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First Baptist News

FBC Lumberton is a community of faith committed to living out the love of Christ by serving God and all people.



Preparing for Sunday, May 26, 2024 **Trinity Sunday** "Journey Evangelism: Part II" Matthew 18:16-20 (NLT)



Join us for Sunday School at 9:30 am and for Worship in-person at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary or online on Facebook Live facebook.com/firstbaptistlumbertonnc or online on YouTube youtube.com/c/lumbertonfbc/

Coming up this week. . .

Sunday, May 26

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary) 10:30 a.m. Worship Online

<u>Monday, May 27</u>

Memorial Day

The Early Childhood Ministry and Church offices are closed.

Tuesday, May 28

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group (Zoom) 4:30 p.m. Youth Study on Denominations

(Conf. Rm.)

Pickleball (Fellowship Hall) 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 29

6:00 p.m. Grad Sunday Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 30

7:00 a.m. Parent Appreciation ECM Event

Set-up and decorating for the Seniors Luncheon will take place late afternoon/evening. As a result, we will not play Pickleball on May 30.

Friday, May 31
Scholarship Applications and Transcripts due

Saturday, June 1

3:00 p.m. Hispanic Ministry Bible Study (Act. Bld.)

Our Summer Gathering Schedule

Sunday Worship service will be held at 10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall June 9 to September 1. Once we start gathering in the Fellowship Hall for the summer, please enter for Worship at the Fellowship Hall Lobby. Look for a calendar of summer activities in the coming editions of First Baptist News!

Scholarship Apps Due May 31st!

Scholarship applications are available in the church office! All applications and transcripts must be submitted by May 31, 2024. This is a firm deadline. For more information, contact the church office (910-739-4336) or Rev. Doug Reedy (dougreedy@fbclumbertonnc.org).



A few scenes from Sunday's Pentecost celebration. Pentecost reminds us of the gift of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2) and marks the birth of the Church. Any birthday celebration needs cake so after worship we enjoyed fellowship on the front yard! Our kids reminded us of ways the Spirit blows, and everyone helped bring the story of Acts 2 to life with flames and the sound of wind.







Give to First Baptist Church! Here are some ways to donate to our ministries:

- Give during Sunday worship.
- Give through our secure online portal at fbclumbertonnc.org/give.
- Scan the QR code:
- Send us your contribution by mail:

606 N. Walnut Street, Lumberton, NC 28358

 Text FBC606 to 73256 to give using your mobile device.*

*Messages and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.









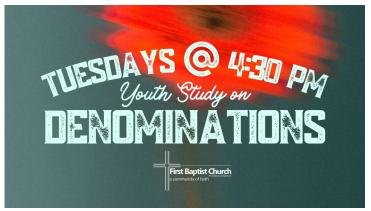
WELCOME!

This past Sunday (May 19) in worship Tyler Pittman joined First Baptist Church. We welcome him to our community of faith!

Tyler Pittman 144 Norris Drive Lumberton, NC 28358







Tuesdays at 4:30 pm we are having a series on a study of denominations as requested by the Youth. This is designed for serious students only, but all youth ages are welcome to attend. We plan to use the conference room to meet, but we may be doing some field trips as well. Our final meeting is May 28.

Hosts for Community Café

On the third Saturday of each month, we host Community Café. This is a program offered through downtown churches to help feed the hungry in our community. If your Sunday School class, small group, or group of friends are willing to host in 2024, please contact Rev. Doug Reedy or the church office.

Thank you to those who have already signed up!

June 15 — Colin & Glenda Osborne & Susan Welsh Class

July 20 — Young Adult Class Aug. 17 — Youth

Sept. 21 — at Asbury UMC

(118 Orange Street)



The Youth Music Retreat will take place from July 27th to August 1st this year. The total cost is \$150. This retreat is exclusively for youth who have rung bells at the Hanging of the Green or participated in Youth Sunday. The trip will involve various activities such as bell ringing, watching movies, playing cards, and a visit to Mystery Hill in Blowing Rock.

Registration will open soon! Contact Rev. Doug Reedy for more information.



We are using an invitation only model for Realm, which offers more security since administration has to review and approve each join request. If you wish to be sent an invite to join, please contact Kandace at 910-739-4336 or kandaceramsey@fbclumbertonnc.org and provide her with your name and email address.

Coming Up:

Tuesdays Apr. 30-May 28 — Youth Study on Denominations, 4:30 pm

May 21-24 — Rev. Josh Owens will be out of the office.

May 27 — Memorial Day. The ECM and offices are closed.

May 29-31 — Kandace will be working from home (Jury Duty summons for the 28th).

May 29 — PreK field trip to Planetarium, 10 am May 30 — ECM's Family Appreciation Day with Barefoot Brew Coffee, 7 am

May 31 — Scholarship Applications & Transcripts are due. This is a firm deadline.

June 2 — Grad Sunday

June 2-8 — Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard, Plymouth Trip. Rev. Josh Owens is attending.

June 3 — Scholarship Committee Meeting, 6 pm, Conference Room

June 6 — NC PreK Graduation Program, 10 am, Fellowship Hall. The church is invited to attend.

June 7 — Last day of school for PSRC Students

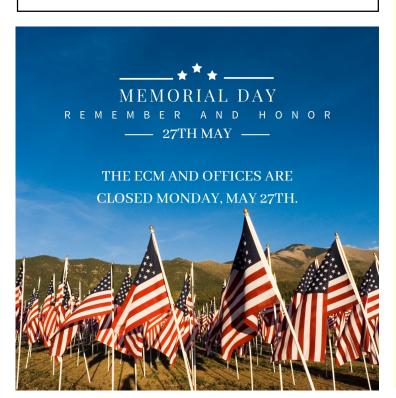
June 9 — Friends of Jesus Fun Day

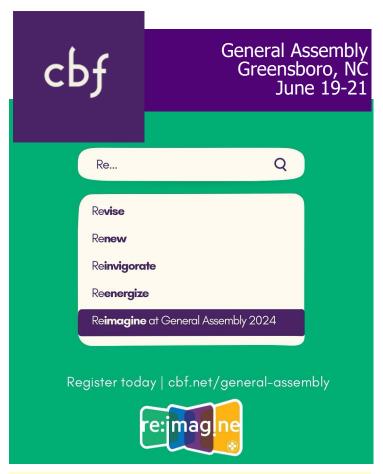
June 9 — Sunday worship services will be held in the Fellowship Hall for the summer months. Rev. Doug Reedy will be preaching June 9th.

June 15 — Community Café, hosted by Colin & Glenda Osborne & Susan Welsh Class

June 16 — Father's Dav

June 19-21 — CBF General Assembly in Greensboro. Rev. Josh Owens will be out of the office to attend.





You're invited to join us in Greensboro, N.C. for the 2024 CBF General Assembly as we come together at the Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons/Koury Convention Center for learning, worship, inspiration and fellowship! To register, visit https://cbf.net/general-assembly.

This summer at General Assembly, we will re:imagine as we live out our faith through our unique Baptist identity and are ever being transformed through the Holy Spirit. Together, we'll consider transformation through imagination – our own and that of the Holy Spirit moving through us as a community. With the idea of re:, we're exploring the idea of "regarding imagination" as well as the transforming quality of re-imagining – revising, reinvigorating, reenergizing, and renewing.

You can register for the event and attend some or all of it. Thursday is Rev. Owens' suggested day for folks who may want to drive up and experience it for a day. This would be the day there is a morning plenary session with the guest speaker, and multiple workshops are an option. Friday is when the business session takes place in the morning, and only one workshop takes place. Rev. Owens will be attending all days.



Our Friends of Jesus class will have a couple of Fun Days in June. The class is planning to have fun activities such as games and activities in the Activities Building, lunch, and a bowling trip.

<u>Sunday, June 9th 11:00 am—2:00 pm</u>

This group has more mobility needs, so they will do more indoor games and activities, then go bowling.

<u>Sunday, June 30th 10:30 am—2:00 pm</u> This group will do mostly outdoor games and activities and then go bowling.

Please contact any of our Pastors or Judith & Hoss Watts if you are willing to lend a hand on either or both dates.

Servants this Sunday

Please enter for Worship at the Sanctuary.

9:30 Sunday School Entrance Greeters

6th Street Ramp, 9:00—9:30 am (Handicap)
Dianne & Layton Britt
ECM Entrance, 9:00 — 9:30 am (Handicap)
Gene Horne

10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

Sanctuary Vestibule 10:00—11:30 am Jimmy & Billie Dail

Nursery — Ashlynn Cox, Jenna Davis

Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon, Nancy Wagner



It's that time of year again! The ECM's Family Appreciation Day has been scheduled for Thursday, May 30th, beginning at 7 a.m. To show our ECM families how much we appreciate them, we will have the Barefoot Brew Wagon here to help get the morning started! As parents or grandparents drop off children, they will be invited to help yourself to a hot or cold coffee, frappe, or smoothie courtesy the ECM.

Our Nominating Committee will hold their first meeting soon. We give thanks for those who serve on this committee as they prayerfully consider leaders for our community of faith. Please be in prayer for this group as they seek leadership for the upcoming 2024-2025 year and that hearts may be opened to serve as leaders.

On May 14th we held our annual Military
Appreciation Luncheon. This meal serves as a way
for our faith community to say thank you to those
who have served our nation in the armed services. It
also is a chance for these individuals to connect
with others of similar experience for encouragement
and fellowship. We welcomed Colonel Eugene
Waymen, USAF (Ret.) as our speaker. He has
served as the rector at fellow downtown Lumberton
church, Trinity Episcopal Church for 12 years. Prior
to ministry, Father Wayman served over 25 years in
the US Air Force as a nuclear missile launch
officer, and as a unit commander in logistics over
six assignments and five years overseas.

People of the Week

Send a card, letter, or other remembrance to our very special people this week. Paul has a birthday May 23rd!



Paul & Dyanne Stone 1409 Eisenhower St. Lumberton, NC 28358



Contact Us

Please call the office to make sure someone is in the office before stopping by.

Now that the school year is wrapping up, office staff and ministers will be in-and-out of the office to attend kid's events, award ceremonies, and other family-related activities. While we may not be in the office, we are still available by cell, text. or email.

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We say "Thank You" again to all of our FBCL and greater community members who have served our nation!



