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THE TIE

AUGUST NEWSLETTER FBCSP



A Note from Our Senior Minister

August 2025 Sermon Series “Where Are You Serving?”

The final four weeks in August, we will be doing a brief sermon series on serving.

August 10

Scripture: John 15:1-8
Title: “Fruitful or Firewood?”
Remaining in Christ means we bear fruit?
What does it mean to bear fruit and why does Jesus talk as if he needs firewood?

August 24

Scripture: John 15:9-17
Title: “Don’t Let Your Fruit Rot”
Fruit is meant to be enjoyed, not rot. When you have fruit, do you share it, or allow it to rot?



August 17

Scripture: Matthew 7:15-20
Title: “What Type of Tree Are You?”
Would you try to pick oranges from an apple tree?



August 31

Scripture: Galatians 5:22-25
Title: “Evidence of Discipleship”
A healthy relationship following Jesus produces fruit of the Spirit.

SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF THE TIE

If you have news/information that you would like to submit for the next issue of The Tie, please contact Pat Boland at pboland@fbcsp.org. The deadline for the AUGUST TIE is **Aug 20**.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Summer Hours in effect. This is the last month for Summer Schedule. Sunday school at 9:00 a.m. and Worship service at 10:00 a.m.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The church office hours are 9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.
Monday thru Thursday.

CHURCH STAFF

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PRAY

Be Happy!

NEVER GIVE UP!

Get Well Soon!

Thank you!

STAY POSITIVE!

JOYS, CONCERNS, NOTES

NOTES OF GRATITUDE

Dear First Baptist Church,
Thank you so much for your continued love and support. It is greatly appreciated.
Cameron Boys Camp

Dear Southern Pines First Baptist Church,
Bigger than fireworks on the fourth of July, your gift creates bursting rays of hope in the lives of the boys and girls in care at Baptist Children’s Home. Because of you, a child will sleep safely tonight, dream bigger tomorrow, and walk confidently into a future they never thought possible. Thank you for giving them the freedom to be children, to laugh, to play, and to thrive. Let freedom ring, *David Miller, CEO*

Dear First Baptist Church of Southern Pines,
Thank you for your support of Sandhills/Moore Coalition for Human Care! It is because of you and our dedicated volunteers that we are able to continue providing food, clothing, and financial assistance to struggling households in Moore County.
Sincerely, Stephen Phillips, ED

NOTES OF SYMPATHY

The church extends Christian sympathy to Bryan & Sheila Moore upon the dying unto Christ of Sheila's mother, Edwina Diane Greene, on June 30, 2025.

The church extends Christian sympathy to Rae Irvine upon the dying unto Christ of her mother, Lucille Oakley Adcock, on July 5, 2025.

The church extends Christian sympathy to Nancy Costantini upon the dying unto Christ of her husband, John Costantini, on July 7, 2025.

The church extends Christian sympathy to the family of Lynn Simms upon her dying unto Christ on July 8, 2025.

The church extends Christian sympathy to the family of Leo Ganster, upon his dying unto Christ, on July 13, 2025.

The church extends Christian sympathy to Pat Boland upon the dying unto Christ of her brother, Joseph Roller, on July 15, 2025.

NARRATIVE REPORT ON FINANCIAL POSITION/FBCSP

June 2025 vs June 2024

Through the first six months of 2025 we received \$663,151 in budget contributions, \$4,149 more than our giving goal of \$659,002. In 2024 our receipts were \$669,090, \$5,939 more than in the current year. The church’s operating cash flow increased in the second quarter of 2025, receipts exceeding expenses by \$65,658.

The balance of our General Endowment Fund as of June 30, 2025, was \$487,642. The Jeannie H. Jordan Memorial Endowment for the benefit of Sonshine Learning Center had a balance of \$92,394 and helps fund scholarships during the school year. The Memorial Youth Fund had a balance of \$130,087.

Ministry of Missions Update: During the second quarter of 2025, your dollars supported CBF Missionaries – Carson & Laura Foushee, Sandhills/Moore Coalition for Human Care, Cameron Boys’ Camp and Camp Duncan for Girls, Moore Free Care Clinic, Carthage Food Pantry, Team Workz, We Care Food Pantry, CROP Hunger Walk and provided rental assistance, food and gas cards for those in need in our community. We also supported those affected by Hurricane Helene by sending adult and middle school mission teams to Western NC. College and High School students went to Florida on mission trips in May and June. We purchased items and packed “Blessing Bags” during our churchwide picnic in May and assisted a college student with their mission trip to El Salvador. The Annie Armstrong Easter and CBF Global Missions Easter Offerings goal for 2025 was \$6,000; we collected \$6,753. We also supported Baptists on Mission and the WMU of NC

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Giving Goals for June 2025.....	94,277.00
Budget Offerings Received June 2025	105,641.01
Giving Goal thru June 2025.....	659,002.00

Total Budget Offerings Received thru 2025.....	663,150.87
Receipts to Date Comparison with Goal.....	4,148.87



GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS

MISSIONS, SERVING & MORE AT FBCSP

MISSION ACTION

We will resume programs in September 2025. Thank you for joining us this year. Have a great summer!


SUPPLY DRIVE

Let's help our **Sonshine Learning Center** by supporting our little learners! Here are a few of the items needed. Please check with Alison Hainley, (slcdirector@fbcsp.org) or Lauren Craig, (lcraig@fbcsp.org) for a more inclusive list. Drive is running from August 1-31.

Needs: Tissues, fragrance-free/sensitive skin baby wipes, Ziploc Bags (sandwich, quart, or gallon), Hand sanitizers Paper towels, liquid hand soap. Cheerios/Goldfish and list goes on.

CONGRATUALTIONS

2025 VBS



\$1821.66 was raised for the WNC Disaster Relief Program.

A job well done!!

Save The Date



OPERATION INASMUCH

OCTOBER 18, 2025



TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY - SEPTEMBER 18-21

Our church has a vibrant partnership with the Kairos Prison Ministry at Scotland Correctional Institution, Laurinburg, through generous financial gifts from our Mission Committee and Sunday School classes, heartfelt prayers, and meaningful Agape items.

Our training begins August 14th. I will be serving as the leader for this mission outreach. We are seeking your prayers for sufficient volunteers to minister to at least 30 inmates. The Inside Team facilitates the structured 3.5-day program. The Support Team presents the donated meals from various sources and offers essential logistical assistance. Those who have served consistently share how deeply enjoyable and rewarding their experience was, witnessing the profound spiritual impact on the inmates.

The event culminates in a moving closing ceremony where graduates share their transformative experiences and how God has touched their lives. We continue to uplift these men in prayer and encourage their participation in our weekly Wednesday evening Prayer and Share meetings.

As we did last year, we invite your support through Sunday School class Agape and financial donations. Our Agape projects will again include the creation of a prayer chain, coloring placemats, posters, donation of \$5 meal coupons, and prayers for the Holy Spirit’s impact on lives.

We added another excellent means to donate! Get a fabulous \$30 Graph-X4 Tidal Wave Car Wash and Spa coupon for a \$10 donation to your Kairos Ministry. Please prayerfully consider how you can serve in our FBCSP prison ministry at SCI. See the Missions Bulletin Board for more information.

Committed to His Mission,
Rick Allenbaugh

SENIORS ON THE MOVE

Music Ministry

MUSIC MINISTRY & SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

The “Lunch Bunch” at First Baptist Church recently took a trip to Pik ‘N Pig. What a great day! The weather was beautiful, the BBQ was smokin’ and the company was great! We all had a wonderful time chatting and enjoying each others’ company. The moment we arrived an Apache helicopter came in for a landing and the crew stayed for lunch. Wonderful time. There was a lot of laughter and we made our typical amount of noise. Good times in the summer!

- Greg



2025
Youth
Servant
Camp



NEWS & NOTES FROM THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION & ADMINISTRATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES, LOCATION, AND TEACHERS
SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER SCHEDULE - 9:00 A.M.

TYPE OF CLASS	NAME OF CLASS	TEACHERS NAMES
Young Adults	Covenant Class Rm 216	Brittany Paschal Meredith Bolton
Inter - generational	S.A.L.T. Rm 215	Ty Connett Jamie Kipfer Tom Allen Bob Farren Mathew Purser
	Faithful Rm 207	Susan Batts Buddy Lambert Sandra Langford
	Tapestry Rm 208	Carolyn Helms Lauren Riggsbee
Older Adults	Agape Friends Rm 213	James Rhodes Paul Saunders
Men	Men’s Fellowship Bible Class Rm 201	Bert Harrell Don Garner Rick Allenbaugh Tracey McInnis Michael Wicker
Women	Ruth Rm 214	Nelda Cockman Joyce Rhodes Margaret Thompson Elise McInnis

Grace and peace,
Jamie

WHAT’S HAPPENING AT FBCSP?



Renovation

Pages and Prayers
Dedication

AUGUST 17

**Christian Education
Appreciation and Training**
 Join us, Sunday, August 17, after
 worship for a lunch and training
 event. This workshop is for all
 teachers who serve in Sunday
 School classes and Wednesday
 night programs.

SIGN UP TODAY on Realm
 or by calling the church office.

Education

BRIDGEPOINTS ARE COMING!!

Fall BridgePoints will
 begin September 10.
 Stay tuned for more
 information!

Fellowship

THERE WILL BE A
BUSINESS MEETING

AUGUST 17

AFTER THE
10:00 a.m.
WORSHIP SERVICE.



FBCSPYG HAPPENINGS



AUGUST 2025 SCHEDULE

Sundays, 3 rd , 10 th , 17 th , 24 th , 31 st	
Sunday School	9:00 - 9:45 a.m.
Worship	10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night (FBCSPYG)	
Youth Supper	6:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Youth Bible Study	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
NO Youth Meeting Aug. 10 th , 17 th	
Youth Kickoff Aug. 24 th	

YOUTH OUTREACH PROJECTS 2025

Aug. 22	Youth Water Park Trip (first trip for Rising 6th Graders) CANCELED
Aug. 24	Youth Kickoff (Youth & Parents)
Sept. 12-14	Youth Rafting trip
Oct. 10-12	Fall Retreat to Ridgecrest Assembly (Middle School)
Nov. 14-16	Fall Retreat to Caswell (High School)

Hey Guys!

It’s hard to believe that summer is almost over and school is about to be back in full swing. I know everyone has had a busy and exciting summer, and I hope you are all ready for a great year with FBCSPYG.

You may be asking what being a member of a Youth Group is all about. Youth Group is where we grow in our relationship with Christ and in our friendships with each other. It is where we become better prepared to face the many choices and temptations that the world offers. Youth Group is where we become equipped to share God’s love with those around us at school and at home. It’s something you don’t want to miss. I look forward to seeing you as we begin an exciting journey together this year.

KICKOFF IS SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

Youth and their families are encouraged to come and hear what exciting things are planned for 2025-26. Last year, those present had a good time at our carnival as they played games and heard about the many activities planned for the year. They heard about the retreats, outreach projects, crazy nights, and worship events.

6:00 p.m. -7:30 p.m. Dinner & Carnival Games provided.
6:00 p.m. Dinner starts
6:30 p.m. The games begins

*****NOTE: Parent Meeting 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.**
Hope to see you here.

2025 RETREATS

YOUTH RAFTING RETREAT Friday, September 12 - 14, 2025

Get out your life vests and paddles - we are going rafting! We will head to the Blue Ridge Assembly in South Asheville where we will go white water rafting! Mark your calendars now. The cost is \$165 per person plus the cost of one lunch and dinner. Monies are due by Sunday, August 31st. There are 25 spots available. This trip is open to Rising 6th graders thru 12th grade. Sign up now! Text me (910.690.7142) if you are interested. Hope you join us. Don’t miss this awesome experience!

FALL RETREATS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12 AND
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14 - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16
Due to the number of students that signed up to go to the Fall Retreat, we will do two trips again this year. The Middle School Weekend will be in October at Ridgecrest Assembly in Asheville and is open to 6th-8th grades. The High School weekend will be in November at Caswell and is open to 9th-12th grades. These Fall Retreats will fill up fast, so get your deposit in ASAP. The cost of the trip is \$175.00.

-Bryan



CHILDREN & FAMILIES’ MINISTRY



We are seeking more volunteers in our Children’s Ministry. If you have any interest in helping in the following ways, please get in touch with Lauren Craig at leraig@fbcsp.org.

- Sunday School Teachers
- Sunday Worship Nursery Workers

OUR VBS VOLUNTEERS ROCK!

Thank you to all our VBS volunteers. We could not have done it without our adult and youth volunteers. What an awesome week!

Here’s what’s coming up for the Children & Families’ Ministry at First Baptist:

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sunday School is provided for all ages. Summer schedule will begin on Sunday, June 1. Sunday School will begin at 9:00 a.m. and worship at 10:00 a.m. During Sunday School, children learn stories from the Bible and how they apply to our lives today.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10 BLESS OUR SCHOOLS EVENT

Join us for this county-wide initiative to pray for our 38 public and private Moore County Schools on Sunday, August 10 at 4:30 p.m. Go to the school of your choice at 4:30 p.m. and a prayer greeter will meet you at the flag-pole on the campus to welcome everyone. Following an opening prayer, everyone is asked to prayer walk around the campus either individually or with a group. Join us as we pray together for our schools, students, administrators, and teachers. Joyce Rhodes will be leading the group at the Montessori School across from the church.



AUGUST 10,
4:30 PM

JOIN US IN PRAYING
GOD’S BLESSINGS
For Moore County students, teachers, and schools as a new year begins.

Meet at the flagpole at any school campus.
For your nearest school, www.blessmooreschools.com

2025
Vacation
Bible School



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27 MUSIC AND MISSIONS KICKOFF EVENT

Families are invited for a fun Music & Missions Kickoff event from 6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. on the grassy lot. We’ll have food, games, and more for families to enjoy as we get the children registered for the upcoming year of Music & Missions. RSVP on Realm!



YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE INVITED TO THE FBCSP

MUSIC & MISSIONS KICKOFF EVENT

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27
6:00-7:15 PM
GRASSY LOT @ FBC SOUTHERN PINES

JOIN US FOR PIZZA, SNOW CONES, GAMES, AND MORE AS WE CELEBRATE THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR OF MUSIC & MISSIONS AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SOUTHERN PINES.

RSVP ON REALM!

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 MUSIC AND MISSIONS BEGINS

Mark your calendars... our regular Wednesday night programming starts back on Wednesday, September 3. More information about our Music and Missions offerings will be coming soon!

PARENTS, STAY CONNECTED!

Ms. Lauren sends out a weekly email called “Three Things on Thursday” to keep families in the loop and we also have a private Facebook group for FBCSP Kids – Parent Info (www.facebook.com/groups/fbcspkids).

Praying for you and your family,
Lauren Craig, Director of Children and Families’ Ministry