



# Forerunner

**First Baptist Church**  
1024 E. Stuart Drive  
Galax, VA 24333

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**July 1–31, 2019**

**INTRO:** Throw on your camera strap and buckle your seatbelt. VBS 2019 takes you on a wild adventure—with elephants and egrets, polar bears and penguins, cockatoos and crocodiles. As you seek out exotic animals, you'll also find snapshots of real-life encounters with Jesus in Scripture. Kids go from bewildered to believing as they get *In The Wild* at this summer's VBS.

**THEME VERSE-JOHN 20:31:** *"But these are written so that you may believe Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and by believing you may have life in His name."*

**CHRIST CONNECTION:** The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God. When we trust in Jesus as Savior and Lord, He forgives our sin and gives us eternal life.



**FORT CHISWELL ANIMAL PARK**  
**JULY 3RD**  
*Everyone is invited!*

The zoo has been reserved for our church on Wednesday night, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. We have been give discounted rates: admission is \$8 for Children (ages 3-12) and \$10 for Adults. Children ages 2 and under are free. You are welcome to pack a picnic supper. We plan to leave the church at 5:15 pm and carpool to the zoo, but if enough people show up, we may take the church bus. For more information about the zoo, visit their website: [fortchiswellanimalpark.com](http://fortchiswellanimalpark.com).

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

### Sundays

9:45 am—Sunday School  
11:00 am—Worship Service  
6:15 pm—TruNorth (Youth Group)

### Mondays

8:30 am—REFIT Exercise Class  
5:15 pm—Pilates Class

### Tuesdays

10:00 am—Staff Meeting

### Wednesdays

1:30 pm—Clothes Closet  
6:30 pm—Sanctuary Choir  
6:30 pm—Prayer Meeting  
(Fellowship begins at 6:00 pm)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

#### June 30

9:45 am—Vacation Bible School  
6:00 pm—Vacation Bible School

#### July 01 & July 02

6:00 pm—Vacation Bible School

#### July 03

5:15 pm—**Fort Chiswell Animal Park**

#### July 04

*Church Offices Closed*

#### July 07

11:00 am—Worship / Communion Service

#### July 09

11:00 am—Women on Mission  
5:30 pm—Loss Support Group

#### July 10

6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

#### July 15

3:30 pm—Soup Kitchen Ministry (Rooftop)

#### **Prairies in the Park (Felts Park)**

##### July 19–July 21

Friday: 6:00 pm—8:00 pm  
Saturday: 3:00 pm—8:00 pm  
Sunday: 11:00 am—2:00 pm

#### July 24

6:30 pm—Kingdom Kids

#### July 28

12:15 pm—Quarterly Business Meeting

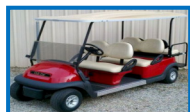


- Jul 07** Tammy Adams  
Erica Testerman
- Jul 14** Lewis & Marian Porter
- Jul 21** Kevin & Tara Spurlin
- Jul 28** Ronnie & Debbie Harris

### First Impressions Team



- Jul 07** David & Mimi Banks  
Gary Ballard
- Jul 14** Marty & Cathy Parks  
Bob Leonard
- Jul 21** Mike Coomes, Ruth Hall  
Patricia Edwards
- Jul 28** Joe & Sara Lindsey  
Regina Snow



### Golf Cart Schedule

- Jul 07** Jack Bryant
- Jul 14** Terry Anders/Tyler Houk
- Jul 21** Paul Walker
- Jul 28** Tammy Anders



### Security Team Schedule

- Jul 07** John Patterson / Ed barker
- Jul 14** David Banks / Mike Coomes
- Jul 21** Eric Testerman / Dick Cooley
- Jul 28** Royce Easter / Jack Bryant



### A FUN WAY to exercise to Christian music!!

Mondays: 8:30 AM, Rm 271 above the Fellowship Hall

Change your body. Change your mind. Change your life. Workout and have fun! Christian music! First class is FREE — then \$3 a class or \$10 for a month. Both men & women are welcome! There is always some heart work at the end which is a short devotion and prayer! For more info: contact Patti Holderfield or Samantha Goad.



**Visit FBC's website to browse through a listing of our fiction and nonfiction books via this link: [Church Library](#).**

You can even use the "search box" in each section to search for titles or authors. If you find a title you are interested in, feel free to come to the library and check it out!

- **Open** Sunday mornings. On weekdays during office hours, please see Church Secretary.
- **Explore** Adult, Children, and Teen Fiction, Non-Fiction, DVDs, Audiobooks, and Reference Materials.
- **Fill** out the card in the book or other item, if there is one, and leave it on the counter. Return the item or check it out again within two weeks. Please record your name and address in the black book so that we have a record of your visit.
- **Comments** or to volunteer for the Library Team, E-mail Deborah Alexander: [daloweartist@gmail.com](mailto:daloweartist@gmail.com)



### Loss Support Group

Everyone is invited to join us for the **Loss Support Group** in the Church Parlor from 5:30 to 6:30 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month. It is free and open to the community.

You will find this group to be a safe place for you to connect with people who are experiencing similar emotions without any pressure for you to share or commit to the group. Remember, loss is not limited to the death of a loved one. Any life change that causes grief is a loss.



**Pilates Class** meets on Mondays at 5:15 pm upstairs in the Pilates Room. Anyone is welcome to come—bring your mat, weights and exercise ball. We promise you will have fun as we exercise! Cost is \$1.00 donation per class. For more information see Becky Adams or call the church office: 236-5185.



### Youth Pastor Search Update

The Search Team continues to meet and has narrowed its search down to a primary candidate. This candidate has visited the church twice including this past Wednesday evening to play, sing and spend time with our children, our youth, and our parents. We will be meeting again after the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday to determine on moving forward with this candidate. Once this is decided, then the Personnel Team will meet with the Budget Team to determine the compensation package. We thank you for your continued prayers and we look forward for God's direction and discernment in this process for our church and our families.

*Sincerely,  
The Search Team*

### 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Fiddlers' Convention SAMARITAN BOOTH

Once again, FBC is sponsoring the Good Samaritan Booth at the 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Old Fiddlers' Convention and offering free coffee and water to the convention goers. This is a great opportunity to witness to those who visit. As usual, we need LOTS of volunteers to work the booth all week.

Mon: 5-8pm, 8-10pm  
Tue: 4-7pm, 7-10pm  
Wed: 4-7pm, 7-10pm  
Thu: 1-4pm, 4-7pm, 7-10pm  
Fri: 12-3pm, 3-6pm, 6-9pm, 9-12am  
Sat: 12-3pm, 3-6pm, 6-9pm, 9-12am

Please see the sign-up sheet outside the office door for available times. For any questions, contact Gerald or Kathy Cox at 233-5064, or the church at 236-5185.



We are inviting you to help us fill our **Operation Christmas Child Basket** which is in the Fellowship Hall.



**Items for July :**

**Clothing Items**





## A WORD FROM THE MUSIC MINISTER

Many of us dream of visiting family and friends or relaxing on a beach with a good book or even traveling to some exotic country during these warm summer months. With July almost here, the Music Ministry hopes that you will consider spending time with our church family. **Choir rehearsals are every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.**, and we always make time to fellowship with one another as we learn new worship music! As the rest of the summer unfolds here at FBC, there's a choir seat reserved just for you, so contact the music office if you have any questions.

**And don't forget...** our **patriotic celebration** will be presented this coming **Sunday, June 30**, during the morning worship service. We thank God for this great country, and we hope you'll make plans to celebrate America and help us to honor the men and women who have served or are currently serving in our armed forces. We look forward to seeing you Sunday.



## GREETINGS FROM OUR HISPANIC CONGREGATION!

Disruption is a word most of us don't want to hear or something that we don't want to experience; but when we read the Bible, we find that disruption has been an instrument God used to accomplish many of His goals. (Revivals, leadership development, character transformation, endurance, etc.) As a congregation, we are going through a time of disruption. In fact, we are in the process of finding a new pastor and have had doubts and challenges, but the Lord has been good to us. We celebrated Father's Day together, ate tacos and played volleyball. This past Sunday we ordered pizzas after the service and had a good fellowship time.

In July, a pastoral candidate will be coming from Florida to visit the congregation. We ask for your continuous prayers and support. In the meantime, we rest in knowing that God is sovereign and in absolute control, and it is with expectancy and excitement that we wait for God to show us what His plans are for the Hispanic congregation in Galax.

*Daniel Sánchez*



### Donor      Fund      In Memory of:

Ronnie & Jackie McGrady      Fred Adams, Jr.  
*Capital Campaign*

Ronnie & Jackie McGrady      Earl Morgan  
*Capital Campaign*

James & Linda Riddle      Fred Adams, Jr.  
*Capital Campaign*

Gardner Brannon      Mary E. Brannon  
*Fran Cregar Fund*

Gary & Joyce Orwig      Fred Adams, Jr.  
*Capital Campaign*

*Thank You!*

Dear First Baptist Church,

Thank you so very much for the coffee, creamer, plates, napkins, forks, spoons, paper towels and other items in the gift bag. They were greatly appreciated following the passing of Bill's brother.

*Bill & Elaine Widner  
& The Widner Family*

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Dear FBC,

Thank you so much providing the s'mores supplies (used following the Youth Event at the Hillsville Jailhouse Square). They were a hit! Also, thank you for supporting the "Captured" event!

*Kate Vaughan-Twin County Rep.,  
Fellowship of Christian Athletes*

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Dear Church,

Thanks for the graduation card and gift! I appreciate all the support through my time in college.

*Austin Lumpkin*

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Dear FBC Galax,

Thank you all very much for the wonderful graduation gift. More importantly, I greatly appreciate your kindness and generosity to my family and me throughout our time here. We love you all and we love this church! FBC Galax, you are a blessing!

*Love,  
Clif Conley*



The WOM thanks everyone for your support of this year's **Baby Bottle Campaign**. All the money raised was delivered to the Tri-Area Pregnancy Center, and they were very appreciative of your generous donations.



We can't wait for you to come join us for Praisin in the Park 2019! **Kids from rising K to 7th grade**—you don't want to miss this!! It's going to be a big party in Felts Park. We have a lot to celebrate!!

- Friday . . . . . 6 pm—8 pm
- Saturday . . . . . 3 pm—8 pm
- Sunday . . . . . 11 am—2 pm

### *Thank You's Continued*

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for remembering me on *Graduate Recognition Sunday*. I thank you for the beautiful card and for the generous gift card. The gift card will certainly come in handy as I enter this next phase of life. I appreciate your love and support throughout the years and will miss you when I leave for James Madison University.

*Love,  
Mimi Pemberton*



... to Doris Bedsaul on the death of her sister **Margaret 'Anne' Hughes** who passed away on Sunday, June 16, 2019 in Largo, Florida.

## The Closet Schedule

### July 07

Judy Hennis, Susan Honaker, Ann McMillan

### July 14

Benita Bryant, Debbie Patterson  
Lisa Siegle, Elaine Widner

### July 24

Mimi Banks, Phyllis Barker, Paulette Peterson

### July 28

Martha Dozier, Margaret Liddle

#### CURRENT WORSHIP STATISTICS

	<u>05/26/2019</u>	<u>06/02/2019</u>
Evening Attendance	34	38
Sunday School	150	141
11:00 A.M. Worship Service	213	212
Hispanic Worship Service	40	31
Total Worship Attendance	253	243
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,227.95	\$ 9,227.95
BUDGET RECEIVED	9,638.44	9,937.85
REQUIRED TO DATE	193,786.95	203,014.90
RECEIVED TO DATE	177,031.46	186,969.31
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	1,434.17	9,189.77
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$ 11,072.61</b>	<b>\$ 19,127.62</b>
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	91%	92%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	104%	107%

	<u>06/09/2019</u>	<u>06/16/2019</u>
Evening Attendance	70	30
Sunday School	128	144
11:00 A.M. Worship Service	212	204
Hispanic Worship Service	32	44
Total Worship Attendance	244	248
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,227.95	\$ 9,227.95
BUDGET RECEIVED	10,921.98	6,799.97
REQUIRED TO DATE	212,242.85	221,470.80
RECEIVED TO DATE	197,891.29	204,691.26
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	1,011.41	4,743.99
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$ 11,933.39</b>	<b>\$ 11,543.96</b>
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	93%	92%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	118%	73%



**Monday - Thursday**

**8:30 to 5:00**

**Friday**

**8:30 to 3:00**

#### **CHURCH STAFF**

Dr. Kevin Rosenfeld ..... Senior Pastor  
(Office) 236-5185

Mrs. Wendi Pemberton ..... Minister of Music  
(Office) 236-5185

Mrs. Marlene Tipton ..... Administrative Secretary

Mrs. Marie Combs ..... Financial Secretary

Mrs. Nancy Hazelwood ..... Organist

Mrs. Patty Davis ..... Pianist

Mrs. Marian Porter ..... Weekday Preschool Director  
Preschool/Extended Session

Mrs. Penny Adams ..... Bus Ministry Director

Mrs. Martha Easter, RN ..... Volunteer Health Nurse

Mr. Paul Sawyers ..... Sexton

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## Prayer Requests

Don Lowe; David Roberson; Alice Hasbrouck (Susan Honaker's sister); Imogene Frye; The Family of Bobby Haynes (Frank & Eula Merrill's son -in-law's brother); Guyda Hennis; Kim Kinser, cancer (Mary Dotson's daughter); Alex Fowler; Lou Brock (Betty Parrish's daughter); Mark Horton, multiple myeloma; Wanda Jean Harris; Mike McMillan; Juan Rios; Steve Cone; Colene Larrowe; Mary Corbin (Martha Easter's sister); Arville Stanley (Glenn Morris' brother); Geraldine McMillan (Rhonda McMillan's mother); Ronald Vaught, stroke (Lib Russell's cousin); Fran Halsey; K.T. Carico; Betty Walker, Stage IV cancer (Penny Adams' sister); Iva Wagner (Glenn Morris' sister); Stanley Meador (Marie Combs' son); Gladys Catron; Max Brown, leukemia (Martha Dozier's great-grandson); Mary Littreal; Sylvia Robinson, cancer; Nell Bartlett; Betty Robinson, kidney failure; Judy Fayne, cancer (Eugene Fayne's daughter); John & Debby Stringer; Ronald Cummings (Dolly Moss' brother); Betty Fender (Ann Roberts' mother); Our Country; The Unemployed; USA Military and other coalition forces;

**NURSING HOMES: Hillsville Health & Rehab** - Martha Combs, Rm 203 (Dennis Combs' Mother); Doris Marshall, Rm 206 (Benita Bryant's Mother); **Galax Health & Rehab** - Juanita Bolt, Rm A-23 (David Banks' Mother); **Waddell Nursing Home** - Glennis Morris, Rm 111-B; Helen Robinson, Rm 209-D; **Yadkin Nursing Care Center** - Kent Cox, Rm 202;

#### WORSHIP STATISTICS - CONT'D

	<u>06/23/2019</u>
Evening Attendance	128
Sunday School	137
11:00 A.M. Worship	191
Hispanic Worship Service	46
Total Worship Attendance	237
BUDGET REQUIRED	\$ 9,227.95
BUDGET RECEIVED	6,016.92
REQUIRED TO DATE	230,698.75
RECEIVED TO DATE	210,708.18
DESIGNATED RECEIPTS	579.60
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$ 6,596.52</b>
% Required Yrly Budget Rec'd	91%
% Required Wkly Budget Rec'd	65%



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# July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 8:30am-Refit Exercise 5:15pm-Pilates Class 6:00pm-VBS	<b>2</b> 6:00pm-VBS	<b>3</b> 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 5:15pm-Fort Chiswell Zoo <i>Everyone Invited!</i>	<b>4</b> CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED 	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship & Communion Service 6:15pm-TruNorth	<b>8</b> 8:30am-Refit Exercise 5:15pm-Pilates Class	<b>9</b> 10:00am-Staff Meeting 11:00am-Women on Mission 5:30pm-Loss Support Group	<b>10</b> 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm) 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir 6:30pm-Kingdom Kids	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service 6:15pm-TruNorth	<b>15</b> 8:30am-Refit Exercise 3:30pm-Soup Kitchen 5:15pm-Pilates Class	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm) 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <div> <i>Praisin in the Park: July 19-21</i>  <i>Friday: 6-8 pm</i>  <i>Saturday: 3-8 pm</i>  <i>for kids K - 7<sup>th</sup> grade</i>  <i>Felts Park</i> </div>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship Service 6:15pm-TruNorth <div> <i>Praisin in the Park</i>  <i>Sunday: 11 am - 2 pm</i>  <i>for kids K - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade</i>  <i>Felts Park</i> </div>	<b>22</b> 8:30am-Refit Exercise 5:15pm-Pilates Class	<b>23</b> 10:00am-Staff Meeting	<b>24</b> 1:30pm-Clothes Closet 6:30pm-Prayer Meeting (Fellowship begins at 6 pm) 6:30pm-Sanctuary Choir 6:30pm-Kingdom Kids	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
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**July 2**  
*Hilda Hodges*

**July 9**  
*Ben Williams*

**July 19**  
*Linda Bartlett*  
*Lupita Ramirez*

**July 3**  
*Joyce Orwig*  
*Betty Parrish*

**July 11**  
*Joyce Phillips*

**July 20**  
*Linda Rosenfeld*

**July 4**  
*Frances Halsey*

**July 12**  
*Phyllis Barker*  
*Donnie Handy*

**July 23**  
*Royce Easter*

**July 6**  
*Dan Schultheis*

**July 13**  
*Bill Davis*

**July 25**  
*Eula Merrill*

**July 7**  
*Michelle Holt*

**July 16**  
*Nancy Carpenter*

**July 26**  
*Oliver Gonzalez*

**July 8**  
*Steve Hazelwood*  
*Eugenio Ibarra*  
*Barbara Leonard*  
*James Sumner*  
*Benny White*

**July 18**  
*Linda Cooley*  
*Susan Honaker*

**July 29**  
*Ruth Hall*  
*Mark Painter*