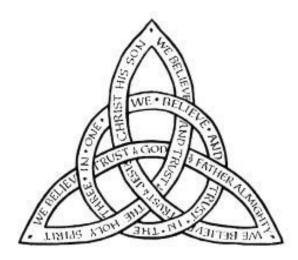
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### First Baptist News

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





We believe and trust in God the Father Almighty.
We believe and trust in Jesus Christ his Son.
We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit.
We believe and trust in the Three in One.

Preparing for Sunday, June 15, 2025 Trinity Sunday Psalm 8 (NLT) "The Majestic Name"

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

For the summer months, we will gather for Worship in Cherry Fellowship Hall at 10:30 a.m. beginning this Sunday, June 15. Please enter for Worship through the Fellowship Hall lobby entrance. We will likely continue gathering in Cherry Fellowship Hall through September.

#### Coming up this week...

#### Sunday, June 15

Trinity Sunday Happy Father's Day

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship (in Cherry Fellowship Hall)

10:30 a.m. Worship (online) 2:00 p.m. Book Study

Monday, June 16

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

Tuesday, June 17

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group (Zoom) 6:00 p.m. Meet 'n Eat at Tuscany Italian

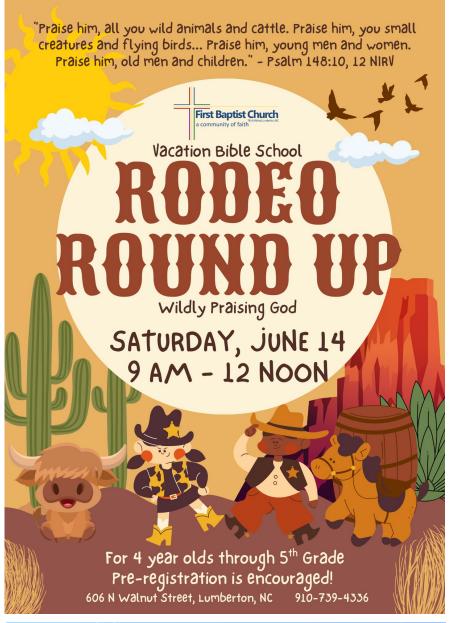
Saturday, June 21

10:00 a.m. Community Café (Act. Bld.)

hosted by Young Ad. S.S. Class

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





#### VBS is this Saturday, June 14th!

To 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 included in the emails from the church and on our social media pages.

We appreciate the volunteers signed up to help. Look for an email from Rev. Josh Owens that contains details about VBS that will be helpful for you.







#### 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 Cherry 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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2025 CBF General Assembly "You Belong Here" St. Louis, Missouri June 24-26, 2025

In a year that feels more polarized than ever before. we want to be a place of belonging—where everyone is not just welcome to our table and in our communities but feel a deep sense of belonging in our Fellowship. Together, we will reflect on what radical hospitality can look like and explore the texts that call us to no longer be strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household. Rev. Josh Owens will be attending. For more information about the 2025 CBF General Assembly in St. Louis and to register, visit https://cbf.swoogo.com/assembly.

#### From Our Associate Pastor

Thank you to everyone who helped out our youth going on Appalachia Service Projects to have the tools they need! There is a lot involved in planning our first ASP trip. We have been assigned to Clay County, WV. Please keep all of us in your prayers as we ready ourselves for this July adventure.

Prayers are also coveted for those going on Passport this summer. That trip to Spartanburg SC is now less than 10 days out. Youth at Passport Choices will be able to choose between worship, drama, art, sports, and missions for a few hours each day, plus Bible studies and worship services.

For both trips, please pray that we will grow closer to God, our church, and each other. Pray that all of us, even the adults, behave in ways that glorify God. Pray everyone works hard in West Virginia and chooses to dive in 100% to the discipleship opportunities in South Carolina. Please also pray for safe travel and safety on the trips themselves.

On the last Sunday night of youth, we circled up and shared about our own experiences. We shared ideas for becoming better in our areas of strength while also improving our areas that need it. We cleared the air and forgave each other for past incidences. We prayed together. I share this with you mainly just to say we have positive momentum going into the summer and I'm seeing so much spiritual growth among our youth.

Pray matters. It will be an emphasis for us throughout this summer and beyond. On behalf of our youth, thank you for your prayers and support! We will carry them with us on our travels.

Grace & Peace, *Doug* 





Parents of Youth — check your email regularly for updates from Rev. Doug Reedy. He recently sent packing list and more information you will need to prepare for Passport Choices.

**June 22-27** — Passport Choices Trip (full)

**July 12-18** — Appalachia Service Project Trip (full). We'll be going to Clay County, WV.

**July 26-31** — Youth Music Retreat. This is open for those who rang bells. \$150 due 6/30!

#### 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) - Brenda & James Britt ECM Entrance (Handicap) - Sue O'Tuel

#### 10:30 Worship Entrance Greeters

FH Lobby 10:00—11:30 am J.W. & Angie Lawson

Nursery — Jenna Davis, Brooke Blackmon

Extended Session — Brooke Blackmon, Nancy Wagner

#### Coming Up:

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

June 22-27 — Youth Passport Trip

June 23 — Meet 'n Eat at Finn Oliver's, 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. Deacons will review proposed changes to the Bylaws as presented by Bylaws Committee.

June 24-26 — CBF General Assembly, St. Louis

**June 27** — Proposed Bylaws change will be emailed with the weekly newsletter. A printed or mailed copy will be available by request.

**June 29** — BINGO, 3:00 pm, Act. Bld.

**June 30-July 3** — Kandace working remotely.

**Thursdays in July (10, 17, 24, 31)** - Bible Study at 219 Elm at 9 am

July 4 — Independence Day. Offices & ECM closed.

July 6 — Rev. Doug Reedy preaching

**July 9** — Meet 'n Eat at Slim Chickens/Baskin Robbins in Pembroke, 6 pm

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

**July 15** — Meet 'n Eat at Chick-fil-A Jackson Court location, 6 pm

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

**July 19** — Children's trip to White Lake Water Park

July 19 — Community Café, hosted by Deacons

July 18 —Senior/Retired Adults trip to Branson final payment is due. We encourage to make payment before this final deadline.

**July 20** — Sandra Cox will be preaching. We will observe the Ordinance of Communion.

**July 20** — Branson trip meeting at 2 pm, Act. Bld.

**July 21** — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

July 23 — Meet 'n Eat at Retro City Arcade, 6 pm

July 26-31 — Youth Music Retreat

**July 30** — Endowment Committee Meeting, 5 pm

**July 30**— Quarterly Church Conference at 6 pm with Nominating Committee Report and Proposed Bylaws Change.

**July 30** — Meet 'n Eat at Blake's Ice Cream Parlor, following the church conference, 6:30 pm

Nominations for Deacon accepted August 1-31.

The church bus will begin picking up Wesley Pines residents to bring them to church starting Sunday, August 3.

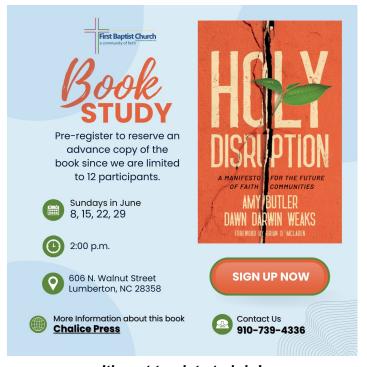




Drivers & volunteers needed to drive the church bus to Wesley Pines and bring residents to church on Sundays



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. Through 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.



#### It's not too late to join!

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. We do have some books still available—free of charge.



#### Senior/Retired Adults:

We have a limited number of tickets to Gaither Family Fest 2026 happening May 22-24, 2026 in Gatlinburg, TN.

The cost is \$475.00 and a \$50 non-refundable deposit is required to hold your space. The cost includes tickets to 5 events, 3 nights lodging, and transportation. You will need to prepare to purchase meals on your own. We also need a couple folks willing to drive the church van/bus for the group.

If you'd like to join or want more information, please contact the office or Phyllis Gibson as soon as possible. Let's make plans to enjoy a weekend of music and fellowship in the mountains!

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor of or in memory of a loved one, we currently have many Sundays available. Call the church office to reserve. Once your date is reserved, we encourage you to contact your florist to arrange delivery of the flowers. The florist most are using are The Secret Garden Florist on Liberty Hill Road (910-272-0000).

#### **Person of the Week**

Send a card, letter, or other remembrance to our very special person this week. She recently moved, and has a birthday coming up June 17th!

Sandra Cox 5276 Hwy 131 Hwy Bladenboro, NC 28320



#### 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.\*



**GIVING** 

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



Help us make sure we have the most current information on file in the church office. Complete the online form in your emails from the church or pick up a paper copy during Worship. It has been some time since we have verified contact information for our congregants, and this will help us insure we have the most current information on file for you and your family! This will also help us in assessing the need for a 2026 church directory.

# 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	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
15 Tallicis- Bay- Worship moved to Fellowship Hall for the Summer 2PM Book Study	16	Meet n Eat  ® Tuscany NY Italian & Pizzeria 6PM	18	19 JUNE TEENTH	20	21 Community Cafe hosted by YA SS
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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29 SUNGO 3PM Act. Bld.	30	1	2	3	4	5
2PM Book Study						

9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship First Baptist Church

### Summer at

### FIRST BAPTIST

# JULY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29 SONGO 3PM Act. Bld.	30	1	2	3	4 Independence Day Office Closed	5
Rev. Doug Reedy preaching	7	8	Meet n Eat @ Slim Chickens Pembroke 6PM	1O  9AM Bible Study @219 Elm	11	12
13 ASP Appalachia	July 12 - 18 Youth Trip	15	1(5 Meet n Eat @ Chick-fil-A Jackson Court 6PM	17  9AM Bible Study @219 Elm	18	Kids Trip t Water Par Community Café hosted by Deacon
20 Sandra Cox preaching FOJ Happiness F July 19 - 2		22	23 Meet n Eat @ Retro City Arcade 6PM	24  9AM Bible Study @219 Elm	25	26
27 Youth Music Retreat July 26-31	28	29	30 Quarterly Conference MEETING Meet n Eat  @ Blakes 6:30	9AM Bible Study @219 Elm	Deacon Nominations Begin Aug. 1st.	2

Sundays 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship in Fellowship Hall