



FIRST BAPTIST
MARYVILLE

THE LINK

APRIL 2023



JOIN US FOR EASTER AT FBCM

GLOW EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 1, at 10am in the Gym

Families with children, birth to 6th grade, are invited to enjoy this event. Please bring a bag or basket to carry the eggs. Volunteer help is needed that Saturday (9:45AM-12PM) with greeting, handing out Easter invitations, placing and resetting eggs, and cleaning up for Sunday morning. If you are interested, please contact Nick Poole to find out more.

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday, April 2, at 10am

We will celebrate the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, and we'll welcome Him with open arms in both of our expressions of worship. Children from Kids' Ministry will proceed into the sanctuary with palm leaves at the beginning of the Classic Service. They will then return to their respective areas for regular weekly activities.

TENEBRAE SERVICE

Thursday, April 6, at 6pm, in the Sanctuary

We'll meet in the sanctuary on Maundy Thursday for communion and a Tenebrae Service which follows Jesus on the last days of His journey to the cross. This sensory presentation uses sights,

sounds, darkness, and light in a meaningful way to make this a powerfully moving time of reflection.

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 7

The church office and the gym will be closed all day in observance of Good Friday

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 9

We look forward to celebrating the resurrection of Jesus in our services on Easter Sunday. We will go by our regular schedule with Bible Study at 9am, fellowship at 10am, and Worship Services at 10:30am.

During our *Common Grounds* fellowship time at 10am, we'll have photographers ready to take group and/or individual photos. We'll also have a photo op set up in the FLC Lobby for candid selfies and snapshots. You can gain more views for you and the church by mentioning the following hashtags when sharing your photos on social media: #easterfbc2023, #fbcmaryville, #easterknoxville, #eastersunday.

Children from Kids' Ministry will open the Contemporary Service with a song before returning to their respective areas for regular weekly activities.





GRADUATE RECOGNITION

If you are graduating from a homeschool, high school, college, or trade school, we'd like to recognize you in the June 2023 Link. Please email your name, your school, the title of your degree, and a graduation picture in jpeg or png format to kelly.ferguson@fbcmaryville.org.

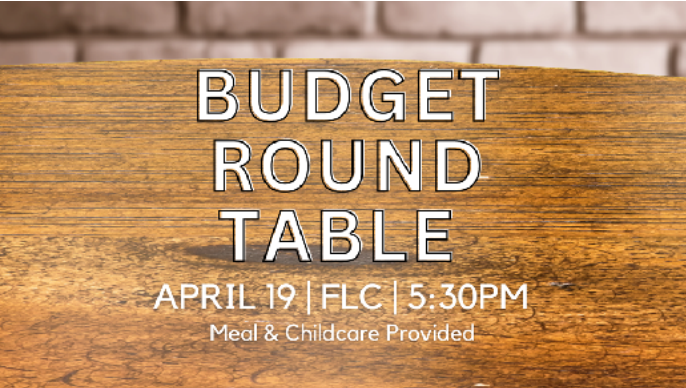
You may also bring these by the office for us to scan or download. The deadline for all submissions is Sunday, April 23.



JOY CLUB EVENT
(For Adults Aged 55+)

**TRIP TO SEE THE MESSIAH'S MANSION
TEMPLE EXHIBIT IN CHATTANOOGA
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11**

The Joy Club invites you to experience ancient history through a walking tour of the Hebrew Tabernacle. We'll leave the church at 10am, stop for lunch at the City Cafe Diner, go on the tour, and return by 4pm. The tour is free, but you'll need money for your lunch. Space is limited so please sign up in the church office before the spots are gone.



**BUDGET
ROUND
TABLE**

APRIL 19 | FLC | 5:30PM
Meal & Childcare Provided



**MEET OUR
PASTORS**

April 16 @ 9am
in the
Learning Center

**LEARN ABOUT
FBCM WITH
PASTOR BOOTH**

April 23 & 30 @ 9am
in the Learning Center



**DOLLAR
FIFTH SUNDAY
DAY**

WE'LL COLLECT
DOLLAR BILLS
FOR THE
LONGER TABLE
ON SUNDAY,
APRIL 30.



**TRIVIA
NIGHT**

APRIL 16 | FLC | 5PM
CHILD CARE PROVIDED



**SPAGHETTI LUNCH
& LIVE AUCTION**

SUNDAY, APRIL 30
AFTER WORSHIP

COST IS A DONATION FOR THE
2023 YOUTH MISSION TRIP



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Revive

Series 1
"A Night of Worship"

MAY 7 • FLC • 4:45PM

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

THANK YOU

Cindy (Williams) and all our First Baptist Friends, Talk about making people feel loved and appreciated. The abundance of food & drinks you provided our staff today is overwhelming. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your generous gift of breakfast. February is a difficult month for educators and you all went out of your way to make us feel special today. Thank you again! Your Light shines so bright here at Sam Houston Elementary (SHE).

- Molly Rice and the SHE Staff

WELCOME

We welcome Joan Eakins who joined by statement in the Classic Service on March 12.

We also welcome Stephen and Kristen Taylor and Seth and Silas who joined by statement in the Contemporary Service on March 12.

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Welcome
**STEPHEN
TAYLOR**

CONTEMPORARY
WORSHIP
PASTOR



COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

The Hope Lifters Grief group will meet on Thursdays, April 6 and 20, at 9:30am, in FLC Room 203. Facilitated by Kelly Ferguson.

The Caregiver Cafe' will meet on Thursdays, April 13 and 27, at 9am, in the FLC Snack Room. Facilitated by Lori Bishop.

Please contact the church office for more information.



New Beginnings

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1pm
in the Family Life Center

Friendship, Community, and Spiritual Growth opportunities for FBCM and Maryville women who find themselves alone on Life's Journey.


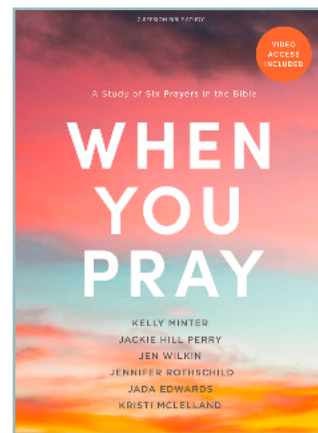
NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Choose Either ...

1. Wednesdays at 6PM
Beginning April 12
2. Tuesdays at 9AM
Beginning May 2

Study Guide is \$25.


You can pay and sign up in the church office.




**WORKDAY
APRIL 22**

**180 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
23 LOCAL NEEDS**

SKILLED & NON-SKILLED



CommunityWorx
SHINING LIGHT ON LOCAL NEEDS



CHURCH GROWTH

MARCH 2023

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Date	Worship Services	Bible Study
March 5	253 (217 In-Person, 36 Online)	160
March 12	247 (191 In-Person, 56 Online)	117
March 19	231 (197 In-Person, 34 Online)	150
March 26	228 (207 In-Person, 21 Online)	166

OFFERING INFORMATION

March 5	\$ 35,427.83
March 12	\$ 5,243.67
March 19	\$ 16,845.67
March 26	\$ 6,432.67
Offering needs each week	\$ 20,432.00
Need to Date	\$ 796,848.00
Received to Date	\$ 757,071.90
Expenses to Date	\$ 710,153.98

BUILDING FUND

Received	\$ 740.01
Received to Date	\$ 276,097.01
Balance in Building Fund	\$ 111,830.52

MISSIONS

Received	\$ 879.00
Year to Date	\$ 6,259.50

CONTACT INFORMATION

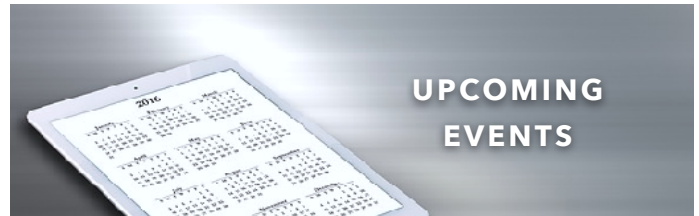
202 West Lamar Alexander Parkway
Maryville, TN 37801
Website: fbcmaryville.org
Office Phone: 982-5531
Fax: 982-5533

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

8am to 4:30pm - Monday through Friday
Closed Tuesdays from 10:30am to 1pm
for staff meeting.

FLC GYM HOURS

9am-9pm - Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
9am-3pm - Wednesday & Friday



APRIL

- 1 - Glow-in-the-Dark Easter Egg Hunt, FLC
- 2 - Palm Sunday
- 4 - New Beginnings Fellowship Group Meeting
- 6 - Hope Lifters Grief Support Group Meeting
Tenebrae Service, Sanctuary
- 7 - Good Friday, Office and FLC Closed
- 9 - Easter Sunday
- 13 - Caregiver Cafe' Support Group Meeting
- 16 - Trivia Night
- 18 - New Beginnings Fellowship Group Meeting
- 19 - Budget Roundtable Discussion
- 20 - Hope Lifters Grief Group
- 26 - Pinnacle Training
- 27 - Caregiver Cafe' Support Group Meeting
- 29 - Deacon's Retreat
- 30 - Combined Service; Business Meeting;
Dollar Day; Spaghetti Lunch & Auction

SPECIAL DATES, MAY THROUGH JULY

- May 7 - Graduate Recognition Sunday
- May 7 - Revive--A Night of Worship (Series 1)
- May 9 - Staff Planning Day (Office Closed)
- May 11 - MHS Baccalaureate
- May 14 - Mother's Day; Business Meeting
- May 29 - Memorial Day - Office Closed
- June 12-17 - Home Construction Project with
Extreme Build in Whitley City, KY
- June 23-30 - Youth Summer Mission Trip on
James Island, SC
- July 10-12 - Vacation Bible Experience (VBX)

All dates and times above are subject to change.

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

- 9:00AM - Bible Study Groups
- 10:00AM - Common Grounds Fellowship in the
FLC Snack Room and Lobby
- 10:30AM - Classic Service in the Sanctuary and
Contemporary Service in the Gym

Churchwide Fellowships

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Trivia Night

April 16th at 5PM

The word "TRIVIA" is written in large, stylized letters. The 'T' is gold, 'R' is black, 'I' is blue, 'V' is black, 'I' is black, and 'A' is pink. The background is a grey grid pattern.

Break Out Game

May 21st at 5PM

SUMMER SUNDAE NIGHT

June 11th at 5PM



POOL PARTY

JULY 16TH AT 5PM



BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

August 6th at 5pm



SMOKIES BASEBALL GAME

September 17th at 2PM



Cornhole Tournament

October 15th at 5PM



Check out the events page with more info.
Some events may have a cost associated with them. Dates are subject to change.



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LEADERS NEEDED

SATURDAY
SETUP
TEAM

MINIMAL SKILLS
NEEDED

SUNDAY
SETUP
TEAM

SETTING OUT
CHAIRS

TECH &
SOUND
TEAM

COMES WITH FREE
TRAINING

Please contact Gary Stinnett at garystinnett@fbcmaryville.org to volunteer.

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**READY, SET,
MOVE!**

FOLLOW JESUS HERE,
THERE, AND EVERYWHERE

Presented by Kids First

VACATION BIBLE EXPERIENCE

*July 10-12 @ 6-8PM
Ages 4 years to 6th Grade*

Contact Nick Poole at nick.poole@fbcmaryville.org for more information.

The Great ReEvaluation Church Leadership Learning Experience

- **Wednesday, April 26, 2023**
- **9:30 AM-3:00 PM**
- **First Baptist Church Maryville**
- **\$20 per person (lunch included)**

We sense it. We feel it. We observe it. Major change in post-pandemic church life is underway. Everything around us is changing and the Great ReEvaluation is happening. What do we need to understand about our current situation in order to lead the church today? Are there pivots, large or small, that we can make to position churches to respond faithfully? What might we discover about how God is reshaping churches into greater expressions of the body of Christ? How can we align our churches more with the Way of Jesus? These are the questions driving The Great ReEvaluation Learning Experience.

Join Pinnacle Founder and Team Leader, Mark Tidsworth, for The Great ReEvaluation Learning Experience. The TGR Experience includes small and large group discussions, a copy of the Integration Guide, and additional content and activities to integrate learning and guide churches. This one day event is a learning and growth experience for church leadership that results in direction for proactively engaging God's mission as churches.

Anticipated Outcome of this Learning Experience = Leaders are positioned to guide their churches toward maximizing the growth opportunities inherent in these moments during TGR.

Topics in this learning experience:

- Describing The Current Situation - Includes anecdotes from the field, trends from church research, and a deeper dive into understanding TGR
- The Spiritual Posture Required For Proactively Engaging TGR
- What Churches Must Refuse To Do in These Moments
- What Churches Must Pursue in These Moments
- What We Need From Church Leadership To Thrive
- Five Key Moves for Church Leadership During TGR
- Plotting Goodness in TGR

Sign up at <https://pinnlead.com/retreats-courses-webinars/2023/4/25/the-great-reevaluation-6k5jb>