



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JUNE 11-15



Upcoming
Events
in
June

PRIMETIME TRIP
TO REID'S HARVEST HOUSE
10:30 am Tuesday, June 6

CROSSFIRE YOUTH MINISTRIES
5:30 pm Monday, M.S. Girls, June 5
6:30 pm Tues., H.S. Girls Group, June 6, 13, 27
7 pm Every Tuesday, H.S. Guys Groups
Sun.-Fri., Crossings Summer Camp, June 18-23

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
"MAKER FUN FACTORY"
5-6:30 pm Sunday, Kickoff, June 11
9 am - noon Mon-Thurs., VBS, June 12-15

COMMUNION SERVICE AT
RIVER TO RIVER ASSISTED LIVING
6 pm, Thursday, June 15

CAR WASH FUNDRAISER AT KROGER
10 am-1 pm Saturday, June 17

FATHERS' DAY
Sunday, June 18

FBC KIDS MONDAY FUN DAY
12-4:30 pm Mondays, June 19, 26

Calling All Kids 3 years old - 5th grade

FBC MURPHY

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JUNE 2017 BAPTIES NEWSLETTER

MAKER FUN FACTORY

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 11-15, SUNDAY-THURSDAY

Family Kickoff Night

5-6:30 pm Sunday June 11
BIG...BIG ...Surprise!!

5 pm VBS...then at 6 pm Finger Food

June 12-15, 9 am-noon Monday-Thursday

Register today at www.fbcmurphy.org

Adults are welcome too...if you would like to help, contact Barb Troutman at 924-7018.

GRACE

“In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding.” - Ephesians 1:7-8

As I was walking towards the Garden of Gethsemane I saw a man begging and asking for alms. It has since imprinted in my mind. I have been pondering why? The land where my Savior came should have beggars, people who are still blind to the grace which is available to all.

Grace is God’s voluntary and loving favors given to those He saves. We cannot earn salvation nor do we deserve it. Without God’s grace, no one can be saved. Many of us use the word grace without realizing it is greater than we imagine.

Grace is not often found in human nature. People do not give something for nothing, people often expect payment for everything they offer.

A. W. Tozen says, “Grace is the good pleasure of God that inclines Him to bestow benefits on the undeserving..”

E. Stanley Jones, a missionary, once said, “Grace is free, but when once you take it you are bound forever to the

giver.”

Max Lucado in his book Grace says, “The meaning of life. The wasted years of life. The poor choices of life. God answers the mess of life with one word GRACE.”

Do we understand grace? We sing “Amazing Grace”, preachers and teachers explain it. Have we been changed by grace, shaped by grace, emboldened by grace, softened by grace?

Look at the thief on the cross next to Jesus Christ. He had done nothing to merit divine grace, on the other hand right up to the very end he was cursing, taunting and mocking Jesus, even though he himself faced certain death and judgement. But

you see the grace that was given to this thief was most assuredly a divine gift granted to him freely.

When grace happens, we receive a new heart. He returns a favor. “I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you.” (Ezekiel 36:26) Grace is everything Jesus. To be saved by grace is not an idea, church membership or doctrine. Grace brings us into His presence. It is incredible, awesome--the

Amazing!

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words cannot describe.

“Grace is God loving, God stooping, God coming to the rescue, God giving himself generously in and through Jesus Christ.” -John Stott.

Hebrews 10:22 says, “Let us come near to God with a sincere heart and a sure faith, because we have been made free from a guilty conscience.”

Author, Stephen Brown, notes that a veterinarian can learn a lot about a dog owner he has never met first by observing the dog. What does the world learn about God by watching us His followers on earth?

We better be aware of who we are representing because of grace given to us, so undeserving.

Going back to the beggar, I was that man, it was the grace of God, now I am a child of God. I want to close with the Apostle Paul, “*But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me.*” (1 Corinthians 15:10)

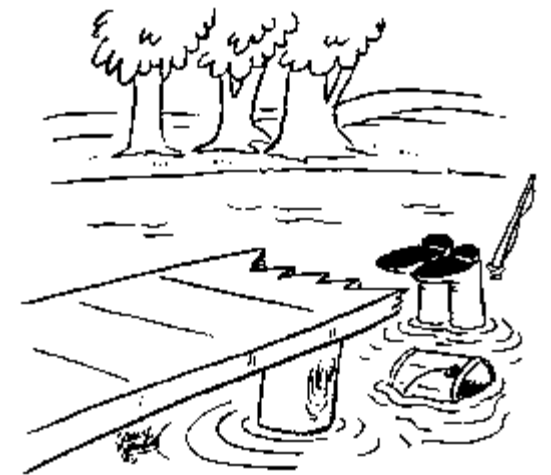
Have a blessed summer. Enjoy what God has given us and thank Him for all His blessings.

Yours in Christ’s steps,
Pastor Shaker



OUR CHURCH FINANCES FOR APRIL 2017:

	This Month	To Date
Needed	\$ 33,432.73	\$ 142,952.20
Given	\$ 28,466.40	\$ 121,074.25
Over (Under)	\$ (4,966.33)	\$ (21,877.95)



Fred went fishing, instead of church, every Sunday, until otherwise persuaded by pier pressure.

LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES APRIL 18, 2017

Meeting was opened with prayer and Judy Rawls presented chapter 3 of Who Moved My Pulpit.

Additions to the Agenda: A social event for the Leadership Council's families is June 4th. FBC has 5 voting delegates at the ABC-GRR annual gathering. Whoever attends will be our voting delegates.

March, 2017 minutes were approved by consensus.

Financial Report: March, 2017 Financial Report was approved by consensus. It was noted that the bus repairs and March had 3 pay periods. Need to present electronic giving to the church.

Outreach & Evangelism: Easter brunch had a large attendance. Dinner for 8 Program information will be put in bulletin and newsletter. Ministerial Alliance Spring Festival is May 19th. Tammy Davis with IPG will donate \$500 and volunteers.

Missions: 2017 Jamaica Mission trip has 17 people going. Have made the airline ticket reservation. Will ask for frisbees and rice krispie treats donations. Community Garden--Ron McLaughlin will be handing out tomoato plants on April 30th. The Missions Moment on April 30th will talk about groups meeting and dining with Rachel Edgar and Nick Dobbs this summer.

Children's Discipleship: Kids Camp is July 19-22. Family Fun Day is May 7th at Lake Murphysboro at 4 pm.

Youth Discipleship: See Director's report.

Adult Discipleship: Gene and Carole Ebersohl will be staying on as teachers of the senior adult class as long as their health allows. National Day of Pray is May 4th.

Staff Relations/Policies: Next staff meet-

ing April 24th--they meet quarterly.

Finance & Stewardship: Betty King appraisal is \$36,000. Copy given to Ms. King. Need to discuss stewardship with members.

Building & Grounds: Bus alternator was repaired on guys skip trip. New parking lot is needed. Boiler update--met with contractors and Ameren about replacing the boiler. Estimate for guttering is \$6,000 plus \$2,175 for gutter guards. Repairing the rust on the bus is estimated at \$6,162.24.

Security Team: Requested \$163 to purchase radios--approved by consensus. Wednesday evening security is needed.

Special Events: Shaker's 10 year anniversary reception and light lunch is April 23rd. Worship Ministry: Graduation Sunday is May 7th. Mother's Day is May 14th. Youth Sunday is May 21st.

Strategic Action Team: Feasibility Study--This is the tool we will need to go forward with our strategic planning. We need to pray about where God wants us to go and what He wants us to do, every day.

Pastor's Report: Low attendance at Sunrise Service--may discuss doing something different. Steve Wilkerson is going to lead the 30 Day Prayer initiative in May. April 30th is the GRR Area IV conference in Mattoon.

Director's Report: Upgrading WiFi will have a better signal and access. Is it OK to send out prayer texts anytime of the day or night? Yes by consensus. Requested that we pray for the worship ministry team. The next Leadership Council meeting will be May 16th, 2017, at 6:30 pm



Summer FBC Kids



Monday Fun Day Schedule

June 19, 26 July 10, 17, 24, 31

12 - 4:30 pm

5 years old - 5th grade

All kids are invited to a fun filled afternoon at FBC. All sorts of activities are being planned: cooking, crafts, cartoons, snacks, games, water fun, and much, much more. No need to bring lunch...it will be provided. Pick up time is 4:30 pm. If you have questions, please contact Barb at 924-7018.

PRIMETIME TRYING IT AGAIN IN JUNE

PrimeTime will be on the road traveling to Chester for a leisurely lunch at Reid's Harvest House on **Tuesday, June 6th**. The bus will leave the church at 10:00 am. Lunch is dutch treat. If you would like to go, the sign up sheet is available on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. All active senior adults are invited.





Crossings Summer Camps is an amazing christian camp with awesome fun activities and concerts, life transforming messages, and a great place for kids and youth groups to grow closer together in their pursuit of Jesus.

YOUTH

**6TH GRADE THROUGH SENIORS IN HIGH SCHOOL
SUNDAY, JUNE 18TH & RETURN ON FRIDAY, JUNE 23RD**

KIDS

**3RD GRADE THROUGH CURRENT 6TH GRADER
WEDNESDAY, JULY 19TH RETURN ON SATURDAY, JULY 22ND**



Car Wash

CLEAN CARS FOR MISSIONS

The missions group will be leaving for Jamaica in just seven weeks, July 21st. They are still raising funds. Sooo...“Clean Cars for Missions.” The group will be at **Kroger, Saturday, June 17th, from 10:00 am-1:00 pm** washing cars. They will wash your car(s) for a donation, any donation, whatever you think it is worth. Got friends and family with dirty cars, get them together and organize a convoy. It will be dirty cars in...clean cars out!!



SUMMER BREAK



WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES ARE TAKING A SUMMER BREAK

The Wednesday night activities are taking a summer break. The **FBC Kids, Middle School Crossfire Youth, Family Dinner, Adult Bible Study, and Choir** as well as Sunday night **High School Crossfire Youth** will not meet in June and July. All activities will resume at their usual times and places in mid August. Have a great summer!!

DEACONS PLANNING COMMUNION SERVICE AT RIVER TO RIVER ASSISTED LIVING

The Deacon Care Team will be having a Communion Service at the River to River Assisted Living facility on **Thursday, June 15th, starting at 6:00 p.m.** Feel free to attend the service and participate. It is a wonderful time to visit with the many residents of the home. Being a part of the service would be a blessing.



Ever had a question about God or life you would just love to have answered?

In the month of June here at FBC we will try to answer some of YOUR questions during the July worships.

Pastor Shaker is now taking questions & will be answering them in the month of July.

Submit your question by:

Send an email with your question to: shaker@fbcmurphy.org

Write your question on the tear-off of your bulletin & place it in the offering plate.



IN THE NURSERY

June 4

Kathie Grob
Carmella Schuman

June 11

Kathie Grob
Katie Tolbert

June 18

Kathie Grob
Savanah Schuman

June 25

Kathie Grob
Myah Kelley

Unable to help? Please contact
Kathie Grob at 924-7017.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

June 4

Dale Blaise Family

June 11

Vic & Patty Koenig

June 18

Matt & Melinda Guthman Family

June 25

Buddy & Helen Payne

If you are unable to help, please
contact the church office.



MEALS ON WHEELS

JUNE 26-30

Monday

Lou Polsgrove & Mary Leady
Gayle Gillmore

Tuesday

Lou Polsgrove & Mary Leady
Christian Smith & Frank Aldridge

Wednesday

Candy Watt & Alice Berry
Mark & Darlene Pautler

Thursday

Jane Beese & Alice Berry
Lou Polsgrove & Mary Leady

Friday

Jane Beese & Alice Berry
Lou Polsgrove & Mary Leady



JUNE

POST THIS ON YOUR
REFRIGERATOR!

VOLUNTEERS

Thanks to our many

GREETERS

June 4

Frank & Shirley Aldridge

June 11

Tina Shinsky & Carol Klaine

June 18

Joan Mifflin & Marsha Heiple

June 25

Buddy & Helen Payne

If you are unable to help, please
contact Cindy Stamm at 319-0781.

WELCOME CENTER

June 4

Matt & Elaine Hardwig

June 11

Sherri Schimpf

June 18

Bill & Kim Oploh

June 25

Pat & Jan Etherton

HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAYS!

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| 1 | Lyn Porter | 23 | Alice Berry |
| 2 | Stan Graeff | 23 | Suzanne Goad |
| 3 | Gordon Biggs | 23 | Kevin Lipe |
| 3 | Victor Lyerla | 25 | Elaine Hardwig |
| 8 | Jenna Biggs-Poole | 25 | Ashleigh Holland |
| 9 | Bill Fox | 26 | Jeanne Goforth |
| 9 | Sherry Morgan | 29 | Renee Rutherford |
| 9 | Natalie Coleman | | |
| 11 | Casey Brashear | | |
| 12 | Ashley Brown | | |
| 12 | Jessica Grammer | | |
| 15 | Clif Penrod | | |
| 15 | Janet Wittenborn | | |
| 18 | Hannah Brooks | | |
| 18 | Donna Major-Webb | | |

Happy Birthday!

