

Statements of Our Faith

We are friends of Jesus
 “You are my friends,” Jesus said, “if you do what I commanded you.” Then he commanded us to love one another.

Our life is in Christ
 There is one, Christ Jesus, who speaks to our condition, and he came to teach people himself.

Christ is a living presence
 The Bible reveals that our inward experiences are the true reality of Christ’s presence. Essential baptism is that of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit is the source of truth
 Our faith is grounded in our worshiping community and in our own spiritual pilgrimage. Truth is a matter of revelation by God.

Life is sacred
 We take seriously the teachings of Jesus Christ regarding peace and loving all people, including one’s neighbors and enemies.

Integrity is a way of living
 Each day we seek to live in a way that is consistent with the teachings of Jesus.

All are ministers
 Ministry takes many forms. Each one of us is expected to exercise the responsibilities and privileges of membership in individual ministries.

–First Friends
 Discernment Process

Upcoming Events 2020

Sunday, 23rd 9:30 am 10:30 am 6:30 pm	Sunday School Worship Service Small Group	Sunday, March 1st. 9:30 am 10:30 am 11:30 am 6:30 pm	Sunday School Worship Service Mission Sunday, ACFIA Youth Hand Bell Choir Small Group
Monday, 24th. 5:30 pm	Tri Kappa	Monday, 2nd. 9:00 am 6:00 pm	Joy Circle Curtain Call
Tuesday, 25th. 10:00 am 6:00 pm	Prayer Group Curtain Call	Tuesday, 3rd. 10:00 am 6:00 pm	Prayer Group Curtain Call
Wednesday, 26th. Ash Wednesday 9:30 am 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Hobby Club Bell Choir Vocal Choir	Wednesday, 4th. 9:30 am 5:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Hobby Club Troop 3997 Bell Choir Vocal Choir
Thursday, 27th. 11:30 am 6:00 pm	Seasoned Friends Russiaville Friends Meeting Curtain Call	Thursday, 5th. 12:00-1pm 6:00 pm	American Red Cross Blood Drive Fellowship Hall Curtain Call
Friday, 28th. 6:00 pm	Curtain Call	Friday, 6th. 6:00 pm	Curtain Call
Saturday, 29th. No Events Scheduled		Saturday, 7th. 7:30 am	Quaker Men Omeletty’s

**Text Jon your questions
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1:00 pm
Smith Party
Fellowship Hall

5:30 pm
Hand Bell Festival
at Bible Baptist Church



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Our Mission:

First Friends exists to *invite* people into a living faith in God through Jesus Christ, to *transform* us into mature disciples by the work of the Holy Spirit, and to *send* us into the world as witnesses of Christ Jesus.

Welcome

May God's grace touch each worshiper today and may all of us be filled with love. If you have come as a visitor, we hope that you'll leave as a friend who's been blessed by worship.

Please complete the roll call card (located in the back of the pew in front of you) to indicate a specific prayer need or a friendly visit.

The nursery is available for children ages birth to 2 years old during the Sunday School hour and Meeting for Worship. The Godly Play Ministry is available for children ages 3 yrs.-3rd. grade during Meeting for Worship.

"If we have the reality (of Christ), nothing else is required; if we do not have the reality, nothing else will suffice." -D. Elton Trueblood

Meeting For Worship

February 23, 2020

Welcome, Cares and Shares

Christina McCormack

Hymn #368*

"Whiter Than Snow"

The Gathered

Offertory

"Just a Closer Walk With Thee"
Gaither

Anthem

"Lord, I know I've Been Changed"

Choir

Godly Play

Rosemary Pike

Message

Jonathan Newton

Open Worship

Our "open worship" offers time to wait upon the Lord in *stillness* allowing for an exchange of communication between Christ and ourselves. Confession, repentance, prayer and praise are often experienced as God's Spirit rises up within, renewing our life in His kingdom. (Psalm 46:10, Isaiah 40:28-31, Acts 1:4, 2:1-2).

Hymn #317*

"Love Lifted Me"

The Gathered

Benediction

Jon

Postlude


"Fugue"
Bach

*Please stand for the singing of hymns.

(The order of Worship is subject to change by the Holy Spirit.)

Music Ministry

Music Director.....Michelle Kennedy
Pianist.....Beth Morris



The Rose of Love displayed today is
in loving memory of
Carolyn Jenkins
July 25, 1923-February 11, 2020

Sympathy

Prayer Requests

Susan Block
Mary Gang
Dolly Kellar, Bloom
Bea McMurtrey
Liz Nielander

Johanna Ridenour
Freda Russell
Cheryl Sanford
Dan Sheridan
Alec Wessendorf

Walt Wessendorf
Emily West