



The Voice

June 2, 2019



Called Business Meeting, Today

GFBC will have a called business meeting at the end of worship today for the purpose of approving a Minister Search Committee to fill the vacancy left by Blake Kendrick's departure. The proposed slate is recommended to the congregation by the Diaconate, and it includes youth and youth parents; representatives of three committees, Personnel, Stewardship, and Youth Committees; active deacons; and at large members of the congregation. The proposed slate is:

Brady Bagwell	Robbie Boone	Hillary Craigo
Lew Dorrity	Vaughan Free	Thomas Kirby
Kirsten Neufeld	Nancy Poston	Nan Smith
Lydia Turner	Richie Williams	

Tony Hopkins (ex officio)

Please continue to be in prayer for our church in this time of transition.

Ways to Financially Support First Baptist Church



The Stewardship Committee has been asked why GFBC does not offer an online giving option. The simple answer is that because of associated fees online giving is not cost effective for the church. Three cost effective ways that contributors can give are:

- 1) Place gifts in the offering plate during worship on Sunday,
- 2) Mail contributions to the church, or
- 3) Transfer funds electronically through personal online bill pay banking options. This can be set up as a recurring payment. (Set it and forget it!)

Connections Class



GFBC is offering an intentionally inter-generational Sunday School class for anyone grade 6 through adulthood. The class meets every Sunday at 10:00 am through August 11. The class meets in the Youth Lounge (across the hall from the Bowers Class on the ground-level under the Sanctuary). The class features engaging conversations about contemporary culture, videos, and ice-breakers that invite participants of all ages to connect. Potential topics include: social media, religious and social history, pop culture, and more. If you would be interested in facilitating/leading a session of the Connections Class, email Greg Anders at gregaanders@gmail.com or leave a message for him in the church office (229-5557).



Pentecost Sunday

Next Sunday, June 9, is Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost Sunday celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church. Please wear red next Sunday in honor of Pentecost Sunday.



2020 Ministry Plan

As part of the First Baptist Church Ministry Plan Development Policy, the First Baptist Stewardship Committee has begun work on the 2020 Ministry Plan. Emails have been sent to all committees and groups requesting funds through the annual Ministry Plan. Ministry Plan Request Forms are due to the church office by Friday, July 12. This provides committees and others two months to submit request forms to the Stewardship Committee for consideration as part of the 2020 Ministry Plan. For additional information about the First Baptist Church Ministry Plan Development Policy, please contact the church office (229-5557).

Young at Heart

The Young at Heart group will have lunch at Village Grill in Abbeville on Tuesday, June 11. The group will meet to carpool from the church at 11:30 am.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Summer Children's Class Groupings

Beginning today through August 11, children Preschool - 5K will meet in Room 128. First - fifth graders will meet in Room 118.

End of the Year Children's Pool Party



Children's Pool Party is **this afternoon**, 3:30 pm—5:30 pm. The party is at the Youngs' Home (106 Amherst Dr.). Snacks are provided.



Children and Family Topiary Scavenger Hunt

Wednesday, June 5

Children and their families are asked to meet at fountain uptown at 6:25 pm.

Children's Wednesday Night Activities during June

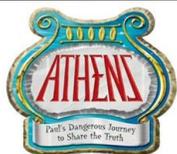


June 5: Family Topiary Scavenger Hunt

June 12: Picnic and Playground

June 19: Splash Pad

June 26: Roller Skating



2019 Vacation Bible School June 10-14, 2019 Age 3K* through 5th Grade

Children 3K* through 5th grade are invited to GFBC's annual VBS, June 10-14, 2019, from 8:30 am to 12:00 noon. Children will experience Paul's journey in Athens to share the truth of Jesus. Children will travel back in time to see Paul begin his second missionary journey. Please complete registration form in today's bulletin or online at <http://www.fbcgwd.com/vacationbibleschool>.

*Children must have turned age three on or before September 1, 2018 to participate.

Preschool Summer Camps (2 - 6 year olds)

8:30 am—noon
\$75.00 due week of camp

Cherubs Camp 1:

"Planes, Trains, and Automobiles"
June 24—28



Cherubs Camp 2:

"Under the Big Top"
July 23—27

STUDENT MINISTRY



End of School Youth Pool Party

All youth are invited to a POOL PARTY from 5:30 pm—8:30 pm on June 5 at the Youngs' home at 106 Amherst Dr. in Cherokee Hills. Youth are asked to bring individually packaged drinks, chips, or dessert. Greenwood FBC will provide pizza.

Youth Needed to Help with Vacation Bible School



Youth are needed to volunteer as helpers during Vacation Bible School June 10-14 (and set-up June 9). Youth who help all week, including during set-up on Sunday, June 9, will receive deeply discounted admission to Carowinds during the day trip on August 7. Following VBS clean-up, all youth helpers will be treated to lunch out. See or email Greg Anders for more details and to sign up: gregaanders@gmail.com.



Summer 2019

Summer 2019 is just around the corner. Here are some dates to save on your family calendars:

- June 2:** Graduate Recognition Sunday
- June 5:** Pool Party at the Youngs/Smiths in Cherokee Hills
- June 10-14:** VBS at GFBC (youth volunteer)
- June 14:** Youth VBS volunteers go out to lunch together (church's treat)
- June 22:** Zen Tubing in Asheville
- June 30:** 5th Sunday - Connections Class in Fellowship Hall
- July 1-6:** Passport Summer Missions Camp
- July 20:** Youth volunteer at the Hospice Store (9:30 am-Noon)
- August 7:** Daytrip to Carowinds

Other events coming soon - stay tuned!



Let's Go Tubing!



Come on Saturday, June 22, for an awesome experience "lazy river floating" on the French Broad River near Asheville! The cost is only \$20.00 (less if we have 15 or more sign up by June 19). The group will depart from the church at 8:30 am, "Zen Tube" the day away, and return to the church by 7:30 pm. Bring money for lunch and snacks. The church will provide supper on the road back. Shoes for the river are required (sandals, old sneakers, etc.). Tubes and life jackets are provided. Visit <https://zentubing.com/faq/> for the scoop on everything you need to know! ALL participants must complete the online release form prior to the trip. Sign up using the link in *YouthNews* or contact Greg Anders (gregaanders@gmail.com).