



# First Baptist Church West Columbia

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A CELEBRATION of the RESURRECTION

# Risen Christ

Featuring the songs of Keith and Kristyn Getty  
Created by Don Cason and Karla Worley

presented by  
the Sanctuary Choir  
and Drama Group

Sunday, April 5  
6:00 p.m.



## EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 4

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

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PASTOR EMERITUS



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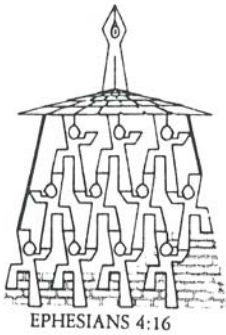
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#### Sunday

- 9:30 am Library open
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Morning Worship
- 5:30 pm Library open
- 6:00 pm Evening Worship  
Discipleship Training

#### Wednesday

- 4:30 pm Piece Makers
- 5:30 pm Supper Line opens
- 6:00 pm Library open  
LIGHTHOUSE  
Children's Choirs
- 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting
- 6:45 pm RA's, GA's,  
Mission Friends
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir



**THE PASTOR'S LINK**

The Church in North America is in trouble. Our prevailing culture is non-church. For the 1<sup>st</sup> time in our history over 50% of our children are growing up outside the church. 90% of Americans make major decisions without prayer or guidance from the Bible. About 80% of the churches are plateaued or declining.

I don't mean to depress you; God is still at work. There is spiritual movement in the world. Nearly 40,000 are saved each day in China, nearly 30,000 in India, 20,000 in South America and over 17,500 in sub-Saharan South Africa. Studies tell us there are approximately 3,000 people saved around the world every 30 minutes. If you recall, the miracle of Pentecost saw some 3000 saved with Peter's sermon. We are living in an exciting time as God's Spirit is alive and well. We simply have become distracted in our own part of the world and are often missing what He wants to do in our midst with the mission field in which he has placed us.

God has now placed us, His missionaries, in a rapidly growing mission field. The USA is the third largest mission field of lost people on earth. What an opportunity to reach out and reflect the love of Christ to those in your midst. I encourage you to be creative in your missionary opportunities as Easter approaches. **The Holy Week CD's** will be great to use as an evangelism tool to share. They will be available Sunday as we gather to observe Palm Sunday. Reach out to touch, call or contact someone this week.

**Sunday, April 5, 2009**  
**Sermon Topics Pastor Bill Drees**  
**AM: What A Crowd!**  
**John 12:12-19**  
**P.M. Easter Musical "The Risen Christ"**

**HOMEBOUND MEMBERS OF THE WEEK**

Janie Peake (birthday: April 4)  
 213 Shuler Street  
 West Columbia, SC 29169  
 791-1779

Betty Goodwin (birthday: April 7)  
 Room 104, Oakhaven  
 Oakleaf Village  
 800 Northlake Drive  
 Lexington, SC 29072



Sanctuary Choir will present  
**THE RISEN CHRIST**  
 A Celebration of the Resurrection  
 on Sunday, April 5 at 6 p.m.

Make your plans to join us for this special multi-media presentation of the Easter message. Be in prayer for the choir and drama group as we continue our preparations. Also begin to pray for the service itself, that it can prove a meaningful worship experience for our church family.

MUSIC MAKERS AND YOUNG MUSICIANS will sing in morning worship on Palm Sunday, April 5. Meet in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. to rehearse!

**Senior Adult Lunch Bunch**  
**Monday, April 6 departing at 10:30**

We will travel to Lexington for lunch at Flight Deck. Call me to sign up!!



**Friday, April 9 at 7:15 a.m., we will meet for a time of worship followed by a light breakfast.**



**EASTER SUNDAY**  
**APRIL 12 6:57 A.M.**  
 Riverwalk Amphitheater



**9:45 A.M. Bible Study**  
**10:30 A.M. Flowering of the Cross**  
**11:00 A.M. Easter Worship**



**Easter Morning Country Breakfast Fundraiser**

Come on over to Burriss Hall directly after the Sunrise Service to enjoy more celebration of Christ's resurrection. You must sign up to join us. You can do that each Wednesday night, through the pew book sheets on Sunday, or by calling the church office. Jim Schafer will be cooking! Prices are \$6 for adults, ages 5-12 are \$3, and under age 5 is free! Proceeds will benefit Youth Summer Mission Camp.



Teamwork makes all the difference in the church. Last week, the Church Council met at the home of Lee and Jannas Matthews for a roundtable discussion. We had a great discussion about our church's strengths. We all shared what spiritual tasks needed attention and how we could go about getting the job of evangelism done better. I want to encourage our entire church body in that we have a godly leader in Bill and a truly loving and concerned team of Christians as Church Council.

The synopsis: we have to reach out to this neighborhood. The church must understand how we are perceived by the outsider and **take steps towards them** because they will not likely step to us naturally. We also talked about the development of new leaders! Are you feeling God's call to teach or lead in some area? Please share this with David Ness, myself, Charlton, or Bill. We are beginning to seek the next group of new leaders. We will train you and mentor you, but your time may be NOW!

*Jody*



**CPR/AED/First Aid Classes**  
**Saturday, May 2, 2009**  
**9:00 a.m until 2:30 p.m.**  
**in Burriss Hall**

Fee is \$40.00 for all classes or \$24.00 for CPR class only.

Children's workers and disaster relief volunteers are encouraged to attend.

If you are interested in these classes please contact Pat Tindal, 356-1843 or Debra Gauden, 794-4631



**National Goal:**  
**\$65 million**  
**FBC GOAL:**  
**\$4,000**  
**Received to date:**  
**\$3,046.00**



Notes of appreciation have been received from the following and are posted on the bulletin board near the church office:

The National WMU for our donation sent to Pure Water, Pure Love;  
 Linda Keisler for our Souper Bowl of Caring donation to God's Helping Hands.



**Lighthouse Student Ministries**  
**Building Teens' Spiritual Foundation**

To all our wonderful teens, I am constantly proud of you! God is transforming you right before our eyes week after week. You are understanding how much of a missionary you can be because you are bringing new friends almost every week to church. Keep being a light on your campus. SOOOOOO many of your peers need Christ!

As you are all being made into the image of Christ, this does not mean you are without flaws. Many of you are in difficult times, but together we are going to work through them. Just never give up on making godly decisions and letting godly words come out of your mouths.

April we will be discussing DREAMS! We will talk about everything associated with the word: dreams at night, dreams for your future, dreams for today, and God's dreams for you! He does dream about you and wants you to be something different!

**Here are our upcoming events for Spring Break Week:**

**Monday, April 6**  
**Bowling and Lunch 12pm-3pm**  
**(\$15)**

**Tuesday, April 7**  
**The Plex in Irmo 12pm-4pm (\$10)**

**Wednesday, April 8**  
**Mall, Movies, and a Meal**  
**1pm-After Lighthouse (\$5)**



Bring your friends and spend Spring Break chilling out and encouraging one another through awesome fellowship activities. This is how we tighten up and become brothers and sisters: spending TIME together.

**HOLY WEEK CD'S**

CD's containing a devotional and music for Monday through Thursday of Holy Week will be available Sunday. Take one for yourself and one to give away to someone. A suggested donation of \$1 will help offset the cost, but is not required. Take advantage of this unique opportunity for worship and outreach.



*With Deepest Sympathy*

*The First Baptist Church Family and staff extend heartfelt love and Christian Sympathy to...*

*.... Don West and Family in the loss of his nephew;  
 ...Mertie Lee in the loss of her sister, Edythe Sanders.*

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE  
April 5-11, 2009**

Sunday, April 5 *PALM SUNDAY*

- 9:30 to 9:45 a.m. B P Screening
- 9:30 a.m. Library Open
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- 12:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir lunch and rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. "The Risen Christ" musical

Monday, April 6

- 10:30 a.m. Senior depart for lunch
- 12:00 p.m. Youth lunch and bowling

Tuesday, April 7

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Time
- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise
- 10:30 a.m. NHC Bible Study
- 12:00 p.m. Youth to PLEX

Wednesday, April 8

- 1:00 p.m. Youth to Mall, Movie, and Meal
- 4:30 p.m. Piece Makers
- 5:00 p.m. Children's Handbells
- 5:30 p.m. Supper Line Opens  
Library opens
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Choirs  
LIGHTHOUSE
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
- 6:45 p.m. RA's, GA's,  
Mission Friends
- 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, April 9

- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise
- 10:30 a.m. Mildred Taylor Prayer Group
- 11:00 a.m. Jubilant Singers

Friday, April 10

- 7:15 a.m. Good Friday Service  
Breakfast following  
Church Office Closed

**SPECIAL MINISTRIES  
April 5 2008**

**HEALTH MINISTRY**

Margie Hazel

**EXT. TEACHING CARE**

Coordinator: Sallie Bozard

**11:00 a.m. Worship**

*Babies and Ones*

Nick and Jill Zueger

*Twos and Threes*

Larry and Anne Brown



**GREETERS**

**Snyder Building**

Marion Gunter, Sr.

**Burriss Building**

Nan Bannister

**Front Lower Level**

Clyde & Jonnie Blackburn


**SOUND**

James Franks

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**Palmetto Baptist**  
Mertie Lee

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**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER**

Served from 5:30-6:00 p.m. in Burriss Hall  
Deadline for reservations and cancellations is noon Monday.



**April 8**  
Roast Beef  
Rice and Gravy  
Green Beans  
Rolls and Dessert

Adults (10 & up) \$5.00  
Children (5-9) \$3.00  
Children 4 & under FREE



The church office is open Monday - Thursday from 8:30 am-4:30 pm and on Friday from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm. The financial secretary is not available on Wednesday; the church secretary is not available on Friday.