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Sunday Schedule for May 6, 2018

8:45 a.m. Small Groups and Sunday School

Here (<http://fbccenterton.org/about-us/small-groups>) is a list of our Groups for Adults
Starting Point Class

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:30 p.m. “First Family” Church Picnic

2:00 p.m. Open Gym

“First Family” Church Picnic

Join us today, for our **“First Family” Church Picnic**. The south side of the church property will be the location: the playground will be open, athletic equipment will be on the soccer field and baseball field, and space will be available for flying kites and organizing other picnic games and competitions. How long has it been since you sat back in a lawn chair and visited with your friends over some dessert and a cup of sweet tea? Here is your opportunity.

Wednesday Schedule for May 9, 2018

- **Wednesday Night Meal Menu**

Sloppy Joes, tater tots, salad, dessert; (Menu is subject to change, so watch our Facebook page for updates and corrections: [facebook.com/firstbaptistchurchcenterton/](https://www.facebook.com/firstbaptistchurchcenterton/)) Adults—\$5; Children (6th grade & under)—\$3; Family Max—\$20.

- **Pastor Joshua Babb** will lead the Adult Bible Study from the book of Genesis, Wednesday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. **Kenny Wieda** will be with our Students (7th–12th grades) at 6 p.m. Our children (K–6th grades) and Mission Friends (three and four year olds) will also meet at 6:00 p.m. All groups will dismiss at 7:30 p.m.

Life Way Update

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- **LWCS Children’s Choir and Treble Choir, May 10**

These two choirs will be presenting their Spring Concert, "Birdlandia" on **Thursday, May 10** at 6:30 p.m. Their music will feature selections such as “His Eye is on the Sparrow,” “Wonderful Grace of Jesus,” “I’ll Fly Away,” and “The Water Is Wide.” The Treble Choir will also be singing selections from the masterwork “Jubilate Deo” by Dan Forrest which they will be presenting this summer in New York City’s Carnegie Hall. Admission is free.

- **Life Way Graduation, Friday, May 11, 7:00 p.m.**

Life Way will present its ninth graduating class **Friday, May 11** when 37 seniors receive their diplomas. In addition to remarks brought by their top academic graduates, the seniors will present a gift to the school. It is always a special night of celebration for our church and for Life Way families. Seating is limited, and graduate families are holding tickets this year to make sure they get seats near the front. However, some general seats are available on a first come, first served basis.

Sunday Schedule for May 13

8:45 a.m. Starting Point Class

Small Groups

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10:00 a.m. Worship

2:00 p.m. Open Gym

Women's Ministry Update

For more information, contact the church office. Phone: 479.795.2591

Email: info@fbccenterton.org

- **Daughters of the King Tea Party, May 12**

The first ever “Daughters of the King” Tea Party will be such a sweet time of fellowship for women of all ages. This will be May 12 in the Student Center from 2:30-4:30. There will be a “Get Fancy Station” with goodies for girls to use for dress up, photo props to capture that special day with your girls, special guest speaker to share God’s truth about His love for us as his daughters—not the world’s expectations, and of course Tea Time! Please bring finger foods or a dessert.

Please submit a photo for each Mother/Grandmother and Daughter/Granddaughter via email or drop it by the church office by May 8 for a slideshow presentation. Keep it fun and include pictures from childhood or current! If anyone has any dress up props they’d like to let us borrow for the event please contact **Crystal King** at kingcrystal01@yahoo.com or 479-640-1502.

We are also using a variety of teapots for our centerpieces, so if you are willing to allow us to use one of yours, we would love to include it and you can bring them to the church before Thursday, May 9. We look forward to seeing you for tea!!

- **Bible Study Opportunities**

- **Monday Mornings**—Meets at 9:30 a.m. at **Gail Lambert’s** home, *Lord, Is It Warfare? Teach Me to Stand*, from the book of Ephesians. Please contact **Gail Lambert** at 757-570-0786 if you wish to attend so that she can order your book, which costs \$15. This is a 12-week class. More information is available on our CCB website for the class myfbc.ccbchurch.com/group_detail.php?group_id=582.

- **Sunday Mornings**— *Your Eternal Reward* at 8:45 a.m. in room A-224. Ladies of all ages, from high school to senior adults are invited. Please contact **Gail Lambert** at 757.570.0786 or by email, lambert.refuge@gmail.com, if you wish to attend so that she can order your book, which

costs \$10. You will also need a three-ring binder for worksheets. More information is available on our CCB website for the class myfbc.ccbchurch.com/group_detail.php?group_id=588.

- **Sunday Mornings**—Mom’s class with **Lisa Baxley** in room A-227. This class is ongoing.
- **Wednesday Nights**—Ladies of all ages are invited to join us for a study of Esther.
- **Mentor/Mentee Opportunities**
 - **Mentor Training**—This is for all ladies interested in being a mentor for the 2018-2019 mentoring year. It will be held the morning of **July 21** at FBC Centerton.
 - **Mentor/Mentee Kick-Off for 2018-2019**—evening of **August 24**
- **Future Women’s Ministry Opportunities**
 - **Tuesday Table**—May 8, June 12, September 11, November 13, December 11 at 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 - **Ladies Fall Retreat 2018**—Save October 5-6 for this getaway. Details to follow in the Event Calendar and here in the eNewsletter for all opportunities as the dates approach.

The STUDENT Section

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- **Student Worship**— Join us this Wednesday night from 6–7:30 p.m. in the Student Center.
- **Summer Camp JH—The Uprising**
Camp Generate is **June 11-15**, Ruston, LA. The theme is **The Uprising**.
For more info, head over to the *Generate webpage*. Sign up using the link in the parents’ weekly newsletter or *online at our website*.
- **High School Only Wyoming Mission Trip**—Join us as we partner with a local church plant in **Laramie, WY, June 18-24!** We will be partnering with local believers to canvas the area, host block parties, and participate in local service projects for the community. We are looking forward to laying a foundation for the gospel to be shared through this new church plant. We hope you join us on mission! Cost and sign up link available soon!
- **Website/Text Messages**—Our webpage is a great source for parents to see what is going on in the Student Ministry. We generally send out a text to let you know when updates have been made. Also, if you or your student wants to receive text messages, please respond to students@fbccenterton.org with your name, cell phone number and cell provider (AT&T, Verizon, etc.) and we will make sure you begin receiving our text message updates.

Children’s Ministry Update

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- **GAK verse for May:** Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” John 14:6 NIV
- **Camp Siloam**— We have officially signed up to bring our 3rd—6th grade kiddos to **Camp Siloam June 18-22!** If you are not familiar with Camp Siloam, I encourage you to watch the video below. God uses that camp to turn students’ hearts toward Him, and we’re super excited to go back this year! See the Camp Siloam Video at youtu.be/W5jUB2i64g8.
- **Back-Yard Bible Clubs**—We’ve set the dates for Back-Yard Bible Clubs this summer for **June 27-29**. Now all we need are the **locations, the workers, and the kids!** Think of back-yard Bible clubs as a mini VBS that we do on location! **Lori & Tim Shepherd, Mike and Makayla Brown, Gigi and Delton Bush, and Clint and Michelle Shaddox** have offered their homes as locations for Bible clubs this summer. We would love to have a few more homes! If you would be interested in hosting a Back-Yard Bible Club, or just want more information about one, please let me know. I also need [volunteers](#) to work. Backyard Bible clubs will be from 6:00-7:30 in the evening, so even if you work days, you could help us! **We would love to bring the gospel to your neighborhoods!**
- **VBS**—Mark your calendars now for VBS 2018! Our dates will be **July 9-13!** VBS is one of our biggest outreach events of the year. **Can you help us?** Find out how by emailing [notifications@ccbchurch.com!](mailto:notifications@ccbchurch.com)

Attendance Recap from Past Week

Connect Groups (April 23—April 29)	63
Sunday Small Groups	321
Sunday AM Worship Gathering	463
Sunday PM Worship Gathering (Lord’s Supper)	273

Focus on Giving for April 29, 2018

General Fund:

Weekly Average Need.....	\$28,089.00
Weekly Receipts.....	\$30,856.03

Designated Funds:

World Mission Weekly Receipts.....	\$1,034.00
World Mission YTD.....	\$16,229.28
Building Forward Balance.....	\$38,341.07
Walkers in Ecuador	\$952.00
Lord’s Supper Benevolence Offering.....	\$850.05
Seattle	\$570.00
Ivy Memorial.....	\$187.50

First Baptist Centerton “App” is Still Available

Our online-giving partner, **PushPay**, has helped us develop our own free iOS and Android App that includes sections providing easier access to our sermon audio files, directions to the church (for guests), connection tools for prayer requests and calendars, online giving and more. If you need help with the apps, call the church office at **479.795.2591** and we will walk you through the process. Online giving is one way to express your commitment to biblical stewardship even when you are away from home when the church meets for worship.

May 20 and 27 Schedule Change

As we have done for other three-day weekends that sometimes impact our Sunday evening attendance, we will observe the Lord’s Supper and First Family Fellowship on Sunday evening, May 20 instead of the usual fourth Sunday of the month (**May 27**). Please note this on your calendar.