Finish Busy Summer on Staff

The Summer Mission Interns have had a busy summer in spite of the changes in ministry brought on by the Covid 19 Pandemic. With mission trips cancelled and/or postponed, the ability to gather in large groups suspended, and strict protocols placed on any activity of the church, it would appear that the summer would not hold much opportunity for ministry for this year's interns, Elly Hull and Hannah Yarosh. Both applied for the positions in anticipation of facilitating mission experiences locally and on trips, while involving youth and adults in ministries of transformation. We have been blessed that both fully embraced the challenge of a different kind of summer; one in which they were working behind the scene in preparing for ministry at a future time, possibly even a time when they will not be participants.

They took on the monumental task of cleanout and reorganization of the Anderson Building storage, shared by missions and the church in general; filling two 30-foot-construction dumpsters with no longer needed or usable items and trash. They have assisted the Furniture Ministry in the minimal ministry activities they have been able to address. They assisted Bill Campbell and Cloyd Clipse in constructing several ramps in emergency situations. They participated in the transition of the woodlot to Wimberley Woods and assisted the Firewood Ministry crew with wood pick up and splitting. They have been involved with the week-to-week provision of food through our Food Ministry. They have assisted Nathan and Gary in several projects around the church facility. They have delivered clothes to Henderson Settlement and the school kits to the District Office. They spent about ten days working with Project Crossroads on projects in southwest Virginia, including roofing and their Firewood Ministry, and they closed the summer with local ministry opportunities here at the church that are still able to be provided during the pandemic.

Thank you First Broad Street for the support of the Summer Mission Interns. These are life-transforming experiences for the young adults each year, and this year has been no different. We were blessed to have two that accepted the challenge of investing in the future opportunities of mission for our congregation in a non-traditional, but significant and sustaining way. Please join us in showing our appreciation to Elly and Hannah as you can in days ahead. Let's all remember them in prayer as they return back to education, Elly at Texas A&M, Hannah at Lynchburg University.

"I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." ~Matthew 25:40



Need some inspiration for cooking the next family meal while stuck at home? Try this one from Linda Gemayel, found in the United Methodist Women's Cookbook. This is a great recipe for small family gatherings this summer. Here's to hoping you get a picnic soon!

Like what you see? . . .

Once the Safer at Home orders have been lifted, pick up your copy of the cookbook for only \$12!

All-American Apple Pie

Pastry (2 crusts):
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon salt
2/3 cup shortening
5 tablespoons cold water
1 cup grated American cheese

Filling:
1/3 cup graham cracker crumbs
1 cup grated American cheese
6 cups sliced apples
2 teaspoons lemon juice
3/4 cup sugar
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1/8 teaspoon salt

Line 9-inch pie plate with pastry.

Sprinkle graham crackers over pie shell.

Mix filling ingredients, except for 2 tablespoons butter.

Dot top of pie with butter.

Add remaining crust and make slits in top.

Bake at 450 degrees for 10 minutes.

Reduce to 350 degrees for 40 minutes.





FBSUMC Financial Report: YTD Ending June, 2020

Revenue	Actual	Budget
Pledges	\$ 829,008	\$ 782,074
Other Offerings	\$ 592,593	\$ 772,355
Total Revenue (includes Child Center, Kitchen, etc)	\$1,421,601	\$1,554,429
Expenses	\$1,396,350	\$1,555,779
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 25,251	\$ -1,350
Capital Debt	\$ 0	*((\$577,638) more than required)
Cash on Hand (Working Capital)	\$1,096,114	\$ 518,476*

Ways to Give:

- ❖ Mail: 100 East Church Circle
Kingsport, TN 37660
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- ❖ Church app: "churchlife"
- ❖ Online: fbsumc.org - Give Tab

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 September newsletter will be 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 3, by contacting Meredith Brown at mbrown@fbsumc.org or 423-224-1522. All articles are subject to editing.

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“Precious Lord” Continued from page 3

The three stanzas capture the grief not only of Dorsey, but also of any who have suffered significant loss. The incipit or opening line of stanza one, “Precious Lord, take my hand. . . .,” indicates a suffering soul that is reaching out. The singer acknowledges that they are at the end of their rope: “I’m tired, I’m weak, I’m worn.” Perhaps Dorsey was referring to Matthew 8:23-27, the narrative where Christ stills the storm, when he penned, “Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.”

Stanza two draws upon the imagery of a journey, one in which the “way grows drear.” The traveler cries out, and once again reaches for the hand of Christ. The third stanza begins, “When the darkness appears,” reminiscent of Psalm 23:4: “Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death . . .” By the time we reach the third stanza, the terrain has changed *from a stormy sea (stanza one)*, a long road (stanza two), to a river of hope (stanza three). Upon singing, “at the river I stand,” the singer reaches at last the final destination, the

symbolic Jordan River. Each stanza concludes effectively with the refrain, “Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home,” perhaps an image of the Good Shepherd in the Gospel of John.

“Precious Lord” has been recorded by many famous singers including Elvis Presley, Mahalia Jackson, Roy Rogers, and Tennessee Ernie Ford. Martin Luther King Jr. drew inspiration from this, his favorite song. It was sung at the rally in Memphis the night before the civil-rights leader’s assassination. President Lyndon B. Johnson requested that “Precious Lord” be sung at his funeral.

Dorsey was the first African American elected to the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame and the Gospel Music Association’s Living Hall of Fame. Fisk University houses his archives as well as those of noted musicians W.C. Handy and George Gershwin.

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FBS Member Spotlight ...

Long-time FBSUMC member Dr. Kellie Brown has published a book titled, *The*



Sound of Hope: Music as Solace, Resistance and Salvation During the Holocaust and World War II, released in June by McFarland Publishing. Based on her many years of research into music’s role in the Holocaust and World War II, this book chronicles the stories of orchestras, composers, and musicians who stubbornly clung to music, wherever and however they could, to preserve their culture, to uplift the human spirit and to triumph over oppression, even amid incredible tragedy and suffering. Collectively, their stories bear witness to the power of music and offer a reminder to humanity of the imperative each faces to not only remember, but to ensure— Never Again.