Fern Creek Baptist Church

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The Disciple

October 19, 2026

LINDA'S LINES

Please join us for our Sunday evening activities! Youth Choir (grades 6-12) and Brave Believers for youth, children, and preschoolers provide valuable training for our young people. Thanks to all who are leading these classes. If you have not yet joined the Adult Study on the Holy Spirit, taught by Karen Purnell, or the Sign Language Class led by Terry and Brenda McDowell and Lisa Stucker on Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m., we hope you will do so this week. It is a joy to study God's Word with each other!!

This year's Community Thanksgiving Service will again be at our church on **Tuesday, November 24, 7:00 p.m.** Rev. Dr. Cristian Istrate from Summit Heights Methodist Church will preach. Rev. Steve Skaggs will be the worship leader. Our church will provide the reception after the service, as well.

Church Calendars will be available this week. You can get one at the Welcome Center in the sanctuary foyer or from the church office. The cost is $2.

There are many people in our community who need a relationship with Jesus and/or a church home. Please join us for GROW on Monday evenings at **7:00 p.m.,** the first Tuesday of the month at **11:00 a.m.,** or the first Wednesday of the month at **7:30 p.m.**

Please join me in anticipation of a glorious Lord's Day this Sunday. And as always, continue to pray, "Lord, awaken Your people and send a Great Revival!"

✨ WILL'S WORDS ✨

The youth are back in action! They have been participating in GROW & Care Night Visits. They recently got back to their Brave Believers class, Bible Beacons, Sunday nights after Youth Choir. We continue to have a small group on Wednesday nights for LIGHT from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Our biggest area for improvement is Sunday School, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Please encourage our youth to attend these classes.

We have already held a Hangout with a bonfire and the Fifth Quarter. Our next event is Thursday, October 22. We are meeting at Fern Bowl from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Games are $4.00. Please send me a message if you have any questions.

I'm so excited to let you know that I am working with Academy's four-year-olds in recreation. I'm currently teaching them to play tee ball on Fridays from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.





STAFF

Rev. Linda Barnes Popham
Pastor, ext. 103
693-4048

Rev. Steve Skaggs
Interim Minister of Music, ext. 111

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Minister of Youth
& Recreation, ext. 114

Tiffany Keranen
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Bookkeeper, ext. 102

Ashley Thonen
Director of Facilities, ext. 104

Joanna Wright
Interim Organist

Rev. Gene Wright
Supply Pianist

FERN CREEK
BAPTIST CHURCH
Reaching Up…
Reaching In…
Reaching Out…

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2026
5:30 p.m. LRBA Meeting – Farmdale Baptist
7:00 p.m. GROW (O Team)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2026
9:30 a.m. Sisterhood – J-town Diner
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
7:00 p.m. Deaf / Hard of Hearing Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2026
5:15 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry
6:30 p.m. Children's Choirs, LIGHT, Wednesday Worship
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026
10:00 a.m. FCBC Sewing Group - CLC
6:30 p.m. Academy Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m. FCBC Youth Bowling at Fern Bowl

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026
9:00 a.m. Adult Choir Retreat
6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - CLC

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service
12:15 p.m. Blood Pressure Checks
1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
3:00 p.m. Congolese Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Youth Choir
6:00 p.m. Sign Language, Brave Believers Discipleship Training

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2026
6:00 p.m. Gideons' Dinner - CLC
7:00 p.m. GROW (W Team)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2026
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
7:00 p.m. Deaf / Hard of Hearing Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2026
5:15 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry
6:30 p.m. Children's Choirs, LIGHT, Wednesday Worship
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2026
1:00 p.m. A Day at the Farm - Academy
6:00 p.m. Operation Support

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2026
1:00 p.m. A Day at the Farm - Academy

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2026
9:00 a.m. Fall Work Day
6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service – CLC

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2026
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service
1:15 p.m. Filipino Worship Service
3:00 p.m. Congolese Worship Service
4:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting
5:00 p.m. Youth Choir
6:00 p.m. Sign Language, Brave Believers Discipleship Training

RESPONSIBILITIES

WEEK OF OCTOBER 25	WEEK OF NOVEMBER 1
DEACON OF THE WEEK	**DEACON OF THE WEEK**
Phil Shewmaker 558-1003	Chris Towles 468-7369
TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK	**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**
TBA	TBA
NURSE ON CALL	**NURSE ON CALL**
Lesley Hass 836-9691	Martha Blansette 533-9666
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**
Danny Hass	TBA
Lori Ennis	TBA
EXTENDED SESSION	**EXTENDED SESSION**
Susan Hudgins	Joy Warren
Jayla Blansette	TBA
NURSERY	**NURSERY**
Bonnie Coyle	TBA
Eleonor Ritchie	TBA
TECH TEAM	**TECH TEAM**
Director – Jon Heinrich	Director – Jon Heinrich
Streamer – Jacob Heinrich	Streamer – Bruce Ritchie
Sound – Sam Frizzell	Sound – Sam Frizzell
AV – Lisa Payne	AV – Lisa Payne
WEDNESDAY EVENING	**WEDNESDAY EVENING**
Lisa Payne	Sam Frizzell

G.R.O.W.

You can be a missionary right here in our own community by joining a GROW Team. GROW Teams write letters, make phone calls, and make visits on: Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m., the first Tuesday of the month at 11:00 a.m., and the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Join us as we share the good news of Jesus Christ! He has called us to take the good news to Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth. **Will you help?**

OCTOBER 11, 2026

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School - 71 Worship - 100

OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget Needs	$ 11,084.00
Budget Received	$ 9,669.25
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	$ 66,504.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	$ 53,864.14

BUILDING FUND

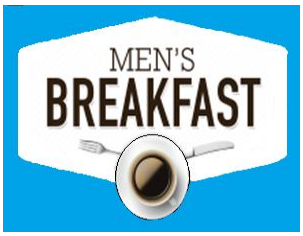
Weekly Total	$ 25.00
Year-to-Date Balance	$ 3,098.87

PROPERTY @ 5912

Amount Received	$ 205.00
Year-to-Date Received	$ 91,588.28
Monthly Loan Payment	$ 1,095.69
Loan Balance	$ 86,227.53
Current Fund Balance	$ 10,166.34

PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES IN THE HOSPITAL AS OF OCTOBER 15:

- Jimmy McCune – Norton Women's & Children's Hospital – Room 549



MEN'S MINISTRY BREAKFAST

Saturday, Nov. 7, 9:00 a.m.
Dairy Queen (Fern Creek)
Contact Chris Towles

FCBC FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry is in need of:
CANNED MEATS & SPAGHETTI SAUCE
Thank you for pitching in to fill up our pantry.

November

1	Bobby Tyler
3	Lee Bell
4	Audrey Adams
	Joy Warren
5	Corey Bosemer
	Diane Cox
6	Terri Bosemer
	Jimmy Bruce
	Lisa Pigman
8	Glenda Coddington
	Lillian Hardy
	Austin Zaloudek
9	Michael Middleton
10	Glenda Barton
	Justin Montgomery
	Lucas Seraphine
11	Laura Been
	Jada Ruiz
12	Sam Frizzell
15	Wesley Adams
	Arlene Baluyut
	John Daniels
	Denver Pascua
16	Lily Bowman
	Michael Moore
17	Jacob Heinrich
18	Chrissy Creech
	Deborah Raia
19	Sierra Clark
	Joy Stelly
20	Nate Barber
23	Josh Butler
25	Susie Elleman
26	Matt Abney
	Susan Hudgins
27	Kim Anderson
	Sandra Davis
	Mya Williams
28	Adam Jenkins
	Jeremy Roberts
	Cole Seraphine
29	Michelle Yaste
30	Shawn Presley



OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

- Mike and Linda Simpson and family at the death of Linda's sister, Janet Dunn;
- Joe and Martha Montgomery and family at the death of Joe's father, Joe Allen Montgomery.

ADVENT / CHRISTMAS DEVOTIONAL BOOK

This year's Advent / Christmas theme is *"Waiting…"* (with the sub-themes of "Waiting for Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love"). If you are willing to write a devotional, please sign up at the shelf in the Common Area Foyer (between the Sanctuary and the CLC) or call the church office. Please include a scripture reference with your devotional. Please send to Tiffany Keranen (tiffany@ferncreekbaptist.org) as an email attachment by **November 10,** or earlier. Thanks for your help!

ADULT CHOIR RETREAT

Saturday, October 24
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Now is a great time to join the Adult Choir and participate in the Christmas services and programs!

FALL WORK DAY

October 31, 9:00 a.m.

Join us as we work on the grounds and in the building of our church facility. Please meet in the Christian Life Center for job assignments:

- Yard work, repairs, etc.: See Trustees.
- Cleaning, organizing, etc.: See Church Staff.

We have jobs available for all! Let's keep God's House and Yard looking good!!

"YOUNG AT HEART"

Soup and Salad Luncheon and Crafts

Thursday, November 12, 2026, 11:30 a.m.

- Judie Walker and Kim Hight will lead us in making crafts.
- The Senior Adult Council Members will provide soup, salad, and desserts.
- There is no cost for this event.
- Please sign up at the shelf in the Common Area by Sunday, **November 8**, so we will know how much food and crafts to provide.

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SUNDAY EVENINGS: FALL SESSION

October 4 – November 15, 2026

Discipleship Training Director – Michele Crider

ADULT CLASSES

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Beginning Sign Language** – taught by Terry and Brenda McDowell and Lisa Stucker (Room 113 – Lower Ramp)
- ***"The Holy Spirit"*** taught by Karen Purnell (Sanctuary)

YOUTH CLASSES

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- **Youth Choir** (grades 6-12) – led by Linda Popham and TBA (Room 306 – Choir Room) / Snacks at 5:45 p.m.

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Brave Believers: Bible Beacons** (grades 6-12) – taught by Will Ennis, Nancy Shewmaker, & Jodie Towles (Room 414)

CHILDREN'S CLASS

The classroom is located on the second floor of the Education Building.

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Brave Believers: Bible Buddies** (girls & boys, grades 1-5) – taught by Linda Barnes Popham & Sam Frizzell (Room 204)

PRESCHOOL CLASS

The classrooms are located on the first floor of the Education Building/Academy Area.

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- **Brave Believers: Bible Bloomers** (ages 3-kindergarten) – taught by Tiffany Keranen & Lucas Seraphine.. (Room 101)
- **Childcare** (led by TBA) is provided for babies and toddlers who are accompanying adults attending the classes. (Room 111 – First Floor of Education Building – Preschool Academy)