

# 10:45 am Worship Service

## February 15, 2026

**SERMON**

**"Get Up & Do Not Be Afraid"**  
**Exodus 24:12-18, Matthew 17:1-9**

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Huntington, WV 25701  
Change Service Requested

## Along the Journey...

My family was supposed to move to Huntington the last week of January, following a big celebration of mine and Kristy's 12.5-year pastoral ministry at First Baptist Church of Middlesboro, KY. It snowed. We pushed the party back a week. My family was then supposed to move to Huntington the first week of February. It snowed again. The movers couldn't get to us, so Kristy and I loaded up a big UHaul and made a partial move February 3. We arrived in Huntington in a snow storm. Thanks be to God for the many church folks who unloaded us in the snow. Three days later—just two days before my first Sunday—it snowed. My mother, Jill, has said for decades, "Give or take a week, it always snows on your birthday." Behold this prophetess in the city of Maysville. In the same way Mom can tell the story of bouncing the old Pontiac through the snow the day I was born, I can tell of bringing Elliot and Chester down McCullough and Miller Roads in front of half our house on white roads. I'll tell the stories forever. You may, too.

What an adventure we've had getting here. Not just logically, but also physically and emotionally, it's been a lot. Nearly all change is, even good change. A new job or a new school makes your brain dream but your stomach squeeze. A new home inspires both "Yay!" and "Oh dear..." Yesterday, I took Eleanor and Elliot to meet and greet at St. Joseph School. They were excited and they were afraid in equal measure, and as is often so in moments like that, the fear won out for quite a while. I knelt and looked into Eleanor's teary eyes and said, "I know, sweetie. How you're feeling right now is how I feel at church right now, too. It's different. There are lots of strangers in a place in our lives that's been so familiar for so long. It's a lot." Then I said the only thing I knew to say: "I'm here, buddy. I'm here."

Maybe you know what I mean. To the extent that you do, we're alike. We're both human. And in all the distortion and disorientation of change in our lives, there is one constant. It's God, kneeling and saying, "I know... and I'm here. I'm here."

~ Rev. Zach Bay



# Fifth Avenue Baptist Church

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Worship God wholeheartedly. Love one another unconditionally. Help people meet Jesus.  
Help each other become more like Jesus. Love our hurting world.

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**MEETING**

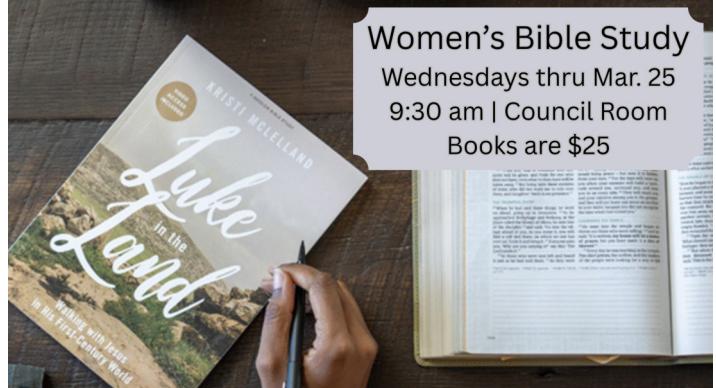


SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15  
12:00PM, FAB LAB

AMC  
monthly  
meeting

Sunday, February 15 | 12:00 pm  
COUNCIL ROOM

Women's Bible Study  
Wednesdays thru Mar. 25  
9:30 am | Council Room  
Books are \$25



## National Annual MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Feb. 28, 2026 | 8:30 AM  
Guyandotte Baptist Association Camp  
Camp Ona, Ona, WV  
Contact: Jim Mitchell, 304-690-3100

Rev. Justin Berry,  
Baptist Temple to  
speak



### SUNDAY MORNING GREETERS NEEDED

Door greeters needed!  
If you're able to  
volunteer, please  
contact Emma Dix @  
304-544-6181.

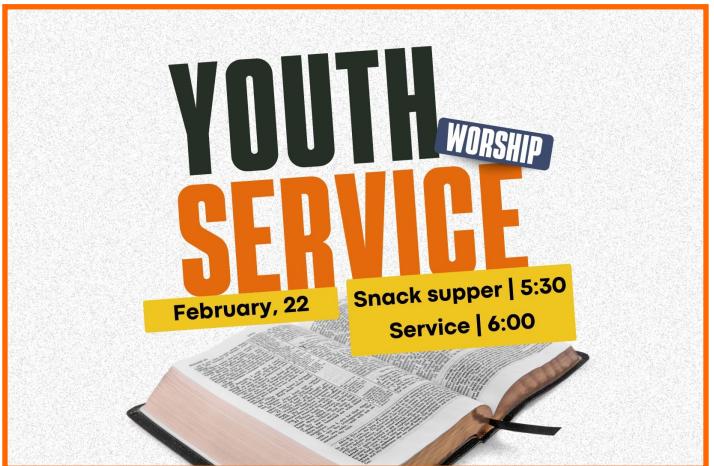


FIFTH AVENUE BAPTIST

# youth

## Come Join Us!

For sign-ups & info, please visit [fifthavenuebaptist.org/ministries/youth](http://fifthavenuebaptist.org/ministries/youth)



### **SKATING PARTY**

*SkateLand*

4430 Altizer Ave  
Huntington, WV

**February 22**  
**5:30 - 7:30**



# LIFE AMONG THE COLUMNS

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### CALENDAR | Feb 15–21

#### Sunday, February 15

- 9:00 Coffee & Doughnuts (FAB Lab)
- 9:30 Sunday Morning Bible Studies
- 10:45 Worship & Live Stream
- 12:00 YYAMC Meeting (FAB Lab)
- AMC Meeting (CR)

#### Monday, February 16

- 9:00 Staff Meeting

#### Wednesday, February 18

- 9:30 Women's Bible Study (CR)
- 5:30 Dinner: taco bar, corn, salad, dessert
- 6:15 Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 Choir Rehearsal

### Ministry Action Budget: February 8, 2026

|                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Envelopes                 | 17,274.85          |
| Online                    | 125.00             |
| <b>Total</b>              | <b>17,399.85</b>   |
| Given To Date             | 70,047.26          |
| MAB Expenses To Date      | 90,048.54          |
| <b>Overage/(Shortage)</b> | <b>(20,001.28)</b> |
| <b>Designated Funds</b>   |                    |
| Total Designated Funds    | 0.00               |
| Designated Gifts To Date  | 865.00             |

### BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS!

| Feb |   |
|-----|---|
| 15  | Steve Lambros, John Veazey, Jim Leach                                     |
| 16  | David Justice, Ann Justice  |
| 17  | Patricia Keeling, Tyler Pelfrey, Clara Crabtree                           |
| 18  | Peter Burberry  |
| 19  | Morgan Ferguson, Emily Merritt, Jeremy McKelvey, Marsha Navy              |
| 20  | Jess Hughes   |
| 21  | Thomas Wilmink, Bob Plymale, Chris Miller, Kaitlyn Wallace, Josie Chapman |

Gay Bird

Christy Bird

Ed Blankenship, friend of Gerry Smith & Kyle Hughes

Judy Booth

Bill Call

Felix Daniels

Bill Denman

Carolyn Dickens

Natalie Swann Dodge, great niece of Jack Lively

Martha Hagan

Anne Jameson, niece of Mary Madsen

Janet Jarrell

Linda Lawrence

Mary Lee Leslie

Julie Lively, daughter of Jack & Jackie Lively

Kim Lively-Smith, daughter of Jack & Jackie Lively

Pat Mann

Suzanne Nieman, friend of Jerrie Hussell

Cindy Perry, niece of Mary Madsen

Steve Perry, nephew of Mary Madsen

Paul Prunty

Bill Ransbottom

Allen Reasons

Justin Reynolds, nephew of Janet Jarrell

Larry Shannon, friend of Janet Jarrell

Patti & Mike Shaver Sr.

Barbara Sheils

Jack, Becky & Haley Stephenson, friends of Martha Hagan

David Stone, friend of Martha Hagan

Lenora Sutphin

Sherry Waggoner

Kathleen Whitley, daughter of Mike & Donna Whitley

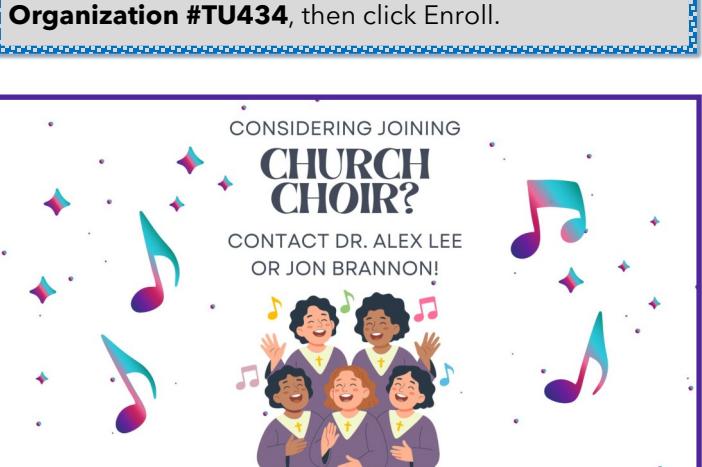
Peggy Wilmink

Debbie Wilson

If you or someone you have added to the Columns Prayer list can be removed, please call or email the church office.



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**Street Ministry**  
FEBRUARY ALMS

**Needs:**

- Socks
- Women's Underwear
- Men's Underwear, boxers preferred
- Women's sports bras
- Men's jeans (especially waist size 30, 31, 32)
- Slim Jim's
- Flip top Beanie Weinies

**Inclement Weather Policy**

**SUNDAY MORNING:** Members can learn if there will be services by going to the church website or Facebook page.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT:** If Cabell County schools are closed, Wednesday evening activities are canceled. The same policy governs activities on other weeknights.