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Sunday Schedule for July 22, 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 25

Our seventh–twelfth-grade students will continue their connections in the area parks by meeting at the volleyball courts in Memorial Park in Bentonville from 6–8 p.m., and will be led by **Kenny Wieda**.

Pastor Joshua Babb will be the speaker in the Adult Bible study at 6:30 (until 7:30) in the Fellowship Hall. There is no childcare available. 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.

While our Adult Worship Ministries may have some rehearsals on August 1 and 8 (with Childcare), Pastor Jim will keep them informed, and the rest of our ministries that kick off **August 22** meet on the following schedule:

5–6:00 p.m. — Family Night Meal, Student Worship Choir

6–7:30 p.m. — Nursery, Mission Friends, God's Amazing Kids [GAK], Student Night of Worship, and Adult Worship Choir

6:30–7:30 p.m. — Adult Bible Study

7:00–8:00 p.m. — Orchestra Rehearsal

Sunday Schedule for July 29

- 8:45 a.m.** Small Groups
Here (<http://fbccenterton.org/about-us/small-groups>) is a list of our Groups for Adults
- 10:00 a.m.** Worship
- 6:00 p.m.** Lord's Supper Service, Deacon Ordination, First Family Fellowship
Please join us this evening for our First Family Fellowship following the Lord's Supper service. Please bring finger foods, such as sandwiches, chips & dip, etc.

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 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**. They will be joining the following men who serve as our currently active deacons: **Asa Carter** (Chairman), **Ray Cothorn**, **Drew Drewry**, **Carl Farriester**, **Von Johnston**, **Mike McDonald**, **Roger Reid**, and **Dale Snowden**.

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.trektoisrael.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/Mentee Kick-Off for 2018-2019**—evening of **August 24**
Please contact the church office if you are interested in participating in the mentor/mentee part of our women's ministry.
- **Future Women's Ministry Opportunities**
 - **Tuesday Table**—September 11 and December 11 at 6:30-8:30 p.m.
You will hear from ladies in our church on how God is working in their life.
 - **Craft Time**—November 10 at 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Registration coming soon.
 - **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. If you are not receiving email updates please contact the church office to be added to the women's ministry group.

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.
- **Wednesday at Memorial Park**— Our seventh–twelfth-grade students will continue their connections in the area parks by meeting at the volleyball courts in Memorial Park in Bentonville from 6–8 p.m., this **Wednesday, July 25**. You will want to stay hydrated. Bring water.

Children’s Ministry Update

**Laura Tidwell, Director of Childhood Ministries, Phone: 479.883.2137
Email: ltidwell@lwcsar.com**

- **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!
- **Children’s Sunday School Promotion**—Preschool through High School classes will promote on **August 5, 2018**.

Attendance Recap from Past Week

Connect Groups (July 9-July 15).....	50
Sunday Small Groups	291
Sunday AM Worship Gathering	446

Focus on Giving for July 15, 2018

General Fund:

Weekly Average Need.....	\$28,089.00
Weekly Receipts	\$20,495.81

Designated Funds:

World Mission Weekly Receipts.....	\$572.00
World Mission YTD.....	\$26,315.53
Direct Missions.....	\$30.00
Building Forward Receipts.....	\$140.00
Building Forward Balance.....	\$38,701.07
VBS Mission Offering.....	\$1,673.68
Seattle	\$335.00
Walkers in Ecuador	\$130.00

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...

Ruth Poemoceah and Family

Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, food, and many kind words of sympathy and encouragement that were given to us at the passing my mother. She loved the Lord, and we are comforted to know that she is home with Him! God bless each of you.