

The Vision
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Sunday Worship Times
 Morning Worship @ 10:15 am
 Evening Worship @ 7:00 pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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Church Office Hours
 Monday-Friday
 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Staff Meeting
 Monday 10:30 am



FOR JULY
MONDAY
July 22nd



The Church Office will be closed Thursday, July 4th in observation of Independence Day.

Upcoming Meetings:

Monday, July 1st
 Finance & Building Committee Meeting @ 7:00 pm

Tuesday, July 2nd
 YAH Council @ 1:15 pm
 Church Council @ 7:00 pm

Sunday, July 7th
 Business Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Sunday, July 28th
 Deacon's Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Collision Youth @ The Park

Wednesday, July 10th & 24th

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

(Shelter House #3 by the Tennis Courts)

There will be food, games, and devotional time.

Bring your friends for a time of
 Bible Study & Fellowship.

Springfield Cardinals

Christian Family Day

Sunday, August 11th

6:15 pm

Tickets: \$15

Includes a Hat & T-Shirt

Deadline for orders/ t-shirts: July 8th

Sign-ups Sheets are in the Gathering area or contact Chastity at the Church Office for more information.



To Know Christ and to
 Make Him Known



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Bingo for Adults
 Under the tent



Faith, Family, & Fireworks 2

Wednesday, July 3rd

5:00 pm - 9:30 pm

4:00 pm Car & Tractor Show Registration Begins (no entry fee)

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Car Show Sponsored by O'Reilly Auto Parts

Antique Tractor Show Sponsored by Lamar Bank & Trust

6:00 pm: Free Hot Dogs, Chips, & Water

9:30 pm: Fireworks Display

Free: Bouncy House, Pony & Wagon Rides, Face Painting, Shaved Ice, Mini Train Rides & Obstacle



In The Wild

"Amazing Encounters With Jesus" - John 20:31

Vacation Bible School

July 14th - 18th

Meal @ 5:30 pm

VBS @ 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Please be in prayer for all those involved with VBS.

Food Needs for VBS :

40 lbs. Hamburger	5 lbs. shaved Ham	5 lbs. shaved Turkey
4 large jars of grape jelly	85 bananas	18 bags of grapes
50 lbs. Tater Tots	26 Sandwich Loaves Bread	5 gal. Whole Dill Pickles
14 Lg. Bags Fritos	19 lbs. of baby carrots	14 Large bags Potato Chips
1-3 lb. tub Butter	8 Lg. bottles Ketchup	4 Lg. Bottles Ranch Dressing
1 Lg. Jar Miracle Whip	4 large jars peanut butter	
15 lbs. Shredded Cheddar Cheese	10 lbs. sliced Cheese (not individually wrapped)	

You may sign up in the Gathering Area or contact the Church Office @ 682-3538

From the Pastor's Heart

Dear First Family and Friends,

What a blessing and privilege it is to serve Christ with this team of leadership and you, God's people. This month we overwhelmingly voted to unite our lives and launch out into another building campaign, raising the funds to erect a Family Life Center. We are building in obedience to what God has called us to do, and to glorify God's name. We ask you to consider, prayerfully your sacrifice in giving financially to this step obedience. This is not a new thing for our church. Our 150+ years of history is documented with events and needs that have arisen, seeing this church join with one another in meeting those needs. Realizing the blessing from God and the advancement of His Kingdom in our lives.

God is opening so many doors this next month for ministry. July begins with our annual Faith, Family, and Fireworks. Last year was a big success and we look forward to serving with you this year. Quickly following that event is our annual Vacation Bible School. It too promises to be another big event as we go "into the wild." Your prayer and participation is greatly appreciated and much needed as we seek God's leadership and blessing on these events.

Finally, I want to thank you personally for your cards, calls, inquiries, meals, and especially prayers on Denise's shoulder surgery and recovery. Being a part of this Family of Faith is a blessing we cherish. We love you and appreciate you so much. Thank you!

Keeping the Main Thing, the main thing,
 Pastor Robb

Looking Ahead

- July 2 1:15 pm YAH Council
7:00 pm Church Council
- July 3 5:00 pm Faith, Family, & Fireworks 2
- July 4 Independence Day - Office Closed
- July 5-8 Children's & Middle School Camp
- July 7 6:00 pm Business Meeting
- July 10 6:00 pm Youth @ the Park
- July 14 5:30 pm VBS Meal
6:00 pm VBS
- July 15 5:30 pm VBS Meal
6:00 pm VBS
- July 16 5:30 pm VBS Meal
6:00 pm VBS
- July 17 5:30 pm VBS Meal
6:00 pm VBS
- July 18 5:30 pm VBS Meal
6:00 pm VBS
- July 21 5:30 pm Small Groups
- July 22-23 MO Baptist Children's Home Meeting
- July 24-31 Haiti Mission Trip
- July 24 6:00 pm Youth @ the Park
- July 28 6:00 pm Deacon's Meeting
- July 31 6:00 pm Community Youth Night @ the Pool

Haiti Mission Trip

July 24th - 31st

Those going:

Abby Gilkey, Jenny Tucker, Hattie Gilkey, Kenlee Jonas, David Caruthers, Pam Caruthers, Kim Morris, Harold VanDeMark, Mycah Beth Davis, Cassidy Beem, Susan Ray, Jerry Marti, David Roberts, Ed Emery, Rebecca Emery, Lisa McCall, Chris Roth, & Steve Ijames.

Please be in prayer for those going.

MINISTRY OF PRAYER CHURCH FAMILY

Mary Walker John McDonald Sandy McDown Scott Divine

EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY

Andrew Butler, friend of Lynn Ann Sandberg
Peggy Buchanan, mother of Debbie Marti
Larry Beatty, friend of Pam Caruthers
Jessica Query, sister-in-law of Kerri Beshore
Renee Whitley, sister of Alan Ray
Robert & Pansey Holt, friends of Rose Bronson

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Austin Potter - Marines, son of Dan & Tanya Potter
Brandon Lipe - Chicago, IL, grandson of Noel & Lynn Grigery
Joey Rossiter - North Carolina, grandson of Sue Hobson
Merissa Schmidt - Pentagon, granddaughter of Wanda Reno
Landon McManis - Moody AFB, GA, grandson of Albert & Justine McManis
Mark Jones - Okinawa, Japan, son of Dwayne and Linda Jones
Patrick Beetler - Camp LaJeune, NC, son of Sherry Stettler
Capt. Cody Rossiter - Germany, grandson of Sue Hobson
Nathan Davis-National Guard, husband of Sarah Davis

MISSION OUTREACH

Pastoral Staff Missionary Tony Pitaniello Lamar's Unchurched
Building Committee Vacation Bible School

Haiti Mission Trip: Chris Roth, Abby & Hattie Gilkey, Jenny Tucker, Jerry Marti, David & Pam Caruthers, Cassidy Beem, Mycah Reed, Susan Ray, Ed & Rebecca Emery, Harold VanDeMark, David Roberts, Kim Morris, Lisa McCall, Kenlee Jonas, & Steve Ijames.

Youth Summer Calendar

July:

- 3rd: No Youth (Faith, Family, & Fireworks 2)
- 10th: Youth @ the Park (6:00 pm - 8:00 pm)
- 17th: No Youth (Vacation Bible School)
- 24th: Youth @ the Park (6:00 pm - 8:00 pm)
- 31st: Community Youth Night @ the Pool (6:00 pm - 9:00 pm)

August:

- 7th: Back to School Bash - Bonfire (7:00 pm - 9:30 pm)
- 14th: No Youth (First Day of School)
- 21st: No Youth (Lamar Fair)
- 28th: Financial Classes Begin on Wednesday nights @ FBC

Family Ministries

When you hear the word "hospitality", what come to mind? We typically understand hospitality as a willingness to host, feed, and entertain a guest ... something we all do and especially with our personal friends. However, what if the biblical term has a much deeper (and more difficult) meaning? The Greek term that is often translated into the English term "hospitality" is a combination of two concepts, which break down as follows:

1. **(Philao)** is one of several words for "love" in Greek. It means "brotherly love" or "to love like a brother," and is how we get the name Philadelphia — the City of Brotherly Love.
2. **(Xenos)** makes up the second half of the word and it means "stranger" or "immigrant".

In light of these two words being combined, hospitality as commonly understood, isn't exactly the best way to express this biblical truth. Instead of simply "entertaining guests" the word becomes "one who loves strangers/immigrants, like you would your

own brother." *That's a big difference*, and completely changes the way we see this term used in scripture. **Romans 12:9-21**, list the marks of a true Christian. One of those marks is found in verse 13, where we are told to practice hospitality; brotherly love to strangers. **Titus 1:8** and **1 Timothy 3:2**, commands that leaders of the church "...must be hospitable". The command to be hospitable is not "entertaining" friends and family. It is a command to love and treat strangers/immigrants like brothers and sisters. This is more than just a onetime event. This kind of love should be a part of our daily lives; the kind of love that we practice as we interact with strangers: in our cars, walking down the street, in stores and restaurants, in classrooms. Hard truth. Inconvenient truth. Truth that's difficult to follow, even for me. Let's hold one another accountable to love in this radical way, as we prove our love for Christ through Biblical Hospitality.

God bless you all, Steve.



July Homebound

Velma Miller



Children's & Middle School Camp

July 7th - 10th

Those attending:

Dominick Gordon, Roxy Sprouls, Jordan Potter, Elizabeth Vice, Joslyin Woods, Trace Roberts, Dalton Davis, Faith McMullen, Riddick Gordon, Kenna Davis, Mackenzie Vice, and Santana Sprouls.

LIT: Delaney Potter

CGLs: Chris Roth & Tanya Potter

Vital Signs for June, 2019

Average Attendance for June
Morning Worship - 240
Sunday School - 160
Evening Worship - 41
Small Groups - 52

