

*Rose Leonard, Leah Johnson, Catherine Taylor, James Johnson, & James Martin lead the music at the Opening Celebration at VBS.*



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## From the Pastor...

It's said that ducks look calm on the surface, but they are paddling like the dickens underneath. Sometimes churches are like this as well. We go through periods of lots of activities and then hit what seems like a lull. Don't let down times fool you, we are always planning and preparing.

As I look back on this summer, we have accomplished a lot! Here are just a few things we did:

- Chicago Missions Trip
- Children's Passport Camp
- Youth Passport Camp
- Vacation Bible School
- Women of the Bible Sermon Series

As summer draws to a close, we have a few weeks without any major events, but we are paddling hard under the surface to get ready for fall. Here are some things that are in the works:

- Fall Kick Off – September 7, 2022
- New Wednesday Dinner Plan
- Sermon Series: The Way of Jesus
- Women of Faith Event
- Special Children's and Youth Activities

Of all these things, our new Wednesday Dinner plan is one of the most exciting. Six volunteer teams will be preparing a rotation of six wonderful meals. So, we will have homemade meals. The dinners will cost less (\$5.00 per adult / \$4.00 per child). And, you won't need a reservation.

It's going to be good, and we need your help. Nancy Deal, Jeanette Eller, Holly Hinceman, Elizabeth Killby, Hilda Lee, and Jody Parlier are serving as our dinner captains. They need volunteers who will help every six weeks. You can contact them directly or call the office and we will get you on a team.

As you finish out your summer, I hope you'll find a little time to relax; but I know you're probably paddling hard as well. It's been a great summer and its going to be an even better fall. See you soon!

## Schedule

### Sunday, August 14

7:00 a.m. Sunday School Lesson  
 Uploaded to YouTube & Facebook

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary & Live Stream

### Monday, August 15

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

### Wednesday, August 17

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

12:00 p.m. Bible Study

6:00 p.m. Family Movie Night

### Thursday, August 18

1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet

### Sunday, August 21

7:00 a.m. Sunday School Lesson  
 Uploaded to YouTube & Facebook

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary & Live Stream

### Monday, August 22

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

### Wednesday, August 24

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

12:00 p.m. Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Practice

### Thursday, August 25

1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet

## Church Staff Directory

Dr. Nelson Granade.....Senior Minister  
 Mr. James Martin.....Minister of Music & Worship  
 Rev. Melissa Wilson.....Minister of Children & Youth  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Kilby.....Minister of Young Families & Missions  
 Mr. Eddie Wiseman.....Accompanist / Music Assistant

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## FBC Women of Faith Thursday, September 22, 2022

6:30 p.m.

Make plans to attend a meaningful evening complete with a delicious meal, good music, inspirational message and wonderful fellowship with other ladies.



Our speaker Dawn Smith Jordan of Irmo, SC, a former Miss South Carolina shares her story of triumph through tragedy. Dawn relates true-life stories of the various storms we each face in our lives and intertwines a combination of music, testimony, humor, transparency, and importantly the truth found in God's word.

Tickets are \$15.00 each and sold in advance. Tickets can be purchased before the Sunday worship services in the Welcome Center, 9:40-9:55 a.m. You may also purchase tickets online by scanning the QR code. Complimentary childcare is available for children aged birth-school age. Registration is required at time of purchase.



## Spiritual Statistics

### Weeks of July 17 & 24, 2022

	7/17	7/24
Live Stream Views. . . . .	19	48
In-Person. . . . .	156	148
Sunday School. . . . .	97	85

## Financial Statistics

	July	Year-to-Date
Giving Goal	55,636.00	719,790.00
Budget Receipts	93,777.00	968,792.00
Goals Met	38,131.00	249,002.00
Alms	1,098.00	11,554.00
Designated	3,779.00	105,849.00

# Jerusalem Marketplace Vacation Bible School August 1-5, 2022





## Announcements

### **A Note of Appreciation From Bob & Carol Boroughs**

We appreciate the outpouring of sympathy and support from First Baptist Church following the passing of Bob's brother, Tommy Boroughs, in Orlando, Florida.

Bob & Carol Boroughs

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### **Nominations for Deacons Ministry Team Accepted August 1-14**

We are accepting nominations for our Deacon Ministry Team. All nominees will be invited to attend an orientation session at which the pastor and members of the Deacon Ministry Team review the qualifications and duties of deacons. All nominees who attend the orientation and are willing to continue in the process shall be placed on a ballot and the congregation is advised of the names of the nominees at least two weeks prior to the election. The congregation shall vote by ballot on Sunday, October 2 on the members of the Deacon Ministry Team.

Current members of the Deacon Ministry Team include: Crystal Beale, Jerry Campbell, Nancy Deal, Ben Faulkenberry, Bill Henderson, Steve Koontz, Mike McLain, Jeff Templeton, and Alan Williams. Jerry Campbell, Nancy Deal, and Bill Henderson will complete their terms in December 2022. The newly elected deacons will begin to serve January 2023.

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### **A Note from Minister of Young Families & Missions Elizabeth Kilby**

Thank you so much for your generous donations for Kentucky. We are excited to be taking our team up Saturday and Sunday to do work with Meridzo Ministries. Please be in prayer for our team, our conversations, and the work we will be doing. Thank you for making ministry happen.

### **Flower Vases Needed**

Thank you for your help by donating flower vases. So far this season, we have delivered about 160 vases of flowers to the elderly, shut ins and church members at large. At last inventory there were only about 50 vases left in stock. These vases are rather large and not as convenient to deliver to individuals. Any vases you can donate will be put to use for the Flower Ministry.

The bulk of the flowers have been taken to Rosewood, Journey's, Autumn Care, and Brookdale/Peachtree assisted living facilities. If you have a special group you wish to deliver flowers to, please call us and we will work out a time and quantity.

It is truly amazing to see how faces light up (both from staff and residents) when the flowers are delivered. Thank you again for your help to enable us to do this ministry.

David & Nancy Deal  
704-902-3790 (David)  
704-902-3792 (Nancy)

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### **Family Movie Night Wednesday, August 17, 2022 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Families with children of all ages are invited to a movie night. Parents may drop their children off or stay and watch the movie. We will watch The Secret Life of Pets. Popcorn will be provided.

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### **Senior Adult Luncheon Thursday, September 15, 2022 11:00 a.m.**

Ulysses Long will provide the entertainment. The meal will include BBQ, baked beans, slaw, and dessert. Please call the church office at 704.873.7231 to make reserve your seat.