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Hey Everyone,

"Summer! Every Single day is worth its weight in gold!" Are the words to a Phineas and Ferb song, one of my Disney Channel favorites. Those words are true though and we are running in full speed ahead to the days of summer. June 11-16 the Youth and I will be in Danville, VA. for Passport Camp. This year we are doing Passport Missions, where our students will be taking part in various mission sites and projects with the other campers and staff. It is sure to be a formative experience for all our students and we pray for a safe journey.

Summer beginning also means the end of the school year for our students. Final exams are finished, Prom has already happened, and graduation has already commenced. This year we say congratulations to two youth, Jonathan Thompson and Joshua Simpson. Both were recognized during our morning worship service on May 21st. We wish them the best on their transition to college and on into adulthood. I am sure that you will join me in praying a special blessing on these two young men.

In Christ, Clint Walker



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Celebration Catering has provided meals for our members and many guests for twenty-five years.

Their "Last Supper" will be on May 31 at 5:00 p.m. Several of our members will be providing a meal for them and those in the congregation who sign up

Words cannot express our appreciation for all they have done at First Baptist. They have been hospitable, cooperative and generous over the years.

IN MEMORIUM

Jewel Durrett





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NURSERY GREETER

June 04 Beverly Lovan

June 11 Martha Wade

June 18 Cindy Fogg

June 25 Linda Gaby

June 04 Holly Harrel

June 25 Laura Hendrix

INFANTS & TODDLERS

June 11 Marisa & Richard Frost

June 18 Russ & Susan Hopkins

DEACON OF THE WEEK

June 04 Dwight Lovan June 11 Don Hines June 18 Doug Hendrix June 25 Angie Scott

GREETERS - DOWNSTAIRS

June 04 Laura B. Branham June 11 Dan Shouse June 18 Linda Divine June 25 Mark & Mason Little

GREETERS - FRONT DOOR

June 04 Jennifer Lewis-Bass June 11 Mary Hines June 18 Jo Ann Jenkins June 25 Tammy Shouse

GREETERS - WORSHIP HOUR

June 04 Don Hines June 11 Betty Gardner June 18 Jane Mason June 25 Stephen Bass

NURSERY GREETERS AND CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

3 YEAR OLDS - KINDERGARTEN

- June 04 Jenny Luscher & Emilee McCann
- June 11 Jenny Luscher & Elaine Allen
- June 18 Jenny Luscher & Caroline Insko
- June 25 Jenny Luscher & Laura Stevens

1ST - 3RD GRADE

- June 04 Cynthia Insko & Sarah Glenn Insko
- June 11 Cynthia Insko & Joretta Crowe
- June 18 Cynthia Insko & Vicky Mitchell
- June 25 Cynthia Insko & Sarah Whitworth







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Welcome Megan Little, our summer children's ministry intern! Megan grew up in FBC and benefitted from children's ministry in our family of faith. She just finished her freshman year at Transylvania University. She will be with us on Sundays and in the office on Tuesdays as well as helping out with special events throughout the summer

A huge thanks to all of the children and volunteers who made Children's Sunday a wonderful day of celebration. Perhaps you were inspired by the children and feel an urge to volunteer in some way? We still need two more Sunday School teachers for our K-2nd grade class beginning in mid-August. We are also looking for more Godly Play helpers and storytellers for our children's worship time. See Cynthia for more information.

June weekly programming will continue as usual on Sundays with 9:45-10:40 a.m. interactive bible study classes for all ages. On Wednesdays we will provide childcare 6-7:30 during prayer meeting and adult choir practice.

A special family hike at Cove Springs is on Sunday, June 25 @ 2:00 p.m. All are invited. See Cynthia Insko or Jason Galvon for details.

Vacation Bible School plans are underway! We still need volunteers for various jobs during our Week of Wonder: Water! Water Everywhere!, July 10-13, 5-8 p.m. Our stories will be told in our well loved Godly Play format and creative time will be spent in centers that include art, science, storybooks and more. Register your children ages 3 (potty trained) through those who have just completed 5th grade at fbcfrankfort.info.

Save the date!! As you make summer plans be sure and plan to be here for Sunday, August 13's Blessing of the Students and children and youth promotion to new Sunday School classes.



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I'd like to thank each of our Adult Sunday School teachers for their faithful commitment to teaching weekly. At FBC we value community and relationships and safe places to share questions of life and faith. We welcome the opportunity to learn from one another as we study Scripture and journey together as we seek to become more and more like Christ. I am grateful for the dedication of teachers that are invested in this aspect of our church.

On June 11, several younger adult classes will be sharing breakfast in fellowship hall during Sunday School, 9:45-10:40 a.m. This will launch our large group summer series called Animate Bible that will continue through July 30. This video and discussion series is similar to the one we enjoyed last summer together. It's focus is on reinvigorating and deepening our understanding of the Bible. Topics include: Canon: Mining for the Word History: Parchment to Pixel Testaments: One Story, Two Parts Gospels: Unexpected Good News Genre: Rhythm of the Text Interpretation: Scripture Reads Us Grace: Love is the Bottom Line



Ladies' Book Club will meet at the BOOK CLUB \mathcal{Y} home of Cynthia Insko on Thursday, June 8 @ 7:00 p.m. We will be discussing Wendell Berry's novel, Jayber



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Thank you for being a church that reach-

SANCTUARY CHOIR TO SING

JOHN RUTTER'S "REQUIEM"

The Sanctuary Choir will present John

Rutter's "Requiem" on All Saints Sun-

ship service. The choir is beginning

work on the piece this summer so that

others might join us in learning it. Re-

hearsals will be the first 20 minutes of

each Sanctuary Choir rehearsal in the

summer. Currently the choir meets on

Wednesdays from 7:00-8:15 p.m. In

June and July the schedule will switch to

6:30-7:30 p.m. Come and join us. for

day, November 5th, in our morning wor-

es out to our children and offers them

love and piano lessons!



OMINISTRU By the time you receive this issue of The Bridge we will have concluded

our 11th year of Center for the Arts with a recital. Eight students were a part of the program this semester. I am so grateful for the faithful piano teachers (Pat Geveden, Adell Kemper, Linda McKinley, and Betty Riley) who so generously share their skills and the precious gift of time with these children. Not only do they teach piano, they love the children and the children know it. Recently I was made aware that one of our students posted a review of our church online. Though the review was dated some time back I think it speaks volumes about how these teachers impact these young lives. Here is the quote: "This church is like a 2nd home to me I love doing piano les-



MISSIONS I often think about FBC as being a 'missional' church, but what does that mean? Unpacking the answer to that question requires more space than is allocated for a newsletter article. I

this special work!

would like us to think about a small part of the answer as explained by author, Ray Anderson...

"The church may think of itself as having its own place and space outside of the workplace, but this is not so. As part of the workplace, the church has its own calling and mission to serve the workplace and to empower disciples of the kingdom in their partnership with God. This is why the workplace, as it was originally intended, is still today for Christians a secular sacrament of the kingdom of God. For disciples of the kingdom in the workplace, the church is the way that we outsource our need for communion with other believers and our instruction and guidance from the Word of God and recharge our spiritual batteries for our daily life in the secular workplace. Would there have been a church in the garden of Eden if there not been a Fall. No. For the church is part of the fallen world. As such, the church needs to live as a religious institution with a spirit of repentance toward God and with the fire of the kingdom burning in its bones as a human institution. There will be no church in heaven. It will be kingdom living, first class!"

For us to be considered a 'missional' church, we must understand that our primary 'missional' work is with the people in our everyday lives. Let us open our eves to the needs of the people we see every day in our offices, schools and neighborhoods. Build relationships with these people. Introduce Christ to them not only in words but in small or big acts of kindness and grace.

** A special thanks goes to Laura and Doug Hendrix for heading up our part in the Ecumenical Food Drive for our local food pantry!

- Keith Felton





Graduates

Last Sunday we recognized our high school and college graduates and expressed our pride in them and prayers for them as they move forward. Each of them has been a wonderful part of our church family and will always hold a special place in our hearts. God bless you, graduates! Keep in touch and come home often.

Sermon Excerpt

Speaking of our children, I'll share a portion of my Mother's Day sermon that focused upon being good role models and mentors. It was based on Luke 2:22-38, a description of Jesus' dedication in the Temple when he was forty days old.

I believe God used Simeon and Anna that day to let Mary and Joseph know the important role they would play in Jesus' physical and spiritual development. Literally, the fate of the world rested in their hands.

This story reminds me how important parenting is. I know of no greater responsibility.

Every baby is born with so much potential. Each one bears God's image and has been given talents and abilities that, if used wisely, can make the world better for everyone.

No baby knows this at birth. Each one relies upon parents and caregivers to teach, to guide, to motivate and to inspire them. Every child looks to mentors to help them discern God's dreams for them and to instill confidence in them as they pursue those dreams.

Who did this for you? Who helped you to draw close to God and to chart your course? Who encouraged you to reach for the stars?

Who convinced you not to settle for less than your best by taking the path of least resistance? Who helped you to overcome the fear of failure or to avoid the temptation to be selfish and greedy? Who showed you the devastating consequences of misplaced values and priorities?

Who picked you up and gave you another chance when you stumbled and fell? Who loved you at your best and celebrated your achievements but also loved you at your worst and cried with you when your heart was broken?

Thank God for them and make them proud of their investment in you. Be a person of integrity who strives at all times and in all places to be honest and trustworthy, reliable and dependable, loyal and faithful, kind and thoughtful, compassionate and generous, patient and tolerant, courageous and confident, responsible and industrious, respectful and humble. Be the role model for others your mentors have been for you.

Until Sunday,

Bob