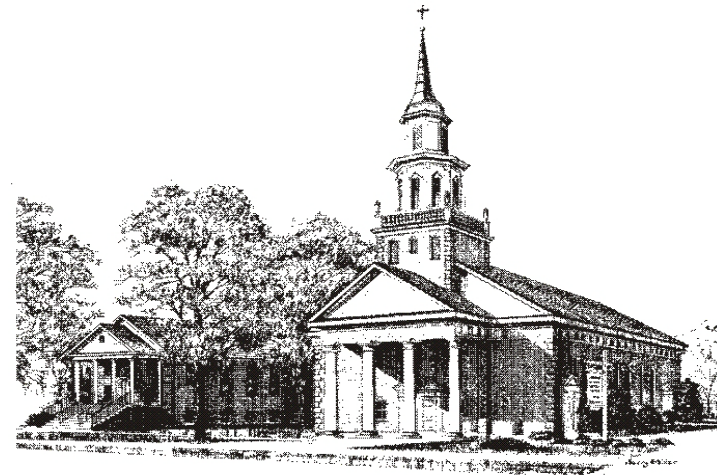


Welcome to
Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church
 Established 1869

Embodying the presence of Christ to Sanford and the world



The Lord's Day, March 18, 2012

We are grateful that you have chosen to worship God with us today. We invite you to join us on this incredible journey of following Jesus Christ as His disciples, striving to fulfill our mission of embodying the presence of Christ to Sanford and the world through our worship, our witness, and our way of life.

Join us each Sunday morning for these opportunities . . .

- 8:30 A.M. - Food and Fellowship (Chapel)
- 8:45 A.M. - Celebration Worship (Chapel)
- 9:45 A.M. - Sunday School (Small group Bible study):
 Preschoolers (1st floor of the educational wing)
 Children, Youth, and Adults
 (1st, 2nd, 3rd floors of the educational wing)
- 11:00 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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Church Staff:

- Dr. Mark E. Gaskins, *Senior Pastor* (mark.gaskins@jhbc.org)
- Rev. Gilbert W. McDowell, *Pastor Emeritus*
- Rev. Ronnie Byrd, *Associate Pastor for Music & Education*
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- Mr. Richard Sistrunk, Sr., *Church Administrator*
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- Mrs. Marva Lee Roush, *Administrative Assistant* (info@jhbc.org)
- Mrs. Jo Ann Brickhouse, *Organist*
- Mrs. Kimberly Davidson, *Pianist*

The Worship of God
The Lord's Day, March 18, 2012
Fourth Sunday in Lent

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE (Sanctuary)
 Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM

Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.

Gathering to Worship

- Ministry Opportunities Richard Wood
- Greeting
- Music for Meditation JoAnn Brickhouse
*Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
 for his steadfast love endures forever!
 Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,
 whom he has redeemed from trouble*
 (Psalm 107:1-2, ESV)

- Words of Welcome Mark Gaskins
- Call to Worship Matthew 12:34b-37 (page 967) Mark Gaskins
- Choral Response "Down From His Glory" Sanctuary Choir
- Invocation Belinda Bond

Hearing the Word

- Hymns 169 & 170 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"
 "Give Thanks" Congregation
- Children's Sermon Richard Wood
 Children may exit for Children's Worship (Chapel)
- Scripture Lesson Proverbs 26:17-28 (page 652) Hunter Bond
- Hymn 166 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" Congregation

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings

*Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have,
 for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.*
 (Hebrews 13:16, ESV)

- Offertory Prayer
- Worship in Song Children's Choir

Scripture and Sermon Mark Gaskins

James 3:1-18 (page 1197)
 "On Teachers, the Tongue, and True Wisdom"

Responding to the Word

Litany of Confession*

- PASTOR: Lord, we confess to you that we have sinned against you. We have done those things we should not have done, and we have left undone those things that we should have done.
- PEOPLE: **Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions.**
- PASTOR: Gracious Father, we have stumbled in many ways, especially in our failure to control our tongues. Forgive us for using our tongues to curse rather than bless, to gossip rather than speak grace, to wound rather than heal. We have often followed the earthly wisdom that produces jealousy and selfish ambition rather than your ways.
- PEOPLE: **Hide your face from our sins and blot out all our iniquities. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Give us the true wisdom that comes from above that is pure, peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.**
- PASTOR: The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.
- ALL: **THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN.**

Hymn 596 "I Surrender All" Congregation

The Church at Prayer

Sending Forth

Charge and Benediction Mark Gaskins

Scattering on Mission

*Based on James 3:1-18; Psalm 51:1, 9-10; Psalm 103:8, 13-14.



Join us for this week's evening services and activities . . .

- **Sunday evening, 6:30 P.M. (Bullock-Matthews Room) - JHBC Bible Drill**
- **Wednesday evening Mid-Week Worship, 6:15 P.M. (Bullock-Matthews Room) - Mark Gaskins leading study of the book of Revelation, *A Call to Radical Christian Commitment***

Our Mission

By the grace of God and the power of His Holy Spirit, we will embody the presence of the crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ to Sanford and the world through our worship, our witness, and our way of life as His disciples.

Our Values

- ✦ God-focused intergenerational worship
- ✦ Bible-centered life-impacting Bible study and Discipleship
- ✦ Hands-on relationship-driven missions
- ✦ An accepting and encouraging sense of family where everyone's voice counts

Becoming a Follower of Christ

Being a Christian involves a personal commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Every one of us is a sinner and in need of God's forgiveness. Only Christ can save us and set us right with God through His own life, death on the cross, and resurrection from the dead. Those who put their faith in Him and commit their lives to Him as their Lord experience His forgiveness and are set right with God. Those who have not put their faith in Him are separated from God by their sin, a separation that continues in eternity in hell if they die without Christ.

Trusting Jesus involves recognizing your need of Him, asking Him to forgive you, and committing yourself to Him as your Lord. The Christian life is about following Jesus, getting to know Him, and becoming like Him. Once you trust Christ, being baptized expresses your commitment publicly. Becoming a part of a local congregation helps you to know and serve Christ as a part of His people, the family of God.

We would be delighted to talk with you about making a commitment to Jesus Christ. Please see one of our pastors after the service or contact the church office (919-776-1541).

Becoming a Member of Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church

Becoming a member of a local congregation of believers is an important step in the Christian life. Through membership in a local church, we experience fellowship with other Christians, study God's word and learn together in worship and in small groups, and participate in our risen Lord's mission in the world.

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church gladly receives members who are followers of Christ and who believe that God is leading them to become a part of our church. New believers are received into the church through baptism. Members of other Baptist churches are received by transfer of membership. Persons coming from other Christian denominations are received by statement of their faith along with believer's baptism (if they have not already experienced believer's baptism.)

If you would like to become a member of Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church, you may come forward during the hymn of commitment following the sermon and present yourself as a candidate for membership. If you would like to discuss your decision prior to making it public or have further questions about membership in JHBC, please talk with one of our pastors after the service or contact the church office (919-776-1541).

CHURCH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, March 18

8:45 AM	Early Worship and Communion (Chapel)
9:00 – 9:45 AM	Church Library Open
9:45 – 10:45 AM	Sunday School
11:00 AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary) (Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM)
	Children's Worship (Chapel)
	Extended Session 1 – Tara Whiteside
	Church Library Open
	Handbell Choir Practice
	JHBC Church Bible Drill (Bullock-Matthews Room)

Monday, March 19

6:30 PM	Nursery Committee
7:00 PM	Nell Smith/Mary Herring Group
7:30 PM	Youth Ministry Team Meeting

Tuesday, March 20

7:30 AM	Men's Prayer Meeting
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Wednesday, March 21

10:30 AM	Staff Meeting
6:00 – 8:00 PM	Church Library Open
6:00 – 6:55 PM	Children's Choirs
6:15 – 7:15 PM	Mid-Week Worship (Bullock-Matthews Room)
7:00 – 7:55 PM	Mission Friends, GA's and RA's
7:00 – 8:00 PM	Wednesday Night Youth Worship
7:15 – 8:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice

Thursday, March 22

7:30 PM	Praise Band Practice
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SPECIAL JHBC EVENTS

Pearl Johnson Group Meeting Notice Change - will meet on Thursday, April 5 at 10:00 AM.

College Student of the Week – Hannah West, daughter of Gordon and Jo West. Her address is Western Carolina University, 245 Memorial Drive, Suite 6333, Cullowhee, NC 28732. Please send her a card this week.

Baptist Men Meeting – Monday, March 26 at 6:30 PM. The program will be Susan Condlin, Director of NC Cooperative Extension. Facilitator – John Hall.

City on a Hill Mission Donations for the month of March = \$770.00.

Shoebox Ministry in Kentucky - JHBC has been given a wonderful opportunity to participate in a shoebox ministry for children right here in the United States. Sandy Branch Baptist Church is sending a group on a missions trip this April to Harlan County, Kentucky, a coal mining area with deep physical and spiritual poverty. We have been invited to help contribute shoeboxes for this mission trip. Donations of school supplies, hygiene items, small toys, books, socks, t-shirts, and other age appropriate items for PreK through 4th grade children can be placed in a box located in the hallway near the church offices. Monetary donations may be given to Donna Smith or Alice Gilchrist by **Wednesday, March 28**. We are also in need of empty standard sized shoeboxes. Thank you for your generous support of this missions project.

Operation Inasmuch is April 28 – only 6 weeks away. Have you decided how you will serve others in our community on that day? The Missions and Outreach Team thanks everyone for participating in our brainstorming session at the March family night supper. Please continue to share your ideas for OIAM and be in prayer for God's direction as we prepare for a day of Christian love and outreach. Missions and Outreach Team includes Ann Laton, Al Laton, Sheila Stevens, JoAnn Brickhouse, Ken Smith, Mary Upchurch, Kenny Lamm, Roger Vance, Alice Gilchrist

We Need Your Help! Candy donations are now being collected for our Annual Children's Easter Celebration which will be held on Friday, March 30 from 6:00 – 7:30 PM in McDowell Hall. Please leave bags of individually wrapped candy in our collection box!

Children's Ministry

PassportKids Sign-Up is available now – This event is for children in grades 3-6 and will be at Wingate University on July 10-13. **Registration and a \$60.00 deposit are due by March 28**. Sign-up sheets are available on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board outside Bullock-Matthews Room.

Children's Easter Celebration is March 30 – We will be meeting in McDowell Hall at 6:00 PM for a time of food, games, crafts, and Easter story and Easter Egg Hunt.

Nursery Committee Meeting tomorrow – 6:30 PM - Old Fellowship Hall.

JHBC Church Bible Drill - Tonight, 6:30 PM in Bullock-Matthews Room.

Sandy Creek Associational Bible Drill – Next Sunday March 25, 3:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

Youth Ministry

Revolve Tour for Girls – Will be May 5-6 in Charlotte. Cost is \$30.00 per person. A sign-up sheet is on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board. Sign up and cost are due today. See Alicia Holly or Rich for more details.

PassportChoices Sign-up is available now – This event is for youth in grades 7-12 and will be at Wingate University on July 8-13. **Registration and a \$75.00 deposit are due by March 28**. Sign-up sheets are available on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board outside Bullock-Matthews Room.

Youth Ministry Team Meeting tomorrow night – 7:30 PM, Conference Room.

Some extra Disciple Now t-shirts are available for purchase – Sizes available are Small and Medium. Cost is \$10.00. All proceeds go toward Youth Passport Camp.

Family Ministry Ministry

Carolina Hurricanes Game – We're going to see the Canes take on the New Jersey Devils on Saturday night March 31. Cost is \$15.00 and is open to anyone who would like to go. A sign-up sheet is on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board. Ticket reservations are first come, first serve. See Rich for payment options.

BUDGET AND ATTENDANCE: March 11, 2012 (Week 28 of 52)

General Fund

Weekly Budgeted Needs	\$ 10,972.01	YTD Budget Goal	\$ 307,216.29
T/O Received	\$ 8,751.00	YTD T/O Received	\$ 326,336.53
Less Budget This Week	\$ (2,221.01)	YTD Difference	\$ 19,120.24
Budget: \$570,544.47			
(\$570,544.47/52 weeks= \$10,972.01)		<u>TOTAL GIVING</u>	\$ 9,986.00
		(Last Week)	

<u>ANNIE ARMSTRONG</u>	\$ 340.00
<u>CBF GLOBAL</u>	\$ 95.00
<u>CHILDREN IN THE SON</u>	\$ 20.00
<u>CITY ON A HILL</u>	\$ 50.00
<u>LIBRARY</u>	\$ 25.00

ATTENDANCE

8:45 AM Early Worship	28
Sunday School	152 + 5
11 AM Morning Worship	223
PM – Discipleship/Worship	27

BUILDING FUND \$ 705.00
Current Balance is **\$26,878.73**