



THE INTERIM



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From the Pastor...

Summer is just around the corner. Summer officially starts June 21, but we all know that summer really begins Memorial Day. Summer for you might mean escaping the heat with trips to the lake, beach, or mountains. For the church it means gearing up for summer events.

Here are a few of our summer opportunities. See if you can detect a theme in these events?

Passport Kids Camp – June 15-18

Our children will travel to Lynchburg, VA to experience a unique camp that focuses on faith formation and missions. Through Bible studies, worship and missions education, our campers will grow in their relationships with God, each other, and those in need. Of course, they will have a lot of fun as well.

Chicago Mission Trip – June 25 – July 1

Our team of 12 people will travel to Chicago to share God's love in partnership with Praying Pelicans Missions Organization. We will work with a local partner supporting their outreach ministries in their children's camp, food pantry, and neighborhood beautification. Each of these areas will produce opportunities to share the good news of the Gospel.

Passport Youth Camp – July 18 – 23

Like the kids' Passport Camp, the Youth Camp is focused on missions. Our youth won't travel as far (just to Greensboro), but they will do even more hands-on missions. Each teen will have the opportunity to meet others from around the nation. They will grow their faith through in-depth Bible studies, worship, and mission projects. And of course, they too will have lots of fun!

Vacation Bible School – August 1 – 5

Vacation Bible School is back! After one summer online and another hybrid, we will now offer a full-fledged VBS. This year's theme is Jerusalem Marketplace. Participants will discover the bustling town of Jerusalem, meet special citizens, and experience what it was like in Bible-times. Kids will learn more about Jesus through stories, activities, and upbeat worship.

Did you discover a theme as you read through our summer events? MISSIONS is and will continue to be the heartbeat of our church. We exist to know and love Jesus Christ and to make him known. Whatever your age or ability, you are called to be on mission with us.



Schedule

Sunday, May 22

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

11:00 a.m. To-Go Spaghetti Lunch

Monday, May 23

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

Wednesday, May 25

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

2:30 p.m. Wonderful Wed. After School Program

5:15 p.m. Family Night Meal

6:00 p.m. Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Practice

Thursday, May 26

1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet

Sunday, May 29

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, May 30

Memorial Day

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, June 1

8:30 a.m. Pickle Ball

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Practice

Thursday, June 2

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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A Message from Minister of Young Families & Missions Elizabeth Kilby

It is great to be a part of a church that has a heart for missions. Continue to be in prayer for Cassidy Barker as she leaves for her year-long mission in Africa. We wish her the best flight, experience, and feeling of God's presence during the year. As we get updates, we will let you know as well.

Thank you for supporting us at the Chicago Spaghetti To-Go lunch fundraiser. It is great to have the team together to serve our church in this way and really rely on one another. As we are getting closer to leaving pray for those that we will impact. We are excited to be working with Restoration Ministries which the best description of them is a cross between, Powercross, Yokefellow, and Fifth Street, minus the overnight guests. We get to be hands and feet with their weekly volunteers, to serve, love, and support one another.

As we think about Memorial Day approaching, our thoughts are also with the families and friends who have lost loved ones in our nation's wars. These thoughts often make our hearts heavy and our souls weary. We serve a God who is able to sustain us, provide us peace, and grant us hope. Pray for the current protection of those in the middle of countries' struggles and always look for helpers. There will always be helpers.

Thank you for your love and your support.

Elizabeth

Spiritual Statistics

Weeks of May 8 & 15, 2022

	5/8	5/15
Live Stream Views.	32	22
In-Person.	182	154
Sunday School.	108	95

Financial Statistics

	May	Year-to-Date
Giving Goal	67,806.00	600,694.00
Budget Receipts	39,575.00	788,429.00
Monthly Not Met/YTD Met	(28,231.00)	187,735.00
Alms	868.00	9,090.00
Designated	4,719.00	83,077.00

Learning More About Our Members

The Barker Family

Lynn & Renee Barker began attending FBC when they were engaged and looking for a church. The friendliness and loving attitudes of church members and the staff were instrumental in us choosing FBC. It was just a great fit. They joined the church in March 1994 and were married in October 1994. They will celebrate 28 years of marriage this year. They have two daughters, Mackenzie (24) & Cassidy (21).

Lynn is General Manager at America's Home Place in Statesville, a custom home builder, and also performs with the Catalinas, a beach music band he first joined in 1980. Renee was a travel agent for many years, and then became a stay-at-home mom. She later worked some jobs in sales, but today she considers herself a full-time homemaker.

Mackenzie & Cassidy were born into the church, were both dedicated and baptized at FBC. They both attended preschool there and have been very involved since they were elementary age.

Every summer they helped with VBS and were a big part of our FBC youth. Both girls started at Statesville Christian at the ages of 3 and 4. They both graduated from Statesville Christian School and were both salutatorians of their respective graduating classes. Mackenzie graduated from Vanderbilt University with a double major in Molecular & Cellular Biology and Medicine, Health & Society with a concentration in Health Behaviors and Health Sciences and minored in Spanish. After graduating she started her journey in medical school at Eastern Virginia Medical School in Norfolk, VA. She recently started her fourth year at EVMS and will graduate in May 2023. She plans to pursue a Residency program in a Med/Peds program where she will be certified as an Internist and a Pediatrician. Mackenzie has future plans to serve as a doctor in the mission field. Cassidy just graduated (in three years) with honors in Philosophy and Theology from Anderson University. She has a heart for missions and helping others. Cassidy will leave on May 27 for a one-year trip to Tanzania to work as a missionary to the people of Tarime, Tanzania, a town of about 25,000 people. She will be there for one year. Cassidy has been gifted with an amazing vocal talent and has sang solos at FBC since the age of six. Both girls have also gone on two other international mission trips, one to the Dominican Republic and as a family they also traveled to Peru on missions.

Lynn has served as a Deacon and served on the Building & Grounds Committee and the Missions Team. He has also taught Sunday School for many years and presently leads the Crosswalk class. He also works with other church members building ramps for those in need. Renee served on the Ladies Thursday committee for several years and helped with VBS. As a family they have traveled to Belize on missions on five separate occasions with FBC. They are members of the Crosswalk Sunday school class.

They have the most fun just being together as a family. Whether it's on mission trips or simply walking on the beach during a vacation, they converse a lot and value their time together. Of the things they most value about FBC are the relationships they have developed over the years through the church and the close Christian friends they know they can rely on through good times or bad.



Memorial Day

*Greater love had no one than this:
to lay down one's life for one's friends.*

John 15:13





Announcements

Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser Sunday, May 22, 2022 11:00 a.m. - Adams Hall

Our Spaghetti To-Go lunch will be served this Sunday in Adams Hall immediately following the service. The to-go meals will be served in a 2 serving oven-safe pan. You will receive garlic bread and your choice of homemade dessert to go with it. A suggested donation will be \$12.00 per container. The meals can be frozen and pulled out for a later meal or shared with others, so stock up while they are available.

Thank you for supporting our Chicago Mission Trip. We are so excited to reach this community in service and in love.

Wednesday Evening Menus

May 25

spaghetti & meatballs, green beans, & jello
Kids Menu: same as adults menu

Be sure to make your reservations by Monday at 10:00 a.m. by calling the church office, e-mailing kayley@statesvillefbc.org, or using the Remind App.

Fifth Street Ministries Christmas in July

Sunday, July 17 - 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Drive Thru Lunch & Online Auction

Meal: pesto chicken, pork loin, potato salad, broccoli slaw, rolls, assorted desserts

\$10/plate CASH ONLY

Happy Birthday

June 2

Alamitra Blackwelder
Lexie Blackwelder

June 3

Jeffrey King
Eddie Wiseman

June 4

Andrew Kilby

June 5

Sarah Mullins

June 6

Dennis Dyckes
Nina Guy

Mike Plyler

Andrea Williams

June 7

Holly Hinceman

Jaye Lippard

June 8

Ellen Tsumas

June 9

Wayne Laws

June 10

Anita Hall

June 11

John Milwood

Becky Petree

David Potter

June 15

Hannah Beale

Gemma Hinceman

Caroline Taylor

Pam Winstron

June 16

Gwen Miller

Braiden Parlier

June 19

Peggy Koepnick

June 20

Izzy Faulkenberry

Theresa Williams

June 21

Evenlyn Funderburk

English Tsumas

Trey Whittenton

June 22

Edna Davis

Gary Fyfe

Brad Shook

June 25

Janet Hamlett

Fleeta Speaks

June 26

Pat McMillian

Katelyn Mitchell

Kim Strickland

June 27

Mac Funderburk

Richard Sykes

June 29

Dianne Martin

Terry Wimpy

