

TIE

That Binds The Church and Home Together

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Transforming God's Vision Into Action*



I want to talk about my lawn. In the last year or so, we have had work done on our lawn. I phrase that sentence carefully, to distinguish what I have done, and what others have done. I have done very little. Others have done quite a lot.

The focus has been on planting new grass or laying new sod. About a year ago a portion of the front yard was given new sod. It has grown, matured, thickened. The different pieces of sod have grown together to form a beautiful stand of grass. All I've done is water it and admire it. The grass looks wonderful.

About five or six weeks ago a significant portion of the back yard and a small portion of the front was given new sod. It's coming along pretty well. Much of it is getting green, though there are some brown parts. I'm noticing some thickening in some areas, though not in others. And in most places the different pieces of sod are still distinguishable; it will take time for it all to mesh together. All in all, good progress is being made.

Then there is the rest of the yard, the part for which I'm most responsible. The color isn't bad, in most places, but there are some bare spots. The grass certainly isn't thick, and there are a few weeds. I'm not about to waste water on it.

Some random observations.

1.) We are all in different stages of Christian growth. Some have developed over the years a deep root system of faith, and its obvious in their spiritual beauty and maturity. Most of us are a work in progress, we show signs of Christlikeness in our lives, but there are still some areas that need work, that we need to give more attention. And then there are some that do nothing to try to grow, its not worth the "trouble", and at best they remain stagnate in their faith. The church is made up of all these kinds of people, and we do our best to encourage and support one another.

2.) God puts us together in the church for a reason. Just as the different pieces of sod grow together to produce beautiful grass, God brings together different people with different gifts and abilities, and then uses them to produce an effective ministry to further His kingdom on earth.

3.) God is ultimately responsible for our growth. All the watering and fertilizing I do, may not end up producing beautiful grass. God takes our efforts and uses them, but the final result is up to Him. God asks us to be available. What He produces in our lives may be more than we expected, or different than we imagined. We can trust Him with the final outcome.

So much for the lesson in Agrostology. Seeing lawns —and people—grow is a special blessing.



- ⇒ August Calendar and Birthdays
- ⇒ Summer Book Club Announcement
- ⇒ Women on a Mission Announcement
- ⇒ Wednesday Evening Activities Resume 9/10/14

Check Out Our "NEW" Website

<http://www.fbcwinc.org/>

We continue to work at building an interesting and helpful church website. If you have any suggestions for additional material please let us know. The Tie and the [Church Calendar](#) are now available online from the [TIE Newsletter](#) page. Audio files of the previous Sunday's **Worship Services** are now available online from the [Services](#) page.

| ATTENDANCE | | | | CONTRIBUTIONS | | | | | | |
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| DATE: | 8:30AM | 11:00AM | TOTAL | NEEDED WEEKLY | RECEIVED TODAY | NEEDED TO DATE | RECEIVED TO DATE | BUDGET OVER (UNDER) | RESTRICTED GIVING | RESTRICTED TO DATE |
| JUNE 22 | 70 | 155 | 225 | \$ 12,346 | \$ 9,276 | \$ 308,650 | \$ 290,997 | \$ (17,653) | \$ 396 | \$ 32,377 |
| JUNE 29 | 80 | 155 | 235 | \$ 12,346 | \$ 11,440 | \$ 320,996 | \$ 302,437 | \$ (18,557) | \$ 196 | \$ 32,573 |
| JULY 6 | 70 | 131 | 201 | \$ 12,346 | \$ 13,455 | \$ 333,342 | \$ 315,891 | \$ (17,451) | \$ 2,474 | \$ 35,047 |
| JULY 13 | 70 | 170 | 244 | \$ 12,346 | \$ 10,756 | \$ 345,688 | \$ 326,647 | \$ (19,041) | \$ 316 | \$ 35,363 |
| JULY 20 | 93 | 190 | 283 | \$ 12,346 | \$ 15,034 | \$ 358,034 | \$ 341,681 | \$ (16,353) | \$ 781 | \$ 36,144 |

Bible Friends Schedule

Volunteers for the 11:00 am service for the coming Sundays are:



| | | |
|-----------|------------------|-------------------|
| July 27 | Lynne Esslinger | Sandy Whitesides |
| August 3 | Stephanie Duvall | Alison Wright |
| August 10 | Linda Fletcher | Linda Ebersole |
| August 17 | Nan Pell | Robin Rodgers |
| August 24 | Robin Thompson | Gretchen Kaderli |
| August 31 | Sarah Kite | Holly Nightingale |

Nursery Volunteers

Volunteers for the 11:00 am service for the coming Sundays are:

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|-----------|-----------------|
| July 27 | Peggy Fletcher |
| August 3 | Sharon Woodard |
| August 10 | Sue Spangler |
| August 17 | Teresa Rhodes |
| August 24 | Wanda Diehl |
| August 31 | Whitney Painter |



Children's Story Time Speakers

Volunteers for the coming Sundays are:

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|-----------|-----------------|
| July 27 | Kim Riley |
| August 3 | Sherry Headley |
| August 10 | Marge Davis |
| August 17 | Laine Everhart |
| August 24 | Mattie Fries |
| August 31 | Patsy Stainback |



A **Warm Welcome** is extended to Greg and Debbie Price who made their decision for church membership on June 22, 2014.

Welcome
Our New
Members



Christian Sympathy is extended to Martha Mattison and family in the death of Sam who died on May 19, 2014. Sam and Martha were former members who had moved to Richmond.

Summer Book Club



Thursday, July 31, 2014 will begin a 5 week book club to be held in the lower auditorium from 10:00 am - 11:15 am facilitated by Lori Horne Pendleton. Have you wondered where God is when the innocent suffer? Where is God when our prayers seem unanswered? Why is it so difficult to understand God's will? We will tackle these questions and more while reading Why? by Adam Hamilton. We will also spend a few minutes each week watching a DVD that works with our reading schedule. Personal copies of the book will be provided. Please call 662-5367 and sign up.



Christian Sympathy is extended to Stephen McCalley and family in the death of his grandmother, Wanda Van Duyn, on July 9, 2014.

With Deepest Sympathy



Christian Sympathy is extended to John Darsie and family in the death of his mother, Ellen Darsie, on July 6, 2014.



Tie Publication Schedule

We are continuing with a monthly publication schedule of the TIE which significantly reduces communication costs. The website and online calendar will continually be updated and bulletin announcements will be updated each week. Each Tie will be a calendar Tie for the subsequent month and will be published later in the month. September Calendar Tie – August 20th.



Christian Sympathy is expressed to Joe Walter and family in the death of his father, Edwin Walter, on June 6, 2014.

Dear First Baptist Church Friends,

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your loving contributions to the SLC Love Offering. As you can see the 'Doodlebug' is now in place on the playground. This piece of equipment will encourage imagination as children see themselves on many adventures.

Blessings,

The Children of First Baptist Church and 'Son' Shine Learning Center



{youth} SCOOP

August/September 2014 Newsletter of First Baptist Church Youth Group

Mark Your Calendar

WEDNESDAYS

High School Book Study @
Daily Grind

{7.29}

Massanutten Water Park

{8.10}

301 Open House/Promotion
Sunday

{8.24}

Youth Council Nominations

{8.31}

Youth Council Elections

DETAILS

High School Book Study: The High Schoolers are invited to meet at the Daily Grind on Jubal Early every Wednesday at noon through August 6 for a book study. We are reading selections from the writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the books are provided.

Massanutten H20: All youth, including rising sixth graders, are invited to come to Massanutten Water Park on July 29th. Meet at the church at 9am with a medical release and \$40 as well as money for lunch at the park and dinner on the way home. We will return to the church around 7:30 pm. We do need chaperones, so if any adults are interested, please contact Kristin! RSVP to come.

301 Open House: All rising middle schoolers and their parents are invited to join us for breakfast and an information session during the Sunday school hour (9:45-10:45) in the 301 House on Sunday, August 10th! This is also **Promotion Sunday**, where we will begin our new Middle School and High School classes!

Youth Council Nominations: If you are interested in serving as a Youth Council representative for your grade, just let your Sunday school teacher know!

**PLEASE JOIN ME IN THANKING OUR INCREDIBLE Passport
Chaperones: Mark Jones and Courtney McCalley!**

We also want to THANK our year-round youth leaders who help with Sunday School and Youth Group weekly!

Joel and Lynne Esslinger, Mark Jones, Nancy Lewis, Kathryn Mayberry, Stephen and Courtney McCalley, Catherine Whitacre, and Sandy Whitesides!

Our program thrives because of their hard work and commitment!

Questions? / Contact

Rev. Kristin Adkins Whitesides

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e-mail: kristin@firstbaptistwinchester.com

Medical Releases and Trip Covenants are available in the 301 House or on our website: www.firstbaptistwinchester.com/youth and www.fbcwinc.org/ministry/youth-ministry/



August 2014 Birthdays



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| 1 | Peyton Duvall | 12 | Rich Robertson | 17 | Gary Sibert |
| 1 | William Huyett | 12 | Russell Tarpy | 17 | Gary Waybright |
| 2 | Travis Brown | 12 | Sharon Woodard | 18 | Tami Barnett |
| 2 | Samantha Rose Jones | 12 | Max Wismer | 20 | Adam Bowles |
| 2 | Janet Kniceley | 13 | Maxine Kern | 21 | Erin Robertson |
| 3 | Michele Heath | 13 | Greg Miller | 21 | Hilda Turner |
| 3 | Lawton Saunders | 14 | Clyde Brumback | 22 | John Darsie |
| 3 | Jake Vickers | 14 | James Painter, Jr. | 22 | Barbara Clark |
| 5 | Betty Hanna Hess | 14 | Carolynne Pell | 22 | Jonathan Edwards |
| 6 | Matthew Heath | 14 | Kristin Whitesides | 22 | Meredith Yost |
| 6 | Nella Woodard | 15 | Vicky Edwards | 23 | Jackson Boudier |
| 7 | Hamp Hylton | 15 | Micah McCalley | 23 | Dan Bureau |
| 7 | John Tomblin | 15 | Daniel Turner | 23 | Liam Courtney |
| 8 | Eugene Canupp | 16 | Tim Wolfe | 23 | Robert Saville |
| 8 | Naomi Hoover | 16 | John Beavers | 25 | Molly Rolin |
| 8 | Greg Price | 16 | Jonathan Hylton | 26 | Rachel Bayliss |
| 9 | Linda Simpson | 16 | Kayla Hylton | 26 | Eric Braithwaite |
| 9 | Patsy Stainback | 16 | Jamie Pendleton | 26 | Cory Walter |
| 9 | Melody Lengel | 16 | Andy Simpson | 27 | Linda Vickers |
| 10 | Joel Esslinger | 16 | Marilyn Wilkins | 29 | Courtney Bragg |
| 11 | Forrest Long | 17 | Bailey Grove | 29 | Sue Hoover |
| 11 | Todd Spangler | 17 | Gretchen Kaderli | 29 | Amy Pell |
| 11 | Ian MacIsaac | | | 29 | Cheryl Winston |
| | | | | 31 | Seth Hines |



Dear Scholarship Committee,

I greatly appreciate the wonderful scholarship FBC has given me. It is well needed and will be well used at UVa next year. I'm so blessed to have a church family that helps support me in so many ways.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Lewis



Christian Sympathy is extended to the family of Beth Lump, who died on June 27, 2014.



AGELESS ADVENTURER ANNUAL POOL PARTY

HOSTED BY THE PELL'S



On Thursday, July 24, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. we are invited to Rik and Carolynne Pell's house for our Annual Pool Party. Please bring a side dish. Chicken, drinks, and dessert will be provided. If you would like a ride from the church parking lot, arrive there at 10:30 a.m. Please call the church office and sign up so we will know how many to plan for at 662-5367.



Here at the Ridge, we are finishing up week three of JP Camp. Two more JP weeks to go! It is such a wonderful experience to be a part of these youth building their relationships with Christ, with other youth and serving the community all while enjoying what God has created here.

A huge thank you to: Jim Chirstiansen, John Conrow, Bill Headley, Jeff Hinson, Jim Hollinger, Nelson Isenhower, Mark Jones, David Kersey, Corey Kite, Don Lewis, Phil Luttrell, Greg Miller, Robert Palmer and Chris Sweeney, for all your hard work taking down trees, cutting and splitting them. You all did an amazing job!!

Thanks again!
Jeff and Melissa

Wednesday Evening Activities Resume September 10, 2014

The Adult Bible Study will begin an 8-week series entitled, "Resolve Everyday Conflict." Topics will include: What is at the Root of Conflict, How to Deal with Difficult People, and How to Apologize Peaceably. The study will be led by Frank Briggs and will feature a DVD session followed by group discussion each week. Several volunteers are needed (training provided) to help with the group discussion. If you would like to volunteer, contact Frank Briggs, Pastor Fletcher, or the church office.

Books may be ordered by calling the church office. Cost is \$ 7.00.

Women On Mission

WOMEN ON MISSION is collecting various toiletry items for the migrant workers who come to our area the beginning of fall each year. This year we are expecting close to 300 workers. The following regular-sized items are needed for each health care kit: Deodorant, Toothpaste & Toothbrush, Soap, Shampoo, Hair Brush and/or Comb, Bug Repellent, Wash Cloth & Towel. You may bring these health care items to the New Narthex through August 24, to be placed in the collection basket provided. W.O.M. will collect or purchase enough items to fill 25 bags. Checks may be made out to F.B.C. with W.O.M. Migrants written on the memo line. If you would like to take a bag to fill on your own, W.O.M. will provide a bag and an attached list of the items needed to fill it. This year we are partnering with Shenandoah Baptist Association and several churches in Leesburg to collect 300 health care kits. Whether you choose to fill a bag, donate money, purchase individual items for our basket, or simply offer up prayers for the workers, we appreciate your help. Any questions—contact Peggy Fletcher (542-1802) or the Church Office.



August

"The two most important days in your life are the day you are born and the day you die. You don't know either out why."
 —Mark Twain

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| 3 8:00 AM Praise Chorus 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Bible Friends 11:00 AM Worship Service-Baptism 2:30 PM Hispanic Service (CEB) | 4 7:30 AM Al-Anon (301) 9:30 AM Electronic Giving Seminar (Low. Aud.) | 5 9:30 AM Senior Handbell Choir (Sanc.) 11:00 AM Singin' Seniors (Sanc.) 11:30 AM Al-Anon (301) 6:30 PM AMC (CO) | 6 12:00 PM (Daily Gri...) 1:30 PM 6:30 PM |
| 10 301 Open House (301) Promotion Sunday 8:00 AM Praise Chorus 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM 2nd Sunday Fellowship (LA) 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Bible Friends 11:00 AM Worship Service 2:00 PM Home Communion 2:30 PM Hispanic Service (CEB) | 11 7:30 AM Al-Anon (301) | 12 9:30 AM Senior Handbell Choir (Sanc.) 11:00 AM Singin' Seniors (Sanc.) 11:30 AM Al-Anon (301) | 13 1:30 PM |
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| 31 Youth Council Vote 8:00 AM Praise Chorus 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Bible Friends 11:00 AM Worship Service 2:30 PM Hispanic Service (CEB) | <p>"Faith is to believe what we do not see; that is the substance of things hoped for, the proof of things not seen." —St. Augustine</p> | | |

WEEKLY AUGUST SCHEDULE 2014

Sunday

8:00 AM Praise Chorus
 8:30 AM Worship Service
 9:30 AM Church Library Opens
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Worship Service
 Nursery (1's - young 3's)
 Bible Friends (older 3's - 1st Grade)
 2:30 PM Hispanic Service

Monday

Tuesday

9:30 AM Senior Handbell Choir (Sanc.)
 11:00 AM Singin' Seniors (Sanc.)
 11:30 AM Al-Anon (301)

Wednesday

2014



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| <p>Youth Summer Book Club (and) Piano Tuning (Sanct.) Deacons Meeting (CEB)</p> | <p>7 10:00 AM Summer Book Club (Low. Aud.)</p> | <p>8 12:00 PM Al-Anon (301) 7:30 PM Hispanic Prayer Meeting (CEB) 8:00 PM Al-Anon (LA) 8:00 PM Al-Ateen (LA)</p> | <p>9</p> |
| <p>Staff Meeting (Church Office)</p> | <p>14 10:00 AM Summer Book Club (Low. Aud.)</p> | <p>15 12:00 PM Al-Anon (301) 7:30 PM Hispanic Prayer Meeting (CEB) 8:00 PM Al-Anon (LA) 8:00 PM Al-Ateen (LA)</p> | <p>16</p> |
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| <p>3rd Quarterly Business Meeting</p> | <p>28 SLC Orientation 10:00 AM Summer Book Club (Low. Aud.)</p> | <p>29 12:00 PM Al-Anon (301) 7:30 PM Hispanic Prayer Meeting (CEB) 8:00 PM Al-Anon (LA) 8:00 PM Al-Ateen (LA)</p> | <p>30</p> |

the reward of this faith is to see what we believe."

Thursday

Friday

12:00 PM Al-Anon (301)
7:30 PM Hispanic Prayer Meeting (CEB)
8:00 PM Al-Anon, Al-Ateen (LA)

Abbreviations in the Tie

AMC Admin. Management Com.
301 301 House
CEB Children's Ed. Building
CO Church Office
HRR Hunting Ridge Retreat
LA Lower Auditorium
MBC Men's Bible Class
Sanc. Sanctuary
WOM Women on Mission
SR Schoolage Room
BSC Bible Seekers Class



Grace Notes

By Lori

As we prepare for our annual hymn sing this August, I thought I'd share the story behind one of our congregation's favorite hymns, "Because He Lives."

The text was written by Gloria Gaither and the music by Bill Gaither. In the late 1960's the Gaither's



were expecting a child. Bill was recovering from mononucleosis and they were overwhelmed with the pressures of work and life. On New Year's Eve, Gloria was sitting alone in their living room, tormented by fear about the future, when the Lord sent a peaceful calm over her that inspired her to write this beloved hymn. Gloria was reassured that they could face the future with optimism and trust as she wrote these life affirming words. Once again the power of Christ's Resurrection conquered fear and doubt and joy and peace were left in her heart!

"Because He Lives"
God sent His Son,
they called him Jesus,
He came to love,
Heal and forgive;
He lived and died
to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove
my Savior lives.

How sweet to hold
a newborn baby,
and feel the pride,
and joy He gives;
but greater still
the calm assurance,
This child can face uncertain days
because He lives.



And then one day
I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
and then as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and
I'll know He lives.

Chorus:
Because he lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone;
because I know
He holds the future
And life is worth the living just
because he lives.



We will have a **Hymn Sing** followed by a **pie social** on Sunday evening, Aug. 10, 2014 at 6:00p.m.

Come join us in the Sanctuary for singing and then over in the CEB for some dessert! Bring your favorite pie!



HAGERSTOWN
PREMIUM OUTLETSSM
A SIMON CENTER

Ageless Adventurer's Trip!



Back by popular demand is a return trip to the Prime Outlets in Hagerstown, Md. We will depart at 8:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 11, 2014 for shopping at the outlets, then a late lunch at Red Lobster and finally, a walk around Ollie's for bargains. Please wear comfortable shoes and note that there are places at the outlets to sit and have coffee. We will return by 4:30p.m.

Please call the church office to sign up to go at 662-5367.



Kids Connection

Children's Ministry of First Baptist Church



Home Encouragement



Our children are strongly encouraged to open and close our time together in prayer. Understandably so, some of the children are shy. Please encourage your child to lead YOU in prayer at home.



Ms. Alison Saw

- Molly Moyer donated her hair!
- Several of our kids welcomed visitors to our Weird Animals VBS!
- Perfect Sunday school attendance in the month of June- Reagan Kite, Greta Whitacre, Sophia Howard, Avery Bowers, Micah McCalley!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ◇ We had over 80 children register and participate in our Weird Animals VBS. Including volunteers we had about 130 people at FBC for VBS!
- ◇ Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped with every aspect of Vacation Bible School! There truly are not enough words to express how grateful I am to each of you! VBS is a group effort, and it is because of everyone who helped that it was such a success!
- ◇ Promotion Sunday is August 10th. This is the Sunday when children move up in their Sunday School classes. It is an especially big day for rising first graders who will be in a new building, and for our rising sixth graders who are leaving the children's ministry department and starting their journey in youth group.
- ◇ Appreciation Sunday- The nursery committee is planning an appreciation Sunday for our nursery workers, nursery and Bible friends volunteers, and Sunday school teachers. It will be on August 10th, look for more details to come!



Bible Verse

"Do to others as you would like them to do to you."

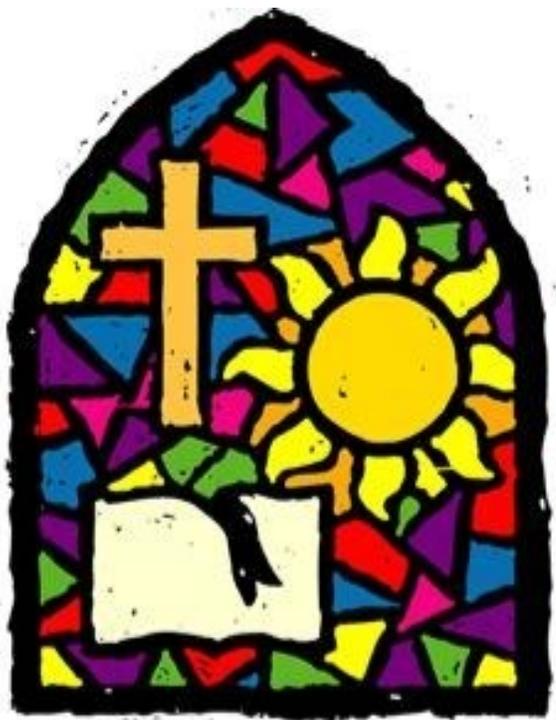
(Luke 6:31)

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Newsletter Deadline

The next Tie will be mailed on **Wed. August 20th**.
Please submit content by **10:00 am Friday, August 15th**.
Email is tie@fbcwinc.org

Bulletin Deadline

The Church Bulletin is printed **EVERY Thursday Morning**.
Please submit content to **Kathy** by **noon on Wednesday**.
Email is fbcwinc@fbcwinc.org

Prayer Chain



First Baptist Church Prayer Chain Ministries

Direct your prayer request(s) to:

Daytime Hours: Donna Walter @ 722-2230 or Linette Spicer @ 662-1120
Evening Hours: Janet Luttrell @ 667-8758 or Laura Beavers @ 667-3191

Homebound Spotlight



Remember Our Homebound

Barbara Neely
Meadow Glen
315 Dry Mill Road, SW
Leesburg, VA 20175

We encourage everyone to send a note to Barbara.
In His Love, Lori & the Homebound Team



Flower Power

Sanctuary arrangements are needed for the 2014 calendar year. If you would like to place an arrangement in memory or in honor of a loved one, please fill out a Flower Calendar form found in each narthex or the Church Office. You may also call the Church Office to place your request.