First Baptist Church

Lexington, NC

SUNDAYS IN MAY

May 5th - Randy Hall

May 12th - Tommy Wilson

May 19th - Randy Hall

May 26th - Ray Nance Howell

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is an exciting and important time in the life of FBC. Our kids, as well as the daycare children, look forward to Bible School each year. It is time, once again, to begin planning for this exciting event! We need people who have talents in decorating, teaching, serving snack/supper, crafts and recreation. We also need those who can simply provide love and encouragement to our VBS will be June children. 24th-27th this year. If you are available to help in ANY way, whether through teaching, leading a group, or just spending one on one time with a child, please let Eryn Myers know. You may call/text 336-250-8363 or email, jegwmyers@triad.rr.com.

LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS SUNDAY, MAY 19th

The Lexington High School Chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Melonie Rector, will be a part of our worship service on May 19th.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW MINISTER OF MUSIC

At the quarterly business meeting held on Wednesday, May 1st, Wes Richardson was officially named the permanent Minister of Music. We are grateful to Wes for sharing his musical talents with First Baptist and look forward to more Sunday's with the joyous sounds of the choir. Congratulations Wes!



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Steeple Talk

Faith

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BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY JUNE 2nd

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!!!

Please send your name, a picture and the name of the college you plan to attend to Sherri in the church office by **May 26th**. (sherri@fbclex.org) Also, please let Sherri know if you plan to attend the Baccalaureate service with cap and gown on Sunday, June 2nd.

ATTENTION COLLEGE GRADUATES!!!

Please send your name, college you graduated from and the degree you received. Your information will be printed in the bulletin on Baccalaureate Sunday.

Congratulations to all on your achievements!

A NOTE FROM RANDY

If you missed last Sunday, you missed some majestic music and wonderful leadership from our Senior Adults! Our thanks go to the Davidson County Chamber Winds, under the direction of two of our own - Alex Upton and Hailey Walker - for their lovely music. Wes not only coordinated music with DCCW but even PLAYED with the group! many positive comments, too, about the anthem, a medley of old-time favorites. We are also grateful to Sharon Palmer and Becky Kirkendall, along with the Planning Committee, for their work on our Senior Adult Sunday. We will welcome back Beverly this Sunday! After successful hip surgery, Beverly will return to the organ bench and enhance our worship with her gift of music. She was responsible for recruiting Mike Hendrix for us, and we certainly enjoyed him and thank her. Special music will continue later in May when the Lexington High School Choral Ensemble will join us on May 19 for a presentation. Under the direction of Melonie Rector, they will join us late in our worship service after performing at First United Methodist Church. My preaching themes for May 5th and 19th will center on two of the great Christian prayers, one from the 12th century and the other from the 20th. The lives of those who gave us these prayers are as inspirational as the prayers themselves. I believe that the truth contained in them will be a rich resource for your continuing Christian growth. They have certainly enriched my walk with Christ. So I look forward to our worship and life together throughout the month of May. May the Lord be with us, each and all.

MEMORIALS

GENERAL FUND: Rod Penry and Sarah Vick by Brenda Hipp; Sarah Vick by Jacqueline Inman and Fred & Lynda Belk;

Lamar Clark by Charles & Dottie McGirt; Dot Walser by Edwin & Sara Messer

ENDOWMENT FUND: Sara Lineberger and Sarah Vick by Peggy Barnhardt

MBCC SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Sara Lineberger by Don & Ann Bishop

VAN FUND: Rod Penry by Patrick & Barbara Harrison, Sara Delapp and Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center; Rod Penry &

Evelyn Kepley by Helen Tilley

HONORARIUM

TOUCHING DAVIDSON COUNTY WITH LOVE: Judy LeCroy by Gary & Sue Wikstrom

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Ray & Joyce Howell (30 years service), Jim Skotthy, Wes Richardson, Sherri Salinas and Laura Adams by Hal & Donna Routh

MBCC SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Jean Ashley by Gerald Smith

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the Richardson Family into the fellowship of First Baptist Church. On Easter Sunday, we joyfully welcomed Wes, Erin, Pamela and Tamer Richardson into membership. We rejoice in their decision and look forward to having them as a vital part of our church family.

BUDGET UPDATE

As of March

Budget Received: \$49,118.21

Expenses: \$ 55,149.75

Deficit: \$6,031.54

Year to Date

2019 Projected Budget: \$718,355.00

Budget Received: \$ 134,197.44

Expenses: \$ 148,361.61

Deficit: \$ 14,164.17

These numbers reflect the budget as it stood at the end of March.
The current deficit number is published each week in the bulletin.

CHURCH SPRING CLEAN-UP

Make plans to join us for a spring clean up. The church is bursting at the seams with unused, unwanted items. It's time to rid the building of all unnecessary items. The clean up begins on May 18th and runs through June 1st. If you use, or are partial to any specific room, please take charge and dispose of any items. This project is a perfect way to continue our "Growing Young" initiative. Let's get both our young and older people together and make a difference here at FBC. Special thanks to Sterling Wall for the use of a dump truck for this project.

DONATIONS

SMALL JOBS MINISTRY: by Frady Johnson Mission Group and Wayne Yarbrough

THANK YOU!

Dear FBC family,

As most of you know, we have been wanting to move closer to our children and grandchildren in the Charlotte area for some time. It has finally happened. We just want you to know how blessed and thankful we are to have experienced the fellowship and friendships over the past 35+ years at First Baptist Church Lexington. The church has been such an integral part of our lives, especially the Lightbearers Sunday School class. It was home for us and always will be. Our phone numbers and email are still the same so if you are ever in the Belmont area, please come see us. With so many friends still living in Lexington and Marcia living at Piedmont Crossing, we will be back to visit on occasion. May God bless you.

In Christian love, Phil and Sharon Mickey

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Our Church has been amazing by volunteering to fill positions to complete the Nominating Report this year. However, we can still use some volunteers for the following committees; Faith Factory, Ushers, Audio Visual, Youth Leadership, Wednesday Night Servers, Youth and Children SS teacher and Extended Sessions (during Church service). If you would like to be part of one or more of these committees please contact one of the Nominating Committee members; Debbie Auman, Molly Bailey, Greg Briggs, Ginny Flippin, Courtney Foster, Monette Frye, Beverly Fulbright, Margaret Ann Maddox, Jordan McCarthy, Sidney Minner, Adrianna Ortiz, or Kelly Sink.

EXTENDED SESSION		
DATE	BED BABIES	2-4 YEAR OLDS
MAY 5th	M/M Greg Briggs(336) 731-8031	Margaret Ann Maddox (336) 250-8527
		Whitney Brooks (336) 479-8191
MAY 12th	M/M Brian Lancaster 336-596-9889	M/M Dale Lambeth (336) 692-2039
MAY 19th	Libby Foster (336) 238-1441	M/M Thomas Jolly (336) 746-5034
	Courtney Foster	
MAY 26th	M/M Don Watson (336) 237-1293	M/M Dave Thornhill (336) 249-2115
JUNE 2nd	M/M Richard Baxley(336) 243-1856	M/M Dale Lambeth (336) 692-2039

UNDERSTANDING THE BUDGET

There has been a lot of confusion on how our church budget is constructed and administered. A presentation explaining the process will take place in the fellowship hall on Wednesday, May 22 at 6 p.m. We will go over the basics on how the budget is created and how it is spent. We will also cover the questions on restricted funds and our endowment. After the presentation there will be a Question and Answer session. If you've ever had a question on the budget, this is the presentation you'll want to see. We hope to see you there!

CLOSED

Church offices and MBCC will be closed for Memorial Day, Monday, May 27th.

MEN IN THE KITCHEN: A FUNDRAISING EVENT TO BENEFIT DAVIDSON PRISION MINISTRY

Please join us for an evening of fun, food, and fellowship to celebrate Davidson Prison Ministry's 34th year of providing Chaplaincy, resources, and encouragement to the inmates and staff and Davidson Correctional Center. This event will be in our fellowship hall Thursday, June 6, 2019 from 6:30 – 8:30 PM. Special Music provided by The Byrd's, a local gospel group from Coggins Memorial Baptist Church. Members are brothers, Jack and Jerry Byrd, Margaret Byrd, and Doug Powers. Our "celebrity chefs" will be serving their signature dishes. To entice some healthy competition, a people's choice award will be presented to the winning chef. Our signature chefs are: Ronnie Beverly, Frank Callicutt, Ken Davis, Olen Easter, Rick Monk and Mike Price. Your support will allow this ministry to continue to provide Chaplaincy and support to the inmates and staff at Davidson Correctional Facility.

Event Tickets \$50 Each

Celebrity Chef Votes \$1 Each

Contact Newell Davis - 336-239-2723; 336-248-5831; davishc@triad.rr.com

CONTACT RANDY

We are grateful to Randy Hall who has agreed to be our interim Associate Minister during Ray's absence. If you need any ministerial guidance or help, please contact Randy. His cell phone is 336-250-2402. His emails are randy@fbclex.org or jrhall164@gmail.com.

CONTACT US!

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m to 5 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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<u>Deadline</u> is 12 noon Wednesdays)

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