

JUNE 2011

First

LIFE

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PASTOR...



Having been your pastor for all of six weeks, I am still new enough to offer some first impressions. Want to hear some? My first and biggest impression is that this is a church that has its priorities in order, the proper order. It seems to me that this church puts priority on worship, Bible study, missions, and fellowship. I do not hear a hue and cry for more attractive programs and bigger, fancier facilities. While

each of us may have his or her own individual dreams that the church could one day do this or that, or build this or that, it appears to me that those things fall below our top priorities: worship, Bible study, missions, and fellowship. First, worship. Is it just me or is there an excitement and eagerness in both our 8:30am and 10:55am worship? I know I am enjoying worship here immensely, but I feel a "buzz" among the worshippers as well. People are participating, singing, listening, responding, and above all, attending. Showing up is way

underrated, and you are showing up to be present in worship. Evidently, it is a priority around here. Bible study. Sunday morning Bible study is well attended, Wednesday nights are well attended, and I hear that youth Bible study, RAs, GAs, and other special short-term studies are going well. There seems to be an emphasis on the Bible here, and this suits me to a tee. I am a Biblical preacher and teacher, and I love a church that wants to hear from God's Word. Missions. I have just returned from a few days in Raleigh with our Baptist Men doing disaster relief work following the

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IN THE PULPIT...

June 5 - 10:30am
Graduate Sunday
Rev. Chris Gillespie

June 12 - 8:30 and 10:55am
Our Third Great Holiday
Dr. Phillip Reynolds

June 19 - 8:30 and 10:55am
Together
Rev. John Bridges
Gardner-Webb University

June 26 - 8:30 and 10:55am
Stay in the Boat
Dr. Phillip Reynolds

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Wednesdays 6pm - Dr. Reynolds

From The Series Let's Talk About ...

June 1 - How God Reveals Himself

June 8 - Who God Is

June 15 - Bill Stillerman,
Baptist Retirement Home

June 22 - Roger Baker, Exec. Dir. Greater
Catawba Christian Ministries

June 29 - Doing Missions in Far-off Places

Happy Father's Day



**The righteous man
walks in his integrity;
blessed are
his children
after him.**
- Proverbs 20:7

tornados. I hear Chris Gillespie making plans and raising funds for the youth mission trip this summer to Johns Island, SC. I see the way the church supports missions by participation and giving. An authentic church looks outward, and it is obvious that FBC reaches out and serves in the name of Jesus Christ. Fellowship. Now I may be wrong about this one. Maybe I am mistaking the hunger for fellowship here with what is

simply the hunger for Steve Spivey's great food. Can he cook or what??? But, I really don't believe I am wrong. You seem to enjoy one another's company. I have attended several Bible study get-togethers, and there is always a lot of laughter and genuine joy in the air. We are called to love one another, put aside old wounds, live in grace and forgiveness, and be a family. This does not just happen. It has to be purposeful, and we

have to work at it. It seems that you do, and the only reason I can imagine for this is that it is a priority here. Rightly or wrongly, we judge others by first impressions. FBC, you make a great first impression!



Phillip
Dr. Phillip Reynolds, Senior Pastor



WMU CELEBRATION OF AGE

Each year we celebrate with those in our church who have reached the honorable age of eighty and above. This year's event was full of joy as the guests enjoyed delicious snacks, made crafts, and sang familiar tunes accompanied by Jean Lambert.

EAT FOR LIFE

Eat For Life is a group of people who are interested topics on healthy living and eating. Its monthly meeting is held on the second Monday of each month at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall. This month's meeting will be on June 13. Each meeting begins with a vegetarian covered-dish fellowship dinner. A program follows at 7:15pm.



Congratulations to Our 2011 Graduates!

HIGH SCHOOLS

Rachel Emily Auton
Hickory High School

Nicholas Pace Bolick
Fred T. Foard High School

Harrison Robert Bowne
St. Stephens High School

Kilby Payne Church
Hickory High School

Brandon Jereme Cortino
Hickory Hollow Day School

Suzanna Joy Cowan
Colosse Academy

Hannah Camille Cox
Fred T. Foard High School

Jonathan Brett Featherstone
Hickory Christian Academy

Jordan Alexander Icard
Alexander Central High School

Kaitlyn Ann Johnson
St. Stephens High School

Mollie Elisabeth Jones
Hickory High School

Melissa Loveless
Hickory High School

Steven Tyler Padgett
East Burke High School

Miles Edward Saenger
Fred T. Foard High School

David Luke Wachter
Hickory Christian Academy

Mary Helen Yount
Hickory High School

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITIES
Sarah Elisabeth Ballhausen
UNC - Wilmington

Graham Goble Church
UNC - Charlotte

Samuel Robert Cortino, III
Appalachian State University

Cynthia Foster Gomes
Keller Graduate School of Management

Gregory Benjamin Johnson
UNC - Wilmington

Trevor Snowden MacPherson
North Greenville University

John Condy Reynolds
The Citadel,
The Military College of South Carolina

Ashley Ryan Propst
Naropa University in Boulder, Colorado

Rex Matthew Thomas
NC State University

Wallace Knight Travis
Wake Forest University

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SUMMER SCHEDULE

LAZY FIVE RANCH

Saturday, June 18. Wagon ride group rate \$7.50 per person for 15 or more. Leave from FBC bus lot at 8:30am; return around mid-afternoon. Pack a picnic lunch and bring it with you! Children attending without a parent must have a signed permission form. Sign up in the church office by Monday, June 6.

RA & GA CAMPS

Monday, June 20 - Friday, June 24
RA Camp - Caraway & GA Camp - Mundo Vista

BOWLING AT PIN STATION

Thursday, July 7, from 6:30pm. RSVP by Wednesday, July 6.

KOOL PARK POOL

Friday, July 15. Meet at Kool Park at 10:00am to receive the group rate. Group rate: Age 12 and under is \$5.00; over 13 is \$8.00. Bring a picnic lunch and stay as long as you wish!

VBS—COSMIC CITY

Monday, July 25 - Friday, July 29, 6:00-8:30pm. For kids age 4 by July 25, 2011 through completed 5th Grade. Pre-register online at www.fbc.cc.

MOVIE NIGHT & ICE CREAM

Friday, August 12, 6:30 - 9:30pm
Room 228—Friends invited! RSVP by Wednesday, August 10.

RA CRAWDADS GAME & SWIM PARTY - TBD

FBC GIRLS IN ACTION



Bags made for Baptist Children's Home



Making Samantha Dolls



2011 Mother/ Daughter Tea

CITYKIDS

CityKids Camp 2011 - Parable Quest: Stories Jesus Told - June 20-24; Monday thru Thursday schedule is 12:30 - 3:00pm, Friday schedule is 10:30am - 1:15pm. Kids will learn five important parables Jesus told as they go on a "Parable Quest." This year, there will be some great opportunities for everyone in our church to get involved in "CityKids" summer camp. This week-long camp experience is part of our ministry to our community and, in particular, to our neighbors who reside in the Terrace Hills and Hillside Gardens communities. Be in prayer for the children, and about how you will be involved. See Sandra Moody (256-6821) to volunteer to help with Bible story time, music, crafts, recreation, food, shepherding, or registration.

Also, in preparation for the camp, volunteers can travel with us on Tuesday, June 7, at 3:30 pm to distribute fliers to CityKids neighborhoods and/or also on Thursday, June 16, 2:00 pm, to take ice cream and pick-up registration forms! Contact Christy Greene (325-0246) to assist on either of these two dates.

TRAFFIC RE-ROUTED SUCCESSFULLY!

Thanks to all of you who have made our new safety and security provisions for our preschool hall a success. Those of you who do not have a preschooler on the hall are using other hallways to access parking or other areas of the building. Parents of preschoolers are using our new identification cards for their children and are checking in weekly at our preschool registration desk off the portico lobby. Access to the preschool hall is limited to this entrance, so those entering the building from the south end of the preschool hall are using the courtyard to enter the portico lobby to access the preschool hall. Our preschool workers are using extra measures to help ensure the safety, security, and best of care for our preschoolers. Thanks to all who have made these changes go so smoothly.

Called **CHURCH** Conference Wednesday, June 8

On Wednesday, June 8, at 6pm, there will be a called church conference in the fellowship hall. The conference will be to consider a motion from the mission council regarding funds to help children at Webb A. Murray Elementary School.

welcome New to our church family:

As you see these NEW MEMBERS around FBC, be sure to welcome them to our family.



Connie Zinkow
Awaiting Baptism



Mandy Samuell
Joined 5-8-2011



Mary Beth Reynolds
Joined 4-24-2011

FROM THE CHEF

Baked Flounder
with a Creamy Dill Sauce

5 -7 flounder fillets
1/2 cup mayonnaise
2 teaspoons lemon juice
2 teaspoons lime
juice
2 teaspoons Dijon
mustard
2 -3 tablespoons
fresh dill, chopped
2 tablespoons grated parmesan cheese



Directions:

Place fish fillets in a baking dish sprayed with Pam.

In a bowl, mix mayo, lemon, lime and mustard.

Add in dill and stir well. Spread all of the sauce over the fillets.

Then sprinkle with the Parmesan.

Bake at 375 for 20 minutes (or until fish is done), then broil for 5 minutes to get top crispy and brown

URGENT NEED - YOU CAN HELP!

We have an urgent need for volunteers to help with Extended Teaching Care in our nursery and preschool ministry on Sundays during our two worship services. Please consider assisting in this ministry. Don't want to miss worship? There are two great options: (1) attend 8:30am worship and assist in Extended Teaching Care (ETC) during the 10:55am service, or (2) attend 10:55am worship and assist in ETC during the 8:30am service. Volunteers typically help about once every few months. Please Contact Sandra Foster (322-3313) to volunteer. She is waiting for your call.

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July 9 - 16

BEACH CAMP 2011



June 12 - 17 ~ Junior High
June 19 - 24 ~ Senior High
Students will learn how they can develop and grow in their knowledge of Jesus Christ through worship, fellowship, evangelism, discipleship, and ministry.



VBS 2011

July 25-29

6:00pm nightly

For kids age 4 by July 25, 2011
through completed 5th Grade

Pre-register on-line
at www.fbc.cc

During this exciting week, we will explore the awesome wonder of God. We'll look at the universe to see God's amazing power of creation. We'll look at some of the miracles God did to see his power over creation. And, we'll learn how God has proven that his love and power extends to each of us! Please contact Cindi Morrison (291-6492) or Ginger Smith (322-6618) to volunteer to help with VBS!

First Life Pull Out & Post

Numbers to Know

MINISTER ON CALL

June 4 - 6

Phillip Reynolds on call (455-8678)

June 11 - 13

Chris Gillespie on call (320-2741)

June 18 - 20

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June 25 - 27

Rendell Hipps on call (228-8639)

DEACONS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 28 - JUNE 3

Austin Moody, Coordinator	256-6821
David Moore	327-4349
Van Pernell	322-5908
Lisa Kakassy	324-5929

DEACONS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 4 - 10

Sheree Watson, Coordinator	495-8768
Ed Auten	324-5057
Dwight Hastings	322-5633
Ginger Smith	322-6618

DEACONS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 11- 17

Chris Tanner, Coordinator	324-4373
Eddie Icard	495-2763
Tom Foster	322-3313
Gary Harding	256-6848

DEACONS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 18-24

Gary Bowne, Coordinator	327-6282
Bernie Whitmer	328-9191
Cliff Moore	322-4552
Jack Pressly	324-9681

DEACONS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 25 - JULY 1

Doug Frei, Coordinator	294-1428
Marvin Smith	322-6618
Jim Woolf	294-0605
Alan Bennett	326-9187

Children's Workers

Extended Session and Children's Church

June 5

10:30: Babies & Ones—Fran Ballengee & Steve Jones
Toddlers thru Twos— Dacia Jones
Three's and Fours— Evelyn Terry and Johnnie Melton
Coordinator: Ruth Ann Carreira
Children's Worship: Judi Tucker & Clay Buchanan

June 12

8:20: Babies & Ones—Wachter Class
Twos thru Fours—Wachter Class
10:40: Babies & Ones— Wachter Class
Toddlers thru Twos— Wachter Class
Three's and Fours— Wachter Class
Coordinator: Sandra Moody
Children's Worship: Wakefields

June 19

8:20: Babies & Ones— Michael Brown
Twos thru Fours— Sonya Brown
10:40: Babies & Ones— Kim Buchanan & Judi Tucker
Toddlers thru Twos—Lee Bogle & Woody Tucker
Three's and Fours— Brian Bogle & Kitty Herman
Coordinator: Carol Ann Keller
Children's Worship: Emilee & Hannah Cox

June 26

8:20: Babies & Ones—Dana Bennett
Twos thru Fours— Alan Bennett
10:40: Babies & Ones— Dee Warren & Elizabeth Sledge
Toddlers thru Twos— Sam Mabery & Angela Lawrence
Three's and Fours— Tom Warren & Jewell Mabery
Coordinator: Mechele McCormack
Children's Worship: Thomas & Charity Hand

C A R E

June 5 - Hinson, Epperson & Melton/Bost Classes

June 12 - Allen & Foster Classes

June 19 - Wachter Class

June 26 - Blackwell/Woolf & Powers Classes

Wednesday Night Meal

June 1

Fried Fish
Corn on the Cob
Cole Slaw
Hush Puppies
Salad Bar, Dessert
Hamburger and Tatar Tots for the Kids

June 8

Bacon Wrapped Blue Cheese Stuffed
Chicken
Roasted Vegetable Squash Medley
Melon Mint Salad
Salad Bar, Rolls and Dessert
Chicken Nuggets or Hamburger with Tatar
Tots for the Kids

June 15

Manicotti
Cooked Carrots
Fresh Fruit Salad
Salad Bar, Garlic Bread Sticks and Dessert
Hot Dog and Tatar Tots for the Kids

June 22

Herbed Pork Loin with a Creamy Mushroom
Sauce
Roasted Red Potatoes
Green Beans
Salad Bar, Rolls and Dessert
Chicken Nuggets or Hamburger with Tatar
Tots for the Kids

June 29

Turkey, Broccoli and Rice Casserole
Curry Fruit Compote
Salad Bar, Rolls and Dessert
Chicken Nuggets or Hamburger with Tatar
Tots for the Kids

Take Note

Our Special Members This Month

Mrs. Margaret Passmore, Springs of Catawba, 2010 29th Ave
Dr. NE, Hickory, NC 28601

Mrs. Elaine Poats, 65 36th Ave. NW, Hickory, NC 28601

Please keep these special members in your prayers. Send a card or
visit them this week.

In Christian Love & Sympathy to...

Betty Heath upon the death of her father, Charles Butler,
on 5-5-11.

Roberta Frazier upon the death of her sister, Janet Hardwick,
On 5-14-11

Thank you ...

Thank You notes have been received from Kathleen Reese and
Hickory Soup Kitchen. These notes have been placed on the
bulletin board across from the Chapel.

Intercessory Prayer Ministry

Mrs. Lee Benson 322-5086

Summer Dinner Reservations...

As we begin the summer months, with
vacations and holidays plans, please
remember to notify the church of your
Wednesday dinner plans. Reservations
should be made or cancelled by Monday of
each week. Thank you for your help as we
strive to be good stewards of our food
budget.

Calendar for June 2011

Weekly calendar updates will be located at the Welcome Centers on Sunday Mornings.

Wednesday, June 1, 2011

4:45pm Family Dinner (FH)
5:00pm Media Center Open
6:00pm Bible Study (FH)
7:00pm Sanctuary Choir

(265)

6:00pm Called Church Conference (FH)
6:15pm Prayer & Bible Study (FH)
7:00pm Sanctuary Choir

Wednesday, June 15, 2011

Middle School Beach Camp
9:00am Graham Mission Group at Jessie's Diner
4:45pm Family Dinner (FH)
5:00pm Media Center Open
6:00pm Prayer & Bible Study (FH)
7:00pm Sanctuary Choir (Music)

Thursday, June 2, 2011

6:45pm Gospel Choir to Pinecrest

Thursday, June 9, 2011

6:30pm Poe Group (CR-179)

Friday, June 3, 2011

Friday, June 10, 2011

Saturday, June 4, 2011

Phillip Reynolds on call (455-8678)

Saturday, June 11, 2011

Chris Gillespie on call (828-320-2741)

Thursday, June 16, 2011

Middle School Beach Camp
2:00pm CITYKids Ice Cream & Registration
5:30pm Finance Committee (CR-179)

Sunday, June 5, 2011

Graduate Sunday

8:45am First Sunday Fellowship
9:15am Bible Study
9:15am Media Center Opens
10:30am Combined Worship
11:00am Children's Church
12:00pm Graduate Luncheon (FH)
4:00pm Preschool/Children Ministry Team Mtg (105)
5:00pm CARE
5:30pm 8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Sunday, June 12, 2011

Middle School Beach Camp

8:30am Fellowship Worship
9:00am Children's Church
9:15am Media Center Opens
9:30am Parable Quest (228)
9:45am Bible Study
10:55am Sanctuary Worship
11:30am Children's Church
5:00pm CARE
5:30pm 8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal (FH)

Friday, June 17, 2011

Middle School Beach Camp

Saturday, June 18, 2011

Chris Gillespie on call (320-2741)
8:30am Kids Ministry to Lazy 5 Ranch

Monday, June 6, 2011

10:30am Pearce Group (Chapel)

Monday, June 13, 2011

Middle School Beach Camp

10:30am Williams Group (CR-179)
6:30pm Eat for Life (FH)

Tuesday, June 7, 2011

9:30am Staff Mtg (CR-105)
10:30pm Clergy Staff Meeting (CR-105)
1:00pm Maintenance, Kitchen & CDC Staff (CR-105)
2:00pm AARP (Fellowship Hall)
3:30pm CITYKids Flyer Distribution
5:30pm Personnel Committee Mtg (CR-105)

Tuesday, June 14, 2011

Middle School Beach Camp

8:00am Men's Prayer Group (CR-179)
9:30am Staff Mtg (CR-105)
10:30am Clergy Staff Meeting (CR-105)
12:00pm Senior Adult 2nd Tuesday Lunch/Fellowship (CR-179)
1:00pm Maintenance, Kitchen & CDC Staff (CR-105)
5:00pm Missions Council (CR-179)
7:00pm Coffee Chat Women's Group (Grey Bldg)

Sunday, June 19, 2011

High School Beach Camp
Father's Day

8:30am Fellowship Worship
9:00am Children's Church
9:15am Media Center Opens
9:45am Bible Study
10:55am Sanctuary Worship
11:30am Children's Church
5:00pm CARE
5:30pm 8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal (FH)

Monday, June 20, 2011

High School Beach Camp
RA Camp
12:30pm CITYKids Summer Camp (FH)

Wednesday, June 8, 2011

4:45pm Family Dinner (FH)
5:00pm Media Center Open
5:30pm Youth Ministry Council

Tuesday, June 21, 2011

High School Beach Camp

RA Camp
9:30am Staff Mtg (CR-105)
9:30am Samantha Dolls (158)
10:30am Clergy Staff Mtg (CR-105)
12:30pm CITYKids Summer Camp (FH)
1:00pm Maintenance, Kitchen & CDC Staff (CR-105)

Tuesday, June 28, 2011

9:30am Staff Mtg (CR-105)
10:30am Clergy Staff Meeting (CR-105)
1:00pm Maintenance, Kitchen & CDC Staff (CR-105)
7:00pm Coffee Chat Women's Group (Grey Bldg)

Wednesday, June 22, 2011

High School Beach Camp
RA Camp
12:30pm CITYKids Summer Camp (FH)
4:45pm Family Dinner (FH)
5:00pm Media Center Open
6:00pm Properties Committee Mtg (CR-105)
6:00pm Prayer and Bible Study (FH)
7:00pm Sanctuary Choir

Wednesday, June 29, 2011

4:45pm Family Dinner (FH)
5:00pm Media Center Open
6:00pm Prayer & Bible Study (FH)
7:00pm Sanctuary Choir (Music)

Thursday, June 30, 2011

6:30pm Gospel Choir (Music)

Thursday, June 23, 2011

High School Beach Camp
RA Camp
12:30pm CITYKids Summer Camp (FH)

Friday, June 24, 2011

High School Beach Camp
RA Camp
10:30pm CITYKids Summer Camp (FH)

Saturday, June 25, 2011

Rendell Hipps on call (228-8639)

Sunday, June 26, 2011

8:30am Fellowship Worship
9:00am Children's Church
9:15am Media Center Opens
9:45am Bible Study
10:55am Sanctuary Worship
11:30am Children's Church
5:00pm CARE
5:30pm 8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal (FH)

Monday, June 27, 2011

5:45pm Baptist Men's Supper & Meeting (FH)
7:30pm Deacon's Meeting (FH)