



April 15, 2026

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Worship Care Workers
April 19
 for babies, toddlers, & preschoolers
Emily & Drew Laseter
Tina Shoop



Deacon Greeters

1. Sandra Longer
2. Sylvia Colvin

Eastertide, Sunday, April 19, 2026
Sunday School / Bible Study 9:30AM



*Go with Joy into an
Uncertain World*

Worship at First
Streamed and in-person

10:50AM
SONGS OF COMMUNITY
 JANICE BOND, PIANO

11:00AM
Dr. Thomas Quisenberry
 I Peter 1:17-23
Identity

Cool Kids Collective
 3rd-5th graders

April 19 12:30-3:30pm
 Meet in the Lobby to travel by church bus to Tennessee Riverpark. Lunch is subs, chips, and cookies. Then we'll have...

fun playing together!

Contact Kelly: 561.252.2969 / kelly@fbcchattanooga.org

A Note from Thomas -

As we near the end of spring activities and gear up for summer fun, the church will honor a **SABBATH WEEK** from April 26 - May 2. Regular churchwide activities for Sundays after worship and Wednesdays will **PAUSE** for this week. We also ask that committees refrain from planning gatherings this week. The intent is for our community of faith to **REST**, to encourage families to have time together, and to prepare for a busy, fun summer ahead.



April 17, 2026
The inaugural BachFest, hosted by FBC, is planned for Friday evening, **April 17**. This community concert, celebrating the music of Johann Sebastian Bach, is a come-and-go (or come-and-stay) event, running from **5:00-9:00PM**. It includes both performing groups and soloists, instrumental and vocal, from this area and is being held in our reverberant sanctuary, taking advantage of our sonorous organ. There is no admission charge.

A Note from Lila (FBC Financial Associate) -

The 1st quarterly giving statements for 2026 have been sent. If you have an email address on your account, it was sent by email. The email is from First Baptist Church with the URL address of notifications@onrealmmail.org. The subject line is "Your giving statement from First Baptist Church of Chattanooga." Please note this is a legitimate email. If you don't see this email, check your spam folder. If you have any questions, please contact Lila at 423.648.2547 or lila@fbcchattanooga.org.

The FBC Festival Choir will sing for worship on Sunday, May 3. You are personally invited to join us. Our focus for that service will be showing our love to God, acknowledging that God longs for a cherishing relationship with us. We will sing "To Love Our God" and "Cornerstone." We will work our rehearsal a little differently this time, holding one rehearsal immediately following worship on Sunday, April 26, in the Choir Suite, and a second rehearsal on Sunday morning, May 3, at 8:45AM in the Sanctuary. This will allow us to observe the Sabbath time that begins Sunday afternoon, April 26, and runs through Saturday, May 2. I hope you will plan to join us and attend at least one of the rehearsals. Please let us know if you plan to come so we can have everything ready for you.



Church Family Concerns

(Updated from prayer requests and by office staff; not listed in order of priority)

The multitude of folks all over the world without food, water, shelter, safety

Innocent people who are victims of war and other injustices

Those in the US Armed Forces, especially those in harms way

Those with fertility issues

Teachers and students as they approach the end of the school year

Mary Jayne Allen

Mary Carol Campbell

Doug (hospice) & Martha Eaves

Robin Gray

Pollye Gross

Debarah Harbuck

John Hunt

Linda & Dan Johnson

Barbara Koller

Doug Lewis

Don Manning

Sandy McNeir

Melissa Phillips

Sue Sisson

Annette Spinks

Penny Tullock

Dreama Vinyard

Virginia Wagnon (hospice)

Webster and Pohutsky families

Tom Williams, Sr.

Sharon Wilkins

Wanda Albritton, Sheila Albritton's mother

Chelsea Darras, Dan Mayfield's niece

Gordon Davis

Ruth Dayhuff, Marian Herdzina's friend

Kelly Digby, Lila Knauth's niece

Rachel Fagan, Stephanie & David Daley's niece

Montana Freeman, Robin Gray's daughter

Illuminada (Ilain) Gentry, Cordelle Terrell's friend

Allie Hammond, Grady Worley's niece

Anthony Henderson's father, Ronald (Anthony, FBC custodian)

Charlie Hill, Jan Varnell's friend

Dora Hunter, Jane Lewis' niece

Family and friends of Hannah Jackson

Nancy & Jim Lewis, Doug Lewis's brother and sister-in-law

Teresa Longer, Sandra & Charlie Longer's daughter-in-law

Margie Mayfield, Dan Mayfield's mother

Holly Harris Misirly, Sharon & Emily Tousek's relative

Lance Robbins, Tom McCullough's friend

Conner Southwell, the Markham's friend

David Stewart, the Markham's friend

Bryony Stroud-Watson (SFA) and family

Cathy Suarez, Rusty Rouse's friend

Family of Shirley Thomas, Cordelle Terrell's friend

Connie Trowbridge, Sean Pickett's cousin

Condolences to

Martha Eaves and extended family in the death of her husband, Doug Eaves

Jane & Steve Yantis and extended family in the death of Steve's aunt, Betty Sutherland



NOTE-WORTHY FRIENDS

(They'd love a note from you.)

Mollie Vannoy
2760 Northpoint Blvd #226
Hixson, TN 37343

Dreama Vinyard
671 Alexian Way RM 718
Signal Mtn, TN 37377

Virginia Wagnon
1502 Gunbarrel Rd #202
Chattanooga, TN 37421

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Tyler Cain, Jamie Fitch, Matthew Hellier
Coty Kissinger, Michael Land
Virginia Condry Ledman, Keith Mays
Sydney McDougal, Nathan Skidmore

SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 15

5:30 pm Bring Your Own Supper Fellowship Hall
7:15 pm Chancel Choir BachFest Prep Choir Suite

Babies / Toddlers

6:00 pm Childcare E104

Preschoolers

6:15 pm Preschool Music & Missions E107

Children (K-5th grade)

6:15 pm Children's Choir E111

7:00 pm Gym Time Gym

Youth

6:15 pm Youth Gathering Youth Area

7:00 pm Gym Time Gym

Adults

6:15 pm Epiphanies (study/discussion/action) E217

Connectedness

Facilitated by Maggie Quisenberry

6:15 pm Midweek Study FH

Faces of Our Faith: Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego

Daniel 3

Facilitated by Thomas Quisenberry

FINANCE REPORT (for April 15, 2026)

Budget receipts in the mail \$ 3,884.10

Budget receipts digitally/online 8,659.00

BUDGET RECEIPTS for the week \$ 12,543.10

Designated offerings 9,065.84

Total offering for this week \$ 21,608.94

YTD Revenue \$238,291.92

YTD Expenses \$363,783.11

With this QR code, you can donate to our budget, pay for event tickets, give to a mission opportunity, and more. Please contact the church office with any questions.

Apr. 16 Grady Worley
Apr. 18 Paul Darr
Susan Rouse
Apr. 19 Ron Smith
Apr. 20 Ben Johnson
Apr. 21 Loftin Cooper
Rodney Strong
Apr. 24 Callie Laseter
Apr. 25 Teresa Groves
Becki Laseter
Apr. 26 Charlie Longer
David Yantis
Apr. 27 Tony Carrell
Elliott Osteen
April 29 James Hathcock
May 3 Sue Moore
May 4 Natalie Ahmed
May 5 Brett Boles
Nadia Marandi

happy birthday!



F4 FAMILIES, FUN, FAITH, FELLOWSHIP

For toddlers – 2nd graders.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25
Jumpin' Jellybeans
 Boutique Play Space
 5450 Hwy 153 #182
 Hixson, TN 37343



Jumpin' Jellybeans
 the boutique play space

Meet there at 10:00AM; finished by noon. Look for Kelly.
 Questions? kelly@fbcchattanooga.org or 561.252.2969



“C.A.L.E.B. stands for Chattanoogaans in Action for Love, Equality, and Benevolence. We are a grassroots funded nonprofit that brings together faith communities, labor unions, local organizations, and individual community members to make their voices heard and affect the change they want to see in Hamilton County.”

Please join us on Wednesday, April 22, at 6:15PM in E217 (with the Epiphanies Group) for a **Listening Session on Public Safety and the Criminal Justice System in Hamilton County**. “We want to hear from YOU!” For more information click [here](#).

Adult Ministry Trip, Thursday, April 23

Join us for a MUSEUM HOPPING trip to Cartersville, Georgia.

Choose 1 or 2 of the following museums to visit: Tellus Science Museum, Booth Western Art Museum, or Savoy Automobile Museum. Lunch is “on your own” with friends. We’ll depart from FBC at 8:30AM and return by 6:00PM. Meet in the lobby near the Office Entrance.

Cost of the trip is \$40. We still have a few spaces available – just contact Frances (frances@fbcchattanooga.org) to claim your spot.

Members’ Message Board

Moving Forward CJC is having a Spring Fundraiser – a Sidewalk Sale of extra clothing, just outside the Lower Chapel Entrance – on Saturday, May 9. If you have clothing to donate, please drop it off at church by the afternoon of Tuesday, May 5. The group is also accepting donations toward the purchase of 5 Women’s Study Bibles (\$25 each). Thank you!



FBC Ministerial & Office Support Staff

Dr. Thomas Quisenberry	Senior Pastor	
Rev. Jeff Parker	Minister of Music & Worship	
Rev. Kelly Kunf	Interim Minister of Youth & Children	
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Patty Spells	Church Administrative Assistant	423.265.2257
Lizzie Alford	Education Administrative Ass’t	423.648.2542
Frances Marandi	Music Administrative Assistant	423.648.2543

ON THE CALENDAR, APRIL 16 – MAY 3

Thursday, April 16	Shower Ministry	2:00PM
Friday, April 17	BachFest	5:00PM
Sunday, April 19	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	9:00AM
	Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
	Fellowship Time/Library Open	10:30AM
	Songs of Community	10:50AM
	Worship – 3 rd Sunday of Easter	11:00AM
	Finance Committee Meeting	12:15PM
	Cool Kids Collective	12:30PM
	Youth Choir Rehearsal	4:30PM
	Youth Supper	5:30PM
	Youth Bible Study	6:00PM
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:00PM
Tuesday, April 21	Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM
	Lunch & Learn	11:00AM
	Moving Forward CJC Classes	5:30PM
	Deacon Council Meeting	5:30PM
	GriefShare	6:30PM
Wednesday, April 22	Fellowship Time (BYOF)	5:30PM
	Preschool Music/Missions	6:15PM
	Children’s Choir	6:15PM
	Youth Gathering	6:15PM
	Epiphanies (study/discussion/action)	6:15PM
	Midweek Study (Pastor led)	6:15PM
	Gym Time	7:00PM
	Personnel Committee Meeting	7:15PM
Thursday, April 23	Adult Ministry Trip to Cartersville	8:30AM
Saturday, April 25	F4 to Jumpin’ Jellybeans Play Space	10:00AM
Sunday, April 26	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	9:00AM
	Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
	Fellowship Time/Library Open	10:30AM
	Songs of Community	10:50AM
	Worship – 3 rd Sunday of Easter	11:00AM
	Festival Choir Rehearsal	12:15PM
Monday, April 27	Sabbath Week	
Tuesday, April 28	Sabbath Week	
	Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	10:00AM
	Lunch & Learn	11:00AM
	Moving Forward CJC Classes	5:30PM
	GriefShare	6:30PM
Wednesday, April 29 thru		
Saturday, May 2	Sabbath Week	
Sunday, May 3	Festival Choir Rehearsal	8:45AM
	Sunday School/Bible Study	9:30AM
	Fellowship Time/Library Open	10:30AM
	Songs of Community	10:50AM
	Worship – 4 th Sunday of Easter	11:00AM
	Moving Forward CJC Graduation	3:00PM
	Youth Choir Rehearsal	4:30PM
	Youth Supper	5:30PM
	Youth Bible Study	6:00PM
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:00PM



Our congregation partners with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and CBF of Tennessee. cbf.net





For our **Habitat for Humanity** workday on April 10, we visited a nearly completed construction at 2005 Rawlings Street to put some finishing touches to the front porch. The porch roof was supported by 4"x4" rough-cut beams which we "boxed in," trimmed with base and crown molding, then painted. As usual there were plenty of additional miscellaneous tasks including patching and painting. It was a beautiful spring day and a good time was had by all. Our next workday is May 8. If you can spare a day and join us, contact Jim McAfee (423-802-5011) for details.



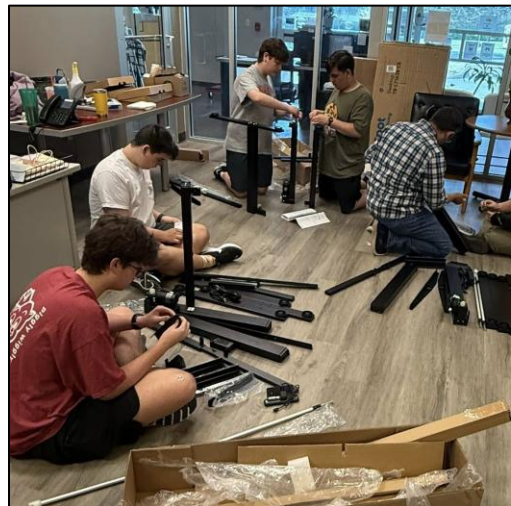
FBC supporters at the Butterfly Brunch supporting St. Timothy Preschool: Susan, Nancy, Janet, Sheila, Judy, Helen, Emily and Lynne. Some of them followed it up...

...with a visit to Dreama. Helen took the photo.

BEING GOOD NEIGHBORS



Herb reading to children at Newton Child Development Center.



Jude, Luke, Owen, Brandon, Vic, and Charlie helping at the AIM Center.