



April 22, 2026

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Worship Care Workers
April 26
 for babies, toddlers, & preschoolers

Alishea Hixson
Jeanne Alley



Deacon Greeters

1. Emily Martin
2. Laura Warren

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. *The Gateway* (newsletter) will not be published. 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.



Epiphanies, 6:15PM, E217 TONIGHT!!

“C.A.L.E.B. stands for Chattanooga 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 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](#).

Eastertide, Sunday, April 26, 2026

Sunday School / Bible Study 9:30AM



Go with Joy into an Uncertain World

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The floral arrangement in the Sanctuary for Sunday, April 19, was given by the Waters Sunday School Class in honor of their wonderful teachers.

10:50AM
SONGS OF COMMUNITY
 JENNY PARKER, PIANO

11:00AM
Dr. Thomas Quisenberry
 I Peter 2:19-25
Grounded Endurance

F4 FAMILIES, FUN, FAITH, FELLOWSHIP

For toddlers – 2nd graders.
SATURDAY, APRIL 25
 Jumpin' Jellybeans Boutique Play Space
 5450 Hwy 153 #182, Hixson, TN 37343
 \$20/child, plus 1 adult; \$5/additional adults
 Must sign waiver!

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

Graduation Recognition Sunday is May 10.

This is a time to recognize our **High School Class of 2026**. Those families are being contacted by the Youth Ministry regarding plans for that Sunday.



We would also like to commend **collegiate and graduate students** completing degrees since summer 2025 (associate, bachelor's, master's or doctoral). Please email the following information to: frances@fbcchattanooga.org: name, degree, college/university, degree honors (if applicable) by Tuesday, May 5.

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; those with health concerns

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

Mary Jayne Allen

Mary Carol Campbell

Martha Eaves and extended family

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

Virginia Wagnon (hospice)

Webster and Pohutsky families

Tom Williams, Sr.

Sharon Wilkins

Wanda Albritton, Sheila Albritton's mother

Robin & Robert Bunn, Angie Ward's cousins

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

Cathy Suarez, Rusty Rouse's friend

Family of Shirley Thomas, Cordelle Terrell's friend

Connie Trowbridge, Sean Pickett's cousin

Condolences to

Sue Doyle and extended family in the death of her husband, Bill Doyle.



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 22

5:30 pm Bring Your Own Supper Fellowship Hall
 7:15 pm Personnel Committee Conference Rm

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

C.A.L.E.B

Facilitated by Maggie Quisenberry

6:15 pm Midweek Study FH

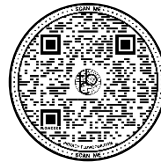
Faces of Our Faith: Anna

Luke 2

Facilitated by Thomas Quisenberry

FINANCE REPORT (for April 22, 2026)

Budget receipts in the mail	\$ 20,370.77
Budget receipts digitally/online	6,340.00
BUDGET RECEIPTS for the week	\$ 26,710.77
Designated offerings	4,920.30
Total offering for this week	\$ 31,631.07
YTD Revenue	\$275,035.20
YTD Expenses	\$372,076.06



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.

NOTE-WORTHY FRIENDS

(They'd love a note from you.)

Week of April 22, 2026

Sue Doyle
 c/o Sarah Andrews
 2613 Louis Ave
 Brentwood, MO 63144

Bobbie Walraven
 2608 Avalon Hill
 Chattanooga, TN 37415

Agnes White
 920 Burnt Hickory Rd NW #223
 Marietta, GA 30064

NOTE-WORTHY FRIENDS

(They'd love a note from you.)

Week of April 29, 2026

Essie Bartlett
 1123 Carter Dr
 Chattanooga, TN 37415

Carole Daniel
 671 Alexian Way #605
 Signal Mtn, TN 37377

Iris Daniels
 801 Riverhill Dr #657
 Athens, GA 30606

- 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
- May 6 Steve Gouger
- May 7 Ann Haynes
- May 9 JoAnn Seaborn
- May 14 Evvie Erickson
Linda Johnson
- May 15 Wilbourne Markham
Darryl Miller
- May 16 Linda Hardison



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!



Join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of our

Spring 2026 Graduates

Sunday, May 3

3:00PM

First Baptist Church, McEwen Chapel

Keynote Speaker

Dr. Luronda Jennings, Dalton State College

Reception to follow in the Parlor.



FBC Volunteers for the CHATT Foundation – 1st and 3rd Wednesdays

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	
David Daley	Facilities Supervisor	423.648.2548
Lila Knauth	Financial Associate	423.648.2547
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 23 – MAY 10

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 – 4th Sunday of Easter 11:00AM
Festival Choir Rehearsal 12:15PM
Begin Sabbath Week

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
Marketing Task Force 6:00PM
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 – 5th Sunday of Easter 11:00AM
Moving Forward CJC Graduation 3:00PM
Youth Choir Rehearsal 4:30PM
Youth Supper / Passport Parent Mtg 5:30PM
Youth Bible Study 6:15PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal 6:00PM

Tuesday, May 5
Prayer Shawl Ministry Group 10:00AM
Lunch & Learn 11:00AM
GriefShare 6:30PM

Wednesday, May 6
FBC Serves @ CHATT Foundation 11:00AM
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 (School-age/Youth) 7:00PM

Friday, May 8
Habitat for Humanity Workday 8:30AM

Sunday, May 10
Chancel Choir Rehearsal 9:00AM
HS Graduation Brunch 9:15AM
Sunday School/Bible Study 9:30AM
Fellowship Time/Library Open 10:30AM
Songs of Community 10:50AM
Worship – 6th Sunday of Easter 11:00AM
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

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

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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. ~Jeff Parker



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10:50AM
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GRADY WORLEY, PIANO

11:00AM
Dr. Thomas Quisenberry
I Peter 2:2-10
Cherished

We are collecting \$1 bills as part of our offering each Sunday during May to be used to help fund items needed by our community such as prescription medications, gas cards, bus cards, and IDs. (These needs are not covered as a budgeted item.) We encourage you to place your dollar bills in the offering baskets as they are passed during Worship each Sunday.

The Hunt for Easter

Clockwise from bottom right:

1. Waving palms for Jesus
2. Who betrays Jesus (name found in balloon)
3. The Last Supper
4. Preparing burial scents

