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Sunday Schedule for July 15, 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

10:00 a.m. Worship

2:00 p.m. Open Gym

Wednesday Schedule for July 18

We will resume the Adult Bible Study and Student Ministry activities this Wednesday evening. Our seventh–twelfth-grade students meet at 6:00 p.m. and will be led by **Kenny Wieda**. **Pastor Bob Metcalf** will be the speaker in the Adult Bible study at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. For those on campus for Wednesday night meetings, there is childcare available. All activities conclude at 7:30 p.m. There will be no Wednesday night meal until GAK resumes.

Looking Ahead to Wednesdays in the Fall

Our Life Way Christian School begins its first day of school for students on Wednesday, August 15, joining students from all of the surrounding schools. We will have a Family Night of Prayer that evening rather than our usual Wednesday schedule. The following Wednesday, August 22, we will launch all schoolyear ministries. The family meals will return at 5:00 p.m., Student Ministries, God's Amazing Kids [GAK], Mission Friends, Orchestra, and Adult Choir will all be meeting at their usual times. We will publish that schedule next week in *inFOCUS*.

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Business Item for July 29 Evening Service

The pastors want to give you advance notice that they will make the following proposal to the church body on the July 29:

We propose to increase the size of the Finance Team that advises our pastors on all things related to the budget to a size of six men with Pastor Babb's representing the pastors. The names of the six team members will be: **Jack Eaton***, **Linne Fulcher***, **Chris Evans**, **Greg Terry**, **Luke Colley**, **Dwight Siemens** upon approval of the church body. We expect this to be a brief business item that should allow us to conduct the deacon ordination, Lord's Supper and First Family fellowship.

*Current members of the Finance Team

Deacon Ordination Part of July 29 Service

Seven additional deacons have been called out to serve this church body. On Sunday evening, July 29, we will conduct an Ordination service to set aside the following eight men to deacon ministry at First Baptist Church: **Jonathan Boyer**, **Jim Bradford**, **Tony Eliassen**, **Warren Gaydusek**, **Ryan Roughley**, **Derek Smittle**, and **Jason Tidwell**.

Jewish Art Museum Field Trip

On Sunday, **July 22**, everyone is invited to join **Gary Burney's** small group class in Tulsa, OK at 2:00 p.m. to take a two-hour tour of the **Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art**, located at 2021 East 71st St. As a group, we get two guides, and the cost is \$3.50 per person. (If you don't go with our group, the cost is \$6 per person, and you won't have a guide.) The bottom half of the museum is a mini Yad Vashem sampling of a Holocaust Museum in Israel.

The guide is a sharp 91-year-old Holocaust Survivor with a fantastic knowledge of all things Holocaust. The upper floor guide has a Doctorate in Messianic Studies and guides us through the cultures and traditions of the Jewish people. The tour is very interesting and informative, and there is also a visual exhibition that transports people into a virtual reality world of beautiful synagogues. If you are interested in going on this field trip, please contact **Anita Burney** at **479.601.3803**, as the museum needs to know how many are coming.

2018 Israel Trip Update

It's not too late to join **Gary & Anita Burney** as they lead a trip to Israel **December 3-12** this year. They still have room for a few more couples and a few more singles. If you are interested in going or have questions, please contact them at anitaburney@outlook.com or visit www.trekoisrael.weebly.com for more details

Women's Ministry Update

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

Email: info@fbccenterton.org

- **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 at **8:30 a.m.** on **July 21** at FBC Centerton.
 - **Mentor/Mentee Kick-Off for 2018-2019**—evening of **August 24**
- **Future Women's Ministry Opportunities**
 - **Tuesday Table**—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 e-Newsletter for all opportunities as the dates approach.

The STUDENT Section

Kenny Wieda, Director of Student Ministries, Phone: 616.240.4346;

Email: kenny.wieda@fbccenterton.org; Website: www.fbccenterton.org.

- **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

Laura Tidwell, Director of Childhood Ministries, Phone: 479.883.2137

Email: ltidwell@lwcsar.com

- **Vacation Bible School 2018**— We had over 300 kids on campus and well over 100 volunteers. I hope your family was able to join us! Check out the church's Facebook page or Instagram account to see pictures of our week! Thank you to all the volunteers and those of you who provided snacks.
- **End of Summer Pool Party**— I know we don't love to think about it, but summer is quickly coming to an end. To help ease the pain, we're having an end of the summer swim party! We've rented out the Melvin Ford Aquatic Center (Bentonville Public Pool), and you all are invited to bring your families to swim with us! The party will be on **Friday, August 3** and will run from **7:00-9:00 p.m.** If you plan to attend, please RSVP here: <https://myfbc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/151/responses/new>. Hope you all can join us! Let me know if you have any questions!

Attendance Recap from Past Week

Connect Groups (July 2-July 8).....	49
Sunday Small Groups.....	336
Sunday AM Worship Gathering.....	488

Focus on Giving for July 8, 2018

General Fund:

Weekly Average Need.....	\$28,089.00
Weekly Receipts.....	\$33,689.75

Designated Funds:

World Mission Weekly Receipts.....	\$951.00
World Mission YTD.....	\$25,743.53
Building Forward Balance.....	\$38,561.07
Walkers in Ecuador	\$560.00
Seattle	\$235.00
Ivy Memorial.....	\$100.00

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, you may wish to 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.

Watchman Prayer Ministry

Even when our church is scattered between meetings for study and worship, we have a group of prayer warriors who want to know how they can pray for needs expressed by our brothers and sisters in Christ. If you have an email address, and would like to be a part of this group of prayer warriors, we would like to add you to the Watchman Prayer Ministry group on CCB. We average about a prayer request daily from folks who have contacted the church office with their needs. To become a part of this ministry, simply email pam@fbccenterton.org and tell Pam Varnell you would like to receive Watchman Prayer notices by email. When you receive a prayer message from the church, we ask you to call out that request to the Lord as you go about your daily duties. If you have a prayer request, you may email it to Pam or call the church office at 479.795.2591.

We Have Received a Thank You Message From

Bobbie Griffith

Everyone was so kind during my recent surgery. I want to thank all of you from the bottom of my heart for the prayers, love, flowers, phone calls, and food. I love my church family at FBC Centerton.

We Have Received a Thank You Message From

Becky Thompson

On behalf of the Thompson and Pittman families, thank you, church family, for all your prayers for my son, Jerry, through his illness. It's great to know you all are always there. Thank you for the wonderful service, Bro. Joshua's message, and the meal following the funeral. It was all a blessing to his wife, Kathy, and our families.