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# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, SOUTHERN PINES



# **THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR DAVID**

# THE CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION

We will enter Holy Week on Sunday, April 2. We will gather with our sister congregations at the downtown park at 10:30 and process to our respective congregations at 10:45, as we sing "Hosanna, "Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest." We will follow the agonizing steps that Jesus walked the final week of his earthly life as he entered Jerusalem, broke bread with his disciples, and pointed out the things about to take place. The disciples had no clue how swiftly their world would be turned upside down beginning a few minutes after the Last Supper, when the guards of the religious leaders and a mob would confront Jesus and arrest him. We will follow those events in our planned services beginning with our Contemplative Service on Wednesday evening as we reflect upon the crowds that gathered around Jesus. We might learn a thing or two about how mobs and crowds often follow a dreadful path that leads to great injustice. On Thursday evening, Greg and the Sanctuary Choir will guide us through the passion narrative with readings, the Lord's Supper, and the great music of our cross-shaped faith. On Easter Sunday, we arrive at the high and holy day of our

resurrection faith. We will celebrate Christian Baptism and remember the events of that first Easter. I will preach my final Easter message and talk about how that word has shaped our life together and guides our future.

### WHAT TO MAKE OF THE APOSTLE: UNDERSTANDING PAUL

In the history of Christianity, no apostle has wielded more influence upon Christian theology than the Apostle Paul. In fact, through much of Christian history, Paul has been simply referred to as "the Apostle." No doubt, Paul is a fascinating figure who has been revered and cherished by many and scorned and ridiculed by others. As one scholar remarked, "You do not get beaten, flogged, imprisoned, and stoned without saying and doing things that are deemed controversial, offensive, and even subversive" (Michael F. Bird, Four Views of Paul). In our sessions, we'll ask the most important question, "How are we to understand Paul?" That question will lead to some basic questions about sources. What are the criteria for making such decisions? Do we go with primary sources, for example, Paul's letters, or secondary sources, in this case, the Acts of the

Apostles? Of course, those questions lead naturally to another important question about Pauline authorship. Paul reputedly penned 13 of the 27 books of the New Testament. We'll examine the scholarly consensus about Pauline authorship and explore some alternative views as well. Then we'll briefly address the bedeviling claim of some critics of Christianity that asserts Paul was the founder of Christianity. Along the way we'll ask, "Was Paul a conservative or a liberal interpreter of faith?" as well as "What was Paul's major concern: theology or community?" All of these questions and more will shape our short study of this historical figure of early Christianity before settling into Paul's major themes:

- What did Paul think about salvation?
- What was Paul's view of the significance of Christ?
- What is the best framework for describing Paul's theological perspective?
- What was Paul's vision for the churches?

This series starts on Wednesday, April 12, in Room 216.

In Christ, David



# JOYS, CONCERNS, NOTES

# **JOYS & CONCERNS**

## **RECENT HOSPITALIZATIONS**

- Carol Wilson Wayne Jordan
- Judy Herbig Jane Francks
- Ray Long
  - ng John Costantini er - Emily Galloway
- Jan Foster - Kersey Smith

## **CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY**

to LeRoy Dare and family upon the dying unto Christ of his wife, Nancy Dare, on 3/5.

## CONGRATULATIONS

to David and Julie MacPherson upon the birth of their grandson, Thomas Kai MacPherson, on 3/4. And to parents, Andrew and Linda.

# NOTES OF GRATITUDE

Thank you dear friends of First Baptist for the many notes, cards, phone calls, visits, food, prayers and expressions of love during my recent recovery form surgery. You have uplifted my spirits and are quickening my recovery. *Harvey Albright* 

### Dear Church,

Thank you for your support of Sandhills/Moore Coalition for Human Care! We are grateful for our generous community. It is because of you and our dedicated volunteers that were able to continue providing food, clothing, and financial assistance to struggling households in Moore County, many who had never needed our assistance before the events of the past couple of years. *Sincerely, Stephen Phillips* 

## Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your thoughts, concerns, encouragement, and prayers through what we refer to as my eye saga. Truly, I give God the glory for the intricate creation of the eye and the gifted medical community here. Again, thank you for your love, cards, calls, and meals. *Love In Christ, Bonnie Elhart* 

# STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Giving Goals for Mar. 19, 2023	21,998.11
Budget Offerings Received on Mar. 19, 2023	19,949.28
Giving Goal Thru Mar. 19, 2023	327,306.77
Total Budget Offerings Received in 2023	283,536.89
Receipts to Date Comparison with Goal	-43,769.88

# CONGRATULATIONS



In April 2018, we welcomed Greg Lundberg as our Minister of Music and Senior Adults. This month marks Greg's **fifth anniversary** at First Baptist Church. Greg was called to our church during a time of transition, then navigated ministry through a pandemic, and has continued on with strength and commitment in the seasons that have

followed. We are grateful for Greg's endurance and dedication to our church and his expertise in Music Ministry and ministry to our Senior Adults. Greg is a blessing to our church, offering countless hours to worship preparation, choir rehearsals with Youth, Adults, and Senior Adults, ministry events and trips with Senior Adults, special worship services, and much more. Please join me in thanking Greg and celebrating his ministry to our church. We will honor Greg's fifth anniversary at First Baptist on April 30<sup>th</sup> during the 11:00 a.m. worship service. - *Chris Martin, Personnel Committee, Chair* 

# **GOOD TIMES IN MARCH!!**





# **NEWS & NOTES** FROM THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION & ADMINISTRATION

## **BRIDGEPOINTS**

Mothers and Daughters of the Bible (Women's Study)

The Mothers and Daughters of the Bible study will explore how God gifted each one with holy courage to face the circumstances that turned their lives upside down. We'll re-examine some of the twisting adventures recorded in the Scriptures and how faith sustained each woman, young and old. Participants are encouraged to bring their bibles. They may also wish to purchase a book that goes along with the study, *The Mothers and Daughters of the Bible Speak: Lessons on Faith from Nine Biblical Families* by Shannon Bream. Books can be pre-ordered for \$10 in the church office (contact <u>pboland@fbcsp.org</u>) or purchased on the first night of the study.

Facilitator: Lynn Lambert When: Wednesdays at 6 pm Where: Room TBD 4-week study beginning April 12

# Matching Calamity with Serenity: Coping with Addiction

Have you ever thought "How can he drink like that after what happened last time?", "You would think she would stop for her children's sake.", or "How can someone who loves their family act that way?" Do you have questions about a loved one's drinking/drug use and what you can do to help them? Join us for a series of discussions with members of AA and Al -Anon on substance abuse, recovery, and how to heal from the effects of addiction. We will also host a guest speaker on May 10th, psychiatrist Dr. Jason Jerry of First Health, who will share the medical opinion on addiction and his experience in treating addicts/alcoholics. Participants may wish to purchase an optional book that goes along with this study: *Alcoholics Anonymous*. It is available by pre-order through the church office (contact <u>pboland@fbcsp.org</u>) for \$10. Digital and audio copies are also available for free at <u>aa.org/the-big-book</u>.

Facilitator: Mathew Brent Purser When: Wednesday nights at 6 pm Where: Room TBD *3-week series beginning May 3* 

### "Knit, Purl, and Pray" Continues

Now in its 16th year, this creative gathering for knitters of all skill levels continues to craft prayer shawls, chemo caps, and

baby blankets as a ministry of care and support. No experience needed! Experienced knitters will have you knitting after the first session! Please note only two classes are currently offered.

When: Wednesday, April 12 & Wednesday, May 17Time: 6:00pm-7:00pmWhere: Room 206Facilitator: Melissa Bearfield

### What to Make of the Apostle: Understanding Paul

In the history of Christianity, no apostle has wielded more influence upon Christian theology than the Apostle Paul. In fact, through much of Christian history, Paul has been simply referred to as "the Apostle." "How are we to understand Paul?" We will answer this and many other questions in our short study of this historical figure of early Christianity. This series starts on Wednesday, April 12, in Room 216.

Facilitator: David Helms When: Wednesdays - 6:00pm-7:00pm Where: Room 216

# SAVE THE DATE!!!

Teacher - Leader Workshop

Sunday August 20, 2023

After the worship service, there will be a Teacher - Leader workshop. There will be luncheon for those attending the workshop prior to the training. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more information.

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FORMAL INVITATION TO FOLLOW



# FBCSPYG HAPPENINGS

### **APRIL SCHEDULE**

Sundays, April 2, 16, 23	
Worship	8:30am; 11:00am
Sunday School	9:45-10:45am
JuBELLation (6-12)	4:00-4:45pm
Choir (6-12)	5:00-6:00pm
Youth Dinner (6-12)	6:00-6:30pm
Youth Bible Study	6:30-7:30pm
Sunday, April 30	
Worship	11:00am
Sunday School	9:45-10:45am
JuBELLation (6-12)	
Choir (6-12)	5:00-6:00pm
Youth Dinner (6-12)	6:00-6:30pm
Youth Crazy Night	6:30-7:30pm

### Youth Bible Studies





Carthage



Friday 7:30am @ Starbucks (@ Harris Teeter /WP)

YOUTH AUCTION

Saturday, April 22 Dinner: 5:30pm - Live Auction: 6:30pm Our Youth Auction is right around the corner! We will begin with dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by live and silent auctions starting at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. If you are a youth going on the mission trip to Orlando this summer, you are required to work at the auction and donate one item to be auctioned off. Items in the past have included baked goods, handmade jewelry, electronic appliances, services, etc. Most anything will work as long as it is new or "gently used." Please let me know as soon as possible what you will be donating. These items are due by Sunday, April 17. All monies raised will go to help pay for our mission trip. Remember, if you do not participate in the auction, you will be required to pay more for the mission trip. If we all work together, I know this will be a great success! TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY ... Any church member that has an item to donate, please see Bryan. All donations will be appreciated! Please RSVP for dinner at **bit.ly/400Cdmg** by 4/19 at noon.

## **GRADUATION & YOUTH SUNDAY**

Sunday, June 4th

Our First Baptist youth will be leading the services, and our graduating seniors will be honored. Please call the church office at 692-8750 to let us know if you have a youth or other family member graduating from high school or college.

ATTENTION ALL GRADUATES! We need a wallet-size senior photo of all high school graduates and any photo of all college graduates for the Graduation Sunday bulletin insert. Please submit your photo to Bryan no later than May 7th.

## YOUTH OUTREACH PROJECTS

Youth Outreach Projects and Activities - 2023	
Apr. 15	Community Road Clean-up - Pick up trash on May St. from Church to US 1.
May 6	Kids Day in the Southern Pines Park - Games and crafts for kids led by youth with a snack.
Jun. 17-24	Youth Mission Trip - Our youth will be on a mission trip to Orlando!
Jun. 26-30	<b><u>Vacation Bible School</u></b> - more information coming.

#### YOUTH MISSION TRIP - ORLANDO! SUNDAY, JUNE 17-SUNDAY, JUNE 24

This summer, our youth will be on a mission to Orlando! Our mission will be to share the love of Christ through construction projects, working in community centers, and serving meals. This will be a mission trip only and a good opportunity for our youth to give of themselves to others who are in need. Sign up is now closed and plans are being made for the trip. Every student should have paid \$200 by March 1st. Below is the remaining payment schedule: Paymt. 3-Apr 1st - \$50 Paymt. 4-May 1st - \$50 Paymt. 5-June 1st - \$50

### COLLEGE MISSION TRIP - ORLANDO! SUNDAY, MAY 14 - SUNDAY, MAY 21

We plan to return to Orlando from May 14-21 to work with the Orlando Rescue Mission and Second Harvest Food Bank. This trip is full at this time, but if you are interested in putting your name on a wait list, have questions, or would like more information, email me at bmoore@pinehurst.net. A deposit of \$100. will hold your spot. The total cost of the trip is \$450. This will be due by Sunday, April 28. Please let me know if you are interested.

Thanks for being a part of FBCSPYG! Bryan





# CHILDREN & FAMILIES' MINISTRY



Make sure to stay connected with everything happening with the Children & Families Ministry at First Baptist. Mark your calendars for these upcoming events!

# SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sunday School is provided for all ages beginning at 9:45 on Sunday mornings. During Sunday School, children learn stories from the Bible and how they apply to our lives today.

# MUSIC & MISSIONS ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Join us on Wednesday nights for Music and Missions. We offer programming for kids ages 3 years old to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Here's the schedule:

**5:00-6:00 PM:** Church Supper **6:00-6:30 PM:** Music (Rm. 132 Preschool-Kinder; Rm. 133 Kids 1-5 grades) **6:30-7:15 PM:** Missions (Rm. 120 Preschool-Kinder; Rm. 135 GAs; Rm. 137 RAs)

# CHILDREN'S DAY OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 7 at 8:30am and 11:00am

Mark your calendars for Sunday, May 7 for Children's Day of Worship. We are thrilled to have a service led by the children of FBCSP. To make this work, we are asking that all our children in 1st -5th grades be present at both services (8:30am and 11:00am) on Sunday, May 7. Nursery care will be provided at 11:00am as usual, but of course all children are welcome to stay in worship!

# CHILDREN'S MUSIC PROGRAM

### Wednesday, May 3 at 6:30pm

Mark your calendars to join us for our end of year children's music program. This program will be presented by our children in both the preschool and 1-5 grade Wednesday night music classes. It'll be a fun, casual evening to sing and praise God!

# **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2023!**

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School! This year,

VBS will be held on <u>June 26-30, 2023 from 9:00am-12:15pm</u>. If you are interested in volunteering for VBS, please reach out to Lauren Craig as soon as possible!

# **SUMMER ACTIVITIES**

Stay tuned for other fun summer activities for FBCSP Children and Families 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



GA's assembled 30 birthday bags that were donated to the Sandhills Coalition for families in our community.



# SENIORS ON THE MOVE

# MUSIC MINISTRY & SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

## **MUSIC MINISTRY**

For people of faith, Holy Week is one of the richest times of the church year. Soon, the long nights of winter will make way for light, and we will prepare for the holiest days in the Christian calendar. During Holy Week, believers will walk the final journey to the cross; we will participate in and remember that climatic last week of Jesus' life on earth. We will celebrate and worship on Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Resurrection Sunday.

# PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 2, 8:30am &11:00am Worship Services

Palm Sunday begins as a day of jubilation as Jesus makes his way into the city of Jerusalem for the last time. Soon afterward, the cheers fade and the events that lead to the cross become more vivid. Here we take part in the journey toward the passion of our Lord.

# MAUNDY THURSDAY - APRIL 6, 7:00pm Worship Service

Maundy Thursday (or Holy Thursday) takes its name from John 13:34, "a new commandment I give to you." The Latin word for *commandment* is *mandatum*; we derive the word Maundy from this word. This day commemorates the washing of feet and Last Supper of Jesus Christ with his disciples. Our service will be in the form of a Tenebrae—we will extinguish candles and diminish the lights as we remember and share the scriptures and events just prior the crucifixion of Jesus. Our worship service this year is at 7:00 p.m. and will feature a string quartet, hymns and choral music. You are warmly invited to join us in worship.

## **GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 7**

Good Friday is the Friday preceding Resurrection Sunday and is the day Jesus Christ was crucified on the cross. We commemorate the events on Good Friday because through Christ's death we receive the gift of eternal life. Scripture reminds us that Jesus bore our sins, shame, and burdens on the cross. The results changed the course of humanity for all eternity; what man meant for evil by killing Jesus, God meant for good. This is a day to use for prayer, reflection and reading scripture. FBC will not be the host for the community Good Friday service this year.

# RESURRECTION SUNDAY - APRIL 9, 8:30am & 11:00am Worship Services

On the third day after his crucifixion, we celebrate Resurrection Sunday, the day Jesus Christ was raised from the dead. Resurrection Sunday is the fulfilled prophecy of the Messiah who would be persecuted, die for our sins, and rise on the third day. Remembering the resurrection of Jesus is a way to renew daily hope that we have victory over sin. Celebrate with us on Sunday, April 9. He is Risen! He is Risen, indeed!

## SENIORS ON THE MOVE

Greetings from Seniors on the Move, a young at heart ministry, here at First Baptist Church Southern Pines!

We look forward to gathering over the next few months and would like to share some of these gatherings with you. Be sure to mark your calendar!!

### **APRIL**

Our April gathering will be on **Monday, April 10th at 5pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner will be BBQ and sides from Ember's in Southern Pines. After dinner, we'll welcome The Master's Sons from Carthage, as we look forward to being blessed by their harmony and music. Please sign up on the sheet posted on the SOTM bulletin board.

### MAY

We will not be gathering at the church, as the Caswell Summerfest Conference is the "Main Event", **May 15 - 19**. We have reservations for 30 in the same lodging in the Oleander and Palmetto houses. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. A \$50, **non-refundable** deposit is due upon sign-up, and may be given to Roger Wilson or to the church office. Checks are to be made out to FBCSP. Please be sure to write "Caswell" on the memo portion of your check. <u>Please note: The final payment is due on Easter</u> <u>Sunday, April 9th.</u>

## JUNE

We will be gathering on **Monday, June 12th** in the Fellowship Hall. A catered dinner is planned. Details to come. After dinner, we'll welcome our own Jim Webre to bless us, as he speaks about his faith journey.

The Senior Adult Ministry Committee has more gatherings planned through the Summer. We look forward to seeing you, as we gather together as Seniors on the Move!

Blessings to All! Roger and Carol Wilson





# MISSIONS, SERVING & MORE AT FBCSP

## MISSION ACTION GROUP

Mission Action will meet April 17, 2023 at 11:45am. Speaker will be Kym Nixon from Changing Destinies.



Kym co-founded Changing Destinies Ministry in January 2013. Her work history consists of 24-years in the Navy as a Hospital Corpsman and an instructor for 11-years at two Naval training facilities. After retirement, she was then employed by the Army as a contract instructor for eight years. She has an M. Ed. in e-learning Technology and Design from Jones International University. As the mother of a trafficking survivor, she brings personal experience and insights to the organization. Kym is currently the President / Executive Director (interim Secretary) of Changing Destinies.

## **GOD'S BELOVED**

Last fall, Ada and I (Carson) were at a festival near our home when "Yoshi", a Japanese college student, approached me and spoke to me in English. This is actually a very rare occurrence as we almost always speak with local people in Japanese. Yoshi, a native of Kanazawa, was intrigued that our family are residents of Kanazawa since there are not many internationals in our city. He shared that he is studying both English and German at a university in Tokyo focused on foreign languages and was happy to be able to speak English with an international in his city.

I was surprised by his English ability but was also impressed with him as a person. We shared contact information so that the next time he was back home we could meet up. I hoped to be able to take him to a cafe run by a German friend so Yoshi could practice German with someone in his hometown. This month we finally met again and enjoyed breakfast at the cafe, named Gemutlich or "comfortable" in German, which was a good description of our time together. The conversation as a pair and sometimes as a trio, when the German chef was not in the kitchen, covered a range of topics, but identity was a central theme. Yoshi's father is Japanese, and his mother is Chinese. In Japan, this makes him "half", which is a term used for individuals with one Japanese parent and one of another nationality. Sadly, there is often a negative perception of "half" citizens in Japan. In 2015, the winner crowned Miss Universe Japan was "half" as her mother is Japanese, and father is African American. Critics felt she didn't fit the traditional Japanese image to represent the nation, and the

internet trolling was cruel. This kind of discrimination is common among "half" people in Japan and leads to identity crises as these individuals are forced to make decisions about their behavior to avoid the potential judgement of others in their communities.

Yoshi has felt this kind of discrimination throughout his life both in Japan and China. This is especially difficult since the two nations his parents come from have a history of conflict. He was even bullied by a teacher as an elementary student in China regarding the Japanese oppression of the Chinese during World War II. He has done his best to manage this struggle, sometimes by simply hiding characteristics and talents that make him different than his peers.

I shared with Yoshi that a Japanese pastor in the city of Kobe, married to an American, told me that rather than use the term "half" his family says their children are "double." Their family focuses on the positive aspects of possessing multiple nationalities. It seems so simple, but this kind of language matters and has the power to help others to see the beauty of the diversity of their neighbors.

Yoshi and I have continued to send text messages to each other after his return to Tokyo. While I help him to navigate the difficulties he faces with his multinational background, I have tried to help him understand that his identity is not in who others say he is nor is it from the names of the nations printed on the passports he carries. He is above all a beloved child of God. He is enough because God has made him in God's image. It's a reminder that I hope we all carry as we journey together in faith and recognize the beauty of the diversity given to us by our Creator.

Carson and Laura Foushee are Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Field Personnel to Japan and serve in partnership with the Japan Baptist Convention in local church and community leadership in Kanazawa, Japan.



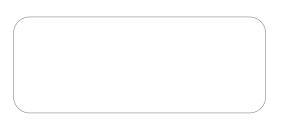


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### MAY ISSUE OF THE TIE

If you have news/information that you would like to submit for the next issue of The Tie, contact Pat Boland at pboland@fbcsp.org. The deadline for the May TIE Issue is April 19.

### WORSHIP ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sundays at 8:30am and 11:00am. We will continue Livestream at 11:00am online.

### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

The church office hours are 9:00am - 4:30pm on Monday - Thursday and 9:00am - 12:00pm on Friday.

# CHURCH STAFF

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# **HOLY WEEK**

# April 2: Palm Sunday

8:30am and 11:00am services Sunday School will meet as usual - 9:45am Plus a 10:30 a.m. Ecumenical gathering at the Southern Pines Park

**April 5: Service of Communion, Healing & Prayer** 11:00am in the Prayer Room

# **April 5: Contemplative Worship**

Dinner at 5:00pm; Service at 6:00pm

# April 6: Maundy Thursday

Service at 7:00 p.m. Available via livestream.

# **April 9: Easter Sunday**

There will be two services, 8:30am and 11:00am. Sunday School will meet as usual - 9:45am til 10:45am





Monday, April 10: Church Office Closed

### **Thursday, April 20: SLC Spirit Night** 4pm-8pm at Pizzeria Grazia

### Saturday, April 22: FBCSPYG Youth Auction

5:30pm Dinner, 6:30pm Auction RSVP at <u>bit.ly/400Cdmq</u> by 4/19 at noon. If you have items to donate, please see Bryan.

### Sunday, April 30: 5th Sunday Service & Lunch

Sunday School at 9:45am. One service at 11:00am. 5th Sunday Lunch at 12:00pm. RSVP for meal no cost at <u>bit.ly/41WzjjV</u> by April 26.

Sunday, April 30: Prayer Service

Prayer Service: 6:00pm in the Sanctuary

### Sunday, May 7: Children's Day of Worship at both the 8:30am and 11:00am

We are thrilled to have a service led by the children of FBCSP. To make this work, we are asking that all our children in 1st -5th grades be present at both services (8:30am and 11:00am) on Sunday, May 7. Nursery care will be provided at 11:00am as usual, but of course all children are welcome to stay in worship!

### Sunday, May 21: Renewal Services

There will be two services, 8:30am and 11:00am. Sunday School will meet as usual - 9:45am - 10:45am **Evening Renewal Service (6pm) and supper (5pm)** 

### Sunday, June 4: Graduation and Youth Sunday

Our First Baptist youth will be leading the services, and our graduating seniors will be honored. Please call the church office at 910-692-8750 to let us know if you have a youth or other family member graduating from high school or college. Deadline for graduate photos for Graduation Insert is May 7.

June 11 - August 20: Summer Sunday Schedule 9:00am: Sunday School 10:00am: Sunday Worship (one service during this timeframe)

### Monday, June 26 - Friday, June 30: VBS

Registration is now open! Vacation Bible School at First Baptist Church Southern Pines Monday, June 26 - Friday, June 30 @ 9:00am - 12:15pm Register at: <u>https://vbspro.events/p/events/fbcsp2023</u> VBS is for children ages 4 (turned 4 by 6/1/23) through 5th grade!