

Opportunities for Worship and Service

Sun. July 1	8:30am	Prayer Group
	9:45am	Bible Study
	10:45am	Morning Worship
	11:00am	Korean Worship
	4:00pm	Sunrise Worship Service
Mon. July 2	OPEN	Media Library
	9:00am	Mary Adkins Quilters
	7:00pm	Med Prof AA [Women]
	8:00pm	Med Prof AA [Men]
Tues. July 3	OPEN	Media Library
	9:30am	Marksfield Al-Anon
	2:00pm	Bible Study at Sunrise
Wed. July 4	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED No Fellowship Dinner, Prayer & Bible Study or Choir Practice	
Thur. July 5	OPEN	Media Library
	2:00pm	Time with the Lord ~ Sanctuary
Fri. July 6	OPEN	Media Library
Sat. July 7		



JULY 1, 2018

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Jim's Jottings

DOING THE NEXT RIGHT THING

Friday morning , as I checked my emails, I ran across a blog post from Baptist chaplain Amy Greene, who is the director of the Center for Spiritual Care at the Cleveland Clinic. In her essay, Rev. Greene chronicles her journey from being a “typical chaplain” to her current position where, in her words, she oversees “a staff of chaplains, holistic nurses, and family liaisons . . . a now robust Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) program . . .” In addition to her role with the Cleveland Clinic, she is the board chair for the Association of Clinical Pastoral Education, a group that sets the standard for certifying hospital chaplains and chaplaincy programs.

Rev. Greene reflects on the question, “How did I get here?” Her answer? “I have simply tried to be obedient to the call God placed on my life when I was five. . . .It surely wasn't a call to the specifics of what I'm doing now . . . Because most of what I'm doing now didn't exist in the 1960s. But I have always tried to take up the next challenge that seemed somehow to have my name on it. I've tried to do what I advise my students and staff: Just do the next right thing and try to do it right.”

Beyond being able to identify with her journey, I was intrigued by the phrase she used in advising her students and staff -- “do the next right thing.” Recognizing that I had heard that phrase before in some other context, I began to try and find some origin point or precedent for it.

A Google® search took me to a seemingly anonymous poem, entitled *Do the Next Thing*, which is described as being quoted by Elisabeth Elliot in her devotional writings. Curious as to who Elisabeth Elliot was/is, I promptly when off in search of information on her. I learned that “Elisabeth Elliot was a Christian author and speaker. Her first husband, Jim Elliot, was killed in 1956 while attempting to make missionary contact with the Auca of eastern Ecuador. She later spent two years as a missionary to the tribe members who killed her husband.” She certainly lived her life as a model of someone who did not allow personal tragedy to paralyze her, choosing instead to live a life of faith

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**LYNDON BAPTIST CHURCH
WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY**

	6-24-18	Y-T-D
General Offering	\$ 4,768.00	\$ 108,017.62
Budget	\$ 4,808.00	\$ 115,392.00
Variance	\$ (40.00)	\$ (7,334.38)
Fred Tucker	\$ 70.00	\$ 215.00

Deacon Ministry

WEEK OF JULY 1, 2018 TO JULY 7, 2018

JOHN POLHILL 426-5366



Sunday School Attendance

June 24, 2018

Preschool	3
Children	0
Youth	0
Good Shepherd	9
Adult	35
TOTAL	47



MINISTRY ASSISTANT

SUNDAY, JULY 8, 2018

Nursery Priscilla Mullins & Jane Hasty
Greeter Vera Ruwe
Scripture Reader Jack Rogers
Prayer of Dedication Terry Burkhead

Shoebboxes for Appalachia

For July the following items are requested:

- * Toothbrushes – Individually wrapped toothbrushes are preferred.
- * Toothpaste –at least 8.2 oz tubes.
- * Personal sized bars of soap
- * Wash cloths



Back-to-School Backpack Drive

Here is a list of items for our annual Back-to-School Backpack Drive:

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| Pens (blue or black ink) | Yellow Highlighter |
| Glue Sticks | Safety scissors |
| Pencils | Washable Markers |
| Crayons | Regular Markers |
| Colored Pencils | 2" Binders |
| Character Backpacks | Rulers |
| Backpacks | Erasers |
| Pocket folders | Spiral notebook |
| Composition notebook | |

Please bring donations to church and place in the "School Boxes" outside the Gathering Room or outside the Church Office by **Sunday, July 22nd** THANKS !

**NO FELLOWSHIP DINNER ON
WEDNESDAY ~ JULY 4, 2018**



MUSIC, THE LANGUAGE OF THE SOUL
Experience music and share your favorite musical moments

Friday, July 13, 2018 ~ 11:30 to 1:00

Program Facilitators:

Derek Harris, Sylvia Kim and Gary Hicks



WILLIAMS CROSS MUSEUM MOBILE DISPLAY

You are invited to view the Williams Cross Museum, on display at Lyndon Baptist Church. The collection is on loan from the University of the Cumberlands in Williamsburg, Kentucky.

Rev. Robert Williams collected over 7,000 crosses from around the world, from various denominations, and with unique stories. The crosses represent a sample of items from the collection.

The Cross Museum will be open for viewing on Sunday mornings and by appointment.

Please contact the church office to schedule a time to visit the Williams Cross Museum Mobile Display. Groups are welcome.

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that looked forward. She modeled the words of the poem which she popularized: *Fear not tomorrow, child of the king, trust that with Jesus, **do the next thing.** Do it immediately, do it with prayer, do it reliantly, casting all care. Do it with reverence, tracing his hand, who placed it before thee with earnest command. Stayed on omnipotence, safe 'neath his win, leave all resulting, **do the next thing.***

My search also uncovered a quote attributed to Theodore Roosevelt: *In any moment of decision, the best thing you can do is the right thing, the next best thing is the wrong thing, and the worst thing you can do is nothing.*

The closest I came to finding anything that might serve as a foundation point for the phrase, "Do the next right thing," was a book by that title written in 2016 by pastor Roger Thompson. The dust cover describes it as a "guidebook about thriving in a mess." Thompson goes on to say that doing the next right thing may not be a comprehensive answer to life's questions, or even a final solution to problems that dog us each and every day. But, he argues, doing the next right thing right now can "lay the foundation for a solution somewhere down the road." By doing the next right thing, "with confidence and in faith, you can choose the kind of person you will be in the crisis. You can do what is necessary and incremental, and move with God toward His ultimate purposes. You will develop strength of character and resilience in faith while traveling at walking speed through the labyrinth of options. You will rediscover hope and companionship with God and fellow travelers along the way."

I am not at all sure I totally velt, that doing nothing is do, but I do think that Rev.

Life is messy, confusing, We often live on the brink wanting to solve all our world's with one stroke of And we are often ready to can't find just the right cern. By believing we have once-and-for-all solution to

we too often set ourselves up for failure and even deeper despair.

I found myself strangely attracted to the notion of "just doing the next right thing" in the face of problems and tragedies that are bigger than I am. It is a reminder that God has called me to bear witness to God's love revealed in Jesus Christ, and that this is a calling that prevails through good times and bad. It is a reminder that I am called to live into and out of the love of God each and every moment; that the love of God casts out fear; and that the love of God sets the agenda for each and every moment of each and every day of my life. By living out love, I will do the next right thing.



agree with Theodore Roosevelt always the worst thing we can Thompson is on to something. and, at times overwhelming. of despair. We find ourselves problems, not to mention the the pen or one grand gesture. throw in the towel when we strategy to address our con- to find the silver bullet, the the problems that plague us,

