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Live Broadcast Sundays at 10:50 AM on 100.5 WVJS (FM) or 1420 WOMI (AM)

May 15 at 6:00 PM
CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING
Make Plans To Attend

GRADUATE RECOGNITION
May 22 Sunday

class of
twenty16



DESTINY CHESTER
Heritage Park High School
Parents: Kelly Seifert & Jeff Harris



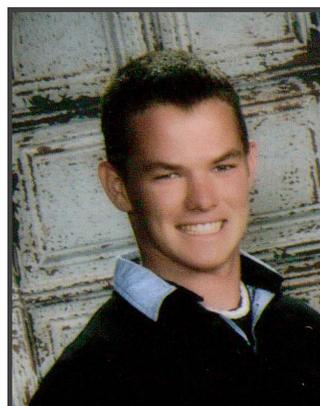
MAYES MCFARLAND
Owensboro High School
Parents: Scott McFarland & Beth Worth



ERIN ROUSE
Owensboro High School
Parents: Mark & Susan Rouse



COREY EVANS
Heritage High School
Parents: Misty Hernandez & Robert Evans



ZACHARY ROBERTS
Owensboro High School
Parents: Wes & Karen Roberts



JACOB ROBERTS
Lindsey Wilson College
Parents: Wes & Karen Roberts

Dr. Ron Williams
Interim Pastor

STANDING ALONGSIDE

I was just a kid when a “tent revival” moved in across the highway from the lane where we lived. It was fascinating watching the tent being erected. I even helped them set up the chairs and prepare the “sanctuary.” But I was most intrigued by the services themselves. I had never been in a church service quite like these. They had what they called a “Holy Spirit Revival.” I am not going to be critical of the people but, respectfully, I must confess that I witnessed things that I had never seen before. The music and messages were “powerful” but the reactions of the people were different from what I had ever witnessed in our Baptist Church.

Since that time I have learned that the “Holy Spirit Revival” was not untypical for a rather large segment

of the Christian community. It is to this group that Baptists have tended to leave any discussion of the Holy Spirit. I am not content to leave this topic to others. This subject is relevant for all Christians and should be considered.

The “Holy Spirit” is an expression that refers to the presence of the Living God. The New Testament is replete with references to this reality. I have tried through the years to understand and teach the significant New Testament passages where the Holy Spirit is discussed.

Starting this Sunday and for six weeks, I will address the famous “Paraclete Passages” found in John’s Gospel. This study will focus on the Holy Spirit as one who stands alongside us, the Paraclete. It will be an exciting study and I urge you to be present.

Jan Lampkin
Children’s Minister

Congratulations to the families and friends of eleven babies and children that were dedicated to God and to our congregation on Mother’s Day! I can’t help but reminisce about my earliest years of how my parents so unconditionally loved me and my siblings and spent their lifetime raising us to trust them and Jesus Christ. I’m not sure if I participated in a dedication service but I am positive that my parents and my church were a constant in my realizing that the most important aspect in my upbringing was the sacrifice that Jesus Christ made for me.

I thought a lot about what Bro. Ron shared with us through the sermon, the scripture, and the challenge he presented to the parents and the congregation. I am certain that my parents dedicated me as a baby and themselves as my parents to spending their entire lives making sure I never took for granted the love of our Savior and them as parents.

I am so thankful for my parents and felt as if they were so proudly holding me up during that service on Sunday. Thank you Momma and Daddy!

Remember Vacation Bible School will be held Sunday, July 10 through Thursday, July 14th. Mark your calendars - let me know I can count on your help!

“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it.”
Proverbs 2:6



Eleven children were dedicated on Sunday, May 8, 2016. They are:

- Isaiah and Major Boatman, sons of Carissa Benningfield
- Jason Claypool, Jr., son of Jason and Lenora Claypool
- Emelyn Grace Clark, daughter of Justina Burden
- Titus Ray Craig, grandson of Danny Benningfield & Pat Swanagan
- Austin Cravens, son of Heidi Patterson
- Felicia M. Davis, daughter of Brittany Davis
- Payton Mae Evans, daughter of Cody and Alexis Evans
- Blakely Elaine Rapp, daughter of Jaclyn Peveler
- Angel and Anniyah Torres, son & daughter of Tomeka Clark & Angel Torres

David Roberson ~ Minister of Music

We often talk about ‘contemporary’ Christian music. I’ve never liked the term because contemporary just means something that is current or new to our time. The anthem the choir sang Sunday is contemporary, it was written last year but you wouldn’t hear it in most ‘contemporary’ Christian churches. I prefer the term Christian Pop music because the style of music most ‘contemporary’ churches use is essentially written in the same style as the pop music you hear on secular radio. I guess it’s the same for churches like ours which carry the ‘traditional’ label. What tradition? There are many traditional churches out there and we don’t all use the same types of music in our worship services.

There are musicians out there trying to bridge the gap between ‘contemporary and traditional.’ Keith and Kristyn Getty along with their friend Stuart Townsend

have been writing modern hymns which are modern and based in Celtic and English hymnody. A phrase from their website says their hymns ‘teach Christian doctrine and cross genres by connecting the world of traditional and classical composition with contemporary and globally-accessible melodies.’

We have a hymn written by Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend in our hymnal. “In Christ Alone” has been a favorite in ‘contemporary’ churches for many years and has also made it into several recent mainline hymnals. Lynn and I sang the hymn in a wedding this past weekend and I decided then that I should introduce it to you in our next worship service.

So, Sunday we will sing “In Christ Alone.” Is it contemporary or traditional? You decide. I just hope it will enhance our worship experience!



What are your gifts? What interests you?
What has God laid upon your heart?
Whatever it is - we have a place for you!

“What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds?”

James 2:14

Wes Roberts ~ Minister to Youth

As I said in my article last week, I couldn’t be more proud of our graduates than I am this year. Each one of them has put forth the effort to first and foremost graduate from High School and another, Jacob Roberts, from college.

I often tell our students, you may not remember half of what you learn in school but you will always know that without effort and discipline you would not have finished the race to get that diploma. It all translates into real life situations when you begin working 40-50 hours a week or

more and must get there on time, get your job or task done, go home and get things done there, then wake up and do it all over again. I believe it isn’t until they reach that senior year and they see the end in sight when they really understand what us adults have told them for years.

I am excited for each one and of their future and what God has in store for them all. As Paul says in II Timothy 4:7; “I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.” Congrats to Destiny, Corey, Mayes, Zachary, Erin, and Jacob!!

Joe Bob Pierce
Minister of Formation

I hope that everyone who has a Facebook page will take some time to ‘search’ for and ‘like’ Third Baptist Church. (There are other Third Baptist Churches on Facebook, so be sure you find ours!) Jenny Lewis serves as one of our administrators for the page. She has located a number of pictures from the TBC archives and posted them on the page. Probably one of the most popular was the Third Baptist youth group from about 1982. It shows about 25-30 youth standing on the steps inside the sanctuary behind the organ. A number of people ‘liked’ the photo and over a dozen people commented on it, identifying people in the picture and guessing on the date it was taken.

Another interesting picture shows the fireside room filled with people from a long time ago, probably about 50 or 60 years. Pat Settle commented that she saw her grandfather in that picture. There are still others, the ribbon cutting on the Christian Life Center from 1996, this year’s Easter Egg Hunt, and some delightful videos of the children’s performances.

Social media is just one way that we reach out and tell others about Third Baptist. Our Facebook page gets more ‘traffic’ when we check in regularly, so thanks for doing your part in helping us get noticed.

OUR RECORDS		
	May 1	May 8
Sunday School	134	161
Worship	161	179
Total Offering	\$11,926	\$9,584
Capital Fund	40	80
Memorials	35	250
Other Funds	6,815	1,032
General Fund	\$5,037	\$8,222
Weekly Needs	\$7,404	\$7,404

SYMPATHY

The Church expresses its deepest love and sympathy to ***Court and Jenny Lewis and their family*** in the loss of his grandfather; and to the family of ***Dora Mae Griffin***.

ATRIUM SOCIAL

May 15:
Esther Class &
FCC Sessions Class
May 22:
Co-Ed, Pairs &
Spares, Disciples



Just Older Youth



*Senior
Adult
Fellowship*

Golden Corral
Thursday, May 19

Meet at the church at 10:15

SUNDAY, MAY 15

9:00 AM Atrium Social
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Morning Worship
2:00 PM TBC Wedding Shower, FSR
5:00 PM Deacon's Meeting
6:00 PM Business Meeting

MONDAY, MAY 16

8:30 AM Step Aerobics
1:00 PM Stretch Aerobics
9:30 AM Peer Learning Group

TUESDAY, MAY 17

9:00 AM Clothes Closet
9:30 AM Paula Settle WOM
5:00 PM FCC-Policy Team, Room 120
6:00 PM FCC-Worship Team, Cent. Rm
6:30 PM Recovery Group

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

8:30 AM Step Aerobics
5:00 PM Kids / Youth Meal, FSR
5:30 PM Kids / Youth Missions
6:00 PM Prayer Meeting
6:00 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY 19

10:15 AM Sr. Adults to Golden Corral
5:00 PM Community Meal
5:30 PM FCC-Elders Mtg., Cent. Room

SATURDAY, MAY 21

11:00 AM Epilepsy Fundraiser Car Wash

SUNDAY, MAY 22

9:00 AM Atrium Social
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Morning Worship
Graduation Recognition and
Lord's Supper

MONDAY, MAY 23

8:30 AM Step Aerobics
1:00 PM Stretch Aerobics

TUESDAY, MAY 24

9:00 AM Clothes Closet
6:30 PM Recovery Group

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

8:30 AM Step Aerobics
6:00 PM Prayer Meeting
6:00 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY 26

5:00 PM Community Meal

FRIDAY, MAY 20

6:00 PM Quisenberry/Price Rehearsal

SATURDAY, MAY 21

6:00 PM Quisenberry/Price Wedding

SUNDAY, MAY 29

9:00 AM Atrium Social
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Morning Worship
6:00 PM Business Meeting

DEACON INFORMATION

May 15

Carole Anne Barrass, Barry Spinks

Hope and Harvest Team

Laura Bronn, Harold Wilson

May 22

Frank Beller, Vickie Wells

Hope and Harvest Team

Carole Anne Barrass, Stan Napper

PRESCHOOL PRAISE

May 15 Jan Lampkin, Janice Raby

May 22 Susan & Erin Rouse

NURSERY WORKERS

May 15 Vickie Wells

May 22 Terry Derrossitt

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

May 15 Misty Hernandez

May 22 Misty Hernandez and
Jan Lampkin

DID YOU KNOW?

**...OUR PAULA SETTLE WOMEN
ON MISSION GROUP**

meets on the third Tuesday of
every month. The next meeting
will be on **May 17 at 9:30 AM.**

All the ladies are invited to
attend!

**...of the FREE facilities
here?**

Check out the weekly calendar
for aerobic class times, walk on
the indoor and carpeted track
(12 laps = one mile), build
muscles and tone your body
using the weight room!

Join the Choir!



RADIO

Worship
MINISTRY

Each Sunday at 10:50 AM
WVJS 100.5 FM or
WOMI 1420 AM

DON'T MISS WORSHIP AGAIN!