

THE CONTACT MONTHLY NEWSLETTER July 2018, Volume 53, Number 7



July 1st is Vacation Bible School Commencement and church-wide picnic. Commencement will take place during the morning worship and our picnic lunch will follow the service. To encourage everyone to stay and enjoy our family time together, we are having "Dress-Down Sunday" so that folks will be dressed comfortably for the picnic. We would like to invite everyone to be with us as the children and young people share what they learned in VBS. Make it a family day and join us for the picnic after! It will be a time of fun and fellowship for the whole family!

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

JULY 1, VBS COMMENCEMENT, DRESS-DOWN SUNDAY, 11A.M., CHURCH PICNIC, 12:15 A.M.

JULY 4, INDEPENDENCE DAY, CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

JULY 8, BAPTIST MEN'S BREAKFAST, 8 A.M.

JULY 9. WMU LUNCHEON, 12 NOON

JULY 9, 16, 23, 30 NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETINGS, 6 P.M.

JULY 11 & 25, GODLY PLAY, 6:00 P.M.

JULY 16, FINANCE MEETING, 1 P.M.

JULY 16, CONFERENCE REPORTS DUE

JULY 17, DEACONS MEETING, 7 P.M.

JULY 18, FIELD AND FUN, 5:30 P.M.

JULY 22, CHURCH COUNCIL, 2 P.M.

JULY 25, CHURCH CONFERENCE & COVERED DISH MEAL, 5:45 P.M.

COMPLETE MONTHLY
CALENDAR ON BACK.

TO ADD AN EVENT TO OUR
CALENDAR, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH
OFFICE: (910) 642-2139

PASTOR'S CORNER: "STUDENTS"



We have all spent time studying the Bible. We know the stories. We know the story of Adam and Eve. We know about Noah and the great flood. We know all about Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, and Jacob. We love to talk about Moses and the Israelites wandering

around in the wilderness – even about Joshua and his great conquest. We know about the prophets and the kings. We have read through the psalms, (we even know Psalm 23 by heart). We know who Jesus was and what he did. We know about the disciples, about the book of Acts and the issues that the early church faced after Jesus' resurrection. We have read the Epistles, and even though Revelation confuses us we like to read about the wild beasts and all of the crazy numbers and try to make sense of the future.

We have allowed ourselves to become students of the Bible in order to understand God. But in doing so, we have *neglected* to show interest in the one thing that God has instructed us to love as much as we love ourselves – *our neighbors*.

The time has come for us to become true students of our neighbors and our culture. And I'm not talking about the culture within our church walls. I think we're very familiar with that culture. But I don't know how familiar we are with the culture outside of our own little comfort circles.

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Matthew 22:37-40

- Rev. Ryan Clore

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship applications are now available for assistance with college tuition, mission trips, and church-related camp activities. Copies may be picked up in the church office and are available online. Scholarship descriptions and guidelines are listed in the "Announcements" section of the newsletter. Applications are due **July 16, 2018** with interviews scheduled the following week. If you have any questions, contact Lauren Cole, 910-840-3785, or lagcole88@gmail.com.

JULY SERMONS

July 1

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost "Questing" Matthew 7:1-12

July 8

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost "The Healing Touch of Hospitality" Mark 6:1-13

July 15

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost "Haunted by the Holy Spirit" Mark 6:14-29

July 22

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost "Identity Theft" Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

July 29

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
"God's People: Gatherers of the Fragments"

John 6:1-21



Music in Ministry



During the summer months, all of our church ministries spend much time planning for the fast-approaching new church year.	My favorite hymns are:
Would you help the Music Ministry's planning process by completing the survey below? Please turn your survey into the	
church office or hand it to anyone on the Music Committee (Stephen Bazemore, Myrtle Corbett, Sylvia Elkins [chair], Melvin Ezzell, Stephen Prince, Mary Alice Stanley) or to Eddie. Thanks!	
Music Ministry Survey 2018	My favorite choir anthems/songs are:
Name:	
Phone:	I would be interested in participating in one or more of our

Dear Grief Committee,

My favorite scripture verses are:

Birthday:_

Thank You

Craig and I can't begin to thank you enough or express how much it has meant to the family for you to do all that you did after Mr. Stanley passed away. The paper goods, the cooler of ice, Wednesday night plates, and coordinating and serving our family lunch after the service was all overwhelming to us. Your kindness and care brought comfort, relief, and peace-of-mind during an extremely difficult and challenging time, and we thank you so

choirs: Yes

Other interests:

I would like for my child/children to participate in the

Children's Choir Ministry: Yes____

very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley were so blessed with many special friends, and their church family and friends were no exception. We will always remember and be grateful for your love and support, and hope you will share our gratefulness with the FBC congregation.

With love,

Craig & Elizabeth Stanley

Wednesday Night Supper, Prayer Meeting, and Bible Study Time will recess during the summer months of June, July, and August.

The Chancel Choir will meet at 7:00 p.m. during the month of August.

Godly Play Children's Program will meet twice monthly during July, from 6:00—7:30 p.m. with a meal provided. Meals will continue to be provided for our homebound members by the ladies listed below.

<u>July 4</u> Mary Alice Stanley

<u>July 11</u> Myrtle Corbett <u>July 18</u> Hilda Ray July 25 Peggy Norosky

Godly Play Children's Program, 6:00 –7:30 p.m. (meal provided) Field and Fun Summer Food Program, 5:30 –7:00 p.m. (meal provided) Godly Play Children's Program, 6:00 –7:30 p.m. (meal provided)

JULY MEMBERS IN MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

- 1 Grayanna Young
- 8 Gina Morningstar
- 15 Taylor Jordan
- 22 Tricia Sanderson
- 29 Sherry Waters

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

- 1 Mel Ray / David Jordan
- 8 John Sauls / Merle Worley
- 15 Kate C. Lee / Barbara Whitson
- 22 Eric Underwood / Glenn Waters
- 29 John Sauls / Merle Worley

DVD DISTRIBUTION

- 1 Peggy Walters
- 8 Hilda Butler
- 15 Rose Langston
- 22 Frances Price
- 29 Juanita Stanley

HOSPICE MEAL

20 Merle Worley

NURSERY

- 1 Jim & Erin Warlick / Jennifer Hall / Trish Sanderson
- 8 Jennifer Armbrecht / Heather Bazemore / Katherine Scott / Wendy Hensley
- 15 Holly Faulk / Lauren Lynn / Jennifer Williamson / Peggy Norosky
- 22 Jenny Clore / Dale Duncan / Emily Lawson / Genie Carter
- 29 Mary Alice Stanley / Martha Senter / Jenny Clore

OFFERING TELLERS

Janice Young and Genie Carter (entire month)

PEW STOCKER

Sandra Floyd

SOUND & VIDEO

- 1 Jason Schoolcraft
- 8 Wil Ezzell
- 15 Kirby Sanderson
- 22 Eric Kronenwetter
- 29 Sanderson

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETERS

- 1 Clint & Carolyn Grainger
- 8 Bill & Jolene Lewis & Yvonne Bass
- 15 Rose Langston & J.C. Hyatt
- 22 Bridger Warlick & Mitchell Sauls
- 29 Mitchell Sauls & Lonnie Williams

SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY AT LIBERTY

22 Ruth Believers Class

USHERS (CHAIRMAN: JOE HOOKS)

- 1 Ellis Jordan, David Carter, Mitchell Sauls, & Clint Grainger
- 8 Travis Harrison, John Sauls, Buster Carter, & Mel Ray
- 15 Harry Ward, David Tedder, Mitchell Sauls, Haywood Corbett & Edgar Tison
- 22 Buster Carter, Glenn Waters, David Heath, & Grayson Ward 29 TBA

WORSHIP SERVICE GREETER Jackie Jones

a church office. Three of us have new

We have made some changes in the church office. Three of us have new email addresses. You can begin using these immediately. Please make a note of our new addresses:

Eddie Fort - efort@fbcwhiteville.com **Teresa Malpass** - office@fbcwhiteville.com **Dinah Reaves** - fbcwhite@fbcwhiteville.com

Our Financial Stewardship

Worship Attendance Average: 103 Sunday School Attendance Average: 46

June 3, 2018- Attend 125 YTD

Budget Rec'd	\$6,295.00	Budget Needs to Date	\$262,384.92
Budget Needed	\$7,288.47	Budget Received YTD	\$260,312.73
Under	\$993.47	Budget Under YTD	\$2,072.19

June 10, 2018 - Attend 116 YTD

Budget Rec'd	\$9,058.61	Budget Needs to Date	\$269,673.39
Budget Needed	\$7,288.47	Budget Received YTD	\$269,371.34
Under	\$1,770.14	Budget Under YTD	\$302.05

June 17, 2018 - Attend 84 YTD Rudget Pac'd \$5,028,00 Rudget Needs to Data \$276,061,86

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Under	\$1,360.47	Budget Under YTD	\$1,662.52

June 24, 2018 - Attend 87 YTD

Budget Rec'd	\$6,240.19	Budget Needs to Date	\$284,250.33
Budget Needed	\$7,288.47	Budget Received YTD	\$281,539.53
Under	\$1,048.28	Budget Under YTD	\$2,710.80

Mother's Day—NC Baptist Hospital

We received \$790 and our goal was \$700.



- 2 Joanne Wall
- 3 Jayden Jackson
- 4 Juanita Tedder
- 7 J. C. Hyatt
- 8 Doris Davis Megan Lynn
- 9 Jason Schoolcraft
- 12 Gayle Powell
- Billie Jayroe

 15 Myrtle Cartrette

Donna Prince

- 18 Piper Powell
- 20 Barbara LongDelores HarrisonHollis SalyerRoger Gilbert
- 24 Jim Warlick
- 27 David Fulp
- 28 Harrison Fowler
- 31 Catherine Cook

FBC SPOTLIGHT

This month's Member Spotlight highlights the Youth Mission Trip.

On Sunday, June 17th, four of our youth (Andrew, Bridger, Emily, and Mitchell) and three adults (John and Tina Sauls and Pastor Ryan Clore) departed Whiteville First Baptist Church at 7 am. Our six-hour trip to Burtonsville, MD. turned into a 9-hour ride due to the excessive traffic between Richmond, VA. and Washington, DC. We were the last to arrive at Liberty Grove United Methodist Church in Burtonsville, but it didn't take long to get settled in and catch up to everyone else.

After eating supper, we went to the chapel for a few quick games to get introduced to the people we would be spending our week with. This is also the time where we met the people that we would be serving with, and learned about the jobs we would be performing. Each of us was assigned to a group that was made up of six to eight people, and we all had different jobs. Being the first week of the trip, some of our groups had several different jobs during the week while some of the bugs were ironed out.

Our jobs this year were:

Visiting and spending time with senior citizens at an independent living home.

Working on a garden at an assisted living facility.

Working at a middle school cleaning, organizing and labeling Chromebooks.

Working at an elementary school cleaning desks, chairs, tables and bookcases, and moving them out in the hall so the floors could be stripped and waxed so that everything is clean when the students return. Oh, and I shouldn't forget all the windows that were washed.

Working at "Habitat for Humanity" store (Bridger did the heavy lifting).

Working at "A Wider Circle" sorting donations, organizing furniture, household goods, children's items, and clothing. This site provided professional clothing, home needs, decorations, financial advice, a five-year plan and follow-up to educate people to be independent and provide for themselves.

Working with "Our Daily Bread," an organization that provided breakfast and lunch to anyone who needed a hot meal.

The jobs were hard work and a change of pace for some of us, but as satisfying as the jobs were, we were also there to worship. Our day began with a short service, we had a devotion at lunch with our work group and we had a service in the evening after supper. After the evening service, we gathered together with our youth group and had one final devotion of the day. At this last devotion, we took turns talking about our day, sharing our experiences and discussing scripture. Each one of our youth was able to open up, answer questions, and pray for our group during the week.

At the end of the week, we had served people in Burtonsville, Baltimore, and the surrounding areas and made some new friends. On Friday, we had the opportunity to travel to Washington, DC and spend the afternoon in the new Museum of the Bible. What an experience! We expected to see some historical artifacts, but what we didn't expect was the over-the-top interactive experience that the museum provided. Set aside a good five or six hours if you ever get the opportunity to visit. Saturday, we began our day at the Pentagon's 9/11 Memorial. Then it was off to Arlington National Cemetery and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. After that, we walked to the Lincoln Memorial, World War II Memorial, and the Washington Monument. We ended the day with a tour of the White House. It was a great week! Once we returned, some of our youth jumped right into serving our church at Vacation Bible School the next week.

Thank You for all of your prayers while we traveled. They were much appreciated.







ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTIST MEN'S BREAKFAST

Due to the fact we have several activities scheduled on the first Sunday morning in July, Baptist Men's Breakfast will move to **July 8, at 8 a.m.** All men are invited to join us. See you there!

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee will be meeting **Mondays at 6 p.m.,** on a weekly basis, as they prepare for the upcoming church year. Committee members will be notified by committee chairs of any cancelations or changes—there will be no meeting on **July 2**.

WMU HIGHLIGHTS

Salad Luncheon: July 9, 2018, 12:00 Noon Program: Nicole Mercer Hopkins



The WMU will have its annual summer luncheon on **July 9 at 12:00 noon,** in the Fellowship Hall. **ALL LADIES OF THE CHURCH ARE INVITED!** Mark your calendar, bring a salad or dessert, and join us for this worshipful time of food and fellowship.

Nicole Hopkins, Christian Professional Counselor, will present a program of music and information about her profession and ministry at *The Pasture at Mercer Farms*. Nicole is one of our own, and we can expect to be inspired and uplifted by her presentation.

For more information, you may call Myrtle Corbett at 642-5213 or 840-5299.

WMU ladies, we voted at our May meeting to pay individually for our subscriptions to *Missions Mosaic* and use all of our budgeted funds to help with costs of our mission projects. The subscriptions are \$22.99 and are due for renewal now. If you would like to continue to receive the monthly magazine, you may make your check payable to FBC and designate it for WMU-Missions Mosaic. You may also take your payment directly to Dinah in the church office.

Thank you!

Myrtle Corbett, WMU Director

GODLY PLAY

The Godly Play Leaders are excited to announce that Godly Play has two more meetings this summer! We will meet on the following dates: **July 11, & July 25**. Godly Play will be held from **6:00 -7:30pm** with a meal included. Special activities are planned for each date, so be sure to mark your calendars!

FIELD AND FUN

FBC is excited to partner with the Summer Food Service Program to help in their initiative to ensure all children in Columbus County get at least one nutritious meal a day. We will serve as a site or location for families in the community to come and have a hot meal and fun time, 4 more Wednesdays out of the Summer, July 18, August 1, 8, & 15, from 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. We will be offering a *Field and Fun* day to enjoy each other's company and build community. We'd love for you to join us! Call or Text Jenny Clore to see how you can plug in! 540.760.7253

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Committee Chairs, please mark your calendars for our church council meeting on **July 22 at 2 p.m.** Remember that all committee/organizational reports need to be turned in to the church office by Monday, **July 16.**

QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE

Our Quarterly Church Conference is scheduled for Wednesday evening, **July 25**, **at 6:30 p.m.** For Conference, we meet after our **covered dish meal at 5:45 p.m.**, to discuss the changes/activities during the last quarter. If you are looking for service opportunities, this will be the perfect time to get the full overview of church activity. Please join us to get a better view of how our church is ministering to its members and to the community.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Mr. J.C. and Mrs. Lizzie Lennon established an endowment fund in First Baptist Church of Whiteville for the purpose of financially assisting college students through two scholarships.

The first scholarship is the **J.C. and Lizzie Lennon Christian Ministries Scholarship**, and it has been established to assist a student interested in preparing for the Christian Ministry. The second scholarship is the **J.C. and Lizzie Lennon General Studies Scholarship**, and it has been established to assist a student in pursuing an education in one of the North Carolina colleges or universities.

The qualifications are that the student must be an active member or regular participant in the activities of First Baptist Church and be accepted to attend or attending an accredited college or university. The awarding of scholarships will be based on financial need, scholastic achievements, and references.

Mr. and Mrs. Lennon's goal was to help young followers of Christ achieve success in their lives.

Funds are also available through the **Holt Youth Endowment Fund** for individuals interested in mission activities such as trips, camps, and other church-related activities that have a cost associated with them.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School last week at First Baptist was a huge success. Ages 2 through adult enjoyed Bible study, music and fellowship. Our children also enjoyed playing games and making crafts. Each day was filled with exciting new experiences.

Commencement this year was held on Sunday morning during the worship service. VBS participants performed songs learned during the previous week. The entire church was invited to a picnic following the service prepared by the Social and Family Life Committees.

A tremendous shout out goes to all the many workers who made this event a tremendous success. Thanks to the parents who took the time to make sure their children were in attendance. What a great time was had by all!

Karen Dawsey and Donna Prince







			July 2018			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Dress-Down Sunday VBS Commencement Church Picnic 9:45 Sunday School 10:30 Chancel Choir Warmup 11:00 Morning Worship & Children's Worship	2	3	Office Closed	5	6	7
8 Baptist Men's Breakfast, 8 a.m. 9:45 Sunday School 10:30 Chancel Choir Warmup 11:00 Morning Worship & Children's Worship	9 10:00 Staff Meeting 12:00 WMU Luncheon 3:00 - 5:00 Knit Wits (Knitting Ministry) 6:00 Nominating CMTE Meeting	10	11 6:00 Godly Play Children's Program	12	13	14
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Sunday Morning Worship www.wtxy1540.com, Audio Streaming Live......at 11:00 a.m. Scroll to the "Click to Listen Live" link

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