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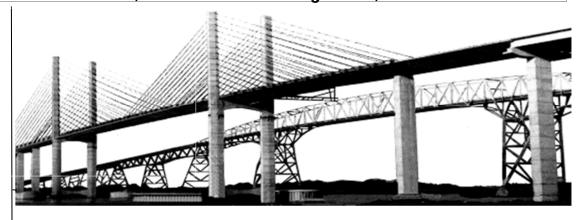
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BK'S KORNER

The Little League World Series. Watch it! It is reminder that it's not about the money. Not about the fame. It is about competition, winning and losing, friendships, and building lifelong memories. It's about baseball. Playing because you love the game.

Wouldn't it be great if our spiritual lives were the same. If we lived for Jesus just because we loved Him? If we could just enjoy our lives and live joyfully.

Somehow, I think that is the way God intended it. We live our lives, enjoy them, and be a witness all at the same time. In fact, I think God would have it that way. The next time you start to get down and think that you not doing it right, or that you're having too much fun just remember the Little League World Series. What it's about and what it's not about. Then think about your life and why it is the best life you can live!

Pray for our community. Pray for the lost. Pray for Your One. Invite Your One. See you Sunday.

Blessings and love. BK ><>



PRAYER Changes Things

Men's Prayer group meets on Mondays in the Office Meeting room at 5:30 a.m.

Join our Ladies Prayer group. The Ladies meet on Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the prayer room.

YOUTH MINISTER

Seeking First the Kingdom

Jesus reminds us in Matthew 6:33, "But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be provided for you." It's a verse many of us know well, but one that challenges us every day.

Life is busy. Families juggle school, work, sports, and responsibilities that pull us in every direction. It's easy to let our faith become just another item on the calendar. But Jesus tells us that when we put God first—above our worries, our schedules, and even our own plans—everything else finds its proper place.

This verse doesn't mean we'll get everything we want. It means God provides what we truly need when our hearts are aligned with His kingdom. Our priorities shift from building our own little kingdoms to participating in the work of His eternal one.

As a church, this is especially important as we grow and plan our ministries. Programs, events, and activities are valuable, but they only matter if they point students and families back to Christ. When we keep the Kingdom at the center, our efforts bear lasting fruit.

This week, let's take time to ask ourselves: Am I seeking God first in my daily life? Am I trusting Him to provide? As we each do this personally, our church family will be strengthened collectively. Together, we can live out the promise of Matthew 6:33—confident that when God is first, He is faithful to take care of the rest.



MUSIC MOMENTS

Hey FBCBC Family and Friends,

Hope this Bridge Builder article "builds you up" and "encourages you to continue rejoicing, standing and turning to The Living God this week." Every time we meet as a congregation it truly warms our hearts to see y'all singing and smiling as we worship together.

Speaking of worshipping together, there are lots of things going on this fall which involve your participation. One of those being our Christmas musical, "Adore Him" which will be presented on Sunday evening, December 14th, at 5:30 p.m. with the "Taste of Christmas" following. We would love for anyone interested in singing with us to know we start practicing Sunday afternoon, September 7th from 4 — 5 p.m.

"Adore Him" is a very powerful, worshipful musical which tells the timeless story of Jesus' Birth. So, start making room for Jesus in your hearts and lives as we prepare to encounter the wonder, the beauty & the glory of Christmas all over again through "Adore Him."

It may mean you might have to step out of your comfort zone and do something you have never done before. Maybe you can plan to inspire someone to come alongside you and join the rest of us as we put together this Christmas music for Christ's Birthday.

Love y'all, Billy & Pam

P.S. Remember: "God gave you a voice and He wants to hear it."



Silver Bells Silver Bells Soon it will be Christmas Day!

We need to get busy.

Meet Sunday afternoon August 24th from 4:00 — 5:30 p.m. for punch & goodies. Wear your favorite Christmas Shirt.

Leave with a Christmas gift.

Come let us "Adore Him",

SOUP KITCHEN



TUESDAY, August 26

participating in this opportunity to serve others please let Bro. Keith know.





PUMPKINS ARE COMING!!!!!

September 27

Please mark your calendar! We will need lots of help unloading the pumpkins.

LOOK AT THE RECORDS

August 17, 2025

Projected Budget Need YTD: 369,988.74
Weekly Receipts: 5,581.56
Actual Budget Receipt to Date: 340,782.80
Actual Budget Spending to Date: 313,595.04

ATTENDANCE:

Sunday School 136
WORSHIP SERVICE:
Worship 149
Nursery 1
TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 150





DEACON OF THE WEEK

August 24 — 30, 2025
Darrell Segura Deacon
Dennia Stanton Visiting B

Donnie Stanton Visiting Partner

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Sunday, August 24, 2025

9:15 Bible Study 10:30 Morning Worship Service 4:00 Preview Christmas Musical

Monday, August 25, 2025 5:30 Men's Priority Prayer

10:00 Ladies Prayer Group

Tuesday, August 26, 2025

8:15 Soup Kitchen

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

9:00 Buckner's Quilting
6:30 Prayer Meeting
Youth, Preteen Bible Study &
Children's Choir
Mission Kids (3rd — 6th Graders)



"Come Sit By Me"

Is there an empty chair in your class?

Is there unused space on your pew?

We are beginning a campaign to fill those spaces. Your department is being given a fresh class roster that you might begin making personal contacts.

Who have you been missing?

"Who is your one?"

Who do you know that needs a church home?

We will be excited to hear reports from each department as we work together to reach our community.

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