

# ***inFOCUS* e-Newsletter for July 29, 2018**

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\*\*\*\*See below for details on each of these items\*\*\*\*

## **Sunday Schedule for July 29, 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
- 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. We will also take a Benevolence Offering as a part of our 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 tonight:

*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. Tonight, we will conduct an Ordination service to set aside the following five men to deacon ministry at First Baptist Church: **Jim Bradford**, **Tony Eliasen**, **Warren Gaydusek**, **Ryan Roughley**, 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.** **Jonathan Boyer** is unable to attend tonight, and will be ordained at a later time.

### **Starting Point Class, September 9**

**Pastor Joshua Babb** will begin a “Starting Point” class **Sunday, September 9**. The six-week class will highlight the DNA of our church in faith, doctrine, practice, vision, and mission. It will meet in room **A-216**, the Library, at **8:45 a.m.** The class is for people who want to consider joining this assembly in worship and service. For more information, contact the church office at **479.795.2591**.

### **Wednesday Schedule for August 1**

Our seventh–twelfth-grade students will continue their connections in the area parks by meeting at the **McKissick Station Park in Centerton** 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 August 5**

- 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
- 2:00 p.m.** Open Gym

### **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](mailto:anitaburney@outlook.com) or visit [www.trektoisrael.weebly.com](http://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](mailto: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 McKissick Station Park**— Our seventh–twelfth-grade students will continue their connections in the area parks by meeting at the McKissick Station Park in Centerton from 6–8 p.m., this **Wednesday, August 1**. You will want to stay hydrated. Bring water.
- **Student Ministry Lock-in**— We are planning a **Back-to-School Lock-in** for **Friday, August 10 at 6:00 p.m. until Saturday morning, August 11 at 8:00 a.m.** There is not a better time and place to immerse your friends in getting to know the students and leadership team doing ministry together at First Baptist Centerton. There will be a prize worth winning for the student who personally brings the largest number of registered guests to the Lock-in.

This will be your last chance to interact with a few Summer team members before they head back to college, and your first chance to meet the new students and many of their parents who are moving in to join us in student ministries. The cost is \$10 per student to cover group admission to High Rise, Rogers Bowling Alley, inflatables, and food that will be just a part of the plan for the evening. While your parents may not be a regular part of our student ministry yet, encourage them to respond to one of the many “help-make-it-happen” volunteer roles our leadership team is enlisting for the event. For more information, contact **Veronica King at 479.544.4834**.

**Children’s Ministry Update**

**Laura Tidwell, Director of Childhood Ministries, Phone: 479.883.2137**

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- **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 16-July 22).....	56
Sunday Small Groups.....	321
Sunday AM Worship Gathering.....	400

**Focus on Giving for July 22, 2018**

**General Fund:**

Weekly Average Need.....	\$28,089.00
Weekly Receipts.....	\$22,997.55

**Designated Funds:**

World Mission Weekly Receipts.....	\$1,380.50
World Mission YTD.....	\$27,696.03
Building Forward Balance.....	\$38,701.07
Seattle.....	\$702.00
Walkers in Ecuador.....	\$150.00

Bedia ..... \$250.00  
Benevolence ..... \$7.50

**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, 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](mailto: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.