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KIDS AT PASSPORT CAMP

Please pray for our kids who will be leaving for Passport Camp in Lookout Mountain, GA July 26 - 29. Let them know you're praying by sending a letter to camp by Tuesday, July 24, so it will be received before they leave Sunday morning.

**Camper Name, FBC Anderson
 PASSPORTkids at Covenant College
 14049 Scenic Highway
 Lookout Mountain, GA 30750**

Our Deepest Sympathy

Family and friends of Clyden Turner.
 Family and friends of Charlie Junkins.

FIRST BAPTIST CONTACT INFORMATION

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 CHURCH OFFICE — 224-1622
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Rev. Amy Brown, Minister of Students
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 Mrs. Kelly Smith, Pianist
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 Mr. Addrian Wilson, Minister of Music

MINISTER ON CALL: (after hours & weekends)
 Call: 224-1622, Press 6, leave name, number and a brief message
 and the MINISTER ON CALL will return your call promptly.



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Opportunities at First Baptist

Sunday, July 22

8:15 AM Baraca Sunday School Class (record)
 9:00 AM Summer Choir Rehearsal
 9:30 AM Worship
 10:00 AM Baraca Service 107.7 WHQA-FM; 1280 WANS-AM
 10:30 AM Bible Study
 6:00 PM Youth Summer Sundays

Monday, July 23

10:00 AM Youth Tubing

Tuesday, July 24

1:00 PM Kids Terrific Tuesday - Swimming

Wednesday, July 25

12:00 PM Bible Study/Luncheon
 3:33 PM Youth Summer Bible Study
 5:00 PM GA's Summer Missions

Thursday, July 26

7:00 AM Kids leave for Passport Camp

Sunday, July 29

8:15 AM Baraca Sunday School Class (record)
 9:00 AM Summer Choir Rehearsal
 9:30 AM Worship
 10:00 AM Baraca Service 107.7 WHQA-FM; 1280 WANS-AM
 10:30 AM Bible Study
 6:00 PM Youth Summer Sundays

Tuesday, July 31

9:00 AM Kids Terrific Tuesday—Greenville Zoo

Wednesday, August 1

12:00 PM Bible Study/Luncheon
 4:30 PM Youth Summer Bible Study
 5:00 PM GA's Summer Missions
 6:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal
 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Friday, August 3 - Sunday, August 5

Youth Beach Retreat



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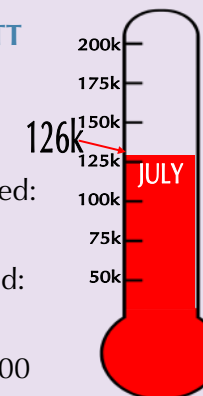
Resuming August 1:

Sanctuary Choir and
 Praise Team Rehearsals
7:00pm on Wednesday nights.

**HARRISON PRUITT
 PARK**

*For Church.
 For Community.*

Contributions Needed: \$200,000
 Harrison Pruitt Fund: \$400,000
 Total Cost: \$600,000



**SERMON SERIES CONTINUES
 Freedom Means...**

This Sunday, July 22: *Sacrifices Are Made*
 Exodus 12:1-7 *Observance of the Lord's Supper*
July 29: *God Is always Near*
 Exodus 24:15-29:9
August 5: *Continuing to Grow*
 Exodus 33:12-23
August 12: *Choosing to Remain Faithful*
 Exodus 35:4-5a, 36:1-5

SAVE THE DATE!

FBC's 197th ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, August 26 — 9:30 AM

Also at 11:30AM

**CHURCH CONFERENCE/LUNCHEON
 (Fellowship Hall)**

**Menu: Baked Chicken, Tossed Salad, Macaroni and Cheese,
 Green Beans, Corn, Anniversary Cake, Ice Cream, Tea/Coffee**

**There's no cost to have lunch as we celebrate our church's
 anniversary, but reservations are required. To make a
 reservation please call the church office, 224-1622.**

From one Minister to Another...

When Sharon handed me a copy of this issue of the Beacon for me to proof—by the way, she also does this to remind me that it’s time to do the “Pastor’s Article”—I was a bit caught off guard when I saw AUGUST in large letters atop the calendar. Already??? Summer is waning while the beginning of school and the “fall program” at church is fast approaching.

AUGUST is an important month in our church life. Our wonderful choir goes back to its regular rehearsal schedule after a break for “summer choir.” It’s been wonderful seeing young people and adults who are not normally in the choir singing in the loft on these summer Sundays. Thanks to all who’ve participated—you’ve done a great job! Some of you need to give serious consideration to being in the Fall/Winter/Spring choir as well!!!

Our children and youth have enjoyed a wonderful summer at home and at church. Amy has headed up a full schedule of camps, Bible studies and fun times for our kids—I still don’t know how she keeps up with it all, but thankful she does! And there are still a few “last hurrahs” remaining in August before the school bells begin to beckon. Sorry if this is a sore subject for anyone—just make the most of what remains of summer vacation.

When I look at the August calendar, though, there are two notes on the bottom line of the calendar that I want to call to your attention. On August 26, First Baptist Church will observe its 197th anniversary. The BIG ONE, our 200th, will take place in 2021; but, hey, at this age, they’re ALL BIG!

The celebration will begin with the 9:30 worship service and continue through our anniversary luncheon and church conference. No charge for the meal that day. Enjoy it as a token of our appreciation for our shared experiences as part of this fine church family.

Don’t think of this meal as a “free lunch” because it’s provided by the tithes and offerings of those who faithfully give to support our church’s ministries. Fellowship is one of our ministries, and this is a special fellowship luncheon to celebrate 197 years of mission and ministry in this community and beyond.

I also want to call your attention to the big purple block in the lower right-hand corner of the calendar. Four of our fine staff members celebrate anniversaries in August. Greg Wilson, our custodian, is the elder statesman of the group with 35 years of service. All of us appreciate Greg’s good work and the good spirit with which he does it. Kelly, Josh, and Addrian have fewer years among us, but what a significant impact each of these ministers has made on the life of this congregation.

Please let each of these special servants know how much you appreciate who they are and what they do to enrich the ministries of First Baptist. As Pastor, I feel so blessed to work and serve alongside every member of our church staff. Each one brings a level of dedication and a desire for excellence that greatly impresses me—and I feel sure you share my impressions. I know many of you do because you tell me so—and it’s always a blessing to hear it!

I look forward to seeing you Sunday as we share the Lord’s Supper together. There is a close connection between the book of Exodus that we’re considering for a few weeks and the Lord’s Supper. We’ll examine this together on Sunday in hopes that we gain even deeper insights and greater appreciation for the Communion meal we share in Christ. See you then.

In a Spirit of Partnership...

Jim
James R. Thomason, Pastor

Our Members in Action

July 22

Worship Childcare:

Lisa Wallace

Deacons of the Week:

Ray Kimbrell, Offertory Prayer
Michael Hatchett, Visitor Outreach

Security:

Jeff Neal and David Frye

July 29

Worship Childcare:

Jan Page

Deacons of the Week:

Ginger Smith, Offertory Prayer
Mike Lowe, Visitor Outreach

Security:

Chad Walker and John Nichols

July Collection Committee

Greg Shore, Fran Singleton,
Rusty Smith, Ed Sokol,
Alene Sullivan, Pat Vickery

Wednesday Lunch

July 25

Lunch

Ham, Pineapple Casserole,
Potato Salad, Green Beans,
Dessert, Tea/Coffee

(Suppers will resume 9/5/18.)

August 1

Lunch

Sandwich and Salad Bar,
Dessert, Tea/Coffee

Lunch Reservations:

Please contact the church office by Noon on Tuesdays to make or cancel your reservations.

AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
			1 Noon Bible Study/ Luncheon 3:33PM Youth Summer Bible Study 5:00pm GA's Summer Missions	2	3	4	
			Resuming August 1 Sanctuary Choir and Praise Team Rehearsal 7:00pm Wednesday Nights			August 3-5 Youth Beach Retreat Register by July 22.	
5 9:30am Worship Service Freedom Means... Continuing to Grow Exodus 33:12-23 6:00pm Youth Summer Sundays	6 8:30am Church Wide Trip to Carowinds	7	8 Noon Bible Study/ Luncheon 3:33PM Youth Summer Bible Study 5:00pm GA's Summer Missions	9 Beacon Mailed	10	11 9:30 AM Saturday Servants	
12 9:30am Worship Service Freedom Means... Choosing to Remain Faithful Exodus 35:4-a, 36:1-5 6:00pm Youth Summer Sundays	13	14 10:00am Kids: Terrific Tuesday Gravitopia	15 Noon Bible Study/ Luncheon 3:33PM Youth Summer Bible Study 5:00pm GA's Summer Missions	16	August 16-18 Youth Back to School Retreat Look Up Lodge \$85 - Sign up by August 1 For rising 6th-12th graders.		
19 9:30am Worship Service 11:30 AM Deacons' Meeting	20 First Day of School 6:00pm Stewardship Meeting	21	22 Noon Bible Study/ Luncheon	23 Beacon Mailed	24	25	
26 9:30am Worship Service The Power of Potential Isaiah 40:21-31 197th Anniversary SS PROMOTION 11:30AM Church Conference/ Luncheon	27	28	29 5:30 pm Music and Missions Kickoff And Hot Dog Supper	30	31		
				Staff Anniversaries: August 1 - Josh Hunt - 6 years August 10 - Kelly Smith - 10 years August 15 - Addrian Wilson - 5 years August 19 - Greg Wilson - 35 years			