

First Baptist News

a family of faith



SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS AT FBC!

June 18-20, 2018

5:30-8:00 pm

For 4 year olds - 6th grade

Registration opens May 3



A couple of weeks ago I wrote that I wasn't ready for summer. Well, ready or not, it is here. I cannot say that I am fully prepared for all that is coming up, but I am looking forward to an exciting couple of months. One of the fallacies of the life of a church is that summer is a time when activities slow down. To be honest, there is no season in which church activities "slow down." It is true that our activities change, but I challenge anyone to look at our church calendar for the next ten weeks and tell me that we are slowing down. We are actually doing more, especially in our Youth and Children's ministries. Our youth will be going on two mission trips and a hiking/rafting retreat. The youth are also leading Camp Puzzle Piece. We are looking forward to Vacation Bible School as well as Lego and Art Camps and Music Day Camp for the children.

Our summer schedule is full and I am deeply grateful for each of you who give hours and effort to advance the cause of Christ through First Baptist. If you haven't found a way to serve this summer yet, then let me invite you to two "Saturdays of Caring." On June 16th, we will host **Community Café** in which we will serve a "homemade" meal to an average of 35 men, women and children. We host this event every third Saturday. We will serve the meal at 10:30 and finish cleaning up by noon. The next Saturday, June 23rd, FBCL is sponsoring the **NC Baptist Dental Van**. Dr. Colin Osborne is coordinating the medical/dental team that will provide health screening and dental cleanings and care. We need other volunteers to greet and register people when they come. The Dental Van project will be held at the Robeson County Church and Community Center. Volunteers for both these events do not have to have a special talent or skill. If you can smile and kindly say "hello and welcome," you are well qualified to help on either Saturday, or both!

Peace,
David

Preparing for Sunday . . .

"Kin to a Mad Man?"
Mark 3:20-35

In this Sunday's text, Jesus had just begun his ministry and was already the target of sharp criticism. It is true that he had re-interpreted the Sabbath law and his newly appointed band of disciples included a handful of men who did not appear to have the best qualifications for the job. Jesus did things his own way and thus, disrupted the status quo. His critics accused him of working for the devil, but Jesus reminded them of the demons he'd exorcised and said the devil doesn't work against himself. Jesus' family enter the scene and think he had "gone out of his mind." When he hears that his family has come to talk to him, Jesus says his true family are those who do the will of God. So, are we **Kin to a Mad Man?**



Contact Quinton Frederick or Morgan Miller to sign up to assist with our special needs camp.

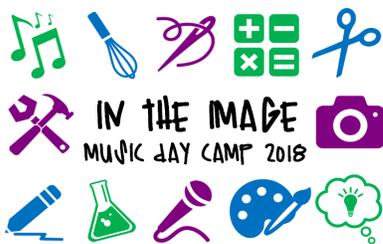


Knit Wits

Do you knit, crochet, cross-stitch, needlepoint, lap quilt, embroider, or do any other type of needle work? Do you love to sit and talk with old friends or get to know new friends? Do you like belonging to a group where there are no programs to plan and no refreshments to make? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then we have the group for you - Knit Wits!

On June 24th at 3:00, we will have a meeting to begin FBC Knit Wits. Bring whatever needle project you are working on and come to the church parlor. Or if you are just interested in learning what this is all about, bring yourself and join the fun.

At our first meeting, we will see what everyone is working on, what you want to learn to do, and possibly talk about some projects we can do to help local organizations. Watch your newsletter for more information! If you have questions, please contact Dede Southerland at deannabeth.southerland@gmail.com.



Volunteers are needed for Music Day Camp!
July 30-August 3, 2018
Contact Erin if you can help!

NC Baptist Dental Van/ Wellness on Wheels—June 23
at the Robeson County Church and Community Center

Volunteers are needed to greet and register people coming for Dental and Wellness Checks. Please contact David if you are available to help with this ministry.

Person of the Week

Tom Barker
Wesley Pines —Rm. A -138
1000 Wesley Pines Rd.
Lumberton, NC 28358

Send a card, letter, or other remembrance to our special person this week.

This Week. . .

Sunday, June 10

8:45 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Monday, June 11

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

Tuesday, June 12

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Circle

Wednesday, June 13

5:15 p.m. Family Night Supper
6:00 p.m. Family Night at Prayer

Saturday, June 16

10:00 a.m. Community Café

For the Record

Budgeted 2018.....	\$700,000.00
Weekly Need (2018)	\$13,461.54
Received June 3, 2018	\$8,811.40
Need to date.....	\$296,153.85
Received to date.....	\$260,486.03
Over (Under) Budget.....	(\$35,667.82)

Sunday School Attendance, June 3rd—207

Servants this Sunday, June 10

ETC—8:45 a.m.—Wendy Doeller

11:00 a.m.—

Welcoming— Judy & David Nicholson, Tim Hobbs

Entrance Greeters

Children's Building —Margie Cockrell

Walnut Street—Jim Driscoll

6th Street—Mickey & Johnny Johnson

Senior Entrance — George Lawson

Security Monitor—Sam Britt

Sound—Ross Driscoll

Video— Amy Gibson