

Taken from Morning & Evening Devotions by C.H. Spurgeon

"The unsearchable riches of Christ" (Ephesians 3:8)

The Master has riches beyond the count of mathematics, the measurement of reason, the dream of imagination, or the eloquence of words. They are unsearchable! You may look, study, and weigh, but Jesus is a greater Savior than you can comprehend. He is more ready to pardon than you are to sin and more able to forgive than you are to transgress. The Master is more willing to supply your wants than you are to confess them. The Master has riches of happiness to bestow upon you now. He can make you lie down in green pastures and lead you beside still waters. (See Psalm 23:2) There is no music like the music of His pipe. He is the Shepherd, and you are the sheep. You may lie down peacefully at His feet. There is no love like His, neither earth nor heaven can match it. To know Christ and to be found in Him is life and joy. The Master treats His servants generously; He gives them two heavens - a heaven below for serving Him here and a heaven above to delight in Him forever. His unsearchable riches will be best known in eternity. During your time on earth, He will give you all you need. Your place of defense will be the munitions of rocks, your bread shall be given you, and your waters shall be sure. (See Isaiah 33:16) Then one day you will have a face-to-face view of the glorious and beloved King. The unsearchable riches of Christ is the tune for the minstrels of earth and the song for the harpists of heaven.

Lord, teach us more and more of Jesus, and we will tell the good news to others.



NEW CHURCH YEAR STARTS SEPTEMBER 4

- Children & Youth will move up to their next grade in Sunday School Classes
- Church Approved Committees, Teachers, Mission Leaders, and Officers will begin serving for the 2022-2023 Church Year.

But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.
2 Timothy 3:14-15

September brings with it the starting up on school and the education of the next generation. My memory recalls that 65 years ago I began my senior year at the high school in Dresden, Tennessee. When I graduated in 1958, I said, "I am finished with education. Now to get on with my life!!" BUT, 18 years later I enrolled in college at almost 36 years old and graduated at age 40!! That shows how smart I was at aged 18. I have learned a lot since then, maybe!

I only wish I had been more dedicated to my education than I was after 1958. I became very dedicated in college and finished with my degree. All that is to say to younger folks, "Get all the education early on as you can, then be able to continue learning in the school of life!"

The **new year** in Sunday School begins September 4, 2022 and extends to August 30, 2023. We have a challenge to grow like never before in the life of our church in the coming year. That is, to try to reach our church members who have dropped out due to the Covid pandemic. We still must be committed to reaching out to the vast number of lost people around us. Both of these are important and will require that we develop a concern for these groups, then develop a plan of action to reach them. Just words of concern are not enough! Leadership, teachers, faculty, and officers must be the ones trying to turn their class into a soul-saving class and not just a social class that doesn't grow!

The **Appreciation Banquet for Sunday School** teachers and officers is scheduled for Tuesday August 30, 2022. I hope you have turned your name in for this event if you are in this group both coming in/or going out as part of the faculty of FBC Dresden. This is a catered meal and will begin at 6:00 P.M.

See you in Sunday School and church,

Bro. Wayne, Min. of Ed.



SUNDAY SCHOOL
Make the Connection



As Summer comes to an end, we look forward to the cooler days of Fall. And Fall means football season is here! We have a lot of students involved in the Friday night football games so go out and support the Dresden Lions on Friday nights throughout this month! We encourage our students to be involved in our school and community and the community gets together and shows its pride every Friday night. The students have another way to show their support for their school this month at See You at the Pole on September 28th. This is a time for students to gather at their flagpole before school for a time of prayer for their schools, community, and country. We encourage our students to wake up early to go and pray on the morning of the 28th.

Our youth has the opportunity to go to Union University this month as they celebrate their bicentennial. David Crowder is coming to



Union to put on a free concert to celebrate this achievement. We are going to take the youth to this free concert and firework show on Saturday night, September 24th. We will leave Saturday afternoon, eat in Jackson, and enjoy the outdoor concert and fireworks. Please contact me if your youth is interested in attending the free David Crowder concert.

Christian Carr, Dir. of Student Ministries

We had a great meeting in August and invite ladies to join us for our next meeting on **Saturday, September 10th** from 9:00 am until noon. We will be working on kits for Days for Girls and there will be sewing and non-sewing projects. For more information on the Days for Girls kits, you can watch the YouTube video:

<https://youtu.be/SjjsH2Go2Cc>

We hope to see you there!



Sew Faithful

THE SEWING MINISTRY AT
DRESDEN FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH

As the old song goes "See you in September....," and we look forward to doing just that as our music ministry seeks to provide opportunities for all ages this fall.

But first – looking back to August – we had fun as we resumed TeamKid music. The children were so excited to again sing praises to God after the summer off. Jeanie and I saw many familiar faces. It was gratifying to see that they remembered so well the songs we'd taught them and love the new wrinkles (and songs) we're showing them this year. We appreciate the teachers who yield class time to make sure they have music each week.

We were also thrilled to welcome back the Good Ole Gospel Singing on Aug. 5 after a four-year hiatus. The sanctuary was indeed, as Bro. Wayne said, "comfortably full," and so was the choir loft. Matthew Holt was amazing as usual, as were the guest groups and singers. All agreed that it's good for the soul to again sing these songs that too few churches use any more.

We're also thankful that we had the great opportunity to host the **Renaissance Choir** during Homecoming celebration with worship and preaching on Aug. 28. Renaissance is the largest choir we've had and probably will ever have with 70 voices. Their ministry is so exciting and inspiring. We appreciate all of the extra work done by the kitchen crew, in particular, in preparing for them and making them feel welcome. Looking ahead to September, along with all other phases of our music ministry, we will be preparing to launch rehearsals for our **Christmas cantata for adults and our Christmas musical** for children and adults. See Jeanie's column for details about the Christmas play.

Our cantata, which will be a week earlier than usual, on Dec. 11, will be exciting, inspiring and a bit longer than in previous years. We'll start rehearsals in early September, prefaced by our customary Cantata Listening Party. The date and time will be revealed soon, along with the name of the cantata! There could be no better time to join our choir than in September. We always need more voices to join our wonderful choir family.

There are opportunities for all ages to serve in the music ministry. We're always looking for more folks to serve with us. Let Jeanie or me know if you want to get involved.

God bless you all!

Robert Nanney, Minister of Music

Plans are underway for the 2022 Christmas Musical entitled "**A Play in a Manger,**" which will be presented on Sunday evening, December 11th. Eight of our very talented adults have agreed to play the adult roles in the play, and at the August 21st meeting for the parents, we enrolled 15 pre-K through 6th grade children. We **REALLY** need additional children to participate in order to make this show work. There will be a table in the foyer of the church beginning Sunday, August 28th, with registration forms and handouts so that others have a chance to sign up. Deadline for registration is Sunday, September 11th.

During the month of August, we enjoyed music by **Under Grace**, our ladies' quartet, and both of our youth praise teams. The ladies' quartet sang "It Matters to the Master" on August 7th, while the Younger Youth performed "One Thing Remains" on August 14th and the Older Youth sang "Revelation Song" on August 21st. We are very thankful for the wide range of musical talent in our church and the willing hearts of all those who serve so faithfully.

Jeanie Nanney



Attended Worship Summit



Our **JOY** meetings continue to be such a blessing for all of us. Our programs this year have been super and if you're still not attending, we would be honored if you'd 'try us out!' In August Dr. Dale Mathis gave a timely and motivational devotion. Kenny Presley brought our musical program on the 45th anniversary of Elvis' death singing many of Elvis' best known gospel songs. We have several attendees who are with us each month that represent other churches: Dresden First United Methodist, Sharon First Baptist, Thompson Creek, Oak Grove, Martin, and Medina. It's a wonderful time of food and fellowship. On September 20th we will enjoy a meal of pork tenderloin, green bean casserole, corn, and ding dong cake. Our program will be Roxana Smyth from the Weakley County Cancer Mission. We hope to see you on **Tuesday September 20th at 11:30**. Be sure to let Janet know if you are a regular and cannot attend. If you're not a regular but plan to attend just let us know! Thanks. Much love
The JOY committee, Sheila Swearingen, JOY CoDirector



The Lively Ones...on the move, are planning upcoming events for our Senior Adults. A list of concerts that will be at The Dixie Theater beginning in October and going through 2023 is now available. The Dixie is always a favorite outing of the group so the Lively Ones directors have asked that our **Senior Adults please take a look at the event list posted** at Information Station Board down the main hall. From that list mark what concerts you would like to attend and the top favorites will be planned. Most of these events will open for tickets in September so be sure to sign up soon! See directors Bonnie Bullock, Diann Williams, or Judy Cleek if any questions.

The Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions is the annual state missions offering that provides invaluable financial support for ministries that help reach Tennesseans for Christ.

The offering is named after W.C. & Mildred Golden, who suggested the week of prayer for state missions and a state missions offering in 1902.

Tennessee Baptists contributing through the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions provide support for Tennessee ministries; sustaining state ministries not funded through the Cooperative Program.

The Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions is meeting human needs through Compassion Ministries. It's Disaster Relief helping restore a community after a storm. It's Baptist Collegiate Ministries sharing the hope of Jesus on Tennessee college campuses. It's reaching the spiritually lost in Tennessee through evangelism. And so much more.

The Golden Offering is collected all year, from September 1st thru August 31st, with special emphasis during the month of September.

The Week of Prayer for Tennessee Missions is a concentrated time of prayer for Tennessee Baptists which coincides with the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions. Week of Prayer Sept. 11 - 18, 2022.



<https://www.tnbaptist.org/gotm>

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- 2nd Bart Laws
- 3rd Tammy Brundige, Janet Robinson, Rozanna Robertson
- 4th Hannah Wilhite
- 5th Don McCulley
- 6th Barry Scronce
- 7th Rachel Winstead, Sheryl Alford
- 8th Keely Mathis
- 9th Jay Oliver
- 12th Margaret Katherine Taylor, Kyle Brundige
- 13th Chris Poole, Levi Owens
- 15th Carrie Scronce, Laila Brundige, Alyssa Bynum
- 17th Becky Anderson
- 18th Wade Gallimore
- 19th Richard Hutcherson, Madelynn Laws
- 20th Brenda Biggs
- 22nd Nanyc Poole, Will Harris, Mary Myrick
- 23rd Davis Leach
- 25th Shawn Oliver
- 26th Paula Robertson
- 27th Grey Forrester, Andy Mangum
- 29th Diane Parsley, Leanna Slusser

S e p t e m b e r S e r v i n g S c h e d u l e

September 4

Nursery Babies AM: Becky Anderson, Sherryl McCulley
Nursery Toddlers AM: Gwen Joyner, Emily Carr
Kids Worship Not Meeting
Greeters Front Foyer: Joe & Lisa Morgan
Greeters LC: James Washburn
Deacon: Clint Lowry

September 11

Nursery Babbies AM: Chase & Leah Bennett
Nursery Toddlers AM: Adam & Tamara Harrison
Nursery PM: Carol Moore
Kids Worship: Sandra Taylor
Greeters Front Foyer: Roger Tibbs, Donny Smith
Greeters LC: Audrea Washburn
Deacon: Brian Mathis

September 18

Nursery Babies AM: Pam Caldwell, Kenra Simpson
Nursery Toddlers AM: Christie & Ashleigh Greer
Nursery PM: Janet Robinson
Kids Worship: Leanna Slusser
Greeters Front Foyer: Tommy & Karen Wilson
Greeters LC: Jim Moseley
Deacon: Dennis Moon

September 25

Nursery Babies AM: James & Audrea Washburn
Nursery Toddlers AM: Renza Adams, Keely Vaughn
Nursery PM: Paula Robertson
Kids Worship: Albany Cianfarani
Greeters: Front Foyer: Marty Dunn, Lisa Williams
Greeters LC: Beckie Jolley
Deacon: Ron Phillips



THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 				1	2	3
4 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship No Evening Services	5 Labor Day Office Closed	6	7 6 pm TeamKID 6:30 pm MidWeek 6:30 pm Youth 7:30 pm Adult Choir	8	9	10 8 am Men's Breakfast 9 am Sew Faithful
11 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship 4:50 pm WOM 5 pm Deacons Mtg 5 pm Ladies Bible Study 6 pm Worship	12	13	14 6 pm TeamKID 6:10 Ladies Bible Study 6:30 pm MidWeek 6:30 pm Youth 7:30 pm Adult Choir	15	16	17
WEEK OF PRAYER FOR TENNESSEE MISSIONS GOLDEN OFFERING SEPT. 11th—18th						
18 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship 5 pm Ladies Bible Study 5 pm Church Council 6 pm Worship/Business	19	20 11:30 am JOY	21 6 pm TeamKID 6:10 Ladies Bible Study 6:30 pm MidWeek 6:30 pm Youth 7:30 pm Adult Choir	22	23	24 Youth Outing to Union's Bicentennial
25 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship 5 pm Ladies Bible Study 6 pm Worship	26	27	28 7 am See You at the Pole 6 pm TeamKID 6:10 Ladies Bible Study 6:30 pm MidWeek 6:30 pm Youth 7:30 pm Adult Choir	29	30	

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DFBC Staff available if we can help in anyway

Dr. Don McCulley, Pastor
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 Christian Carr, Student Minister
 Becky Anderson, Nursery Director
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 Lisa Harris, Custodian

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