



First Baptist Church

Growing Toward Christ

Whiteville, NC

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Everyone
is welcome.
Invite your
neighbors!



Events At A Glance

- June 1, 8 - Bible Study in the fellowship hall, led by Willis & Sue Pinnell and Robert & Kris Clyburn, 6:30 p.m.
- June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 4:30 p.m.
- June 4 - Kid's Day, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
- June 5 - Graduate Recognition Sunday
- June 5 - Columbus Community Band Concert, 3:00 p.m. in the FBC sanctuary
- June 13 - WMU Meeting, 10:00 a.m.
- June 19 - Father's Day
- June 20 - Finance Meeting, 9:30 a.m.
- June 21 - Deacons' Meeting, 6:30 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



The month of May has been a very busy and productive time in the life of First Baptist Church of Whiteville. I hope and pray you were able to participate in and take advantage of any or all of the events planned and offered. If you review the church calendar as listed each month in **THE CONTACT**, you will be able to see an overview of all the opportunities provided. I would like to express sincerely a great **BIG THANK YOU** to all who have helped in **any** way with our outreach and ministries including Sunday School . . . mission groups . . . ministries to and for the Ukrainians . . . and all who prepared and served our delicious monthly Wednesday night dinners which surely helped provide a wonderful time of fellowship prior to Prayer Meeting . . . as we prayed for needs locally, nationally, and globally . . . "to the ends of the earth!" We especially thank all whose schedules allowed them to work with **OPERATION INASMUCH** as we reached out in ministry, love and service through multiple ways. Congratulations to ALL our graduates, too!

Please remember: **Saturday, June 4th**, you are invited to come celebrate and help us as we host **KID'S DAY** at the church from **10:00 am until 3:00 pm** as we "reach out" to children of all ages. If you wonder what **you** can do to help, please come join us . . . and **Kate Lee** will give all of us some instructions, ok? Also, please invite children wherever you may be so they will know about this **FUN DAY!** Thank you!

I have mentioned the possibility that Joy and I would like to host the "**ABC**" dinners in the Fellowship Hall of our church. In the previous churches where we have served, this always has been an enjoyable opportunity for individuals and families to interact and to meet for the first time, or to become better acquainted in a unique way as they share a "covered-dish dinner" together. The idea is that you will come to the church at the same time as others who have the same **first** initial of your **last** name. We will contact you **in advance** about the schedule concerning when it will be **YOUR** time to come join those who have **YOUR** same initial. We urge you to **PLEASE** join the fun! **IF** you cannot come at the time of the meeting of "your initial," please feel free to enjoy the time later with some other "initials," ok?!?

I love you . . . and I thank God for you and for the privilege of serving as your Interim Pastor! The following poem speaks volumes about our Christian "talk" versus our Christian "walk!" Please read and meditate upon this writing as you ask God to help **you** live **YOUR** "dash" — to the fullest! May God bless you today and always . . . in ALL ways!

Gratefully and prayerfully, in Jesus' love,

Wayne Brown

The Dash Poem

by Linda Ellis

I read of a man who stood to speak
At the funeral of a friend
He referred to the dates on the tombstone
From the beginning . . . to the end.

He noted that first came the date of birth
And spoke the following date with tears,
But he said what mattered most of all
Was the dash between those years.

For that dash represents all the time
That they spent alive on earth.
And now only those who loved them
Know what that little line is worth.

For it matters not, how much we own,
The cars . . . the house . . . the cash.
What matters is how we live and love
And how we spend our dash.

So, think about this long and hard.
Are there things you'd like to change?
For you never know how much time is left
That can still be rearranged.

If we could just slow down enough
To consider what's true and real
And always try to understand
The way other people feel.

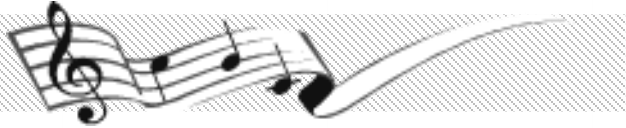
And be less quick to anger,
And show appreciation more;
And love the people in our lives
Like we've never loved before.

If we treat each other with respect
And more often wear a smile,
Remembering this special dash
Might only last a little while.

So, when your eulogy is being read
With your life's actions to rehash . . .
Would you be proud of the things they say
About how you spent YOUR dash?



Music Notes



The Day of Pentecost

Ten days after the ascension of Christ and fifty days after his resurrection, the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples on the day of Pentecost. Pentecost was an established Jewish festival also known as the Feast of Weeks, which drew people from many nations back to Jerusalem (Leviticus 23:15-21; Deuteronomy 16:16).

Pentecost Sunday is an end and a beginning. It is the culmination of the season of Easter. It is the day when the church senses the all-pervasive power of Easter as the Spirit is unleashed in Creation. It is also the dawn of a new day in the life of the church. For as the church is empowered by the Spirit, the message of the risen Lord is trumpeted around the world.

In celebrating Pentecost, the church expresses its gratitude for the faithfulness of Christ in fulfilling his promise to send "another counselor" (John 14:16). As the church we celebrate the work of the Spirit in renewing all of creation, as well, we profess our confidence and security in knowing the Spirit's power is available for our mission to grow in awareness of the immensity of our calling to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ.

(adapted from *The Worship Sourcebook*, Baker Books, Grand Rapids, MI, 2004 and the *Services of the Christian Year*, Star Song Publishing Group, Nashville, TN, 1994)

The traditional color for Pentecost is red, after the flames described in Acts 2:3.

For our graduates this is the ending of one part of their life and the beginning of the next phase of their journey. As we congratulate each graduate, we also pray that God's Holy Spirit will teach and empower them for what lies ahead.

Operation InAsMuch, May 21, is a perfect example of the Holy Spirit working through us. Likewise, The Kid's Day, June 4, will serve as a day to reach out to our community in a positive way.

Parents, we are in the process of calling you and setting up a **Children's Music Activity** for the summer months. Details will be announced as soon as we are able to connect with each of you. Invite your neighborhood children age 4 through 2nd grade to participate. All are welcome!

The Chancel Choir needs you to join and help them bring glory to God through song each Sunday. Don't delay, join us this week! **The Chancel Choir** rehearses each Wednesday at 4:30 p.m.

The Columbus Community Band Spring Concert will be here at First Baptist on Sunday, June 5, 3:00 p.m.

Eddie

June 5, 2022

Pentecost Sunday

Graduate Recognition

Proverbs 3:5-6; John 3:16; Acts 2:1-4,14-39;

I Timothy 4:12-16

The Powerful Presence of the Holy Spirit

June 12, 2022

The Second Sunday After Pentecost

Acts 2:40-47

A Vital Church Grows!

June 19, 2022

The Third Sunday After Pentecost

Father's Day

Pulpit Guest: Rocky Atkinson, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Christian Recovery Centers, Inc.

June 26, 2022

The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Missions Emphasis: The Miraculous Story of Our Church's Ministry to Ukraine

Janice Young, Martha Senter

Devotional Message: Dr. Fred Senter

Mark 14:3-9

"She Has Done What She Could"

JUNE SERMONS

JUNE MEMBERS IN MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

- 5 Tina Sauls
- 12 Gina Morningstar
- 19 Tricia Sanderson
- 26 Grayanna Young

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

- 5 David Carter / Glenn Waters
- 12 Stephen Prince / Mary Alice Stanley
- 19 Kate C. Lee / John Sauls
- 26 Janice Young / Brad Johnson

HOSPICE SNACKS

SOUND & VIDEO

- 5 Mitchell Sauls
- 12 Bryce Kronenwetter
- 19 Kirby Sanderson
- 26 Eric Kronenwetter

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETERS

- 5 Clint and Carolyn Grainger
- 12 Genie Carter
- 19 Rose Langston / J. C. Hyatt
- 26 Bill and Jolene Lewis

USHERS (Chairman: Charlie Duncan)

- 5 Buster Carter / Glenn Waters /
David Heath / Clint Grainger /
J. C. Hyatt
- 12 Bill Floyd / David Carter / Mitchell
Sauls / Willis Pinnell / Johnny Britt
- 19 Travis Harrison / John Sauls /
Mel Ray / Kenwood Royal /
Chris Blackmon
- 26 Harry Ward / David Tedder /
Haywood Corbett / Kevin
Williamson / Kyle Cook

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FOR MAY

- May 1, 2022 - 35
- May 8, 2022 - 29
- May 15, 2022 - 45
- May 22, 2022 - 32
- May 29, 2022 - 39

Average attendance for May
Sunday School is 36.

Please join us each week for Sunday
School at 9:45 a.m.

STEWARDSHIP

May 1, 2022

Budget Gifts Plan 1	\$100.00
Budget Gifts Plan 2	\$3,542.00
Budget Gifts Operational	\$250.00
Total Budget This Week	\$3,892.00

Designated/Other Funds	\$180.00
Total Collections This Week	\$4,072.00

Under Budget This Week \$2,702.56

Budget Need to date	\$204,431.36
Budget Rec'd to date	\$184,337.50
Under Budget to date	\$20,093.86

May 8, 2022

Budget Gifts Plan 1	\$480.00
Budget Gifts Plan 2	\$7,416.00
Budget Gifts Operational	\$375.00
Total Budget This Week	\$8,271.00

Designated/Other Funds	\$1,031.03
Total Collections This Week	\$9,302.03

Over Budget This Week \$1,676.44

Budget Need to date	\$211,025.92
Budget Rec'd to date	\$192,608.50
Under Budget to date	\$18,417.42

May 15, 2022

Budget Gifts Plan 1	\$400.00
Budget Gifts Plan 2	\$3,823.00
Budget Gifts Operational	\$1,326.00
Total Budget This Week	\$5,549.00

Designated/Other Funds	\$250.00
Total Collections This Week	\$5,799.00

Under Budget This Week \$1,045.56

Budget Need to date	\$217,620.48
Budget Rec'd to date	\$198,157.50
Under Budget to date	\$19,462.98

May 22, 2022

Budget Gifts Plan 1	\$100.00
Budget Gifts Plan 2	\$3,116.00
Budget Gifts Operational	\$350.00
Total Budget This Week	\$3,566.00

Designated/Other Funds	\$474.00
Total Collections This Week	\$4,040.00

Under Budget This Week \$3,028.56

Budget Need to date	\$224,215.04
Budget Rec'd to date	\$201,723.50
Under Budget to date	\$22,491.54

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Travis Harrison
Andrea Lewis
- 2 Deborah Tew
- 3 Thomas Clark
- 4 Isabella Hopkins
- 5 Betty Batten
- 7 Lillie Royal
- 9 Elizabeth Hensley
- 10 Beth Yates
Linda Taylor
- 14 Eric Underwood
- 17 Murline Britt
Rick Kimball
- 25 Jolene Lewis
- 29 Holly Faulk
- 30 William Smith



May 29, 2022

Budget Gifts Plan 1	\$1,910.00
Budget Gifts Plan 2	\$3,190.00
Budget Gifts Operational	\$475.00
Total Budget This Week	\$5,575.00

Designated/Other Funds	\$2,180.09
Total Collections This Week	\$7,755.09

Under Budget This Week \$6,594.56

Budget Need to date	\$230,809.60
Budget Rec'd to date	\$207,298.50
Under Budget to date	\$23,511.10

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPERATION INASMUCH

A special “Thanks” to all who participated in this year’s Operation Inasmuch. It was truly an amazing day for our church. We participated in 14 different projects from hand knitted baby caps to building a ramp. By our men. We had most of our new members working for the first time in this mission project. It has been interesting to hear their comments concerning their involvement. We have received many comments with regard to the many cards that were mailed from the church. Next year try to remember that there is a project for all to participate. We will have a bulletin board with pictures of the day for you to see the many projects and members who worked.

Again, thanks.

A blood drive will be some time this summer. We will notify you.

The Missions Committee

OUR CAR SEATS PROJECT

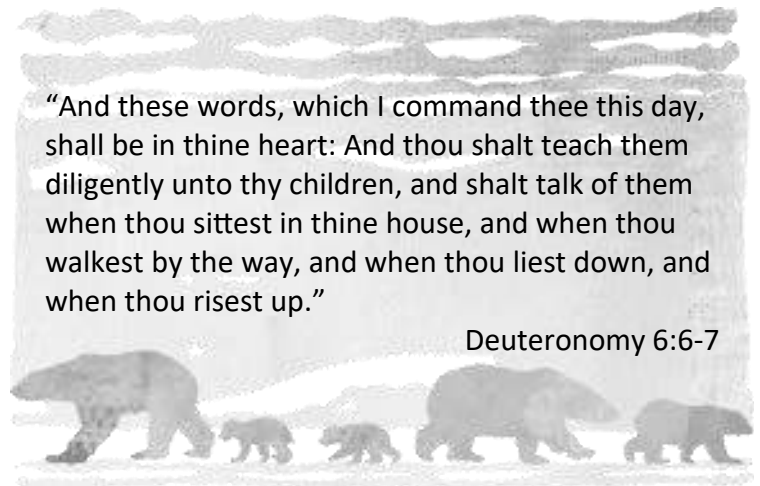
Thank you so much for the car seats!

Front left—Jeanette Duncan-Foster Care Social Worker, Lindsay Buck, Mona McCollum; back row—Adrian Givins, Kristen Prevatte and Avid Odom-Foster Care Social Workers, Front right—Dwella Hall-Program Manager



“And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.”

Deuteronomy 6:6-7



ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT.)

WMU



June 13, 2022, 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Leader:

Call to Prayer and Program:

Hospice Snacks for June: Jolene Lewis

During Operation Inasmuch Saturday, the WMU cooked and helped served soup. During this day, take-outs were prepared and delivered to many individuals in our community as well as our church. It was our pleasure to service also the workers in the fellowship hall as they completed some of their activities.

On June 5, there will be three high school students who are graduating and the WMU has prepared hospitality boxes to be given to these individuals. Congratulations Isabella Hopkins, Lauren Clark, and Hannah Clark.

For the month of July we will have our annual salad luncheon in the fellowship hall. All ladies of the church are invited. Please come and bring your favorite salad.

2021-22 Watchword: *But we do not belong to those who shrink back and are destroyed, but to those who have faith and are saved.* Hebrews 10:39

Our Mission

... is to inform and inspire Christians to influence their world for Christ.

Betty Jo Prevatte

BIBLE STUDY

Please join us as we explore God's Word together in a church-wide Bible study coordinated by Willis and Sue Pinnell and Robert and Kris Clyburn on **Wednesday** evenings, **June 1st** and **8th** at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

BAPTIST MEN

A big "Thanks" to our men who have helped in the various projects at the church and with the building of the ramp for Operation Inasmuch. If you know of projects we can do for both church members and members of our county, please call me or the church office.

Fred Senter, Baptist Men

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Congratulations to our 2022 graduates on their hard work! We wish them all the best as they make the next step in their education or career journey. May God bless their diligence and perseverance.

Lauren Clark, South Columbus High School

Olivia Clark, South Columbus High School

Isabella Hopkins, Whiteville High School

Tanner Morningstar, Wake Forest University, Master of Science in Organic Chemistry

Melissa Williamson, Masters Degree

ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT.)

There is still time to invite your friends and neighbors to be a part of Kid's Day.

Saturday, JUNE 4th 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

COMMUNITY KID'S DAY

@ First Baptist Church Grounds
412 N. Madison Street
Whiteville, NC 28472



Brought to you by: First Baptist Church, Saint Mark A.M.E. Zion & Whiteville Assembly of God



Dear First Baptist Church,

On behalf of the Whiteville Police Department, we thank you for the soup and sandwiches that were provided for our Officers. Please convey to your church my department's sincere appreciation for their thoughtfulness and generosity.

If the Whiteville Police Department can ever assist you in any way, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,
Douglas W. Ipock, Chief of Police

Dear First Baptist Church Family,

Clint and I are most grateful for your cards, calls, visits, and meals prepared for us during Clint's surgery. But we want you to know that we are most grateful for your prayers.

Your kindness and friendship mean so much to us.

In Christ,
Clint and Carolyn Grainger

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