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Worship With Us in July

July 2, 2023

"God's Promise to the Nations"

2 Chronicles 7:11-16;

1 Corinthians 3:10-17

Please join us on July 16, 2023 @ 10:30 am

SUNDAY MORNING

WORSHIP

Youth will lead worship and share their
experiences at Camp!

Ice Cream Social

July 23, 2023 @ 6:00 pm



Please join us!!

in the fellowship hall

We are asking for volunteers to make only homemade ice cream. There will be a sign up sheet on the table at the front of the church **beginning Sunday, July 2 to indicate what kind you will bring**. Toppings and additional ice cream (if needed) will be provided. Our new Minister with Youth, Rev. Michael Adams and his family will also be here for an informal meet and greet time. **Please be sure to come for this special time of fellowship and meet the Adams' Family!!!**

Dear First Baptist Church Family,



I am excited to share with you that beginning August 1st, **Rev. Michael Adams** will begin serving as our part-time Minister with Youth. Michael is a native of Greenville,

NC and has served in several ministries and churches since 2002. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Religion from Mount Olive College. Currently, Michael teaches at Farmville Central High School, where he helps coach football and leads the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He, along with his wife Julie and six daughters (Katie, Makayla, Trinity, Gracie, Carlee and Sarah Beth) are in the process of moving from Grimesland, NC to Farmville. Julie and Katie both work at Sugg-Bundy and their family is very excited about making Farmville their home and joining the fellowship of First Baptist Church. **On July 23rd, at our ice cream social, the Adams Family will be in attendance for an informal meet and greet. I hope you'll make it out for that time of fellowship and to meet them!** Also, on a Sunday in August, Michael will have an opportunity to share his testimony so you can begin getting to know him!

As we transition to Michael's leadership over our youth ministry, we give a **special thanks to Beth Outland for serving as our Interim Minister** with Youth since September 2022. She's given generously of her time and talents and it is greatly appreciated! We also say thank you to the Youth Committee team members who have served alongside of Beth and to the parents of our youth as well - it's truly a team effort!

As of this Newsletter's release, July 1st, our youth will be in route back to Farmville from their summer camp at Fort Caswell on Oak Island. **The youth will be sharing their camp experience and leading in worship on July 16th.** I hope you'll be able to attend and support them and learn from them as they share what God has done in their lives! As always, thank you for the many ways you all encourage and support our youth and our children! God is always at work in their lives and in helping them to become the men and women they're called to be!

In Christ's Great Love,
Pastor Graham



Sunday Schools & Small Group Bible Studies

In the coming weeks and months, we are trying to restart Sunday school classes for various age groups and launch Small Group Bible Studies in both homes of church members and on the FBC campus. If you're interested in leading, please reach out to Graham Byrum. As classes and groups begin, we will share that information in both the bulletin and newsletter.

FBC REDEEMED YOUTH at Fort Caswell 2023



CHILDREN'S
MINISTRY

Pool Party!

July 30, 2023

Time & Location TBD

JULY

Nursery Volunteers

July 2 ~ Jeanna Byrum & Jessi Cannon
 July 9 ~ Malory May & Reagan Hogge
 July 16 ~ TBA
 July 23 ~ Angie & Bobby Evans
 July 30 ~ Amanda Johnston

Missions Corner

Women's Ministry
connecting, equipping and inspiring women

Roundtable Lunch Bunch

July 20 @ 11:30 AM @ Farmville Pizza

Let Niki know by Sunday, July 16.

Meals on Wheels

Every Tuesday in July @ 10:30 am @ Senior Center

Tues., July 4 ~ **NO MEALS ON WHEELS ~ CENTER CLOSED FOR JULY 4TH**

Tues., July 11 ~ Nancy & Tommy Joyner
 Tues., July 18 ~ Elaine & John Craft
 Tues., July 25 ~ Niki Evans & Teresa Cash

Serving the Refuge Volunteers
July 26, 2023

FBC will be feeding the "Erasing the Lines" Ministry volunteers from the Refuge. We will be serving breakfast at the Refuge and dinner at FBC in the fellowship hall.

Breakfast: 8:00 am—Be at FBC at 7:15 am to travel to Refuge

Dinner: 6:00 pm at FBC in fellowship hall—Volunteers Be at FBC at 4:30 pm

Volunteers are needed to bake 5-6 cakes for dinner. If you can help with this ministry, contact Elaine Craft.

Thanks To all who have volunteered to help!

July 11 @ 7:00 pm

TRUSTEES

Thank You Notes

Thank you to the ramp building men, to the Deacons for their help when we needed it and to the women of the church that brought us food. I will never forget the kindness that was shown to Brenda and our family while she was sick. Your kindness and sympathy will always be held in grateful remembrance. May God bless each of you!

Gloria, Wanda, Mike & Clay

DEMENTIA ALLIANCE
of North Carolina
A STATE OF CARING

Monday, July 10, 2023 @ 10:00 am

Farmville Library, Room 209

Back Pack Pals

Sponsorships are due July 30!

July



- 2. Sunday School @ 9:30 am
Worship @ 10:30 am
- 4. CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY
NO Meals on Wheels ~ Senior Center closed
- 9. Sunday School @ 9:30 am/Worship @ 10:30 am ~
NO DEACONS MEETING IN JULY
- 10. Alzheimer's' & Dementia support Group @ 10:00 am
At Library, Room 209
- 11. Meals on Wheels at 10:30 am ~ Nancy & Tommy
Joyner /Trustees @ 7:00 pm
- 12. Adult choir practice @ 7:00 pm
- 16. Sunday School @ 9:30 am/ Worship @ 10:30 am-
Youth lead Worship/Share Camp Experiences
- 18. Meals on Wheels at 10:30 am ~ Elaine & John Craft
- 23. Sunday School @ 9:30 am/Worship @ 10:30 am
Ice Cream Social @ 6:00 pm/Meet & Greet new
Youth Minister Rev. Michael Adams
- 25. Meals on Wheels at 10:30 am ~ Niki Evans & Teresa
Cash
- 26. FBC serve The Refuge Erasing the Lines Volunteers @
8:00 am Breakfast at the refuge)& 6:00 pm Dinner at
FBC
- 30. Sunday School @ 9:30 am/Worship @ 10:30 am
Back Pack Sponsorships due

July Birthdays

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| 2. Julia Bonner | 17. Lou Reida |
| 3. Shelby Bryan
Rex Nobles | 18. Luke Byrum |
| 4. Shirley Davis
Sydney Wade | 19. Margaret O'Neal |
| 5. Arlene Wilder | 20. Millicent Godley |
| 7. Elsie O'Neal
Tyler Tyson | 21. Deborah Nanney
Donald Powers |
| 12. Billy Weaver
Misti Williford | 24. Greysten White |
| 14. Karen Spruill | 25. Neal Cargile
Avery Johnson
Tracy Weaver |
| 16. Kenley Sitton | 27. Scott Johnson |
| | 31. Kathryn Cargile |

Staff Birthday



*to Nell Godley on July 27
Administrative Assistant*

Volunteers for July

Deacons on Call

Carl & Julia
Bonner
Judith McCoy
Jay Tyson

**Please note:
NO Deacons
Meeting in July**

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In Observance of Independence Day
WE WILL BE CLOSED
JULY 4th
Happy Birthday, America!

Summer Adult Choir Rehearsals @ 7:00 pm
Wed., July 12 & Wed., August 9
CHOIR
Rehearsal

**CELEBRATE
YOUR FREEDOM
IN CHRIST THIS**
Independence Day
IT IS FOR FREEDOM THAT CHRIST HAS SET US FREE. GAL. 5:1 NIV