

Wednesday, June 20		
10-12:00	am	Read, Feed, Succeed
6:00	pm	SUMMER SIMPLE SUPPER
6:45	pm	Prayer Meeting, Children's Bible Study
7:30	pm	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, June 21		
10-12:00	am	Read, Feed, Succeed
Youth leave for Fuge		
Friday, June 22		
10-12:00	am	Read, Feed, Succeed
RA's & GA's return from Camp		
Sunday, June 24		
9:00	am	Prayer Time
9-9:45	am	Library Open
9:45	am	Sunday School
10:55	am	Worship Service
Monday, June 25		
10-12:00`	am	Read, Feed, Succeed
Tuesday, June 26		
10-12:00	am	Read, Feed, Succeed
Wednesday, June 27		
6:00	pm	Wednesday Night Supper,
6:45	pm	Prayer Meeting, Children's Activities
7:30	pm	Chancel Choir
Thursday, June 28		
Friday, June 29		
Sunday, July 1		
9:00	am	Prayer Time
9-9:45	am	Library Open
9:45	am	Sunday School
10:55	am	Worship Service
6:00	pm	Independence Day Celebration
Monday, July 2		
10-12:00	am	Read, Feed Succeed
Tuesday, July 3		
10-12:00	am	Read, Feed, Succeed
Wednesday, July 4		
Church Office Closed - Independence Day		

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John Neely Gaston
Minister of Music

David Edwards
Minister of Education & Youth

Missy Hartis
Associate
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Independence
Day
Celebration

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1
6:00 P.M.
FOOD & FELLOWSHIP
COST \$5.00 PER PERSON
SIGN UP BY JUNE 27

UPCOMING EVENTS	
July 8-13	Mission Team Works In Chester
July 9-10	Read, Feed, Succeed
July 10	Prayer Walk @ CHS
July 11	Prayer Walk @ FBC
July 15	The Lord's Supper
July 18	Church Conference
July 22	Wedding Shower for Jill Wagers & William Coleman
July 30-Aug 3	FBC Staffs Food Pantry

DEACONS OF THE WEEK	
June 17	Bob Smith - 581-8145
	Joseph Ford - 209-1031
June 24	Mike Shaffer - 581-5999
	Andy Ellisor - 377-1523
July 1	Will Smith - 519-7479
	Mitch Foster - 377-4564

June 20	Barbeque Chicken, Roasted Potatoes, Asian Slaw, French Bread, Dessert
June 27	Chicken Bog, Fruit Cocktail, Roll, Dessert

 Ready for a little light summer reading while relaxing by the pool, at the beach, in the mountains, or at home with the AC keeping you cool? In addition to books on Christian life, in the church library you'll find mysteries, romance, Amish, biographies, history and more. There are books that maintain a Christian perspective for all ages. If you need help with your selections, the library is staffed on Sunday mornings before Sunday School and Tuesday mornings from 9:00 to 11:00. The book cart is also in the Social the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays during Prayer Service. We'd be glad to help you at other times if you'll just let us know. Call Sylvia at 377-3841 to arrange another time.



Churchwide Wedding Shower Honoring

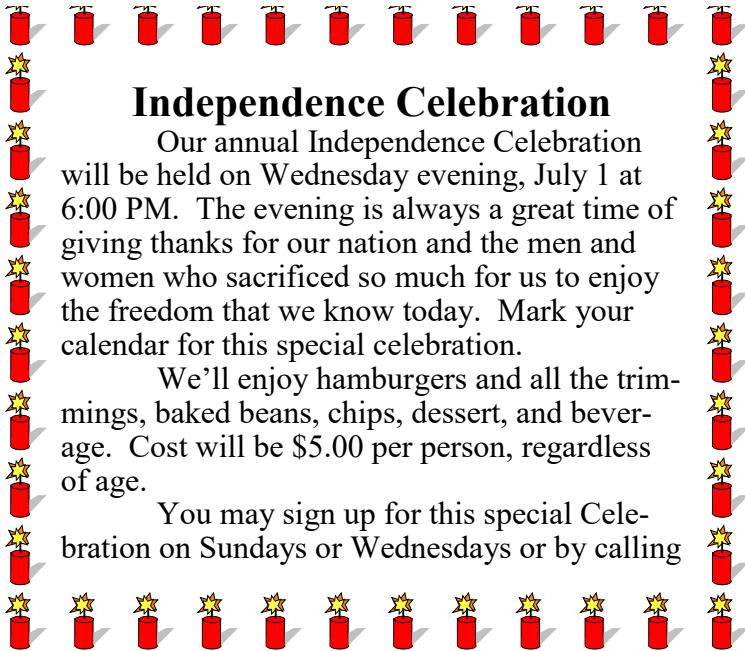
Jill Wagers & Will Coleman

Sunday, July 22

From 3:00 - 4:30 pm in the Social Hall

Registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Belk





Independence Celebration

Our annual Independence Celebration will be held on Wednesday evening, July 1 at 6:00 PM. The evening is always a great time of giving thanks for our nation and the men and women who sacrificed so much for us to enjoy the freedom that we know today. Mark your calendar for this special celebration.

We'll enjoy hamburgers and all the trimmings, baked beans, chips, dessert, and beverage. Cost will be \$5.00 per person, regardless of age.

You may sign up for this special Celebration on Sundays or Wednesdays or by calling

<u>Tithes & Offerings</u>	
<u>June 10</u>	
Worship Service	229
Sunday School Attendance	142
Budget Offering Required	8,193.00
Offering Received	5,985.25
Gift	5.00
Security Fund	100.00
Building Fund	5.00
Total	6,095.25
<u>Memorials</u>	
Laurie Atkinson	

SUMMER WORKERS

We are grateful to the RA, GA, and Mission Friends leaders who have worked so hard with the children during the school year. While we do not have these activities during the summer, we do have Bible study time for children on Wednesday nights from 6:45-7:30 PM and we need summer workers to lead one or more of these nights. Even one night can make a difference in a child's journey of faith. Please contact Flora if you are willing to lead our children in a time of learning about the gospel.

Welcome to the new Finance Secretary


We welcome Debbie Fougrouse as the new Finance Secretary for the church. Debbie worked at Founders Federal Credit Union before retiring recently. She is excited about coming to work at First Baptist and is enjoying getting familiar with the job and getting to know the people here at the church. Her office hours are Monday and Thursday from 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Help us welcome Debbie to our family here at First Baptist.

The Lord's Supper

We will celebrate the Lord's Supper as we worship together on Sunday morning, July 15, 2018. Plan to be here as we remember the sacrifice that Jesus made for us on the cross. Let us give thanks for His willingness to die that we might live.

Church Conference

The regular quarterly Church Conference will be Wednesday, July 18, 2018. We will hear from various organizations and committees. Plan to be here as the work of the church is discussed.




As I am writing this on Monday morning, I am also working on Fuge camp forms, finalizing van and trailer rentals, and starting to think about packing my own stuff. It is going to be a great 10 days as we travel to Glorieta Conference Center in New Mexico for camp and do some sight-seeing and other fun activities, mostly on the way home! Please be in prayer for us as we travel and do ministry June 21-June 30th.

They're back!! Our friendly flamingo flock has migrated back to Chester, and our youth are now fully trained to be able to herd them to any yard. If you would like for someone special to receive this flock of 23 flamingos for three days, you may do so by giving a donation of \$50 to our youth ministry. A note with information on the donor as well as a sign about our youth ministry will be left with the flock.

Have a great week! –David David@fbcchester.com






Calling! Calling! Calling! Sugar! Sugar! Sugar! We need sugar for the summer months. Thank all for your continued response to our requests.

Thank you to Emmy Bennett

We want to thank Emmy Bennett for serving as our Finance Secretary here at First Baptist since November of 2018. Emmy has struggled through many health problems to serve as the Finance Secretary here at the church. We are thankful for her willingness to work through her health issues to serve. She continues to help us in the transition process as Debbie learns the job. We appreciate Emmy's willingness to help and to serve here at First Baptist. We wish her well in the future.



One morning recently I walked out of our backdoor and saw a small bird on our ramp. I began to walk toward the bird and the bird was slow to move. I wondered if the bird was hurt. And then as I got closer, I could tell that it was a baby bird. It flew, and I soon saw the mom and dad bird flying around and rather close to me. They were teaching their baby to fly and seeking to protect him as they did.

We have just celebrated Father's Day and the birds working with the baby bird reminded me that parents are called to teach their children to fly – not literally fly – but how to get along in this world and make it through life. We seek to guide them and teach them. And the most important thing that we teach them as Christian parents is to follow Jesus. We seek to nurture them in the faith and help them see how to live as followers of Jesus. We guide them by example and by teaching.

And then I also thought about our responsibility as a church family. We too are called to nurture and teach our children. We seek to teach them and guide through Sunday School and RA's and GA's and choirs and Bible Studies and retreats and camps and Vacation Bible School and worship and in many other ways. Pray for our children as they are at camp this week and our youth as they leave for Fuge camps this week. Pray that these camps and all the things that we do as a church will help the children and young people know what it means to follow Jesus.

Let us pray for our children and youth as they learn to fly. They face many challenges in the world. Let's do all that we can to help them know that true life comes through Jesus, living in relationship to Him, and following Him each day. Will you pray for the youth and children? Will you help them know what it means to follow Jesus?

Mission Week

Please be in prayer for the Mission Team as they prepare for the week of work here in Chester July 8-13. The team will work on two houses, have a Bible Club in the park, and do other ministry in the community. If you are interested in helping in any way, please let Clay know as soon as possible.

Security Procedures

As you may have noticed, there have been a few changes in the Sunday Morning routine of doors being locked and unlocked. We want to make sure that any time a door is unlocked, someone is there to welcome those who come and to make sure that those who have already arrived are safe. Please be aware of these changes and be willing to make adjustments as necessary. Thank you for your help as we seek to be the church in this ever changing world.