Fern Creek Baptist Church

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The Disciple

October 5, 2026

LINDA'S LINES

Will you all make a commitment during this church year to be a part of studying God's Word together during Sunday School? The psalmist of Psalm 119 reminds us:

- Verse 11 - *I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.*
- Verse 18 - *Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.*
- Verse 105 - *Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.*

We need His Word more than ever as we travel this journey on earth. His Word is the light we need for this dark world. As we study and memorize His Word together in Sunday School, may we truly hide the Word in our hearts to give us the guidance we need every second of every day! Please pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us as individuals and as a church as we study and follow His Word! I challenge you to immerse yourselves in His Word each day!!!

The Fall Session of Discipleship Training / Brave Believers recently resumed. Please join together with your church family on Sunday evenings as we grow as His disciples! It's not too late to join a class.

Please join me in anticipation of a glorious Lord's Day this Sunday! And as always, continue to pray, "Lord, Send a Great Revival!"

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, and 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 and boys, grades 1-5) – taught by Linda Barnes Popham and 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, and TBA. (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)



STAFF

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

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

Will Ennis
Minister of Youth
& Recreation, ext. 114

Tiffany Keranen
Office Coordinator, ext. 100

Jodie Towles
Bookkeeper, ext. 102

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Director of Facilities, ext. 104

Joanna Wright
Interim Organist

Rev. Gene Wright
Supply Pianist

FERN CREEK
BAPTIST CHURCH
Reaching Up…
Reaching In…
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2026
12:00 p.m. Blood Drive - CLC
7:00 p.m. GROW (G Team)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2026
11:00 a.m. GROW (G2 Team)
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Stewardship Meeting
7:00 p.m. Deaf / Hard of Hearing Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2026
6:30 p.m. Children's Choirs, LIGHT, Wednesday Worship
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
GROW (G3 Team)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2026
9:30 a.m. "Young at Heart" - Shaker Village
3:00 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry
6:30 p.m. Gospel Lights Meeting - Room 416

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2026
9:00 p.m. Youth Fifth Quarter - CLC

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2026
6:00 p.m. Congolese Prayer Service - CLC

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 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
5:00 p.m. Youth Choir
6:00 p.m. Sign Language Class
Discipleship Training
Brave Believers

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2026
7:00 p.m. GROW (R Team)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2026
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
7:00 p.m. Deaf / Hard of Hearing Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2026
6:30 p.m. Children's Choirs, LIGHT, Wednesday Worship
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2026
10:00 a.m. FCBC Sewing Group - CLC
3:00 p.m. Homeless Shower Ministry

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026
5:00 p.m. Fall Festival - CLC

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 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
5:00 p.m. Youth Choir
6:00 p.m. Sign Language Class
Discipleship Training
Brave Believers

RESPONSIBILITIES

WEEK OF OCTOBER 11	WEEK OF OCTOBER 18
DEACON OF THE WEEK	**DEACON OF THE WEEK**
Deborah Raia 492-0965	Nancy Shewmaker 296-2341
TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK	**TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK**
Bill Montgomery 301-820-2524	Joe Montgomery 422-2208
NURSE ON CALL	**NURSE ON CALL**
Norma Routt 741-0724	Bonnie Coyle 550-3440
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**
Anetta French Tiffany Keranen	Lucas Seraphine Valerie Montgomery
EXTENDED SESSION	**EXTENDED SESSION**
Joy Warren Martha Montgomery	Joy Warren TBA
NURSERY	**NURSERY**
Jayla Blansette Donna Grimes	Martha Blansette Beha Montgomery
TECH TEAM	**TECH TEAM**
Director – Chris Towles Streamer – Jacob Heinrich Sound – Phil Shewmaker AV – Lisa Payne	Director – Jon Heinrich Streamer – Bruce Ritchie Sound – Phil Shewmaker 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?**

G.R.O.W.
GOD REWARDS OUR WORK

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

ATTENDANCE
Sunday School - 82 Worship 103

OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Budget Needs	$ 11,084.00
Budget Received	$ 5,938.89
Year-to-Date Budget Needs	$ 44,336.00
Year-to-Date Budget Received	$ 33,321.88

BUILDING FUND

Weekly Total	$ 100.00
Year-to-Date Balance	$ 2,963.87

PROPERTY @ 5912

Amount Received	$ 123.00
Year-to-Date Received	$ 90,983.28
Monthly Loan Payment	$ 1,095.69
Loan Balance	$ 86,227.53
Current Fund Balance	$ 10,657.03

PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS/ATTENDEES IN THE HOSPITAL AS OF SEPTEMBER 30:

- Caleb Anderson - Baptist Health Hospital – Room 417
- Detra Anderson – Baptist Health Hospital – Room 668
- Sonya Davis – Norton Women's & Children's Hospital – Room 243
- Mary Lou Felker - Signature South - Room 126
- Jimmy McCune – Encompass Health – Room 109

FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Personnel Committee is currently seeking two childcare workers for Sunday and Wednesday evenings. This position is approximately five hours a week. All personnel will be committed Christians of exemplary character and active church members. Please turn in resumes/applications by **October 15, 2026** to the church or mail to the church at 5920 Bardstown Road, Louisville, KY 40291; Attention Personnel Committee. You may also email the resumes to linda@ferncreekbaptist.org.



OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

- The family of David Harper (church guest) at his death.

FCBC SEWING GROUP

The FCBC Sewing Group is looking for new members to join us on the first and third Thursday of each month. We meet from 10 am to 2 pm and share lunch. Can't sew… no problem! We also sort fabric, cut, iron, and socialize. All interested persons are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Judie Walker at 270-589-7934.

"YOUNG AT HEART"

Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill

Thursday, October 8

Please remember that we will depart at **9:30 a.m.** and return around **6:00 p.m.**

FCBC FOOD PANTRY

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

ADULT CHOIR RETREAT

Saturday, October 24

Now is a great time to join the Adult Choir and participate in the Christmas services and programs! The exact time of the retreat will be decided in a few days.

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!!



MEN'S MINISTRY BREAKFAST

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

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