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Office News & Deadlines

By Debbie

Deadline for the **June Newsletter is May 18th. Please email your articles to me by the deadline.**



Facilities/Grounds Report

If any one sees or knows of anything that needs repair or our attention concerning the buildings or grounds, please contact the Office. Custodian Susie Juma has placed a suggestion box in the Fellowship Hall for church cleaning needs.

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Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request please email Frances Ray (frances@fbccb.org), call the Church Office (458-5134), or fill out a Prayer card from the pew and drop it in the offering plate.



Martha's Kitchen Pig Cooker



The cooker is available to Church Groups at no charge, but individual church members are asked to pay a rental of \$60 a day or \$80 for weekend. We do ask that you bring it back clean and tanks full. For information contact Bob Hodge 458-4302

Alcoholics Anonymous

Each Sunday evening at 7 pm FBCCB hosts the "Only Today" group of AA, which follows the Speaker Meeting format and is open to all.



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in our families, in our church, in our community, in our world!*

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Mission Statement

*"First Baptist Church is
committed to building a bridge
to the community through
outreach, education, spiritual
and personal development.
This is our mission."*

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Great News... We're Organizing for the Future!

In our Church Conference on April 19 we voted unanimously to adopt the Long-Range Planning Task Force's proposal to move forward with the nomination of individuals who will serve on a Long-Range Planning Committee (LRPC). The organization and work of this Committee will begin immediately as the Nominating Committee prays about and identifies who will serve.

Here are some important highlights about this process that we all should know and pray about as God leads us forward:

- The LRPC will be mostly comprised of representatives from each of our five areas of ministry as well as a representative from the Building and Grounds Committee.
- The members of the LRPC will engage others from our Congregation to begin working on the process with them as it relates to the area of Ministry they represent. ***(Please see information provided on the back of the middle page of this newsletter for more details on each of the five Ministry Areas and how you can be involved!)***
- The initial task of the LRPC will start in June as we begin to analyze and assess our current position in the five ministry areas and facility needs. This is Phase One of the process and should take two to three months to complete.
- The LRPC will report their findings from Phase One to our Church family upon completion of their work.
- The LRPC will begin working on Phase Two of the process immediately following the completion of Phase One. Phase Two will involve developing strategies, goals and action plans that will increase our Church's effectiveness in each of the five Ministry areas.
- Phase Two will be ongoing and include goals, strategies and action plans for both the near term and long term needs of our Church Ministries.

Because planning and strategies for increasing effectiveness in Ministry should always be part of our focus, The LRPC will become a standing Committee of our Church as we move into the future. This will be an exciting process that continually seeks God's heart to reach out with His amazing love!

Right now, prayer is the critical need for us as we move into this process... Praying that that God will guide us together in unity for His purpose in our future. Would you also pray now for the Nominating Committee as they begin their work to identify who God is raising up to lead in this vital process? God Bless You...

Because He Lives!
Pastor Hal



NURSERY SCHEDULE

8:30 am Service

Hostess: Tammy Dew
7 – Beverly Lovingood
14 – Tammy Dew
21 – Peggy Creech
28 – Tammy Dew

11:00 am Service

Hostess: Jane Walker
7 – Melissa Story
14 – Roxanna Barker
21 – Dianne Tucker
28 – Jane Walker & Lisa Jones



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

8:30 am Service

7– Need Volunteer
14– Melinda Latta
21 – Need Volunteer
28 – Tina Stanley

11:00 am Service

7– Molly Painter
14– Molly Painter
21 – Molly Painter
28 – Molly Painter



GREETERS

8:30 am Service

7– Paul & Maria Agrillo
14 – Peggy Creech
21 – George Pinkston
28 – Brian Dew

11:00 am Service

7 – Jewel Best
14 – Margie Underwood & Bernie Mitchell
21 – Jane Walker
28 – Barbara Bigley



TELLERS

Jim Wind & Jane Walker



*May 1 – DeWayne and Dawn Guy
May 1 – Jeryl and Betty Rowe
May 14 – Brian and Tammy Dew
May 26 – Claude and Vee Shore
May 29 – Paul and Mindy Erdman*



Sunday Morning Worship & Sunday School



8:30 Contemporary Worship Service
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Traditional Worship Service

Whichever time or style you prefer, come with hearts prepared to worship. Bring your Bibles and plan to spend time studying and discussing God's Word during the Sunday School hour. We offer classes for all age groups.



Nursery

During our worship services, the church provides a nursery for children 0-5 years old. Located on the first floor of the Education Building just behind the sanctuary.



Children's Church

Following the time of offering during both worship services, all children in K – 5th Grades are invited to join our children's leaders in the foyer to be led over to the second floor of the Education Building for a special time of worship and activities.



Prayer Time

Everyone is encouraged to join the pastor every Tuesday morning at 8:30 am in the Sanctuary to pray for our church and community.



Special Called Church Conference

All church members are encouraged to attend our Special Called Church Conference on Wednesday, May 24th at 6:00 pm in the Bost Fellowship Hall. We will be voting on the Nominating Committee recommendations for the Long Range Task Force Team.



Senior Bible Study



The seniors will continue with Bible study through the summer. Also we will plan activities throughout the summer as opportunity time permits. We have had good consistent attendance since we started our studies. We will continue in a prayer study for a few more weeks and change to a study on faith for a period of time. Thanks to all that come and participate in this time with us.

God Bless, James and Jewel

Wednesday Night Meals & Bible Study



We begin serving dinner at 5pm on Wednesday and conclude serving around 6pm. Shortly thereafter we pray, sing and share truth from God's Word that will impact our lives for Him. From 6 to 6:45pm we invite our Children (K-5th grade) to another area for programs designed JUST for them! We dismiss by 6:45pm and our Choir practices immediately thereafter.



Cost for dinner is \$6 per person (5th grade and under are \$3 and there is a \$20 limit for families) Look for the menu in the church bulletin and sign up on the Fellowship register.

VBS 2017 - July 17 -20 Galactic Starveyors!



The main scripture comes from Colossians 1:15-16 which states, "He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For everything was created by Him, in heaven, and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. Let us together make this year great. Mark these days on your calendar!!



MISSIONS AND MORE

Ladies of All Ages – Come Join the WMU

All women are invited to come out to the church on the second Monday of each month to join the Vera Harris Circle of the WMU as it focuses on missions education and prayer and plans missions projects in our community.

WMU NEWS.....

The Vera Harris Circle met April 10 with 12 members present. We voted to contribute \$100 for someone in need in our church. Polly presented an interesting program about GA's in the past in our church. Marj Colman was honored with a birthday cake by Margie. Jackie will bring the program and Barbara will be the hostess at our next meeting, May 8th at 1 pm. Join us!!!!

Margie Underwood, Director, WMU

Needs for the Help Center

The Federal Point Help Center is in need of the following items: Canned fish, canned meat, macaroni & cheese, two-pound bags of rice, or any other canned or dry goods (not out of date), and toiletries. Please place your items on the table in the sanctuary.



Meals on Wheels



On the 4th Saturday of each month, our Missions Committee has a team that prepares and delivers meals in the community for the Meals on Wheels program. If you are interested in learning more about how this ministry works or if you would like to be a part of this ministry, contact Lori Griffin (798-5857). Thanks to all our Meals on Wheels volunteers! We couldn't do this without you! The next opportunity to serve will be Saturday, May 27 at 10am.



Martha's Kitchen

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6 – 7 PM

Martha's Kitchen offers a warm, free meal to members of our community twice a week. Currently, our volunteer roster is filled for this ministry, but prayers are always welcome.

➔ Martha's Kitchen Food Lion Pick Up ←



We are in need of 1 or 2 more Teams to join our Martha's Kitchen Food Lion pick-up. Teams are responsible for picking up the donated food from the store and delivering it to the church and putting it away in the freezers. You would only be doing this once a month. If you would like to volunteer, please call 458-5134 (Church Office).



Youth Ministry at FBC Carolina Beach!

Thanks to our Youth Leadership Team for being so faithful to serve in this vital Area of our Church's Ministry! Each Sunday evening, we are averaging about 14 teenagers who are faithfully coming for Youth Group meetings. Plus, our Youth Sunday School Class is busting at the seams thanks to the faithful leadership of our teacher, Lisa Jones!

This summer our Youth have the opportunity to go for a week to Fort Caswell for Youth Week with about 1200 Youth from all over NC! If you would like to financially sponsor one or more of our youth or adult Chaperones to cover the expense of this trip, please let Pastor Hal know.

Most importantly, four of our young people have given their lives to Christ through our Youth Ministry that kicked off in January! Praise God for His incredible love and faithfulness in creating this opportunity for our church to reach out to our Youth with the life-changing Gospel of Jesus. ALL Glory to Him!

