First Baptist Church, Georgetown 2624 Dumbarton Street, NW Washington, DC 20007 Rev. Robert K. Pines, Pastor Weekly Bulletin The week of February 14, 2021 to February 20, 2021

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

9:00 AM High School & New Generation Sunday School Classes 9:45 AM General Service

**INVOCATION** Rev. Robert K. Pines, Pastor SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON Deacon Tim Barr PRAYER REQUEST Deacon Richard Lonon

INSPIRATIONAL MUSIC

PASTORAL REFLECTIONS Pastor Pines

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Transition to Live Stream on Facebook or remain on Zoom call

WORDS OF INSPIRATION/SERMON Pastor Pines **PARTING WORDS** Pastor Pines

Newsworthy Notes

### 2021-2022 Member Directory:

The 2021-2022 Member Directory has been published. On January 25, 2021 an email was sent out to First Baptist members which included a link to the electronic version of the directory. Check your email (Inbox and Spam) to ensure that you have received this email.

## Thank you:

We would like to thank everyone for all the expressions of sympathy shown at the passing of our beloved aunt. God has blessed us with a wonderful and loving Church Family. May God continue to bless all of you.

The Lonon Family

#### **Zoom** Assistant Administrators Needed:

If you are interested in being an assistant Zoom administrator for our Church's Zoom Virtual Worship Service, please contact Cheryl Lonon no later than February 21, 2021. Sister Jacquelyn Lonon has faithfully handled the Worship Service since the Church starting using the Zoom platform. We are looking for interested parties who are willing to be trained to help with this important task.

Thank you,

Cheryl and Jacquelyn Lonon

#### Thank You:

In these times of great uncertainty and isolation, it is such a comfort to know there are those who are still praying and caring for you. Thanks to all who remembered me on my birthday. May God continue to bless, keep, and protect you always.

In His Love,

Anita Fleming Tillman



# Sunday School Lesson for

2-21-2021

Here is your reading assignment Subject:

Called to Explain

**Devotional Reading:** 

Colossians 4:7-15

# Background Scripture:

Acts 18:1-26; Romans 16: 3-4; 1 Corinthians 16: 19; 2 Timothy 4:19 Next Sunday's Scripture: Acts 18: 1-3, 18-21, 24-26

### Our Known Sick and Shut-in

Sister Dorothy Chappell Sister Bernice Fleming Deacon Emeritus Jonathan Manning Sister Roberta Manning Sister Shirley Minor

Sister Ellen Washington **Brother Charles White** 

Sister June Small

Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.



Sister Jonice Thomas	1st
Brother Jessie (Tobi) Edwin	4th
Sister Anita Fleming Tillman	5th
Brother David Nicholson	25th
Sister Denice Buckner	26th
Sister Rosilyn King	26th

# This Week's Calendar

Tuesday, February 15: 12:00 Noon Intercessory Prayer Call.

Wednesday, Feb. 17: The First Day of Lent

The Season of Lent Begins

12:15 PM Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

Sunday, February 21: 9:00 AM High School Sunday School Class

9:45 AM General Sunday School Lesson

Deacon Timothy Barr, Instructor 10:45 AM Sermon— Pastor Pines

# **The Unexpected**

God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8 (NIV1984)

A child's smile, a neighbor's friendly greeting, a beautiful sunset, the hush of dawn ... God moves among us day by day—gently, simply, unnoticed in the here and now. God touches us, heals us, and offers us a love that far exceeds our greatest expectations. The Bible captures God's love beautifully in these words: How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! (1 John 3:1, NIV1984). God is always waiting to say, "I love you," in a thousand different ways.

—Linda Knight

# LITTLE KNOWN BLACK HISTORY FACTS

One in four cowboys was Black, despite the stories told in popular books and movies.



Image: Bass Reeves, The first African-American US Deputy Marshal

In fact, it's believed that the real "Lone Ranger" was inspired by an African American man named Bass Reeves. Reeves had been born a slave but escaped West during the Civil War where he lived in what was then known as Indian Territory. He eventually became a Deputy U.S. Marshal, was a master of disguise, an expert marksman, had a Native American companion, and rode a silver horse. His story was not unique however. In the 19th century, the Wild West drew enslaved Blacks with the hope of freedom and wages. When the Civil War ended, freedmen came West with the hope of a better life where the demand for skilled labor was high. These African Americans made up at least a quarter of the legendary cowboys who lived dangerous lives facing weather, rattlesnakes and outlaws while they slept under the stars driving cattle herds to market.

In fact, it is believed that the term "cowboy" originated as a derogatory term used to describe Black "cowhands."



Image: Bessie Coleman and her plane in 1922, Monash University

Born in Atlanta, Texas in 1892, Bessie Coleman grew up in a world of harsh poverty, discrimination and segregation. She moved to Chicago at 23 to seek her fortune, but found little opportunity there as well. Wild tales of flying exploits from returning WWI soldiers first inspired her to explore aviation, but she faced a double stigma in that dream being both African American and a woman.

She set her sights on France in order to reach her dreams and began studying French. In 1920, Coleman crossed the ocean with all of her savings and the financial support of Robert Abbott, one of the first African American millionaires. Over the next seven months, she learned to fly and in June of 1921, the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale awarded her an international pilot's license. Wildly celebrated upon her return to the United States, reporters turned out in droves to greet her. She tragically died in a plane accident in 1926.

Submitted by the Sunday School Ministry

