



# The Messenger

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June 7, 2026 @ 10:30 am

Graduate Recognition Sunday

Covered Dish Luncheon provided in the fellowship hall after worship!

Our 2026 High School Graduates

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Salutatorian



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*Aidyn Crista McLamborn*  
Farmville Central HS  
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Please see page 2 for College Graduates

Dear First Baptist Church Family,

As we welcome the month of June and the beginning of summer, we are reminded of the many blessings God continues to pour out on our church family and community. Summer often brings a change of pace, opportunities for vacations, family gatherings, mission trips, camps, and time spent outdoors enjoying God's creation. No matter where these coming weeks may take us, we can rest in the promise that the Lord goes with us wherever we go.

This month, we especially want to congratulate all of our high school and college graduates! Graduation is a significant milestone that reflects years of hard work, perseverance, growth, and dedication. We celebrate not only the accomplishments of our graduates, but also the love, encouragement, and support provided by their families, teachers, mentors, and friends along the way. As our graduates step into new chapters of life—whether continuing their education, beginning careers, serving others, or discovering God's calling—we pray that they will seek the Lord in every decision and trust Him to guide their paths. We are proud of each of you and excited to see how God will continue to work in your lives.

We are also looking forward with great excitement to Vacation Bible School, which will take place June 14-18. This is always such a special week of fellowship, learning, worship, and outreach for children and families throughout the Farmville community. We are grateful for every volunteer, teacher, helper, and participant who makes this ministry possible each year. Please be in prayer for all those

attending and serving during VBS—that hearts will be encouraged, lives impacted, and seeds of faith planted that will continue to grow for years to come. We invite everyone to help spread the word and welcome families from across our community to join us for this wonderful week together.

As we enter this summer season, may we remember that our faith does not take a vacation. Whether we are at home, traveling, working, or resting, we are called to be the hands and feet of Christ wherever we go. Through our kindness, compassion, encouragement, and service to others, we have opportunities every day to reflect God's love to the world around us.

One verse that beautifully reminds us of God's presence and guidance is Joshua 1:9:

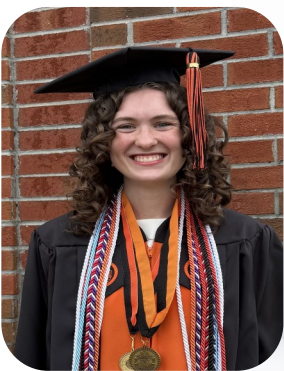
**"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."**

May this promise encourage each of us throughout the summer months ahead. We pray for safe travels, joyful fellowship, meaningful ministry opportunities, and continued spiritual growth for all our church family!

In Christ's Great Love,  
Pastor Graham



## Our 2026 College Graduates



*Dantzler Gray Bonner  
Campbell University  
BS in Engineering  
Summa Cum Laude*



*Aidyn Crista McLawhorn  
Pitt Community College  
Associates of Arts degree*





Farmville First Baptist Church  
VBS



June 14-18  
6-8 pm  
Age 3 - Grade 5

Scan the QR code to register



Our church will be hosting the Community VBS this year. The theme is Rainforest Falls and is for ages Preschool (age 3) through completed 5th Grade. See Linda Sitton for more information and how to register.

**VOLUNTEERS FOR JUNE**  
**Nursery Care**  
 June 7~ Kevin & Katherine Castelloe  
 June 14~ TBD  
 June 21~ Jeff & Jessi Cannon  
 June 28 ~ Bill & Lisa Davis

**Missions Corner**



Alzheimer's & Dementia Support Group  
June 8, 2026 @ 10:00 am  
Farmville Library, Room 209

**Men's Breakfast Fellowship**  
 June 13, 2026 @ 8:00 am  
 Lewis - Johnson Building  
 PLEASE SIGN UP OR TEXT  
 JUD FIELDS 315-882-5357

*Tuesday Morning Bible Study*  
 The group will meet once a month during the summer on **June 23, July 28 & August 25 at 9:30 am at Frankie Moye's home** and is open to everyone wanting to study Scripture and be drawn closer to the Lord. Please join us!

**the REFUGE** *Serving the Refugee Volunteers*  
 FBC will be providing dinner for the Refuge volunteers on **Wed., July 29** at the Refuge. Tommy & Charlotte Price, Price, Dennis & Judith McCoy, and John & Elaine Craft are volunteering so far. If you would like to help please call Elaine at 252-714-9976. *Thank you for your willingness to help with this ministry!*

**SAVE the DATE**  
**HOMEMADE Ice Cream FELLOWSHIP**  
 July 19, 2026 @ 6:00 pm  
 in the fellowship hall  
 Sponsored by the Deacons!

**Remember to be active in summer missions.**  
 God doesn't take vacations. There are always lots of ways to share your love.

## JUNE

- 3. Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 pm (SUMMER SCHEDULE)
- 4. Men's Bible Study @ 7:00 pm
- 7. Sunday School @ 9:30 am /Graduate Sunday @ 10:30 am—  
Recognition of high school & college graduates/ Covered Dish  
Lunch after worship/ Community Baccalaureate Service @ 7  
pm at First Baptist church
- 8. Alzheimer's & Dementia Support Group @ 10am Library
- 9. Trustees @ 7pm
- 10. Last Day of School
- 11. Men's Bible Study @ 7 pm
- 13. Men's Fellowship Breakfast @ 8 am (in Lewis/Johnston  
Building/Home Connections Ministry @ 10 am in Lewis-  
Johnson Building
- 14..SS @ 9:30 am/Worship@10:30/Communion/ VBS begin  
@ FBC from 6:00-8 pm
- 15.-18. VBS @ FBC FROM 6-8 PM
- 21. Father's Day/SS @ 9:30 am & Worship @ 10:30 am
- 23. Bible Study @ Frankie Moye's @ 9:30 am
- 25. Men's Bible Study @ 7:00 pm
- 28. SS @ 9:30 am/Worship @ 10:30 am

## June Birthdays

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|------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Thomas Castello     | 16. Beth Outland  |
| Kelly Godley           | Kathy Small       |
| Nancy Joyner           | 17. Trent Langley |
| 3. Jennings Cannon     | 19. Ella Tomlin   |
| 7. Ben Adams           | Kristin Oakley    |
| 8. Louis Garner        | 20. Ann N. Moore  |
| Billy Godley           | Ben Outland       |
| Jewell Moore           | Tommy Price       |
| 11. Katherine Castello | 24. Keith Modlin  |
| 12. Dantzler Bonner    | 29. Jean Allen    |
| 15. Halle Bunn         | Walter Stallings  |
| Tommy Joyner           |                   |

## Adult Choir Summer Schedule @ 7:00 pm

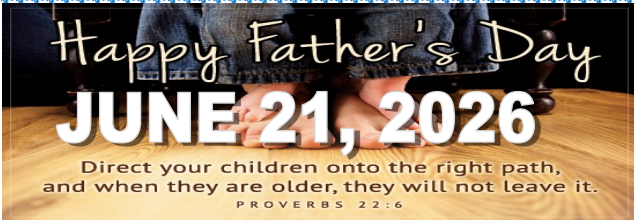
**June 3**  
**July 1**  
**August 5**  
**CHOIR**  
Rehearsal

## STAFF ANNIVERSARY

*congratulations*  
ON YOUR SERVICE ANNIVERSARY  
*Jonathan Sitton for serving 5 years on*  
*June 1 at FBC as our pianist and organist*

## STAFF BIRTHDAY

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
*Beth Outland,*  
*Minister with Youth*  
*on June 16*



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**TRUSTEES**  
**June 9, 2026 @**  
**7:00 pm**

**HOME CONNECTIONS MINISTRY**  
**June 13, 2026 @ 10:00 am**  
**in Lewis - Johnson Building**

**June 14, 2026 @ 10:30 am**  
**Communion**  
A special offering will be taken for the Deacon Discretionary Fund