



Christian love and sympathy are extended to Bill and Ann Hacker and family in the passing of Bill's brother, Larry Hacker



You've heard me use terms and phrases like "family of faith," "church family," "home," and others to describe First Baptist Church. I use these terms for all the same reasons you do. We are a family and our church is a home to us. We feel safe together, and we find sanctuary in our church.

Many churches, though, do not provide a home or family for certain demographics. Once students graduate high school, they slowly, or in some cases, quickly become disconnected from their home church. They discover their faith family has provided a home for everyone except for them. These churches love their young people, but either don't have the infrastructure or the enthusiasm to make the church a home for them.

If we are not thoughtful and intentional, our church could fall prey to the same phenomenon. We have a robust core of young people, college-aged through 30-year-olds. They have always called this church home, and they wish to continue to. They have never expressed displeasure in our church, which speaks to their maturity and their adoration for this faith family.

There is opportunity to, loudly and boldly, make a statement to our young adults that this family of faith is, indeed, their family, too; that our church is also their church. My plan is to organize a twice-monthly meeting, on Sunday afternoons, for our young people to carve out their niche here. They have asked for others to mentor them in the ways of church life and adulthood.

If you are up for providing a meal, offering a cooking class, teaching financial responsibility, explaining Baptist church polity, leading a workout, or any other number of interests/skills you might have, then please call, text, or email me to help our young adults see their rightful home in our family of faith. I know this church is my home. You know this church is your home. May our actions and words communicate the same message to our young adults.

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Sunday, February 28, 2021
10:30 am Worship
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Wednesday, March 3, 2021 corbinfbc.org/joiningusfromhome

**Thursday, March 4, 2021** 1-2 pm Food Pantry



Gifts have been given to the White Flag Ministry in honor of **Anna Litteral's 80th birthday** 

by Nell Winchester Stan Yonce

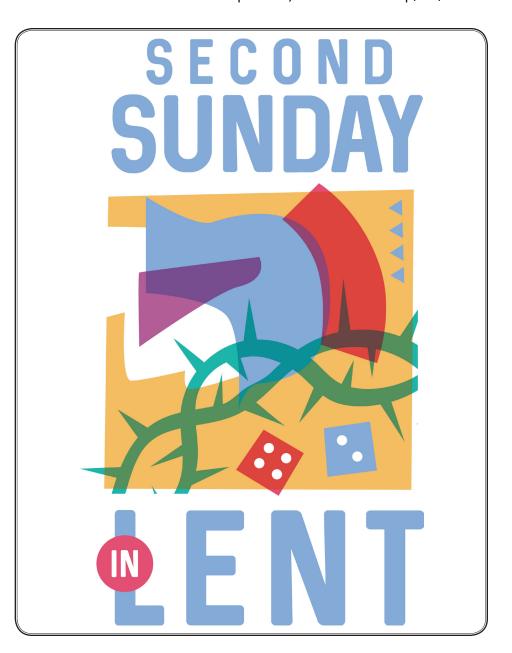
A gift has been given to the White Flag Ministry in memory of **Larry Hacker** 

by the Corbin High School Class of 1955

A gift has been given to the White Flag Ministry in memory of **Buddy Woods** 

by Rhoda Woods





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# The Lenten Journey of Renewal **IDENTITY**

## The Second Sunday in Lent

February 28, 2021

#### Greeting and Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

The Lenten journey

is a journey inward, renewing our hearts and minds.

The Lenten journey

is a journey of faith, finding our true identity as people of God and as followers of Christ.

*The Lenten journey* 

is a journey outward, living in covenant with God and one another.

## Hymn

Hymn

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home: Beneath the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is Thine arm alone, and our defense is sure. Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame, From everlasting Thou art God, to endless years the same. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, Be Thou our guard while life shall last, and our eternal home.

- Isaac Watts

### A Moment for Children

Lindsay Lowe

from Genesis 17

#### A Reading from the Gospels

Paul Sims

Mark 8:31-38

Wherever He Leads, I'll Go

FALLS CREEK

 $\Box$ *Take up thy cross and follow me,*  $\Box$ *I heard my Master say;* I gave my life to ransom thee, surrender your all today.  $\Box$ Wherever he leads I d go, wherever he leads I d go, Ill follow my Christ who loves me so, wherever he leads Ill go. My heart, my life, my all I bring to Christ who loves me so; He is my Master, Lord, and King, wherever he leads I \( \text{l} \) go. Wherever he leads I I go, wherever he leads I I go, I'll follow my Christ who loves me so, wherever he leads I'll go.

- B. B. McKinney

Sermon Renewal **IDENTITY**  Alex Lockridge

Hymn

#### Stand Up and Bless the Lord

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Stand up and bless the Lord, you people of his choice; Stand up and bless the Lord your God with heart and soul and voice. Though high above all praise, above all blessing high, Who would not fear his holy name, and laud and magnify? God is our strength and song, and his salvation ours; Then be his love in Christ proclaimed with all our ransomed powers. Stand up and bless the Lord; the Lord your God adore; Stand up and bless his glorious name, henceforth forevermore.

- James Montgomery

#### The Dedication of Savannah Catherine Bales and Stella Charlotte Bales

*In presenting Savannah and Stella to the Lord, do you promise* □*in dependence upon*  $God \mathbb{S}$  grace and with the help of the church  $\square$  to teach your daughters the gifts and claims of the Christian faith, and by prayer, word, and example to bring them up in the nurture, discipline, and instruction of the Lord?

We do.

Brothers and sisters of the household of faith, I commend to you this family. Your love, care, and example are as necessary to this covenant as their faithfulness in keeping their promise. Will you do all in your power to make this church a true spiritual home for them, lending them the support of your prayers and your example?

With God's help we will.

Hymn

#### To Abraham and Sarah

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To Abraham and Sarah the call of God was clear: "Go forth and I will show you a country rich and fair. You need not fear the journey, for I have pledged my word That you shall be my people and I will be your God." From Abraham and Sarah arose a pilgrim race, Dependent for their journey on God's abundant grace; And in their heart was written by God this saving word: "That you shall be my people and I will be your God." We of this generation on whom God's hand is laid Can journey to the future secure and unafraid, Rejoicing in God's goodness and trusting in this word: "That you shall be my people and I will be your God."

- Judith A. Fetter

#### Benediction

Alex Lockridge

Go from this hour of worship to be  $God \mathbb{S}$  people  $\square$  walk in the way of Christ, take up your crosses, share good news. Go to live in love and to act with grace. Amen.



The Sanctuary flowers for Sunday, February 28th are placed in honor of

# all those who have volunteered their time and talents for the White Flag Ministry

by Pat Huff

# **Pastoral Care Emergencies Nights and Weekend:**

Minister: **Alex Lockridge** 606-401-9011

If you are unable to reach this minister, please leave a message on voice mail. Messages will be monitored at regular intervals.

Deacon: Bill Hacker 606-528-8969

**February 21st Summary:** 

**Budget Offerings:** \$ 6.644.20 Fiscal YTD Budget Offerings: \$ 229,509.42 YTD Budget Goal: \$ 215,895.00

**FBC 2020 VISION:** 

Contributions Received: 158,585.00 Pledged: 21,105.00