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## Serving God – Loving People

### Meet our Interim Youth Minister

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#### July

- 13 –Michelle Self
- 14 – Pat Martin  
Elija McClintock
- 15 – Malissa Lane
- 16 – Macel Anderson  
Howard Coy
- 18 – Lena Wheelock  
Lillian Williams
- 21 – Seth Forque  
Ellen Tyree  
John Mayo  
Chris Robertson
- 22 – Bunny Woods
- 23 - Bernice Dixon
- 24 – Olind Henexson
- 25 – Mack Bailey
- 26 – Rosa Giles

**Sunday**  
Sunday Bible Study for all ages: 9:30 A.M.  
Sunday Worship Services: 10:45 A.M.  
**Sunday Evening 6 PM in the CLC**

**Wednesday**  
Children's Choir Camp 6-7 P.M.  
Youth & Adult Bible Study @ 6:00 P.M.  
Adult Choir @ 7:00 P.M.

**FBC State of Affairs**

2017 Monthly Budget Requirement <b>\$39,352.00</b>	
Received June 4, 2017	12,895.64
Received June 11, 2017	10,285.19
Received June 18, 2017	3,794.00
Received June 25, 2017	10,374.03
Total received for June 2017	39,525.97
Received July 2, 2017	6,760.08

**Sunday School Report**

	6/25/17	7/2/17
Members Present	164	101
Visitors	13	16
Worship Attendance	173	

Tapestry  
July 11, 2017 @  
6 P.M.  
Movie Night  
Provided by the  
Bailey Girls &  
Annette  
All ladies are  
invited!!

## A Note From the Pastor

As I am writing this newsletter today, I am also working on the wedding ceremony for my youngest daughter. Saturday will be here soon, the day that Hannah and Shane are to be married. As parents, we always knew this day would come, we just didn't realize it would come so quickly. We felt we would have more time.

A thousand questions run through my mind on this day. Did we raise her correctly? Did we give her all the tools to be successful in life? Have we been godly parents and set a good example for her to look to? How will the wedding cake taste that we spent so much money on?

I would say all of these questions, plus many more, run through any parent's mind as we watch our children step out on their own.

But I wonder if our Heavenly Father has any of these questions about us when we step out? Are they prepared for what will come? Will they succeed or will they fail?

He loves us way more than then we can imagine and He has equipped us with gifts and talents to help us succeed that we haven't even realized yet, so I would venture out to say no. He already knows what lies ahead for us so I am sure He doesn't have the same concerns we have. But I do think that when we do step out in obedience to what He has asked us to do and we learn from that experience, I am sure He has the same pride for His children as we have for ours.

Am I looking forward to that last father/daughter dance? Yes and no. It will be bittersweet to hand her over to another and I will shed many tears, but I must let go and trust God that we did it right. But I am looking forward to the day when our faith becomes sight and we hear those pleasant words... "Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master."

Our verse this week comes from **Romans 8:16-17**

**16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.**

Have a blessed week and remember to point someone to Jesus.

## Music Notes from Bro Craig

Let me begin this newsletter by thanking everyone for their prayers, calls and visits as my mom has been in the hospital. As I sit to type this article, she is still in ICU, but is improving. As Mrs. Gail wisely stated, "Prayer works," and I am so glad to serve the God who is the healer.

I want to thank Elizabeth Cyr for filling in for me while I was at FUGE with the youth. She did a wonderful job, as she always does, and I know that she felt extremely blessed to have Jane Holton accompanying her on the piano. In addition, she and Jane were amazing on the offertory, as Elizabeth was the week before, Speaking of AMAZING, let me thank the choir for their inspired singing of "This Is Amazing Grace" on June 25. Also, Elizabeth Cyr and Leslie Moore sang beautifully on the specials for the Independence Service of July 2. Thank you all for using your talents in service to the Lord.

Special thanks also goes out to everyone who had a part in preparing for the Independence inside picnic. It is always such a special time of fellowship for our church. I am sorry that I had to miss it, but I know that it was a wonderful time. Thanks so much to those who worked to make it successful.

I also want to thank everyone for their prayers for the youth as we were at FUGE. It was a fantastic week. I know that the youth are excited to report to the church all the things that the Lord did in their hearts while they were away. Thanks also to everyone who worked to help get us there.

Let me use this opportunity to officially welcome Sean Slate as the Interim Youth Minister. Please be in prayer for Sean as he ministers to our youth and for the youth as they are growing in the Lord. I know that you will all look forward to the opportunity to know Sean in the days to come.

Kids, don't forget that we are working on "Praise Rocks" every Wednesday at 6 PM. I can't believe that in just over a month, we will be singing the program for the church. Please be at every practice.

In closing, let me offer condolences to Jackie Self and family in the homegoing of his aunt, Dorothy Jean Williams. Mrs. Dorothy Jean was a long-time faithful member of FBC. It is hard to even remember the adult choir in days past without thinking of Mrs. Dorothy Jean and her husband Arthur. Bro. Arthur passed away a few years ago, but he and Mrs. Dorothy have both been sorely missed at FBC since they went to Lenexa, Kansas several years ago to be near daughter, BJ. Please continue to keep this family in your prayers.

May God bless you all more abundantly than you could ever hope or expect.

## Attention Troops

You've been drafted to come to a  
**Camo for Christ Sign Up Saturday**  
Wear your camo and come to First Baptist Church

**August 12<sup>th</sup> 9-12 AM**

For fun, games and food

## Obstacle Course

**Water Slide and Jumper**

**Snow Cones & Icee Served in the field**

**Fun Run-Strollers thru 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**Medals will be awarded**

**Face Painting (get ready for combat)**

**Hot Dogs, Chips & Brownies-**

**Served in The Mess Hall**

**Black Hawk Helicopter Display**

Come enjoy the fun and games and sign  
up for all activities beginning @ FBC in  
August



Thanks to some generous  
donations, our bank loan is now  
**PAID IN FULL –**  
**“GOD IS GOOD”**

Welcome New Member



Emily Page



Girls 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

*You're Invited To A*  
**Daughter of the King Celebration**

Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>

6:00-8:30 pm

First Baptist Church CLC

Come enjoy Pampering and Praise  
as we get ready for back to school!

"I am the daughter of a King who is not moved by the world. For my God is with me and goes before me. I do not fear because I am His"