



Upcoming Events in June

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "MONUMENTAL"

5-7 pm Sunday, Kickoff, June 5
9 am - noon Mon-Thurs., June 6-9

WALKER HOUSE COMMUNITY OUTREACH
Sunday, June 12

FBC WOMEN'S BRUNCH
Tuesday, June 14, 10 am
Sunny Street Cafe, Carbondale

FATHERS' DAY
Sunday, June 19

CROSSINGS YOUTH CAMP
June 20th-24th

TRIMESTER BUSINESS MEETING
June 26th

COMING IN JULY

4TH OF JULY
Church Office Closed July 1 & 4

CROSSINGS KID'S CAMP
July 27-30

COMING IN AUGUST
Monday Fundays



A LETTER FROM PASTOR NATHAN

Hello, my dear brothers and sisters!

Celebrating the path travelled in May!

Praise God for every blessing we received this May!

I was so blessed and honored to honor all of our sweet Mothers this past Mother's Day!

My heart was filled with cheer as we celebrated our Awana program, our students, and our leaders! I am so thankful that our Church faithfully supports the future of our Church! It is because of your generous giving that our Church can have a thriving impactful children's ministry that is bringing students into a life saving relationship with Jesus Christ! Praise God for all the work He has done and will continue to do in our children's ministry!

May also began the start of some renovations and improvements around our Church. Keep your eyes open over the next few months as we continue to steward, protect, and improve this amazing Church that God has given us.

Please continue to be in prayer for Logan Evans. He serves on our worship team and has stepped out in faith to serve as a missionary this summer. We had the amazing opportunity to pray over him as a Church and now he is in Florida working on sharing his faith and discipleship. Because of your generous giving we were able to support 50% of the cost of this mission's trip. Pray that God uses Logan to bring people to Him, Pray for a special protection over him as Satan will surely try and prevent this. Praise God for all the gifts He gives us may we continue to trust Him and share those gifts to further His Kingdom! Amen!

Mapping our Journey in June

We just began a new series "Our House," on this journey we will break down each of our core beliefs that make up the foundation of our

Church. Our House is built on the foundation and truth of God's Word. Nothing else.

I hope this series helps you to have confidence in your faith and helps provide a defense when that faith is challenged. Each Sunday there will be a note card to write questions for the upcoming weeks topic. Please take advantage of this opportunity and have your questions answered so that you can build your life on the stable foundation of Gods Word.

Be confident that "Our House" is built on the Word of God.

Remember the scripture:

Ephesians 2: 19 - 20

"You are members of God's family. 20 Together, we are His house, built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets. And the cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself."

June also hosts our VBS! I want to say a special thank you to our Ministry Director Jesse Boudet and all of the many volunteers that work so hard to make VBS possible. Please be in prayer for VBS week June 5th - 9th. Pray that God uses this amazing week to bring students and families into a saving relationship with Jesus Christ. Also pray for energy, endurance, and patience for our many volunteers!

On June 12th we will be volunteering at the Walker House. An amazing local ministry focused on providing a free meal every Sunday evening. Please join your Church family in supporting this local ministry. There is a sign-up available every Sunday morning or you can call the Church office during the week.

Youth Camp is June 20th - June 24th. I personally came to know the Lord at Church camp. I know that God will use this week to transform lives! If you know a family with camp. We will find a way to make it happen.

Landscaping for front side of church to hide A/C units and pipes. Bus and Van need IDOT # and logo signage. Pavilion side of church needs lighting.

•Special Events/Kitchen & Dinners: Frances Reiman Easter Breakfast was a success, served 65. Wednesday evening meals will be taking a break at the end of May. Valerie Lipe and Carol Dunning are giving up Wednesday night dinners in the fall. Summer events and gatherings were discussed.

•Worship Ministry: Vicki Ardrey, Tina Evans, Steve Wilkerson Services are going well. Sunday Services continues to be aired online on the FBC Murphy Facebook page. Discussed changes for better sound quality for live-streaming. More balance is needed for vocals and instruments. Offering plate will be passed during Service. Discussed Palm Sunday and Easter Services.

•Technology Team: Kevin Penrod Pastor Nathan's computer is working well for his needs. His new mic is working nicely DSLR camera and the GoPro mini camera, were delivered and being used. Lenovo will be checking the secretary's PC, may need to obtain a new PC for that office or redeploy the present PC to the Media booth for use of lighting control. Tech Team and Building and Grounds are looking into the sanctuary lights flickering. Need to look at replacing/updating the Sanctuary Speakers and Amps. Need someone to mix the livestream. Need to look at replacing Sanctuary Video Projectors/LED Screens, in the near future. Recommended purchasing a secondary camera and switcher for using both. A matching grant of \$3,000 from ABCGRR is being applied for to hire a new intern to be an Audio Technician. This person would be here for worship practices and services each week. Their priority would be to mix audio for services (both live and streaming) and to train volunteers on how to mix audio effectively. This would provide quality sound for our services and our streaming platforms.

•Staffing Relations: Vicki Ardrey, Anna Pilz Allison Hickam resigned from the custodial position. Steve Wilkerson will fill in temporarily. Interviews for Custodian were conducted by Pastor Nathan and Vicki. 4 Applications were submitted, only 2

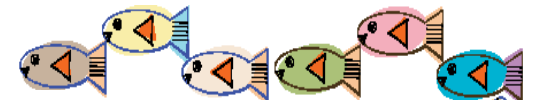
appeared for interviews. The best candidate to fill the position declined. Will contact second candidate. Volunteers are welcomed and encouraged. •Lead Pastor: Nathan With the birth of his son, Pastor Nathan has started his two weeks of Paternity leave. Reminders and Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 24, 2022 6:00 pm. Next Trimester Business Meeting: TBD



SUMMER BREAK

FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

Some Wednesday night activities are taking a summer break. **Youth Group as well as Family Dinner** will not meet during the Summer. Have a great Summer!!



LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES APRIL 19, 2022

Opening Prayer: Nathan Borish

Devotional-Spiritual Growth and Teaching: Steve Wilkerson, Judy Rawls

Last Meeting's minutes: March minutes, were approved by consensus.

Ministry Care Team Report: The Care Team met on April 11.

Ministry Team Reports:

•**Outreach, Evangelism & Missions:** Tina Evans, Kristy Dunning Mission Moments for May will be Blessing Basket, June Mission Trip. Planned Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt. Made donation to Walker House. Mission team ate at Walker House on April 10th. Team members will volunteer their services on May 15th and every 2nd Sunday of the month. Missions donated \$125 to the One-for-the-Cross offering. Team discussed and agreed to support Logan Evans', summer mission opportunity with Campus Outreach. Discussed prayer walk and future outreach plans/opportunities. Team will evaluate monthly supported ministries for continued support in May.

•**Youth & Kids Ministry:** Jesse Boudet, Dan Perschbacher, Anna Pilz

YOUTH:

HS Girls raised funds for their retreat with a bake sale and decorating yards with eggs. HS Guys are cleaning church stairs weekly. HS Girls and Guys both had movie nights. Dan P. spoke to youth group on Wednesday about the parables. Looking for a leader for a 9 AM MS Small Group. Will be moving back into the Youth house in May. Youth Groups and Small Groups are still meeting. Youth and Kids lead team will meet with Pastor Nathan in May/June. Dan and Karen P. will teach a class on the Gospel and leading people to Jesus. Hiking Trip and Picnic at Giant City will be April 24. Yard/Bake Sale for summer camp will be May 7. Youth Grad Party will be May 15. Youth will help with VBS June 5-10. 48 Youth are registered for Camp, June 20-24. 16 Youth are registered for the summer Mission trip, July 10 -15.

KIDS:

Palm Sunday went well. Easter egg hunt was a success! (It sprinkled but didn't pour on us). AWANA is doing great! AWANA Grand Prix Prep will be Satur-

day, April 23. The Grand Prix Event and Party will be in May 15. Kids will be in Worship on Mother's Day, May 8. AWANA Sunday will on May 22, presenting Awards. New Sunday morning program for the kids will begin on Sunday, May 29. AWANA will be taking a summer break. Kids Camp will be July 27-30, 13 are registered. Splish Splash sometime in August. Will be planning a Baptism. We will apply for a matching grant of \$2,000 from ABCGRR to explore a new Mission/Ministry weekly ministry for games, lessons, crafts, worship, bouncy houses, etc. This will provide a place for parents in the community to bring their kids and engage with members of the church.

•**Adult Small Groups & Bible Studies Ministry:** Steve Wilkerson, Kathie Grob The Small Groups continue to meet on Sunday mornings. Wednesday evening groups averaging 10 per class. Tuesday Ladies Morning Group is having great success. Area Men's Brotherhood meeting in Carterville had 15 in attendance from FBC. Need small groups and leaders for MS students on Sunday mornings. Would like to start a Men's Monthly Breakfast for Church members. Making plans to host the Fall meeting of the Area Men's Brotherhood meal and meeting.

•**Financial and Stewardship:** Judy Rawls, Vicki Ardrey Financial Report: End of March report was presented. Report was approved by consensus. Discussion is ongoing regarding other cuts that can be made to reduce costs/expenses.

•**Building and Grounds:** Judy Rawls, Tony Stamm, Jake Miller Looking into improving stage lighting. Looking into changing thermostats throughout building. Sanctuary ceiling cracks need to be repaired. Jake getting bid and timeline. Proposed Parlor/Sanctuary remodel, Jake getting bid, timeline to start was projected to be in 2023.

Jake brought to our attention the 9 HVAC units on the roof, several were installed in or around 1998. The age of the units is a concern, regarding upkeep and maintenance. Seeking bids for replacement. Discussed seeking information on the old Neal Tire store at the corner of Walnut and 16th to determine owner and whether we could use sign frame for FBC signage. Future Projects:

You can save someone's life by inviting them to Church camp.

You can save someone's life by inviting them to Journey with First Baptist Church. Your Church.

Our Church is on a Journey together. Every Sunday morning we join together for our Journey Worship experience at 10am.

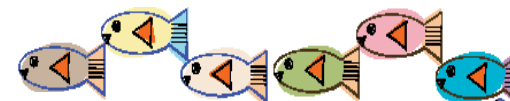
We have many Journey Groups that meet on Sunday morning, Wednesday night, and many other times during the week. A new Journey Group starting is "North of 50." This group will provide intentional events, fellowship, and bible study for those who are north of 50 in age.

We are hoping to start more Journey Groups in the Fall including a Cooking group and a Hunting/Firearms group. If you are not yet in a Journey Group then I encourage you to join a group or create a new group. Being committed to a Journey Group is just as important and valuable as Journey Worship.

Let June be the starting point where you begin inviting people to Journey with First Baptist Church. And start asking your Church family the question, "Are you in a Journey Group?"

I thank you for your faithfulness, your support, and your continued prayers. I am so blessed to be on this Journey with you.

With Love,
Pastor Nathan



A NEW JOURNEY BEGINS!

As we move into Summer, some exciting things are happening at FBCMURPHY! Join us as we deepen our relationships with Jesus and each other in new and exciting ways! Remember, here at our church you matter, you are loved, and you can find family!

// JOURNEY Worship

Every Sunday at 10AM we gather as a church family and spend time in worship, reading God's word, and in prayer. The whole family is invited! We would love for you to join us!



TREK Kids Club //

Our kids get together and go on an adventure every Sunday at 10AM while parents are in Journey Worship. We sing songs, hear stories, eat snacks, and play tons of games! And we also have Kids Small Group at 9AM!

// ELEVATE Students

Our church loves this next generation! We love seeing them grow into who God has made them! Over the Summer they will be doing things like leading at VBS, spending a week at Summer Camp, and getting together for pool parties and hang outs.



NORTH of Fifty //

Our new group for older adults has so much to offer! Along with the many journey groups we have at church, we will also be having bible studies and events made just for you!





Mission of the Month

The Murphysboro Food Pantry has been serving qualifying households in Jackson County five days a week for several decades. We are open Monday through Friday, 9 -11am. We are happy to serve our clients with a cart full of food including shelf stable foods as well as a variety of fresh meats, fruits and vegetables. Qualifying households can receive food from our pantry every 21 days currently. Food donations are always welcome, if left after hours. you may drop them in the donation bin out front of our building and leave a note stating who it's from if you wish. Monetary donations are welcome to help us **with rising food and gas costs and building maintenance/upgrades**. They are looking for volunteers to help with Farmers Market pick ups one Saturday per month over the course of the Farmer's Market season

Call 618-684-8258 if interested to find out more information!



WORDS OF APPRECIATION

We want to thank you, our church family, for your many expressions of love and sympathy during the death of Clifton. We have been blessed and encouraged by you.

Judy, Kevin, Debbie, Ethan
& Alyssan Penrod;
Leah & Wm. Brown;
Maddie & August Rowe

The family of Charlie "Bud" Attig want to thank the church for their prayers, cards, food, and flowers. To Pastors Shaker and Nathan, the Social Committee and the ladies that sent and prepared food dishes for our funeral luncheon meal. You all are truly a blessing. Charlie always felt he was helping when he took up the offering and served communion in the balcony. God Bless you all!

Charlie's Family

Thanks to Kasky Tree Service for taking down a tree in front of the church.



COMMUNION FOR SENIORS

FBC will be having a **Worship Communion Service** for the residents of **The Voyage Senior Living of Murphysboro** (11 N. Shawnee Drive) on **Thursday, June 16th at 5 pm**. The service will be held right inside the door in the Common Area. ALL are welcome to attend and what a wonderful opportunity to see and fellowship with the residents and friends.



Volunteers are needed at the **Walker House on June 12th**. Cooks are needed from 12-4:30 pm, and servers from 3-7 pm. Sign up in the **Church Office**. This is going to be a monthly community outreach. If you can't make it this month, there's an opportunity in the future. **Plan to be a part.**



**One Great
HOUR
OF SHARING**

Donations Will be Collected During the Month of June OGHS supports disaster relief, development projects, and refugee ministries of the American Baptist Churches and its partners. Where your gifts made a difference One Great Hour of Sharing provides emergency relief and funds for the development projects which address chronic needs.

Envelopes are at the Welcome Center and in the back of the pews

BEGIN YOUR ADVENTURE
WORSHIP / STORIES / SNACKS / GAMES

TREK KIDS CLUB

2022

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INFANTS - 5TH GRADE



ALSO
SMALL GROUP
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June

20th-24th

RESILIENT
FORGING A FAITH
THAT LASTS

The Book of Daniel

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Building and Grounds

Building and Grounds Maintenance

Issues: If you see anything that needs fixed or any maintenance issues, please call or text Jake Miller @ 618-713-2222 or Tony Stamm @ 618-319-0780. (Please include the location of the issue and a picture if possible) There is also a maintenance Issues Sheet posted in the Main Office. Please fill it out if you see anything that needs fixed!

Thanks So Much!

FBC Building and Grounds Team.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

June 5

Dale Blaise Family

June 12

Suzanne Goad

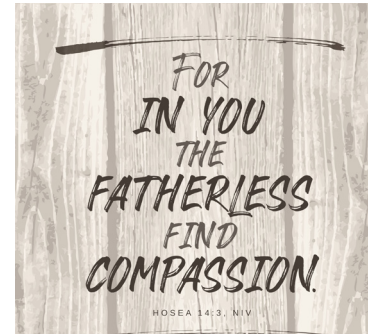
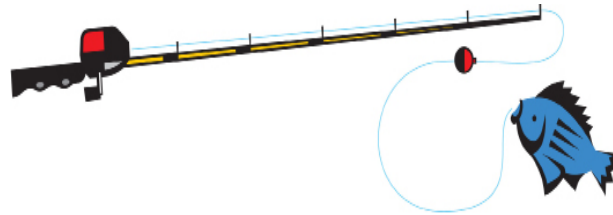
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Gina Hunziker/Jeanne Goforth/Kristy Dunning

June 26

Valerie Lipe

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



There will be an
Gift of Hope Meeting
at Bandera's
in Carbondale
Thursday, June 2nd at 5pm
If you are interested
in coming
Contact Tina Evans



POST THIS ON YOUR REFRIGERATOR!

GREETERS

June 5

Scott & Tina Evans

June 12

Tony & Cindy Stamm

June 19

Pat & Jan Etherton

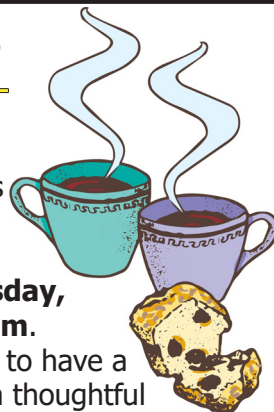
June 26

Matt & Melinda Guthman

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

FBC LADIES DEVOTIONAL BRUNCH

The monthly Ladies Devotional Brunch is gathering at Sunny Street Cafe in Carbondale on **Tuesday, June 14th at 10 am.** All ladies are invited to have a leisurely meal with a thoughtful time of devotional with prayer and also some really great fellowship. Got questions, contact Kathie Grob at (618) 924-7017.



HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAYS!

1	Lyn Porter	25	Elaine Hardwig
2	Stan Graeff	25	Ashleigh Holland
3	Gordon Biggs	26	Jeanne Goforth
9	Sherry Morgan	29	Renee Rutherford
11	Casey Brashear	30	Russell Barringer
12	Ashley Brown		
12	Jessica Flamm		
18	Hannah Brooks		
23	Karen Perschbacher		
23	Alice Berry		
23	Suzanne Goad		
23	Kevin Lipe		

Happy Birthday!



VOLUNTEERS

Thanks to our many

June 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 8:30am Coffee Hour 8:30am Praise Team Rehearsal 9:00am Adult Small Groups 9:00am Trek Kids-Small Group 10:00am Trek Kids Club 10:00am Worship 6:30pm Next Gen Small Group	30 10:00am Ladies Exercise Class	31	1 6:00pm Men's Bible Study 6:00pm Women's Bible Study	2 10:00am Ladies Exercise Class	3 6:00pm Worship Team Practice	4
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