

# Spire

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June 4, 2010

## Summer At A Glance

**Promotion Sunday & Bible Presentations** - June 6

**Prayers & Reflections** - Wednesdays thru June 30 at Noon

**Vacation Bible School** - June 8, 9, and 10  
9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

**Church-Wide Pool Party** - June 13  
6:00- 9:00 p.m.  
Northside Swim Center

**Youth Mystery Lunches**  
June 7, 28 and July 26

**Passport Youth Camps** —  
June 12 - 18

**Youth Theatre & Theology**  
Thursday Nights from 6-9 p.m.  
June 10, 24 - July 1, 8, 15 and 22

**Youth Six Flags Trip** - July 7, 9 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

## Children's Ministry

### BIBLE PRESENTATIONS

Sunday, June 6 is Promotion Sunday. This is a special day in the life of children entering the First Grade and for our new 7<sup>th</sup> graders who are making the move from Children's Ministry into Youth Ministry. Please support these children and young people as we celebrate these important milestones in their life. Bibles will be presented from the church to each one in the morning worship service.



### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

This special time of learning and enjoyment is right around the corner. On June 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> parents may drop your child in front of the sanctuary at 9:00 a.m. and pick them up at the same place at 12:00 noon. First Baptist Church is a strong partner with Habitat for Humanity and that is our focus this year. We will build, sing, pray, study and learn about this exciting ministry and how we are and can be involved. Special thanks to all of those who are preparing now for the great time together. Ages 4 years - 2nd grade.

### Super Summer Sunday School brings a Smile to your face...

Our grade school children will join together on Sunday mornings for Sunday School in the Big Room on the second floor. This begins on June 13 and runs through July 25. An Old Testament character will visit and share his or her life with the children. Breakfast snacks, singing and review games will round out the mornings. Each Sunday will be unique as the guest brings their story to the group.

### Church-Wide Pool Party

Sunday, June 13  
6-9 p.m.  
Northside Swim Center  
Bring a snack and drinks to share.

### Welcome New Weekday Preschool Director



**Melissa Wood**

First Baptist Church and the Weekday Preschool are happy to introduce Melissa Wood as our Weekday Preschool Director. Melissa comes to us with a rich background of education and experience in the field and as an active layperson in Christian education in her own denomination. She taught in our program from 1999 to 2005 and again from 2007 till her promotion. In the interim she was the Service Coordinator for Babies Can't Wait for Rome/Floyd County. She has many gifts, abilities and experience that will assist her in her new role. Welcome Melissa!



### Welcome New Member

By Transfer of letter:  
Marilyn Maupin Hall

### Wednesday Prayers & Reflections

#### Wednesdays at Noon

Now thru June 30  
"As a Matter of Faith"

Our speaker on June 9 will be Ann Boswell. Wade Monk will be our speaker on June 16. Please join us on Wednesdays through the month of June. The cost for lunch prepared by Chef Greg is \$6.

No reservations are necessary.

### Russia Trip Meeting

Participants in the upcoming trip to Russia will have a meeting on Sunday, June 6 at 4:30 p.m. in the Dining Room. Please contact Keith before the meeting with any questions that you have.

### Expressions

#### Sympathy to:

Michael Taylor and family in the death of Michael's mother, Mrs. Mattie Lowe Taylor, on May 26.

#### Congratulations to:

Beth Harrison on her recent retirement on May 14 from Georgia Highlands College and for being the 2010 recipient of the prestigious Walraven Faculty Award.

Diane Land, who was awarded the Martindale Award of Distinction by Berry College for extraordinary achievement.

Diane Lumpkin, who was named Teacher of the Year at Midway Elementary.

### Flowers for Sanctuary



Flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Evelyn Willis by Bill Willis.

Flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Frank and Margaret Shropshire by the Huie and Shropshire Families.

Flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Josephine and Buck Ransom by George and Bess Bosworth.

Flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Sara Beverly Whitworth by the Whitworth Family.

## *Memorials & Honoraria*

### *Music Ministry*

**In Memory of Charles (Chuck) Holt**

By: Larry & Joanna Atwell

**In Memory of Dr. Darwin White**

By: Nell Williams

**In Loving Memory of Glenn Johnson's Birthday**

By: Carole Johnson and Family

### *FBC Foundation*

**In Memory of Margaret Hunt Busbin**

By: Dr. & Mrs. Raymond Waters, Sr.

**In Memory of W.S. & Louise Black**

By: Margie Ann Black

**In Memory of Gaye Johnson**

By: Edith Gray

### *FBC Preschool Weekday Endowment Fund*

**In Honor of Patsy Cooper**

By: Catherine McDonald

### *CBF World Hunger Relief*

**In Honor of Rena Storey**

By: Joe & Duanne Walton

### *FBC Bereavement Fund*

**In Memory of Lois Bailey**

By: First Baptist Church Fidelis Sunday School Class

### *William S. Davies Homeless Shelter*

**In Honor of the Moms in our Lives**

**Helen Sacco, Ruth Boorstein and Anne Countryman**

By: John, Ruthy and Sarah Countryman

### *Koinonia Soup Kitchen*

**In Memory of Lois Bailey**

By: Eunice Wright

### *Tillman Fund*

**In Memory of Hannah and Gary Tillman**

By: Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Brooks

By: Mr. & Mrs. Dee Yancey

Dr. & Mrs. Jamey Vick

Mr. & Mrs. Keith Phillips

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Strickland

Mr. & Mrs. Mickey Womble

Mr. & Mrs. Eric Waters

Mr. & Mrs. Joe Watters

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Jones

Mrs. Mitzi Breen

Mr. & Mrs. Chason Mull

Mr. & Mrs. Rhett Butler

## **Calendar of Activities**

June 5—June 18, 2010

### Saturday, June 5

Minister on Call Keith Reaves @ 706-292-9620  
Love Builds, Install Doors/Jambs/Facings 8:15am

### Sunday, June 6

Children & Youth Promotion Sunday  
Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ) 9:00am  
Bible Study (all ages) 9:45am  
Worship- Comcast 62 11:00am  
Russia Trip Meeting, DR 4:30pm

### Monday, June 7

Youth Mystery Lunch 12:00pm  
Budget Committee Meeting 5:30pm

### Tuesday, June 8

Vacation Bible School 9:00am - Noon

### Wednesday, June 9

Vacation Bible School 9:00am-Noon  
Wednesday Prayer & Reflections, DR Noon-1pm

### Thursday, June 10

Vacation Bible School 9:00am-Noon  
Theatre & Theology, YR 6:00pm

### Friday, June 11

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

### Saturday, June 12

Minister on Call: Pricilla Tunnell @ 706-506-0309  
Youth Depart for Passport, Wingate NC 7:00am  
Love Builds, Floor Underlayment and Finish Trim 8:15am

### Sunday, June 13

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ) 9:00am  
Bible Study (all ages) 9:45am  
Worship-Comcast 62 11:00am  
Church-Wide Pool Party, Northside Swim Center 6:00pm

### Monday, June 14

Passport, Wingate NC  
Deacons' Meeting  
Officers, Conf. Rm. 5:30pm  
General Meeting, DR 6:00pm

### Tuesday, June 15

Passport, Wingate NC

### Wednesday, June 16

Passport, Wingate NC  
Circle of Friends, Conf. Rm  
Prayer & Reflections, DR 12:00pm

### Thursday, June 17

Passport, Wingate NC 11:45am

### Friday, June 18

Youth Return from Passport 6:00pm

### **Giving to God Year-to-Date:**

Ministry Support Needs \$1,055,276.38

Year-to-Date: Support Contributions \$1,056,202.98

### First Baptist Ministry Staff

P. Joel Snider, Pastor

Priscilla J. Tunnell, Faith Development

Keith Reaves, Worship/Music

Tamara Tillman Smathers, Education/Administration

John Uldrick, Students

Melissa Wood, Weekday Education

Floyd Roebuck, Pastor Emeritus

Hugh Peacock Interim Minister of Visitation

## **Sunday Worship**

**June 6, 2010**

Sermon: A Sinner's Gift

Preacher: Dr. Joel Snider

Scripture: Luke 7:36-50

Anthem: How Shall I Sing to God...Larson

Special Music: Julie Henderson

### **Minister on Call**

Keith Reaves

706-292-9620

## **Wednesday Prayer & Reflections**

**June 9, 2010**

Sandwiches & Salads

"As a Matter of Faith"

Speaker: Ann Boswell

## **Sunday Worship**

**June 13, 2010**

Sermon: Spirituals Gift

Preacher: Dr. Joel Snider

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Anthem: Many Gifts, One Spirit...Pote

### **Minister on Call**

Priscilla Tunnell

706-506-0309

## **Wednesday Prayer & Reflections**

**June 16, 2010**

**Noon**

Sandwiches & Salads

"As a Matter of Faith"

Speaker: Wade Monk

Visit [www.fbcrome.org](http://www.fbcrome.org)  
to download this week's  
order of worship, to view  
last Sunday's entire service

## **Pastor's Column**

My column for this issue is about transitions. First, at our most recent meeting of the Deacon body, Prissy Tunnell announced that she will be retiring a year from now. We anticipate that her last day as Minister of Faith Development will be Sunday, June 5, 2011. That date is the Sunday after Camp in 2011. Prissy has announced her intentions so that committees and individual leaders can be enlisted with full knowledge of her intentions for next year. Also, as has been our practice, we will elect a search committee some time before her service ends, in order to get a head start on seeking the next person who will fill the role of Minister of Faith Development. After this summer is over, we will have a better idea of when that committee will be selected and start their work. I know you will pray for the transition in Prissy's life as well as the transition in the life of our congregation. Our commitment to children is a vital part of our mission as a church. Therefore, who leads the children's ministry is also of vital importance to us all.

The next transition involves our Weekday Program. We are pleased to say that Melissa Wood will be filling the role of Director, following the retirement of Patsy Cooper. Melissa has all the academic credentials necessary to fill this role. Both our current staff, and the families who utilize the preschool appreciate Melissa's demeanor and competence. I know you will want to welcome and congratulate Melissa as you encounter her in our facility and around the community. Please pray for her and the Weekday Program during this transition as well. Welcome, Melissa.

Joel

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