





## Church Calendar ~ Weekly Schedule

#### Sunday Mornings, April 20th

8:30am Worship

9:45-10:45am Bible Study for All Ages 10:30-10:55am Media Center

11:00am Worship

Sunday Evenings, April 20th No Wednesday Evening Activities!

Wednesday Morning, April 23rd 10:00am-12:00pm Media Center

Wednesday Evening, April 23rd No Wednesday Evening Activities! Enjoy your Easter Break!



#### Wednesday Night Fellowship Meals

Cost: \$6.00 Adult Plate & \$4.00 Child Plate

(Sign-up required by Mondays at 4pm)

#### Menu ~ April 23rd

Easter Break: No Wednesday Night Meal

#### Menu ~ April 30th

Potato Bar, Veggie, Bread, Tea, Dessert

## Financial Report for April 14, 2025

 YTD Budget Requirement (WK 28)
 \$ 453,145.56

 YTD Budget Receipts
 \$ 481,654.94

 Budget Over / Under
 \$ 28,509.38

Weekly Budget Requirement \$ 16,183.77

Actual Budget Offering \$ 16,857.73

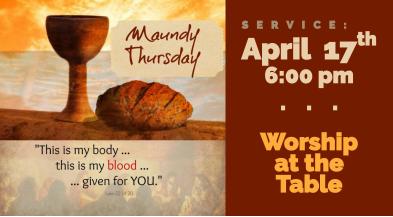
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# THE INFORMER

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH • WASHINGTON, NC
April 16, 2025







A letter from the Pastor

Shalom First Baptist,

This week is Holy week, it is a time that we reflect on the significant events of the days leading up to the crucifixion and resurrection. For three years Jesus had been telling His disciples that He would be killed, buried and resurrected. Those men truly had no idea what Jesus was telling them. They knew He was the Messiah, but there was no room in Jewish thought of a crucified King. They were expecting Him to free them from Roman oppression, not die a martyr's death. He had ridden into town on a donkey's colt to the praise of His followers, but what happened next would be shocking. Jesus entered the temple and ran out all of those who were selling sacrificial animals. In the disciple's eyes, something had changed dramatically— Jesus was cleaning house. On Wednesday He would stand in the temple in the presence of the Pharisees' and pronounce damnation upon them (Matthew 23). On Thursday they would celebrate the Passover meal, but this meal was more shocking than Jesus clearing the temple. He had gotten up and done the work of a slave by washing the disciple's feet. Then He told them He was going to die, His body would be broken and His blood spilled. The shock of Thursday turned into horror on Friday as they saw Him paraded from Jerusalem up to Golgotha and nailed to a cross between two criminals. The shouts to crucify Him echoed through their ears, and the thoughts that "maybe He wasn't the Messiah" ran through their minds. Three years gone the moment He cried out, "it is finished," and breathed His last. Here was the Messiah, dead, buried in a borrowed tomb, with military police standing guard over His grave. Why? How could this happen?

Pastor Matt







## Serving the Week of April 20, 2025

\*Nursery Workers, please include Sunday night, let's make sure we have at least 2 people per service.

Nursery Workers ~ Susannah Berry, Jason Berry, Lois Omonde, Jennifer Mitchell, Nathaniel & Lisa Woolard

Children's Church ~ 8:30am ~ No Children's Church 11:00am ~ No Children's Church

**Deacon of the Week ~ Angie Lewis** 

**Deacon Team Members** ~ Gabe White, Tommy Hodges

Benevolence Team Helper ~ No Benevolence This Week

Audio/Visual Ministry Team ~ Luke Alligood, Fred Anderson, Emerson Asby, Chandler Bradley, Jesse Davis, John Davis, Carol Evans, Don Fann, James Fitts, Brody Fox, Jimmy Harris, Wyatt Renfrow, Levi Setzer

We are always looking for folks interested in serving in the Audio/Visual Ministry, call <u>Jesse Davis (946-8074) or Carol Evans (946-1724)</u> and ask them about the specifics of the different areas available. *COME JOIN OUR TEAM!* 

The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; for I know that you are looking for Jesus who has been crucified. He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said. Come, see the place where He was lying."

Matthew 28:5-6



Teacher Appreciation Week is May 5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> and we would like to show our appreciation to our dedicated

WEE School Staff.

Please contact Joy if you are interested in providing a special treat or a donation.