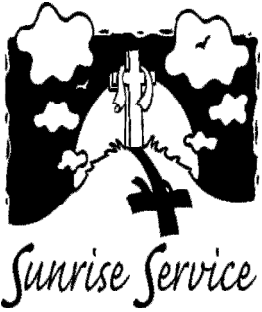
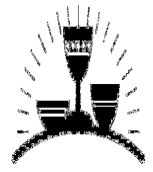


# THE BUILDER

The Newsletter of the First Baptist Church of Dunn, N.C.  
April 2010



First Baptist Church, First Presbyterian Church, and Hood Memorial Christian Church will have a community wide Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00am on Easter Sunday morning in Greenwood Cemetery. Len Keever will be the speaker. Please bring lawn chairs and/or a blanket. The service will last about 45 minutes.



MAUNDY THURSDAY  
April 1st at 7:00pm

There will be several projects on that day. Review the information below and contact the person listed for each project you are interested in participating:

JOIN US FOR

**Operation**  
*inasmuch*

April 17

- 1) Nursing Home Visitation (all ages) - Ella Kelly,
- 2) Military Packages (all ages) - Marilyn Poe,
- 3) Children's Card Distribution with visits to Home Shut-Ins (children) - Denise Marshall,
- 4) Ramp Building and Parts Procurement in Dunn (all ages) - Len Keever,
- 5) Yard Work (all ages) - Chuck Turnage,
- 6) College Students Exam Packages (Youth) - Jan Jernigan, and
- 7) Harnett Family Life Run Transportation to Rail Trail—Krystal Jordan.

## The Youth & Children's Corner

Spring is in the air; bringing us an opportunity to celebrate the love God has for each of us. God gave the ultimate sacrifice, His only Son, who died on the cross so that each of us may be forgiven of our sins. What are we willing to sacrifice for Him?

We had a great turn-out for the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade St. Patrick's Day Scavenger Hunt... the boys were the first to find the lucky "Pot of Gold"!

Thanks to all of the Youth who helped with the In As Much Bake Sale & Yard Sale! Don't forget that we'll be filling plastic Easter Eggs with candy on Wednesday night, March 31<sup>st</sup> and also helping hide eggs at our annual Easter Egg Hunt!

You will not want to miss our Easter Celebration & Egg Hunt... you never know when the Easter Bunny might show up!!!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>  
10:00 - 12:00 N

Easter Celebration & Egg Hunt (All ages up to 5th grade)  
(Hot Dogs will also be served)

Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 AM

Youth Trip (BOYS) (NC Sports  
Hall of Fame & Adventure Landing)

Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 AM

Youth Trip (GIRLS)  
(A day at the mall)

We hope that you will participate in Relay For Life, April 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> at Triton High School. Supervision for Youth (Grades 6-12) will be provided for anyone staying overnight!

Vacation Bible School will be held August 2-6, 2010. Please save empty Styrofoam egg cartons and regular size pie tins. Also, let us know if you have items relating to the solar system or space.

*If you have ideas or would like more information on Children and Youth Activities, please contact Jan Jernigan.*

# JOY Group NEWS

**“Come grow old with me,  
the best is yet to be!”**

## April Meeting

Tuesday, April 13-JOY Group Luncheon  
Western Sizzlin’ at 11:30

Program Chair: Rachel Johnson

A representative from Family Medical Supply  
will present the program.

## Upcoming Activities

### **“Elijah”**

Sunday, April 18-Depart @ 3:00pm

Campbell University Butler Chapel

Snyder Memorial Baptist Church 75 member choir

With Snyder Orchestra combined with Campbell

University Choral Society and Campbell Choir

Cost: Free Admission-\$3.00 Gas Fund Contribution  
Church wide sign up available.

### **“South Pacific”**

Thursday, May 13-Depart @ 10:30am

Temple Theatre, Sanford

Cost: \$16.00 (10 or more) plus \$3.00 Gas Fund

Mrs. Lacy’s Magnolia House for lunch

Menu Prices: \$5.95-\$6.95

### **Reserve your space today.**

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**Call Faye Bleacher at 892-3903 for more information.**

## **Our Vitals**

2010 Weekly Budget:	\$ 7,681.75
Rcvd. 02/28/10	\$ 8,112.85
Rcvd. 03/07/10	\$ 10,259.50
Rcvd. 03/14/10	\$ 8,991.29
Rcvd. 03/21/10	\$ 5,485.75
2010 YTD Variance	( \$ 7,139.41)

## **WMU News**



Meeting Monday, April 12th @ 10:30 am

Meeting changed due to Easter holiday.

Program: Limbering Up for the Spring

Guest: Vondy Pope, X-Cell Fitness

(Wear comfortable clothes)

Bring: One of these: Coloring Book & Crayons, Small  
Toy, Brush or Comb, Flashlight & Batteries

*Want to learn more about WMU?*

*Contact Patrice Thompson or Peggy Jones*

## **From Your Pastor...**

In his book Practice Resurrection Eugene Peterson writes, “Prayer is always personal, it is never individual. At prayer we are a part of a great congregation whether we see them or not. . . . We are never less alone than when we pray, even when there is no one else in the room.”

Jesus told us to go into our private places to pray, to not make a public spectacle of our prayers (Matt. 6:5f) but that does not mean we are alone when we pray. When we pray our prayers are woven together with others who are at that moment in deep prayer. When we recite the Lord’s Prayer, there are others somewhere out of sight praying those same words in unison with you. When you lament, others are lamenting; when you praise, others are giving God glory and honor. Our words may be spoken in secret, our thoughts may be a silent petition, but we are not alone in our praying. God hears every prayer.

I often think of my prayers as a single string in the tapestry of prayer that is being woven at that very moment. Or I think of my prayers as a single drop of water evaporating only to join with others to form a great cloud that brings showers of blessing. Like a rope woven out of tiny strands of fiber our prayers unite to provide strength and hope. When we pray we are not alone in our praying. When we pray, God hears the Church, the Body of Christ, speaking the “cradle language of the Church.” Prayer is the language spoken in heaven.

On the night he was betrayed and arrested, Jesus took his friends with him into the garden to pray. He went a few yards away for privacy, but he did not want to pray alone. His words and passion were for the most part hidden from the others; only a few words of his prayer are recorded in the gospels. Still, for all the privacy he sought he did not want to pray by himself. He wanted the companionship of faith, the solidarity of trusting God together, the prayers of his disciples to accompany him in his time alone with God.

This thought inspires me on so many levels. To know that in my private time I am joined not only by the Holy Spirit but by the prayers of others, to think that my prayer, often weak and far from eloquent, may join with the prayers of saints and folks with far greater faith gives me greater reason for confidence in my praying. And also, knowing my prayers may provide strength to someone who may not be where I am in faith’s journey, someone who may be deeply immersed in life’s trials, motivates me to pray so that other’s prayers may be accompanied all the way to the heart of God.

In Disney Pixar’s movie UP, Carl Fredrickson attaches thousands of helium balloons to his house, so many in fact that it pulls his home from its foundation so he can begin his journey toward Paradise Falls. As I watched that movie I couldn’t help but think of how each balloon represented the Church at prayer. Alone, a single balloon would be of little consequence. United, miraculous things happen. When we pray for each other, when we pray for people in foreign lands, when we obey Jesus and pray for our enemies, when we pray for forgiveness and healing for ourselves, others, our nation, we are not alone in our prayers. Each one is important. Each and every prayer, written or sudden thought, well-rehearsed or spontaneous, is important and needed. Let us trust God together. Let us pray and keep on praying. As Jesus prays in the garden this Easter, may our prayers join his in trusting the wisdom of God.

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Administrative Asst.  
Organist  
Custodian


**Personnel**

Dr. Len Keever, Jr.  
Rev. Jesse Waugh  
Jan Jernigan  
Angela Jones  
Mary Sue Godwin  
Maria Wadzinski



# Easter Egg Hunt

April 3 ~ 10-12:00  
Games, Food, Fun  
(Babies to 5th grade)  
Meet in the fellowship hall



You + 2 days @ Women of Faith =  
Inspiration, Encouragement, Renewal.  
Add friends to the equation and SAVE!

Greensboro, NC  
November 12-13, 2010  
Greensboro Coliseum

**NOVEMBER 12-13, 2010**  
Ticket Cost is \$89 (does not include hotel)  
**Seating is LIMITED!!!**  
Sign up in the church office today~  
\$45 deposit to FBC is due by April 1  
to secure your spot.

**Floral Cross**  
*Easter Sunday, April 4th*  
*Be sure to bring fresh flowers to place on the cross during the service.*



**SPECIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LOVE OFFERING**

For  
**MAEGAN LEE**  
Each class is encouraged to collect funds to show our love & support for her.

Remember the benefit  
April 10 @ Triton

**Our Volunteers**

April 4	Nursery: Donald & Dawn Glover Radio: Harvey Eldridge
April 11	Nursery: Betty & Lauren Bass Radio: Bob Jones
April 18	Nursery: Ashlyn Thompson/Jessica West Radio: Bo Jones
April 25	Nursery: Rob & Lou Ann Jones Radio: Boyd Dixon

Nursery Coordinator for April-Lou Ann Jones  
Children's Church for April-Denise Marshall

