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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.





Congratulations, Graduates!

<u>High School Graduates</u> Faith Harrelson Noah Paige

> <u>Marshals</u> Ava Bolles Bindi Ivey Kaitlyn Reedy

<u>College Graduates</u> Michael (Mike) Salter Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies Carolina College of Biblical Studies

Preparing for Sunday, June 1, 2025 Grad Sunday Baccalaureate Service led by Rev. Doug Reedy John 15:1-7 (NRSVue) "Times Like These"

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

Seniors Luncheon will be held by invitation only in the Fellowship Hall immediately following Worship.

Coming up this week. . .

Sunday, June 1

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship (in the Sanctuary)

10:30 a.m. Worship (online)

Monday, June 2

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Conf. Rm.)

Tuesday, June 3

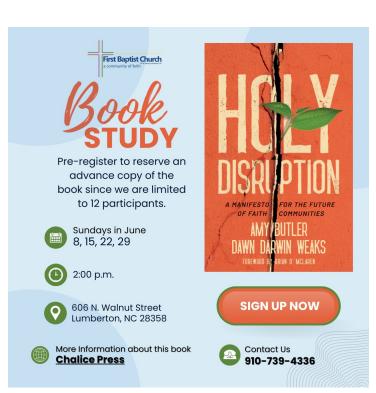
7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group (Zoom)

<u>Thursday, June 5</u>

10:00 a.m. NC PreK Graduation Program (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday, June 7

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



Join us for a special book study in June on Sundays the 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th at 2 PM. We will be diving into the thought-provoking book "Holy Disruption: A Manifesto for the Future of Faith Communities" by Amy Butler & Dawn Darwin Weaks. This is an exclusive opportunity to explore a book that has not yet been published. We have secured 12 pre-publishing copies for participants, along with the chance to engage in a dialogue with one of the authors. Space is limited to 12 participants, so be sure to sign up early to secure your spot and receive a copy of the book. Let's embark on this enriching journey together!

Scholarship Committee Meeting Tuesday, June 10 7:00 p.m.

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.*



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



Wednesday, May 21st was our last regular Wednesday night gathering for Adult Bible Study, Youth Doing Missions, and Children's Music & Missions until September. Our Baptist Women's Bible Study Group, WMU, and Fun & Fellowship Group will take a break from meeting during the summer months as well. Meetings will resume in September.

We will move 10:30 am Sunday Worship to the Fellowship Hall starting <u>June 15th</u>. We previously published June 8th, but we want to have Pentecost Sunday in the Sanctuary. We will continue to worship in the Fellowship Hall likely through the month of September.

First Sunday Food Drive—June 1st

In the coming weeks, you can help feed the hungry in our community by bringing canned or dry goods to donate to our First Sunday Food Drive. Donations collected will be sent to local food banks. As you are out and about the next couple of weeks, pick up an extra can and bring it with you Sunday. Suggestions: Pop-top canned goods, cereal, peanut butter, canned meats, pasta & pasta sauce. Items should be in-date and in their original packaging.

Servants this Sunday

Please enter for Worship at the Sanctuary Vestibule.

9:30 Sunday School

Entrance Greeters 9:00 – 9:30 am 6th Street Ramp (Handicap) - JW & Angie Lawson ECM Entrance (Handicap) - Dianne & Layton Britt

10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

Vestibule 10:00—11:30 am Gene Horne

Nursery — Jenna Davis, Brooke Blackmon

Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon, Pattie Ramsaur

Worship with Us

606 N. Walnut Street fbclumbertonnc.org

Childcare is available on Sundays and Wednesdays. Nursey care (birth-age 2) is available in room D-107. Children age 3—K are invited to attend Extended Session after the children's sermon on Sundays in Room D-111. Children in 1st grade and older attend the full worship service.

SUMMER SCHEDULE 2025

Sundays — Worship in Fellowship Hall starting June 15

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School 10:30 a.m.—Worship In-person, Facebook Live, YouTube

Wednesday Night Gatherings are paused until September.

Can't make it our services inperson? We stream most of our services on Facebook Live and on YouTube!

Scan the QR code to the right with your cell phone camera to access our social media pages,

YouTube Channel, and our

website. To be added to our email list, contact Kandace (kandaceramsey@fbclumbertonnc.org).



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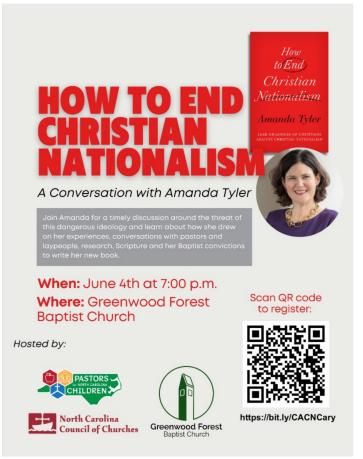
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How to End Christian Nationalism Event

Date: June 4, 2025

Time: 7 p.m. (Departing the church at 4:30 pm) Location: Greenwood Forest Baptist Church

Address: 110 SE Maynard Road, Cary, NC 27511

This event is free and registration is required. If you are unable to attend in person, there is an option to join via livestream. Once you submit registration through the link below you will receive a confirmation email with the information you'll need to attend. At the event, you'll have an opportunity to buy *How to End Christian Nationalism* and get it signed by the author after the conversation.

You will need to do TWO things in order to go:

- Register for the event on your own. Link to Register for the Event: http://bit.ly/CACNCary
- 2. Let us know you if you will be riding with us so we can plan transportation needs.

We will eat on the way to the gathering so bring money for food and for the book if you plan to purchase it there.

Coming Up:

June Book Study—Sundays (8, 15, 21, 29) at 2 pm

June 8 — Pentecost Sunday. Wear red/orange. Sunset Slush will be on campus.

June 9 — ECM Summer Care Begins

June 10 — Nominating Committee Meeting 5:30 pm;

Scholarship Committee Meeting 7 pm

June 11—Meet 'n Eat at Your Pie, 6 pm

June 12 — ECM's Donuts with Dad, 7:30-9:00 am, Fellowship Hall

June 12 — Snr/Retired Adults trip to Vince Gill concert in Durham

June 14 — VBS, 9 am—12 noon

June 15 — Father's Day. Worship will be held in the Fellowship Hall for the summer months starting this date.

June 17 — Meet 'n Eat at Tuscany NY Italian & Pizzeria, 6 pm

June 19 — Juneteenth

June 21 — Community Café, hosted by Young Adult Sunday School Class

June 22-27 — Youth Passport Trip

June 23 — Meet 'n Eat at Finn Olivers, 12 noon

June 23 — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Buildings & Grounds Committee is invited to attend Finance meeting. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

June 24-27 — CBF General Assembly, St. Louis

June 29 — BINGO, 3:00 pm, Act. Bld.

June 30-July 3 — Kandace working remotely.

July 4 — Independence Day. Offices & ECM closed.

July 12-18 — Youth Appalachia Service Project (ASP) Trip. We'll be going to Clay Co., WV.

July 19-21 — Friends of Jesus Happiness Retreat, Camp Caraway

Family of the Week

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



Jim & Judy Driscoll 4900 Willow Oak Drive Lumberton, NC 28358

Nominating Committee will meet June 10th at 5:30 pm to plan for the 2025-2026 year. Please be in prayer for this group and that positions may be filled quickly with folks willing to lead.



We're sending a group of young people and chaperones to serve with Appalachia Service Project (ASP) this summer. To prepare for this trip, we need a few folks to sponsor the purchase of tools we need to take with us, including tape measurers, hammers, screwdrivers, a nail pouch, and safety goggles. A donation of \$50 sponsors one youth's tools for this mission trip. Please give the sponsorship separate from your contribution giving for ease of recordkeeping. Contact the office or Rev. Doug Reedy to contribute.

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Drivers & volunteers needed to drive the church bus to Wesley Pines and bring residents to church on Sundays



We are looking for folks willing to drive the church bus to Wesley Pines to pick up residents for church. We already have some folks volunteered but we could use a few more. For the rest of May and early June, we will continue to recruit drivers. For the second half of June and July we will work on a schedule. Hopefully we can begin the program the first Sunday in August! Contact the office or the Pastors to be added to our drivers list.



Student registration for Vacation Bible School at FBCL is now OPEN!

The Children's Committee is thrilled to share that this year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) will take place on Saturday, June 14th from 9 am to 12 noon! Children aged 4 through 5th grade are welcome to join us. The theme for this year is "Rodeo Roundup: Wildly Praising God," and our focus verses will be taken from Psalm 128:10, 12 in the NIRV version.

The morning will kick off with a big group celebration, followed by rotations through various engaging stations, and will conclude with a grand closing ceremony. We'll have crafts, snacks, rec time, and music.

To pre-register your child, pick up a paper registration form from the church or complete it online through Google forms. A link to the online option is also included in the emails from the church and on our social media pages.

https://forms.gle/ v25VwrFcVTKe8gQx8



Volunteer to help with VBS

Will you commit to volunteering for this year's Vacation Bible School? We have

several opportunities to pick from including group leaders, station helpers, refreshment coordinators, check-in, and as needed (floater). A full list and description of each area of need is on the bulletin boards around the church. In order to make events like this possible and be successful, we need at least 20 willing folks to commit to help.

How to sign-up to serve:

- Contact the office
- Contact any of the Children's Committee Members or Pastors
- Sign up to serve online through ACS Realm:



First Baptist Church a community of faith Summer at FIRST BAPTIST

JUNE 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Grad Sunday	2	3	4 How to End Christian Nationalism Amanda Tyler	5	6	7
Pentecost Sunset Slush following Worship 2PM Book Study	9	10	Meet n Eat @Your Pie 6PM	12	13	14 VBS 9AM -12PM
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
PASSPOR June 22 - 27 2PM Book Study	Tchoices. Meet n Eat Finn Olivers 12PM	cbf General Assembly, St. Louis, MO June 24-27				
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2PM Book Study						

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