The First Baptist Connection

May 2017

News and Updates for our Family in Christ

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Birthdays

5th Mark Kirkman

7th Gracie Hudson

Cannon Roark

8th Marlen Flynn

9th Mandy Rollison

13th Monica Hudson

16th Samantha Groomer

25th Johnny Cummings

26th Jason Brown

29th Derek Rollison

30th Betty Sullivan

Prayer Concerns

On-Going Prayer Concerns

Bright Beginnings Daycare and Preschool
Jerry & Jean Boyer
David & Lydia Hunter
Tyler & Georgene Lunberry
Mary Jane Parker
Kay Pierce
Peace seeking in Iraq & Afghanistan

Glenburn Nursing Home

American Baptist missionaries

Charlie Farmer

<u>Autumn Hills (Bloomington)</u>

Charlotte Humerickhouse

Lyons Rehab Center

Nancy Canty

Anniversaries

- 11th David & Shannon Dean
- 12th Paul & Ginger Stewart
- 18th Aaron & Tasha Campbell
- 21st Laverne & Miriam Rollison
- 24th Braden & Tasha Hudson

FBC News & Activities

Let's Go Camping!

Camp schedules are on the large bulletin board outside the workroom. Reservation forms are located on the library counter or you can print them directly from the camp website at www.indiancreek.com. Our church will pay one half of the registration fee for children attending FBC. Registration forms and your half of the fee need to be turned in THREE WEEKS before your camp date. Checks should be made out to First Baptist Church. If a camp scholarship is needed see Pastor Nathan.

F.I.S.H. - May 14

F.I.S.H. (Fellowship in Someone's Home) is a monthly gathering for meals throughout the summer. Participants take turns hosting each month (June, July, and August). If you cannot host don't worry; sign up anyway! Hosts typically provide the main course and guests bring the side dishes. You can sign up for FISH as an individual, as a family, with your spouse, or with your grandkid(s), etc. You and whomever you signed up with will be placed in a FISH group with others who have signed up, for a total of 8-10 people per group. Sign-up sheets are available on the library counter and in your Sunday school classes. Please sign up by May 14. June hosts will be given a group list to contact. If you have questions, please ask Nathan Brooks or Jennifer Moody.

Baby Dedication - May 14

We will be having a Baby Dedication service on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14. If you want your child or grandchild dedicated please let Nathan know by Sunday, May 7.

BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

Some of the 4 and 5 year olds took me on a walk around the Church property the other day we had a blast looking at things God made. They wanted to look for treasures so we decided to bring our treasures inside and glue them on paper. You would be surprised what all we found. I did however draw the line when one of our 5-year-old boys wanted to bring back a worm to glue on his paper J.

Our 3/4 year old class was learning about Nehemiah building the wall. Ms. Christin asked them to draw their own wall and tell her about their drawing. Here are the responses;

Bradley- I am sitting on the wall trying to find Jesus.

Brooklyn- Here's me and a dog on the wall.

Noah- Me and my Puppy playing on the wall.

Weston- The fire truck came and put out the fire....SEE!

Adalynn- Me playing with a cat.

Reba- Me and Mommy are watching for Jesus.

➤ A few of the 4/5 year olds told me what they learned at our Easter Party;

Leo-Easter is the Day we remember Jesus dying on the cross.

Ellie- We talked about Jesus when we were reading a Bible story. Jesus dies every Easter and then he comes back alive, that's why we have our Easter Party.

Keaton H.-Jesus gave us Easter stuff and he made our whole wide world.

Amelia-We celebrate Jesus. He helps us because he is very nice.

Jackson-Jesus doesn't want us to be mean. He doesn't want us to hit our Mommy or Daddy because then they will be mad at me. Don't be mean to our Doggies cause they will growl at you.

Our two year old class told Ms. Emily the following in response to her question "If I spent a day with Jesus we would;

Toby -sit on hims lap Eli- drop bananas Brynn-talk about love Austin-play cars

Mia-read books Scarlett-look at birds. I love him.

Wesley-See Daddy's cows Kylene-read stories

Tammy Kirkman, Daycare Director

A Note from Pastor Nathan

Hello FBC Family,

There are lots of opportunities on the horizon I want to make sure you are aware of...

We will begin our third summer of **FISH** (Fellowship in Someone's Home) soon! We would love for you and your family to participate. FISH is an opportunity to build new and deeper relationships with others in our church family. Each FISH group meets for a monthly meal in someone's home (or a local restaurant) in June, July, and August (some groups have met longer but the commitment is only for the summer). The group rotates who hosts and shares the responsibility of bringing food items for each meal. Sign-ups are available on the library counter and in each adult Sunday school class. Or, you can just email me at pastor@fbcbloom.org. If you are unable to host or bring food, please sign up anyway! You can sign up as an individual or as a family unit. **Please sign up by Mother's Day (May 14)** so that we can assemble the groups.

On **Mother's Day we will again have a baby/child dedication.** If your family has a child that is new to you in the last year, either by birth or adoption, this would be a wonderful time to commit her/him to the Lord. If you are interested, **please let me know by Sunday, May 7.**

On **June 4 we will have another Healing Service** during our normal Sunday morning worship time. This will be devoted to worship, healing prayer, and communion. Please come and participate by praying for those seeking healing. Please pray about whether the Lord is prompting you to come forward and receive prayer, either for yourself or on behalf of a loved one. Please also consider inviting a friend or family member. **Thank you for praying** in advance for this service as we anticipate what the Lord is going to do in our midst.

Our **150**th **anniversary as a church will be coming up in 2019.** We are beginning the process of collecting photographs, article clippings, notes containing your memories, or other artifacts, in preparation for a revised church history to be published for the anniversary celebration. **A collection box** for these items is available in the church narthex on the old communion table in front of the stained glass windows. If you have questions or would like to help with this project, **please contact Janet Brown or me.**

Vacation Bible School is coming up, July 23-27. There are lots of ways to help! If you would like to help in any way please contact Robin Lamson.

I am still seeking to assemble a prayer list of "neighbors." Do you have neighbors – whether next door or at work or school or wherever – that you would appreciate prayer for as you build relationships with them? All that is needed are initials or a first name only or a description (teacher, neighbor, parent of my kids' friends, etc.) The list will be specific enough to pray personally but anonymous enough to protect privacy. If you'd like a prayer partner in this quest please let me know about that as well. The goal is to produce a prayer list I can give to the church so that we can be praying for one another as we seek to love our neighbors. Please email (pastor@fbcbloom.org) or call or text (381-4189) or just ask me and I'll add your neighbor(s) to the list.

These are exciting times for our church and I am thrilled and thankful to serve as your pastor. Thank you for being such a wonderful church family to Liz, Tiffany, and me.

Grace and peace, Nathan First Baptist Church 500 Lincoln Drive Bloomfield, IN 47424

Breakfast

May 2017 Pastor's Cell: 381-4189 Church Office: 384-8459

FAX No: 384-8982 Bright Beginnings Daycare & Preschool: 384-0400

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		6:30 Trustees		6:30 Deacons		
7 Communion	8	9	10	11	12	13
				6:30 Preschool Graduation!		
14 8:30 Fellowship	15	16	17	18	19	20

9:00 Kingdom Kids						
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Noon – Senior Luncheon				6:30 Church Council		
28	29	30	31			
9:00 Kingdom Kids						

Deacon of the Month *James Malone*

Trustee of the Month
Greg Flinn

Usher of the Month
Charles Porter

GreeterKarla Pruett & Calvin Myers

Reoccurring Weekly Activities @ FBC

Sundays: 8:00 a.m. Handbell Practice

Wednesdays: 10:30 a.m. Enhanced Fitness - FH

6:15 p.m. FLAMES - CLC

Mondays: 10:30 a.m. Enhanced Fitness - FH

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts – FH

6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Tuesdays: 6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts - FH

6:30 p.m. Cottage Prayer Group

Thursdays: 6:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

Men's Breakfast Enhanced Fitness - FH

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts - FH

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6:30 p.m. Gideons (3rd Thurs. each month) – FH

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