# #SPIRE

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PASSPORT CAMPS 2018

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HE SAID TO ME, "MY GRACE IS ENOUGH FOR YOU, BECAUSE POWER IS MADE PERFECT IN WEAKNESS."

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JUNE 24-29

Pray for our Passport Youth Camp Chaperones and Participants as they travel to Greensboro, NC

CHAPERONES

Ashlyn Balch Benji Britt Cheryl Jenkins Jennifer Uldrick John Uldrick

#### PARTICIPANTS

Aiden Amerman
TaeLeigh Jenkins
Will Bagby
Lindsey Keith
Nathan Ballentine
Maggie Keith
Zac Ballentine
Cole Landrum
Charlie Bell
John Landrum
Ava Fortenberry
Carter Lewis

Claire Fortenberry
Hollis Rose Loveless
Finn Hall
Briggs Poyner
Gatlin Hancock
Carrie Twente
Braden Hood
Annalise Uldrick
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Charlie Uldrick
Wesley Inman
Wells Hernandez

# FROM OUR PASTOR

When I walked back to the church from lunch the other day, the suitcases were lined up all along the sidewalk. A big group of our adults were preparing to go on their big trip to Spain and Portugal. Just a day later, a group of our college students along with our youth interns are leaving to go on a different trip. They will be going to Peru to work alongside other students from FBC Norman, Oklahoma as they serve our friends in Collique. I haven't seen their suitcases yet, but I bet from the outside they look pretty similar to many of the suitcases that are on their way to Europe.

It is very similar with churches. If you drive by churches in a town like Rome, many of them will have similar characteristics from the outside. They will have steeples and columns and signage. There might be a cross or some stained glass that is visible from the outside. And if you took down the signage, you might not be able to guess much about the makeup of the congregation. But

if you took a look, a long look inside, it would help you better understand the identity of the congregation just like taking a long look inside a suitcase might help you better understand the identity of trip that someone is embarking upon.

That is essentially the work that our Discovery team has been focused on during these last months. We have been taking a long and deep look at everything that we have with us already, along with the context in which we find ourselves, in order to determine where God is calling us to go. Please continue to pray for the Holy Spirit to help us in our discernment as we write and clarify our insights and pray that we would seek only the will of God for our church.

With hopeful anticipation,





## CHILDREN'S CORNER

#### MOVIE & ICE CREAM!

On June 27th at 6pm, join us in the Fellowship Hall to watch a movie and enjoy ice cream sundaes! We'll provide the ice cream, you bring your favorite topping!



#### **POPSICLES & PLAY**

Families of all ages, join us on July 11th at 6pm at the Forum water fountain for popsicles and outdoor fun. Wear your bathing suit if you want to run in the water!

#### **POOL PARTY**

Come jump in and cool off on July 15th, 2-5pm at the Northside Swim Center Pool!

#### SUMMER FUN THURSDAYS

Preschoolers ages 18mos-5yrs old can join us Thursdays in June (all Thursdays) and July (12th & 19th) from 10am-1pm for fun filled days consisting of art, playground time, Bible stories, music & movement, lunch (you provide or your child may eat Pizza Lunch for \$3) & more! You may sign up for one day or all days. Contact Melissa Wood for more information. Registration Forms are available online and in the Preschool Hallway.

### YOUTH NEWS



# PRAY FOR YOUTH PASSPORT GROUP JUNE 24 - JUNE 29

### SIX FLAGS TRIP

JULY 16

9:00 am - 10:30 pm \$35 per person (Includes ticket, lunch, & transportation)

### MYSTERY LUNCH OUTING

JULY 26

11:30 am - 2:00 pm \$10-15 per person

# END OF SUMMER HIKE & SLEEP JULY 27 - 29

Len Foote Hike Inn \$150 per person (Includes lodging, food, & transportation)

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### CHURCH DIRECTORY

For those who had their photos made for the directory, your free directory is available for pick up. For those who did not have their photos taken, or for those who want extra directories, copies may be purchased for \$10 each. Church members may also access the mobile version for free.

# FINAL PRAYERS AND REFLECTIONS WEDNESDAYS, NOON | JUNE 27

We begin each Wednesday at noon with a 30 minute time of reflection in the chapel and then enjoy a light lunch, prepared by Chef Greg, in the Dining room. The cost is \$6/person and no reservation is needed. June 27<sup>th</sup>—Matt will reflect on Share

#### CALLING FOR CHILDREN'S ARTWORK

The Gallery's next exhibit will focus on the artwork of our children. "All Creatures Great and Small", will focus on the creative expression of children in our congregation.

This exhibit will run from July 1-August 31. Artwork should be brought to the church by June 24, framed and ready to hang. For more information, please contact Tamara Smathers.

# DR. RUBY PAYNE IS COMING SUNDAY AUGUST 5TH

First Baptist Church has the rare opportunity to host Dr. Ruby Payne on Sunday, August 5th. Dr. Payne is known in education circles as an expert in helping teachers understand poverty and ways to best serve their students.

She has written or co-authored more than a dozen books, including "A Framework for Understanding Poverty" which has sold more than 1.5 million copies. Her most recent book will be released in July and crosses every economic class—

"Emotional Poverty; How to Reduce Anger, Anxiety, and Violence in the Classroom".

On August 5th, she will speak to three specific groups. All Adults will meet that morning beginning at 9:15 in the Fellowship Hall. Her topic, "What Every Church Member Should Know about Poverty."

This event is made possible through a very generous anonymous donation from a church member, and hosted by the Adult Faith Development and Missions committees.

## HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

APRIL 25-MAY 10, 2019

This pilgrimage to both Israel and Jordan invites us to experience the wilderness and entrance into the Promised Land. We will walk where Jesus walked and listen as Scripture comes to life in this ancient land. Friends and family from other churches are certainly welcome to join us. Contact Tamara Smathers for more information.



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# MUSIC MINISTRY

#### PARADE: THE MUSICAL

The Music Ministry is sponsoring a trip to Marietta on September 28 to see "Parade: The Musical" starring Jared Bradshaw, son of Jim and Susan Bradshaw. Jared has appeared on Broadway for several years and this is a rare chance to see him perform close to home. The Tony Award-winning musical is essentially a murder mystery based on a true story that took place in Marietta in 1913. Cost is \$45 per person and includes show ticket and transportation by motorcoach. Call Karen Garrett to get your name on the list as spaces are going quickly!

## WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

"IT'S TOO HOT
TO COOK" SALAD
SUPPER
THURSDAY JULY 26

THURSDAY, JULY 26, 6:00 P.M.

Join us for this fun night promising laughter and new friends.



HOLD THE DATE SECOND ANNUAL WOMEN'S EPIPHANY RETREAT JANUARY 5-7, 2019

Sacred Heart Monastery, Cullman, Alabama

## SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, June 24, are given to the glory of God and in honor of Roger and Joan Goss on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary by Chris Goss.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, June 24, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Robert Cates by Martha Cates and Family.

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, July 1, are given to the glory of God and in honor of Beverly Harris for her love of music in our lives by Bob, Children and Grandchildren.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, July 1, are given to the glory of God and in honor of Al Briley on the occasion of his birthday by Ansley and Dean Saville and Family.

# GIVING TO GOD

Year-to-Date:

Ministry Support Needed \$1,341,290.59 Support Received \$1,191,923.14

2017-2018 Total Budget Commitments To Date \$1,488,872.60

Seeking His heart | Being His hands

#### Saturday, June 23

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June 23 - July

Mark Your CALENDAR

Minister on Call	John Uldrick 706.766.0430
College Peru Trip Team returns	9:00 am

#### Sunday, June 24 (World Hunger Sunday)

Passport Youth Campers depart	7:00 am
Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)	9:00 am
Doris White Committee Mtg., DR	9:00 am
Bible Study (all ages)	9:45 am
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	10:30 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44	11:00 am

#### Tuesday, June 26

#### **FBC Serves Community Kitchen**

Meals & More, First United Methodist Church 3:0	0-6:00 pm
Budget Committee Mtg., Conf. Rm.	5:30 pm
Discovery Team Mtg., Comm. Rm.	5:30 pm
Senior Adults return from Spain Trip	5:30 pm

#### Wednesday, June 27

#### FBC Serves Community Kitchen

Final Prayers and Reflections, Chapel/DR	12:00 pm
Families of Preschool & Children -	

Movie & Ice Cream Party 6:00 pm

#### Thursday, June 28

# FBC Serves Community Kitchen

Men's Bible Study, MSP Law Office	6:45 am
Preschool Summer Fun Days	10:00 am - 1:00 pm

#### Friday, June 29

#### **FBC Serves Community Kitchen**

Children's Snack Attack, Sweet Frog	2:00 pm
Passport Youth Campers return	6:00 pm

#### Saturday, June 30

Minister on Call Kristen Pope 502.693.5644

#### Sunday, July 1

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)	9:00 am
Bible Study (all ages)	9:45 am
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	10:30 pm
Worship - Comcast Channel 44	11:00 am

#### Wednesday, July 4 Independence Day

#### **Church Office Closed**

#### Thursday, July 5

Men's Bible Study, MSP Law Office 6:45 am

#### Friday, July 6

Finance Committee Mtg., Conf. Rm. 12:00 pm

## THIS WEEK: JUNE 24

SUNDAY WORSHIP -

OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

SERMON: Rev. Matt DuVall SCRIPTURE: Mark 4:35-41

ANTHEM: Shelter in the Storm...arr. Joel Raney

SPECIAL MUSIC: Dianne Dobson

#### TLC VOLUNTEERS

BED BABIES: Kristen, Marin and Kallan Kinsey

1'S & 2'S: Ryals & Lauren Stone

3'S & 4'S: Bobby & Kim Higgins George

FINAL PRAYERS AND REFLECTIONS
JUNE 27 AT NOON IN
CHAPEL/DINING ROOM
MATT DUVALL, SPEAKER

MINISTER ON CALL: John Uldrick 706.766.0430

# NEXT WEEK: JULY 1

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: Rev. Matt DuVall SCRIPTURE: Mark 5:21-43

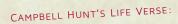
ANTHEM: Those Who Wait on the Lord...

arr. Shayla Blake

#### TLC VOLUNTEERS

BED BABIES: Daniel & Maggie Dunagan 1'S & 2'S: Jonathan & Genna Harris 3'S & 4'S: Jack & Ashley Smith

> MINISTER ON CALL: Kristen Pope 502.693.5644



"It is God who arms me with strength and makes my way perfect."

Psalm 18:32

# **ESPIRE**

#### **SUNDAY SERVICES**

BROADCAST LIVE ON COMCAST CHANNEL 44 AND VIA WWW.FBCROME.ORG

# WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

# Calling all Toddlers!

one year old by September 1st Would your child like to spend time with caring, experienced staff playing, learning and worshipping? Then come join our Weekday Preschool Toddler Class either Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday from 9am-1pm. Do you have friends or family who might be interested? Contact Melissa Wood, Preschool Director, at 706.295.1150 or mwood@fbcrome.org to schedule a visit or for more information.

# UPCOMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

JUNE 24-29

Youth Passport Camp

JUNE 27

Prayers & Reflections

JUNE 27

Movie & Ice Cream Night

JULY 15

Pool Party

JULY 26

Women's Salad Supper

AUGUST 5

Dr. Ruby Payne Speaks

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