

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 TRADITIONAL WORSHIP



MESSENGER

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This summer, Arts To End Genocide (ATEG), a New Bern based not-for-profit, in partnership with Faith Connection, will host a unique event in our community. The Global Citizenship Music Festival will present music from many cultures including a diverse mix of artists. There will be local singers, local church choirs, singers from the Montagnard community from Vietnam, singers from the Burmese community, and ECU student performers from many African nations. The theme running throughout this inspiring program is community. As people from all backgrounds in our

community gather to sing together, they will have an opportunity to appreciate our shared humanity and role as global citizens. Music has the power to bring people together and bridge cultural divides in a way that very few things can. It can transcend language barriers and connect people from different backgrounds and cultures through a universal language. The event will conclude with everyone joining to sing *We Are the World*.

This event is a benefit to support ATEG's programs to help marginalized women and children in Africa. Our current focus is the women and children living in the Faladje IDP Camp in Bamako, Mali. ATEG programs provide basic medical care and food. We also provided Sewing Skills Training for the women, have helped them form a Women's Cooperative, and built a facility for them to work in. Some of their items are available at the Tryon Palace Museum Gift Shop. ATEG received a grant from the P&G Alumni Foundation to expand this program to include additional women, additional skills training programs, and an additional IDP Camp. We also offer children's dance and life skills workshops. In 2023, we began a Childhood Education program which allowed 30 children to enter first grade.

The Global Citizen Music Festival will be held at Union Point Park on Saturday July 20, 2024, from 5:30-8:30 PM. The festival will go on rain or shine. Please bring your own seating or blankets. There will be food trucks. The event is free to the public and made possible through the generosity of our sponsors. At-Will donations during the event will be gratefully accepted. Sponsorships are available for businesses, organizations, or individuals by using the QR code or going to our website at www.artstoendgenocide.org. For more information on the festival, contact Mitch Lewis 252-670-1339.





We had over 50 volunteers that served at VBS this year. A HUGE "THANK YOU" to them all! Thank you to those in our church family that prayed for our VBS, God heard your prayers and made it a wonderful week.

There were 100 children in attendance almost every day that our volunteers welcomed each morning with open arms and smiles on their faces, showing children what a warm friendship with God looks like.

Children dove in with their friends for a whale of a good time! They plunged into an undersea world brimming with colorful coral and flashy fish. Children discovered God is a real friend who loves them forever!

And they looked forward to the adventures of Sydney Shores as he went looking for gold coins, only to discover that God is the real treasure.

Our deep Bible Adventures of Elijah, Jonah, Jesus at the Sea of Galilee, Jesus' Resurrection and Lyda pointed to our Bible Truths that:

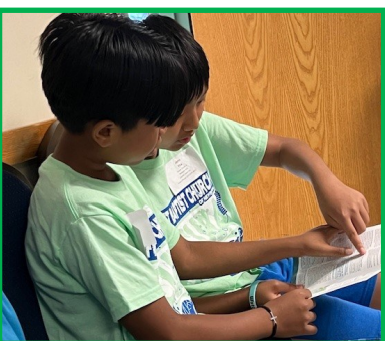
- God is a friend who is real.
- God is a friend who loves.
- God is a friend we can trust.
- God is a friend forever.
- God is a friend for everyone.

My first VBS here at First Baptist has been awesome, and I can't wait until next year.

In Christ,

Sheree G. Bagley
Director of Children's Ministry





WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEERS				
	July 7	July 14	July 21	July 28
DEACONS	Chuck White James Garner	Ken Gray	Dwayne Alligood Kathy Swindell	Tracey Lorentzen
WATCHMEN	Travis Blalock	Terry Hall	Mike Heiman	Kyle Compton
USHER TEAMS	Eddie Games	Bobby West	Susan Williams	Todd Spear
GREETERS	10:00 - Bunting	10:00 - Hall	10:00 - Rock	10:00 - Garner
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Jennifer Benton Sarah Moore Bella Bernabi Allison Bunting	Megan Ireland Matthew Holton Westleigh Holton Mona Quick	Elizabeth Swicegood Mary Ella Swicegood Carole Hart Lori Meads	Carla Barker Tyler Barker Caroline Strickland Addison Strickland
EXTENDED CARE	Kelsie Ferguson Trey Ferguson Melanie Rice Brian Swicegood Gretchen Overby Mandy Mueller Molly Streblov	Brenda Hall Terry Hall David Zink Thaih Zink Susan Trout Mandy Mueller Molly Streblov	Kendal Strickland Caroline Strickland Addison Strickland Jeremy Tavares Courtney Tavares Cindy Lewis Mandy Mueller Molly Streblov	Meredith Pait Garrett Pait Hannah Garner Lori Meads Sherry Wilkinson Mandy Mueller Molly Streblov

01 Mercy Hre	11 Wells Brinkley	18 Joshua Swicegood	26 Ken Wooten
Masi Kim	12 Charlotte Fuller	19 Steven Wynn	27 Van Kung
Todd Thurman	13 Sidney Fowler	Adam Amerson	Joy Duff
02 Randall Amerson	Jeremy Slagle	20 Bud Parker	28 Kim Wynn
03 Yong Ya	Linda Williams	Melanie Rice	Samantha Bagley
05 Judy Bills	14 Tiffany Adams	Samuel Mang	29 Lillian Rice
Rhonda Miller	Ngun Lian	21 Sheila Bell	30 Jason McLamb
07 Patsy Setzer	Audrey Lewis	Hannah Garner	Hudson McLaurin
Camdyn Adams	15 Wilma Needham	Joy Oglesby	31 Greg Pearson
Tracy Kung	Kennedy Bernabi	22 Dot Smith	Liz Garner
09 Kerry Peeler	16 Esther Kyi	24 Norma Williams	Sylvia Pina
10 Ruth Kellum	17 Erica Smith	26 Bruce Nobles	Renea Welch
Garret Strickland	17 Nathan Meadows	Scarlett Hall	
Thaih Ksor Zink	18 Jane Wooten	Lori Meads	



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FINANCIAL RECORD	
Required 06/24/24 YTD:	\$554,090
Received 06/24/24 YTD:	\$580,765



01 Kenneth & Elizabeth Minton	24 Yong & Thung Ksor Ya
04 Doug & Kate Amerson	25 Wayne & Aletta Brown
09 Adam & Cindy Lewis	30 Steve & Jeannie Simmons
14 Josh & Trish Overby	31 Ray & Boots Parker
23 Kenny & Roseann Brownell	



Music Notes from Barry



Worship at First

Sunday, July 7 – Communion
10:00 AM – Youth/Parent Ensemble

Sunday, July 14
10:00 AM – Praise Team

**Sunday, July 21 – Commissioning Service for
Guatemala Mission Team**
10:00 AM – Adult Ensemble

Sunday, July 28
10:00 AM – Sanctuary Choir



**The New Bern
Community Gospel Choir
presents**



a musical celebration

**ONE NATION
UNDER GOD**

Sunday - June 30 — 4:00 pm
Centenary United Methodist Church
Sanctuary
309 New Street
New Bern, North Carolina



**Reserve a space
now to attend the
Senior Adult Fall Retreat
in Lancaster, PA
October 23 - 25**

**Itineraries are now available
in the church office!**

Senior Adult Dutch Lunch



July 17, 2024 * 11:00 AM

RSVP by Wednesday, July 10.

We know you are looking forward to all the exciting FBC Youth Group activities so mark your calendars now!

July

July 4 6:30 pm - 10:00 pm	Youth and Family cookout at church followed by fireworks at Lawson's Creek. RSVP by Sunday, June 30 Bring a friend!
July 5 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	First Fridays at the Slagle's Snacks, Games, Fun & Fellowship!
July 14 - July 19	Passport Camp

August

August 2 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	First Fridays at the Slagle's Snacks, Games, Fun & Fellowship!
August 3 8:30 am - 12:00 pm	Craven County Clean Sweep Drop off and pickup at church
August 8 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm RSVP by Aug 4th	Middle School Social at the Strickland's! Dinner, Games, Fellowship Bring a friend!
August 9 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm RSVP by Aug 4th	High School Social at the Thurman's Dinner, Games, Fellowship
August 18	Online Sign Up for Sunday Night Youth Snack Supper will be open
August 25 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm RSVP by Aug 21	River Day at the Wilkinson's Cookout, Swimming, Boating. Bring a friend!


Looking Ahead

October 11-13
Mumfest Weekend

Sunday, October 27
Fall Festival



Building Kindness in Dickenson County, VA @ Appalachia Service Project in June 2024



DONATE BLOOD. HELP SAVE LIVES.

First Baptist Church of New Bern

Blood Drive in Family Life Center

Tuesday, July 30th
1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org
Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Our Youth played Glow in the Dark Capture the Flag with other churches at the YMCA in May!



CHURCH FAMILY

Alan Ashe	Mary Ann Jones	Bobby Reece
Valeria Barrow	Howard Mathews	Patsy Setzer
Sue Campbell	Elizabeth Minton	Ty Smith
Stacy Chapman	Gwyn Page	MaryAnn Stinson
Kathy Daniels	Selma Piner	Richard Wagner
Mary Lou Harrell	Vanesa Pollard	Jewel Watson
Janice Huggins	Lynn Rausch	Kimsey Welch
Frank Ipock		Greg Williams

**CARE FACILITY & RETIREMENT* RESIDENTS**

<u>Cypress Glen—GVL</u> Elizabeth Brinkley	<u>Woodland Terr - CARY</u> Louise Blizzard*
<u>Champions-WIL</u> Doris Dyson	<u>NC Veterans Home - KIN</u> Mary Ellen Kirschner
<u>Homeplace</u> Christine Peedin Patsy Setzer Ann Sledge	<u>Merrill Gardens - NBN</u> Rev. David Page Gwyn Page Sylvia Pina
<u>Spring Arbor - KIN</u> Beverly Leathers	<u>Riverpoint Crest - NBN</u> Jewel Watson

CHURCH FRIENDS

Deborah Ashley (<i>sister Betsy Dickerson</i>)	Matt Kaylor (<i>friend Alicia</i>)
Jerry Ashley (<i>Mike Lucas</i>)	Jim/Claudia McManamey (<i>niece, Peggy Swigert</i>)
Linda Autry (<i>nephew Ronnie Lee</i>)	Roger Pait (<i>father</i>)
Jennifer Bernabi (<i>nephew</i>)	Anna Pearson (<i>Granddaughter Blythe, cousin</i>)
Judy Blythe (<i>Fran Eaves</i>)	Carol Register (<i>Courtney Mong</i>)
Jan Burke (<i>Neal Cobb</i>)	Keith Russell (<i>dad Archie Russell</i>)
Lisa Chitty (<i>parents</i>)	Holton S.
Sandra J. Dail (<i>Tommy Gaskins</i>)	Jeremy Slagle (<i>sister and nephew</i>)
Janet Doughty (<i>mother</i>)	Kathy Swindell (<i>Ben Bunn</i>)
Phil Kaylor (<i>William & Peggy; John & Martha</i>)	Beth Wagner (<i>Marian Elmore, John & Phyllis Wiltrout</i>)
Karen Killingsworth (<i>father</i>)	Kathy White (<i>Buddy Kirschner</i>)
Susie Games (<i>mother</i>)	Jane Wooten (<i>friend</i>)
Lori Hale (<i>brother in law</i>)	Ken Wooten (<i>mother</i>)
Fred and Nancy Hausman	Beth Wynn (<i>Lori Abee, Lori M.S. Marx</i>)
Brandy Holton (<i>father</i>)	<i>Persecuted relatives of our church families</i>
Joey Holton (<i>father</i>)	<i>Pray for our country</i>

NEXT BAZAAR WORKSHOP

Lots of exciting things are going on behind the scenes in anticipation of our 1st Annual Holiday Bazaar this November 8 and 9. Start spreading the word NOW to your friends and neighbors because it will be here before we know it. After taking off June for VBS, we are ready to crank back up our group intergenerational activities. We want lots more great products to fill up the Family Life Center for the Bazaar.

Thursday, July 11, from 1:00-4:00 pm in the Family Life Center

In July we will try something a little different.

Tracey Lorentzen will be leading a needlepoint project and will provide the supplies needed. We will also have a dishcloth-making project. For that, please bring your own knitting or crocheting needles and the cotton yarn of your preference. We will also be painting and sanding and gluing and cutting and nailing and stapling etc. We will bring other simple projects that need to be done.

Many of you have continued making things at home. Please tell or email Judy Bills at judy@jabbez.com or text Judy at 864-266-0916 to let her know what you have made or plan to make on your own. We need this to determine our direction for the rest of the year.

Come join us! We look forward to seeing your great items for missions!

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NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Newsletter articles are due in the church office no later than 9:30 AM on the third Monday of each month. All articles must be written out—none over the phone or verbally, please.

Dr. Richard D. Seagle, Senior Pastor.....	Richard@fbchurch.com	Ext 124
Rev. Barry E. Templeton, Associate Pastor of Music & Worship.....	Barry@fbchurch.com	Ext 125
Rev. Kerry Q. Peeler, Associate Pastor of Christian Education.....	Kerry@fbchurch.com	Ext 127
Rev. Jeremy L. Slagle, Associate Pastor of Youth and Family Life.....	Jeremy@fbchurch.com	Ext 121
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Kit Emmerich, Buildings Custodian.....	Chemmerich2020@gmail.com	

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so very much for all the cards, phone calls and texts that you sent during my recent illness and surgery. I am truly humbled by all the support and kind words of encouragement that you offered. Your prayers for healing and recovery have been especially felt and appreciated. I am truly grateful for each and every one of you, and lift prayers of thanksgiving that I am part of such a wonderfully loving and compassionate group of believers.

In Christ and with love,
 Charlotte Fuller

Thank you to all that came out and helped Tyler spread mulch in our beautiful gardens!

Have a Happy & Safe 4th of July!

