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From the Desk of Our Senior Pastor

PS 103:1 Bless the LORD, O my soul, And all that is within me, *ble*ss His holy name.

Last week I accidentally came across a Christian group called *Maverick City Music* – they have quickly become one of my favorites. One of their songs is entitled ‘*Move Your Heart.*’ The song begins...

I just wanna move Your heart, it's all I wanna do. I just wanna stand in awe and pour my love on You. No matter how much the cost, I freely give it all to You, Oh, Jesus.

What a beautiful desire! I was instantly reminded of the Psalmist who burst out; ***Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me.*** I didn't really understand that Psalm as a young Christian. That's probably because, at first my relationship with God was more likely centered about prayers for things, to meet my needs and the needs of those I cared about. Later I began to understand what the Psalmist cries out; *may everything within me, about me, be a blessing to the heart of God! May my life bring YOU Father, great joy and pleasure!*

But, even as beautiful as that desire is, it's not what caught my attention in the song. In the song, the singer asks of God, ‘*Tell me what moves You, Lord.*’ And then the singer offers the answer, ‘***YOU do. YOU move the heart of God.***’ The musician goes on to describe the many ‘YOU's’ – ‘*YOU when you begin to sing. You, without the performance. You, the authentic you. You, when you are just who you are meant to be.*’ And I was tracking with every word and praising God...but then the musician continues with the ‘YOU's’...

‘...*You without the talent. You who haven't prayed in a while. You who just got the divorce. YOU move the heart of God.*’ And I had to stop and ask the question...is that right? It didn't seem right. God hates divorce – it says so right in the Scripture. He longs for us to meet Him in prayer. He has given us gifts and talents to use. Don't we move the heart of God when we...you know, DO the right things? Doesn't He love us more when we...behave right?

There is a supernatural spectrum described throughout the words of Jesus and the New Testament. On one side of the spectrum we have Paul, the spokesman for the GRACE of God and on the other side we have James, the spokesman for WORKS. Likely many of us struggle with a healthy balance between the two; thanking God for His amazing grace, and out of that grace, doing the works God has given us to refine us and expand His kingdom. But as I listened to that song I realized that I had unconsciously lost my balance and slid to the side of works; God will love me more if I _____. Fill in the blank, or better yet, don't bother.

Because this does not represent God's perfect and unconditional love that does not change based on our performance – God just loves. Sure, He has prepared a good path for us to walk, and it hurts His heart when we stray from it – because it hurts His children. But it doesn't change His love. Surely, that's worthy to sing about! And clearly, I needed a reminder.

What moves the heart of God? ***YOU do.*** ‘*Is it a fragrance? Then I pour my oil out. Is it a life laid down? Then here I give my vows. 'Cause I live to move You. Father, we live to move You.*’ May this be our desire as well.

In His Love, Pastor Cal



Pastor Scott

He Lives!

Easter is a powerful time in the life of a Christian. This celebration provides us the opportunity to be reminded and consider again the amazing thing that God has done for us. For me, the images of the cross and the empty tomb are powerful reminders of the length God would (did) go to pay for my sins (with the life of His one and only Son). I remember as a young man that for quite a few years I wore a cross necklace, not as a fashion statement, as it sometimes seems it has become, but as that reminder I talked about. I thought just not long ago whether I might want to do that again. I, personally, believe that times are going to get tougher for believers in the coming years, and something to help keep me centered on Jesus could only be a good thing.

I am excited as I have prepared for Easter this year, though it has been a different kind of challenge. Typically, I would have identified a number of compelling Choir songs with powerful messages, memorable melodies, and great part-writing. I love leading our Choir in beautiful choral music. But with no Choir right now, that was pretty much out of the question. Then, plans changed and the decision was made to move the service outside with the intent of reaching farther into our community than we might with our service (typically) inside. This is an exciting venture! I am praying that the 1,500 postcards that went to homes surrounding the church are used by God and the power of His Spirit to move individuals and families to come join us for our Easter celebration. On that day, I pray that we will see folks from all ethnicities come to celebrate with us. I pray that whatever barriers that have prevented them from coming before will be broken down, and that they feel welcome and loved. I am also praying for good weather, like many of you have been as well.

So, as I looked for the music I wanted to use in the service, I came across a great song from a church I had never heard of. The song is called "He Lives", by Church of the City. When I first saw the title I wondered if it might have a connection to the old hymn of the same name. It didn't take long to figure out that it didn't. But I was immediately captivated by the imagery the words created and the vertical focus on Jesus and what His work on the cross has done for us.

The song begins by painting the picture of the tomb with the stone rolled away, declaring "He is risen! He is risen!". We are then reminded of Thomas's doubt, then faith, with "See His hands, see His feet, touch His scars and believe." You can see, for a guy who like others, when picking up a book, checks to see if there are any pictures in it, I am immediately drawn into this story in song. The chorus is powerful and simple, saying, "He lives. All honor and glory are His. All glory forever, amen." The second verse continues the imagery of redemption, followed by more.

The song goes on, but I will hold off on laying it all out for you now. You are welcome to go on YouTube and find the song yourself. The title of the video I watched is "He Lives (feat. Chris McClarney) Church of the City". My intention is to open our Easter service with it as our Worship Prelude. I believe it sets the stage beautifully for what we have come to celebrate, a service to declare the love and power of God, reaching down to us unworthy and unrighteous people, and through the sacrifice of Jesus, we can be made both worthy and righteous.

I hope you will plan to be there, and I hope you will be praying for God to do wonderful and magnificent things in all who come. See you on Easter, Resurrection Day!

CELEBRATE EASTER WITH US!

Join us as we celebrate the resurrection, family, togetherness and all the joys Easter brings. Bring the whole family, neighbors and friends. Everyone is invited!

Outdoor activities next to the Church
– *bring your own chairs or blanket!*

Easter Egg Hunt! (ages 2-8)

April 4th at 10:15AM

Bring your own Easter Basket!
Beverages and Snacks Provided!

Easter Service

April 4th at 11 AM

(Rainy Weather Plan: Inside the Sanctuary)



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DEACON'S CORNER

Submitted by Roger Vance

The Deacons met on March 1, 2021 for the monthly meeting. Chairman John Hall opened and handed the prayer and devotion time over to Carolyn Marsh. Her scripture emphasis was Acts 2: 38-47 and focused on Vital Church Growth. We need to walk as one in Christ. She also referenced Hebrews 10: 23-25, 1 John 1: 5-7 and 1 Corinthians 1:9. She was expressing the hope of all to keep the faith and to hold your light, from within shine bright through your life. God is always going before us and you.

After this time we shared many prayer concerns and all were lifted up. The minutes from February were approved.

Pastor Cal brought his monthly report and discussed the Easter lineup and requested help from the deacons to bring a special time of Worship on Easter Sunday to be held outside and on the east property. 1500 postcards have been purchased and will be mailed out to communities starting on the 12th of March. Additional advertisements thru radio, newspaper and social media. This service has been announced on the One Call Now system.

Tommy Matthews gave a final report on the now demolished annex building.

Ronnie Rouse had an update from the Personnel Committee and is looking to have a face to face meeting with the remaining candidates. Keep them in your prayers as they continue to do this important mission.

Other items discussed were:

- Security updates
- Scholarship Committee Members
- Financial Report
- Congregational Feedback
- Mission outreach ideas in the communities

The next Deacons meeting is on April 5, 2021.

The Lord's Supper Celebration will be held on Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021.

April Devotion and Prayer will be led by Sam Wornom.

The meeting was closed in prayer.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF JEWEL MAE SNYDER BAKER

To the Benevolence Fund

> By Curt and Sandy Brown

IN MEMORY OF ELSIE BYRD BROWN

(Sister of Ed Byrd)

To the Benevolence Fund

> By Dallas and Doris Harper

IN MEMORY OF KITTY STANLEY

(Mother of Trish VanFossen)

To the Benevolence Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN MEMORY OF MELVIN UPCHURCH

(Brother of Avron Upchurch)

To the Benevolence Fund

> By Curt and Sandy Brown

IN MEMORY OF SHELBA WATSON

To the Benevolence Fund

> By Curt and Sandy Brown

IN MEMORY OF HELEN LOUISE WORKMAN

(Mother of Donna Workman)

To the Benevolence Fund

> By Curt and Sandy Brown

IN MEMORY OF JAMES TOLLIVER

To the Tolliver Scholarship Fund

> By Daphne Tolliver

IN HONOR OF LUCILLE BROWN

(Mother of Curt Brown)

To the Property Debt Reduction Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF DARWIN CHARLES

(Grandson-in-law of John Henry & Katie Rice)

To the Baptist Children's Homes of NC

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF REV. ERIC DAVIDSON

To the Youth Missions Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF REV. SCOTT DAVIS

To the Annie Armstrong Easter Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF LOIS KEY

(Sister of Mary Upchurch)

To the Senior Ministry (Higher Heights Fund)

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF GILBERT MATTHEWS

(Husband of Maxine Matthews)

To the Building & Grounds Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF LESLEY MCKAY

(Daughter of Sam and Sandra Wornom)

To the Music & Education Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF AARON & SHPRESA SMITH

To the Operation Mobilization Fund

> By an Anonymous Donor

2021 Scholarship Applications

2021 Scholarship Applications and the criteria requirements for the scholarship applicants for each of the Sam and Sandra Wornom Endowment Trust Scholarship Fund, the Catherine Matthews Music Scholarship Fund, and the Tolliver Scholarship Fund are available to pick up at the church office between 9 AM - 5 PM beginning on Monday, March 22, 2021. Please fill out the sign out sheet when picking up each application. All scholarship applications and criteria requirements must be completed in full with all signatures required and submitted to the church office by the **deadline date of Thursday, April 30, 2021 at 4 PM. No applications will be accepted after this deadline date.**



April 1 -
Billy Joe Cox & Phil Lawrence

April 2 - **Hunter Bond**

April 3
Gilbert McDowell & Mary Upchurch

April 5 - **Freda Lowe**

April 8
**Emma Cowfer, Jean Walker
& Tammy Whitney**

April 9 - **Brenda Suiter**

April 12 - **Colby Johnson**

April 13 - **Henrietta Harkey**

April 16 - **Art Coleman**

April 17 - **Scarlett Soldano**

April 19 - **Marshall Harding**

April 20 - **Diane Willett**

April 21 - **Scott Morrill**

April 23 -
Gayle Heppding & Jay Mitchell

April 24 - **Beth Malloch**

April 27 - **Katie Warren**

April 28 - **Ed Byrd**

April 29 - **Alicia Holly**

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear JHBC Family,

Thank you so much for the Chick-fil-A and Amazon gift cards! I appreciate this so much! I promise they will be put to good use. Thank you for always thinking of me and sharing God's love with me!

Love you all so dearly,
Abri Gross

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Dear JHBC Family,

Thank you so much for the gift card surprise. I am so blessed to have a church family who supports and prays for me.

Love,
Abigail Sturm

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Dear Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church,

The Breadbasket Board of Directors and I want to express our deepest appreciation for your generous monetary donation to feed the hungry in Lee County. During the year of 2020, The Breadbasket served 55,276 meals which is an average of 209 meals per day. We cannot do this without your help and support.

Art G. Rijkse, Treasurer
The Breadbasket Board of Directors

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Dear Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church,

Thank you for your generous monetary gift to help Aaron & Shpresa Smith share the gospel through the Middle East.

Andrew Scott, President
Operation Mobilization USA

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Fellow Christians,

Outreach Mission would like to thank you for your generous monetary donation during the fourth quarter of 2020. Outreach Mission is a faith-based organization that reaches out to any person in need, providing food, clothing, a hot shower, shelter, and emotional support.

Claire Hunt, Corresponding Secretary
Outreach Mission

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church
Balance Sheet
February 2021

Accounts

Assets

Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	\$122,210.52
General Fund	\$100.00
Building Fund	\$97,334.00
Designated/Restricted Funds	\$81,543.47
Facilities Funds	\$301,287.99
Total Checking/Savings	\$1,092,679.70
Sales Taxes to be Reimbursed	\$15,068.92
Investments/Endowments	\$776,322.79
Total Current Assets	\$4,186,663.42

Current credit card receipts not paid/reconciled

Liabilities

Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	(\$16,253.52)
Facilities	\$2,305.00
Mortgage Payable	\$192,194.10
2500000 - BB&T Loan Land prev Credit Line	\$192,194.10
Total Mortgage Payable	\$178,177.91
Total Current Liabilities	\$178,177.91
Total Liabilities	\$178,177.91

Total facilities security deposits

Equity

Unrestricted	
3000000 - Unrestricted Net Assets (Fund Principal Closing Account)	\$3,851,066.61
Unrestricted this year (Revenues minus Expenses)	\$132,142.43
Total Unrestricted	\$25,996.41
Temporarily Restricted (sum of all Designated/Special accounts)	\$3,983,209.04
Total Equity	\$3,983,209.04
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$3,983,209.04

Used by ACS as Fund Principal closing account
Total revenue minus expenses for the year

Income	February 2021	\$43,249.71
Expenses	February 2021	\$44,231.30
Net		(\$981.59)

	General Fund	2020-2021	Total GF Income	\$280,381.61
		2020-2021	Total Expenses	\$231,023.81
		2020-2021	Net 2020-2021	\$49,357.80

JHBC - APRIL 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 ALL SERVICES, ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS MAY BE CANCELLED DUE TO THE COVID-19	29	30	31	1 2 PM Pearl Johnson 6:15 PM Maundy Thursday Service (Streaming) 6:30 PM BMCT	2 GOOD FRIDAY Office Closed 6:30 PM Prayer Meeting for Easter Sunday Service (Sanctuary)	3 1:00 PM Easter Rehearsal
4 EASTER SUNDAY 11:00 AM Worship Service, Nursery & Children's Worship	5 6:30 PM Deacons Meeting (Conference Room)	6 7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting	7 10:30 AM Staff Mtg 6:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 6:15 PM Prayer Mtg (Streaming)	8 3:00 PM HHCT	9 Office Closed 2:30 – 5:00 PM Meal for Lee Senior Football Team (McDowell Hall)	10
11 11:00 AM Worship Service, Nursery & Children's Worship	12 12:00 PM Marjorie Spence/Brown Bag 6:30 PM Building & Grounds (Main Conference Room)	13 7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting 1 PM Virginia Oliver 6:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7 PM WISH (Library)	14 10:30 AM Staff Mtg 6:15 PM Prayer Mtg (Streaming)	15 9:00 AM Announcer Articles due to Marva Lee 15th of the month	16 Office Closed	17
18 11:00 AM Worship Service, Nursery & Children's Worship 6 PM Discipleship/Worship	19	20 7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM Children's Ministry Team (McDowell Hall)	21 10:30 AM Staff Mtg 6:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 6:15 PM Prayer Mtg (Streaming)	22	23 Office Closed	24 9:30 AM New to the Community Visits (Biscuitville)
25 11 AM Worship Service 6 PM Discipleship/Worship	26 6:30 PM Baptist Men (McDowell Hall)	27 7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting 6:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal	28 11:00 AM Higher Heights	29	30 Office Closed	1

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RETURN SERVICE REQUEST



Please note that due to COVID-19 restrictions,
Our Greeters and Locking/Security may not be
needed for the following dates.

GREETERS

Lynwood & Cindy Jones
Donna Rouse & Ann Davis

LOCKING & SECURITY

April 4 - Lynwood Jones
April 11 - Curt Brown
April 18 - Tommie Angel
April 25 - Eddie Bowling



Sunday, February 7, 2021

11 AM Worship Service - 65

Sunday, February 14, 2021

11 AM Worship Service - 60

Sunday, February 21, 2021

11 AM Worship Service - 66

Sunday, February 28, 2021

11 AM Worship Service - 67

Sunday, March 7, 2021

11 AM Worship Service - 84