



First Baptist Church  
Lexington, NC

# STEEPLE TALK JUNE 2017

## CONGRATULATIONS FIRST BAPTIST GRADUATES

**Arise, shine, for your light has come and the glory of the Lord rises upon you!"**

### High School

Sam Amos: NC School of Science & Mathematics – Clemson University  
Kacie Beck: Central Davidson High School – Appalachian State University  
Meredith Belk: Central Davidson High School– Appalachian State University  
Jillian Briggs: North Davidson High School – Appalachian State University  
Andy Killebrew: Central Davidson High School – Wake Forest University  
Grayson Lambros: West Davidson High School – NC State University  
Will Lancaster: Lexington Senior High School – Catawba University  
Brett Lingerfelt: West Davidson High School– Wake Forest University  
Lily Thornhill: – Lexington Senior High School – UNC Asheville

### College

Matthew Alexander: Western Carolina University  
Colin Brett Beamer: NC State University  
Garland Beamer: UNC Charlotte  
Austin Berrier: Virginia Tech  
Meredith Briggs: Appalachian State University  
Courtney Foster: Catawba University  
Madeline Rector: Elon University  
Mary Caroline Sharp: UNC Wilmington  
Carter Skotthy: NC State University

### Graduate School

Callie Auman: Minnesota State University  
Molly Basdeo: University of South Carolina  
Amelia Beamer: Syracuse University

**High School Baccalaureate Service is Sunday, June 4.**

## MEETINGS AND EVENTS JUNE 2017

- June 5 Frady- Johnson Mission Group in  
Conference Room at 1:45 p.m.  
June 6 Carolyn Phillips Mission Group, noon at  
Yarborough's Restaurant  
June 14 Meeting – Tag Line Development  
Session – 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall  
June 18 Finance Committee Meeting in Parlor  
at 9:00 a.m.

## JULY 2017

- July 9 Meagan Smith's First Sunday  
and Communion  
July 9 Church Picnic  
July 10–14 Vacation Bible School  
July 16 Finance Committee Meeting in  
Parlor at 9:00 a.m.  
July 17–21 Youth at Passport

## JUST FOR WOMEN

The Carolyn Phillips Mission Group would like to invite all the women in the church to a special event on Tuesday, June 6 at 12 noon at Yarborough's Restaurant. Cecilia Beck, CBF Missionary in Shelby, will be updating us on her work and sharing a special project with us. Working with the youth in her distressed neighborhood, she has started a jewelry business to benefit the youth. Join us for lunch if possible, hear what Cecilia is doing and buy some jewelry. Seating is limited for lunch (we will order off the menu), so please call Kay Albright at 336-248-4130 no later than June 2 to make a reservation. No reservation is needed to come buy jewelry (come about 1:00 p.m.).

## MEAGAN SMITH BEGINS HER MINISTRY WITH US ON JULY 9

Meagan Smith, our new Associate Minister, will begin her ministry with us on Sunday, July 9 as we celebrate Communion. July 9 will also be our annual church picnic.

## EXTENDED SESSIONS

- June 4: Bed Babies - M/M Jon Myers, Toddlers/2 Year-Olds** – Jen Fuller Allen, Brooke Williams, **3 & 4 Year- Olds** - Donna Sink, Ann Bishop  
**June 11: Bed Babies** – M/M Kyle Kepley, **Toddlers/2 Year-Olds** – M/M Thomas Jolly, **3 & 4 Year-Olds** – Beverly Fulbright, Brenda Hipp  
**June 18: Bed Babies** – M/M Greg Briggs, **Toddlers/2 Year-Olds** – M/M Jim Skotthy, **3 & 4 Year-Olds** – Margaret Ann Maddox, Anna Raye Tate  
**June 25: Bed Babies** – M/M Dale Lambeth, **Toddlers/2 Year-Olds** – M/M Zak Young, **3 & 4 Year-Olds** – Katie Hartley, Kelly Wright

## KAMP KIWANIS BASKETS

We will again be providing baskets for the Kamp Kiwanis campers to take home at the conclusion of camp this summer. Kacie Beck will be coordinating this effort. Donations of items for the baskets are needed. We will need items for approximately 65 campers. Those items include: *Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Floss, Combs, Tissue Packs, Chap Stick, Fruit Cups, Juice Boxes, Wash Clothes, 2 in 1 Shampoo/ Conditioner, Cheese or Peanut Butter Crackers, Fruit Gummies, Single Serve Cereals, Granola/Nut Bars, Sugarless Gum.* There is a box to drop off donations on the ground floor near the elevator. Monetary donations will also be accepted and appreciated. All donations are needed by June 15. Monetary donations may be sent to the church office and designated Kiwanis Mission.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

Through April 30, 2017 total revenue received for the church was \$200,097. The total expenses for the same time period were \$191,073. Our giving is slightly behind what it was at this time in 2016. Our 2017 total budget is \$717,493. The Endowment Balance is \$1,591,0735. We are seeing steady growth with our endowment funds. Please continue to be faithful with your financial commitments to the church.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JULY 10–14

Calling all heroes, calling all heroes...  
Registration is now open.  
Kids VBS ages 3 – through 8<sup>th</sup> grade,  
Adult Study and Volunteers

### HERO CENTRAL

“Discover your strength in GOD!”

Monday, July 10 – Friday, July 14

5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Dinner 5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Register on line at

<http://2017.cokesburyvbs.com/FBCLEX>  
or call Kelly Mitcham – 336-596-6581

Get ready for an action packed 5 day Superhero Training Camp where kids experience awesome adventures alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes and discover their strength in God! HERO CENTRAL prepares kids to DO GOOD, SEEK PEACE and GO AFTER IT!

Needed Superheroes:

- Bible Storytellers (2)
- Adult Bible Study Leader
- Music Leader
- Youth Leader (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades)
- Missions Leader
- Snack Leader
- Dinner Crew
- Guide Assistants
- Pre-school Leader for 3 year olds
- AV Tech
- Registration
- First Aid
- Decorators
- Cleanup Crew

Items Needed:

- 2 large refrigerator/freezer boxes
- Masking Tape
- Packing Tape
- Duct Tape (colors, designs, etc.)
- Fishing Line
- Safety Fencing (orange/yellow)

- Foam Insulation Boards 4' x 8'
- Sturdy Boxes (prefer new)
- Black Spray Paint
- Table Clothes (4 red, 4 blue, 4 yellow)
- Tissue Paper (yellow, orange, red)
- School Glue
- Tag board/Poster board (white)
- Construction Paper (Heavy duty, red, blue yellow)
- 100 Votive Candle Holders (clear, just glass votive)

Things to Borrow:

- Bean Bags
- Lava Lamps

## MEMORIALS

### General Fund:

**Lester Jenkins** by Betty Sink

**Doris Atchinson** by Ron & Judy

Worthington

### Endowment Fund:

**David Jackson, Dwight Hall, Doris Belk,**

**Lester Jenkins and Lucy Carpenter** by

Peggy Barnhardt

### Martha Best Children's Center:

**Virginia Sink** by Kelly Sink

### Undesignated Memorials:

**Mary Tysinger** by Gwen, Joe & Karen Charles

## HONORARIUMS

### General Fund:

**Senior Adult Choir** by Sue Beck Bowles

### Music Ministry:

**Peggy Barnhardt's Birthday** by Betty Sink

**Peggy Barnhardt** by John & Myra Thacker

### Building and Grounds:

**R.N. and Kay Hardin** by Kathy Murphy

## 2018 HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

You are invited to join us on a life-changing Holy Land pilgrimage February 22–March 4, 2018. Detailed information is available in the church office.

## CHURCH SECURITY

Our Deacons have formed a Safety and Security Committee to initiate procedures to safeguard our congregation and the Children's Center. We have a large church facility. On Sunday mornings the entire building is open. We will soon be locking all church doors at the beginning of the worship service with the exception of the Sanctuary. We also plan to install an internal keypad lock to limit the access to the Children's Dining Hall during the week. Surveillance cameras will be installed both inside and outside our church. Safety improvements were included in this year's budget.

We will keep the congregation informed on all new security measures. We live in a changing and at times, dangerous world. We have a sacred responsibility to be vigilant and proactive to provide for the safety of our children and the church family as we meet to study and worship.

## MISSIONFEST BACK TO SCHOOL BASH SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

Save the date as First Baptist will be sponsoring Missionfest. This will be a fun and meaningful afternoon of music, activities and opportunities for our community members to have fun and learn about our community and mission partners. This will be a parking lot block party outreach that will invite our neighbors to come and experience the excitement and fellowship of our church.

We need your help. Through the summer, we will be collecting school supplies in the Fellowship Hall lobby and Church Office to provide to the children. We will need folks to bake cookies, grill hot dogs, set up, take down, etc. How can your Sunday School class help? How can you help? More details will follow over the summer. For more information, contact Barry Sink at [barry@oldelexington.com](mailto:barry@oldelexington.com).

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