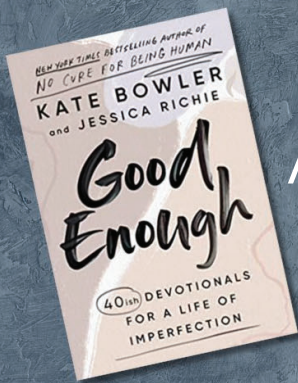




Good Enough:

Embracing the Imperfections
of Life and Faith



A Worship Series for Lent



THIS YEAR'S LENT WORSHIP SERIES IS CALLED "GOOD ENOUGH."
IT IS INSPIRED BY A NEW DEVOTIONAL BOOK BY KATE BOWLER.

Welcome to a Lent of affirming a faith in which we are blessed, regardless, and where we can lean into embracing our "good enough" lives. This year for Lent, Bowler invites us to give up on the idea that life is always getting better and settle in for a life and a faith that is good enough.

Life is beautiful, but life is also hard. Together, we're going to learn from stories in the New Testament about the need to take ourselves off the hook for unattainable perfection and reflect on the need to stop struggling and striving and to enjoy the present moment.

The series runs from Ash Wednesday, March 2 through Easter, April 17.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Great Date Night

A MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT MINISTRY, is offered to couples of all ages. Great Date Night invites couples into intentional conversations. Couples will gather in the Youth Room for a brief conversation starter and then be dismissed for dates. Free childcare is being organized and offered for those who register in advance.

DATES: MARCH 26, AND APRIL 30

5:45 Gathering and Childcare Drop Off

6:00-6:30 Start the Conversation (Youth Room)

6:00-8:00 Couple Time

8:00 Childcare ends

Register For Childcare By Monday Prior To GDN

FIRST CHOICE CURBSIDE MEALS

Wednesday Curbside Meals will continue to be offered through **March 2**. Please make reservations by noon on Tuesday by emailing dakins@fbcrome.org or by calling the church office at 706.291.6850. Pick up times are from 4:45-5:45 p.m. Return to the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, March 9.

INTERACTIVE ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Our Ash Wednesday observance on March 2 will feature an interactive, self-guided, come-and-go experience in the Sanctuary from 2:00-8:00 p.m. Several stations around the room will prepare you for Lent and introduce you to our Lent worship series theme, "Good Enough." The entire experience should take 20-30 minutes. The stations are tactile and COVID and family-friendly. If you have been longing to spend some time in the Sanctuary, but have not felt that Sunday morning was the best time to do that, this is your opportunity. It is hoped that those who do not work during the day can come earlier so that families who have working parents can use the time in the afternoon and early evening. No reservations are required and guests are welcome.

YOUTH NEWS

FAITH IN AN ANXIOUS WORLD

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

What Parents Need to Know About *Faith in an Anxious World*

We don't need to look far to see that our teenagers are hurting.

While today's parents, step-parents and ministry leaders are more aware of teen anxiety, depression, and suicide, we often aren't sure how to respond. We need practical, accessible, and trusted resources that spark vital conversations with our teenagers.

That's why our youth ministry is beginning a new four-week series called *Faith in an Anxious World*. **During Small Groups March 9th through March 30,** we want to propel your young person and other students toward a deeper understanding of Christ—one in which he becomes to them not simply a teacher and miracle worker, but a living, breathing example of the wholeness we can experience in our daily walk with God. Each week they'll talk about anxiety, delve into stories throughout the Bible where God enters into an anxious situation and uses it to nurture growth, and discover spiritual practices they can use to look to God as they navigate daily life. And each of our gatherings will prompt students to have meaningful conversations beyond their youth meeting times.

As we journey through this four-part series, your student will be encouraged to build themselves a "circle" of trusted adults they can call on when they need to talk about how they feel. Each week your student will receive a take-home sheet that recommends a conversation they can have with a trusted adult. This could be the same adult weekly, or, if your student is comfortable, they can grow a wider circle by connecting with a different trusted adult each time. *The wider a student's circle, the more people they will have to turn to in a crisis.*

You can help by looking over your child's schedule together and blocking out an hour each week for the next four weeks so that your

student can have these meaningful conversations. You might even consider buying four coffee shop gift cards so that your young person can have four meetups in an accessible place as they build their circle of support. Who your kid meets with is their choice—but you should always feel comfortable that the people they choose to meet with are appropriate, healthy adults.

To help you stay sharp as a parent, we are giving you additional tools to help you learn and grow all week long. Keep an eye out for...

- Regular communication from our youth ministry full of suggestions and tools to have life-giving conversations at home with your young person.
- Links to download the **Faith in an Anxious World Parenting Podcast** featuring parent-focused conversations with mental health experts sharing practical ideas for your family.

If you are ever concerned about your child's safety, don't hesitate to reach out to one or more of the following...

- Dial 911 if you feel that your child is in immediate danger to him/herself or others.
- Call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (1-800-273-8255), or visit suicidepreventionlifeline.org to chat with someone online.
- Contact a pastor or your child's youth leader.
- Enlist the help of a caring professional. As we will discuss in week 3 of the 4-week series, often the timely intervention of a trained therapist or counselor can bring new healing, freedom, and joy to both students and families.

Anxiety is a reality for today's teenagers. Let's work together to bring help and hope to an anxious generation!



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WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

REGISTRATION FOR 2022-2023

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year has begun! Go to the website for more information about what a typical day entails. Contact Melissa Wood, Director, 706.295.1150 or 706.346.6516 or mwood@fbcrome.org to set up a time to visit. Come join us for learning, worship and fun at our Weekday Preschool!

CHILDREN'S CORNER

"ROAD TRIPPIN' WITH JESUS"

If you haven't gotten your "Road Trippin' with Jesus" Lent family resource yet, it is never too late! Reach out to Kristen & she will provide one for you.

GREAT DATE NIGHT

If you missed our first Great Date Night in February, have no fear; mark your calendars now for March 26th & April 30th.

EASTER EGGSTRAVANGZA

Mark your Calendars for our Easter Eggstravangza on Wednesday April 13.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We are beginning volunteer recruitment for Vacation Bible School, which is June 20-23rd this year. Don't hesitate to reach out; Kristen will get you plugged into a place where your gifts can be used!

MUSIC MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

Our Children's Choirs are going strong on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. We welcome all of our children and their friends. The oldest children's choir (grades 2-6) will sing for worship on February 27.

SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, February 27, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Don Clements by the Clements Family.

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, March 6, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Hazel Hay Dowd, Willard Hay and Edward and Doris Dellinger Dowd by Lucy Hay Vick and Dub and Lyn Hay.

GIVING TO GOD

Global Missions Offering to Date \$20,507.25

2021-2022 Total Budget Commitments to Date \$1,315,322.48

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February 26 - March 11

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, February 26

Minister on Call John Uldrick 706.766.0430
Great Date Night: Reserved Childcare, Drop-off 5:45 pm
Brief Conversation/Date Time 6:00-8:00 pm

Sunday, February 27

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410) 9:00 am
Bible Study (all ages) 9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44 11:00 am
Worship also available on FBC Website / YouTube Channel

Monday, February 28

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:30 am
Women's Bible Study, DR 10:00 am
First Baptist Ringers, Choir Rm. 5:15 pm

Tuesday, March 1

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:30 am
Properties Committee Mtg., DR 2:00 pm
Pastor Search Committee Mtg., Room 302 5:30 pm

Wednesday, March 2 (Ash Wednesday)

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:30 am
Ash Wednesday Interactive
Self-Guided Experience, Sanctuary 2:00-8:00 pm
First Choice Curbside Meals (*Reservations Only*) 4:45-5:55 pm
Churns Bible Study, Rm. 302 5:30 pm
Youth Connection, YR 5:45-6:30 pm
Prayer Meeting 6:00 pm
Youth Fun & Games 6:30-7:00 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary 6:45 pm
Youth Small Groups, YR 7:00-8:30 pm

Thursday, March 3

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:30 am
Bridges Out of Poverty, Comm. Rm. 6:00 pm

Friday, March 4

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:30 am

Saturday, March 5

Minister on Call Keith Reaves 706.292.9620

Sunday, March 6 (First Sunday in Lent)

Extended Family Ministry Team Mtg., DR 8:30 am
Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410) 9:00 am
Bible Study (all ages) 9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44 11:00 am
Worship also available on FBC Website / YouTube Channel

Monday, March 7

Women's Bible Study, DR 10:00 am
First Baptist Ringers, Choir Rm. 5:15 pm

Tuesday, March 8

Pastor Search Committee Mtg., Rm. 302 5:30 pm

Wednesday, March 9

Prayer Meeting, Chapel 4:30-5:00 pm
First Choice Meal in Fellowship Hall 5:00-6:00 pm
Churns Bible Study, Rm. 302 5:30-6:30 pm
Youth Connection, YR 5:45-6:30 pm
Adult Seminar 6:00 pm
Children's Choirs and Kids J.A.M. 6:00-7:00 pm
Youth Fun & Games 6:30-7:00 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary 6:45 pm
Youth Small Groups, YR 7:00-8:30 pm

Thursday, March 10

Bridges Out of Poverty, Comm. Rm. 6:00 pm

Friday, March 11

Finance Committee Mtg., Conf. Rm. 11:00 am

THIS WEEK: FEBRUARY 27

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: "This Is The Way"

PREACHER: Dr. Joel Snider

SCRIPTURE: Acts 22:3-5, John 14:5-14

ANTHEM: The Invitation...Craig Courtney

SPECIAL MUSIC: Brass Ensemble
Children's Choir

ACCESS THE ORDER OF WORSHIP EACH WEEK AT:
<https://fbcrome.com/orders-of-worship/>

FIRST CHOICE CURBSIDE MEALS
(RESERVATIONS BY NOON ON TUESDAYS)

MARCH 2

Mixed Green Salad
Fried Chicken
Potato Salad
Macaroni and Cheese
Fried Okra
Strawberry Shortcake

MINISTER ON CALL:
John Uldrick 706.766.0430

NEXT WEEK: MARCH 6

SUNDAY WORSHIP

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

SERMON SERIES:

Good Enough: Ordinary Lives Can Be Holy

SERMON: "How You Can Overcome Temptation"

PREACHER: Dr. Ron Murray

SCRIPTURE: Luke 4:1-13

ANTHEM: Nearer My God to Thee...arr. Dan Forrest

SPECIAL MUSIC: Tara Suswal, cello

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FIRST CHOICE MEAL IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
(RESERVATIONS BY NOON ON TUESDAYS)

MARCH 9: Mixed Green Salad, Pan-Fried Pork
Cutlets with Hoisin-Katsu Sauce, Steamed Basmati
Rice with Almonds, Honey-Ginger Glazed Carrots
Macadamia Cookies

Children's Menu Spaghetti & Meatballs
Applesauce, Chocolate Pudding

MINISTER ON CALL:
Keith Reaves 706.292.9620

THE SPIRE

SUNDAY SERVICES

BROADCAST LIVE ON
COMCAST CHANNEL 44 AND
VIA WWW.FBCROME.ORG



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The Offering for Global Missions provides funding for Cooperative Baptist Fellowship field personnel (missionaries). CBF is committed to the long-term service of field personnel. They hold the strong belief that investing in their long-term presence is the best way to bear witness to the love of Christ and bring about transformational development.

Missionaries develop fluent language skills; have secure housing among the people they serve; their children attend local schools—all leading to deep and trusting relationships. Our gifts to the Offering for Global Missions helps to ensure that their ministries are effective, that they remain healthy both physically and emotionally over many years of service.

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