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The Bridge Builder

VBS MEETING!!!
THIS SUNDAY, JUNE 10TH
AT 5:30 P.M.
IN THE CHILDREN'S
CHOIR ROOM!!!



SUPERHERO TRAINING
ACADEMY
JUNE 17TH - 21ST
6 - 8:30 P.M.

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH . . .

Dear Church Family,

Our time for nominating deacon candidates has begun and will be open till June 17th. Deacon packets are available at the church office, welcome center, and foyer of the worship area. The packet contains all the pertinent information and the ballot to be used for voting. Prayerfully submit your nomination as we potentially select four deacons to serve at FBCBC. Be certain to be a part of this important process.

This past Sunday we were blessed to be led by our youth in worshipping our great God. I personally want to thank each of them for their time, effort, and prayerful obedience in honoring God and helping us to **Connect Christ to People**.

Sunday we return to our sermon series, "Tell Me a Story", by looking at the Parable of the Shrewd Steward in Luke 16:1-13. Jesus tells a unique parable by using a dishonest man's actions to demonstrate an important truth. The steward has failed to care for the owners possessions and has squandered them. When he becomes aware that the owner is going to require an accounting, the steward decided to "cook the books" so he can find favor with other people to help him when he is fired. Even the owner was impressed with his shrewd dealings to help himself. Jesus turns this story to make one of the greatest statements we know, but fail to apply well. "No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money." (Luke 16:13) We cannot multitask with our devotion to God. It is an all or nothing proposition. Where is your devotion? Whom do you love?

FBCBC is where the "impossible" is a living reality every day and **Connecting Christ with People is our Purpose, Invite 3 people to Connect, Celebrate, and Contribute** by being a part of what God is doing at FBCBC.

For His Glory,
Douglas shows
Luke 16:10

DON'T FORGET!

Please don't forget to gather old literature and place in store room in Adult 4-5.

WORSHIP DIRECTOR

Our students did a wonderful job of leading us in worship this past Sunday. They shared some new contemporary praise songs along with some of the hymns we all grew up on. Adam Snyder did a great job bringing us the word. We are so proud of all of our students who worked so hard over the last few months in preparation to lead out.

The Hoppers are set to be in concert at FBCBC on Friday, July 20, 2018. It is a free concert, with a

love offering being received. We have free tickets in the office if you would like some.



Choir Practice — We had our first choir practice this past Sunday and I appreciate so much everyone who came out. We are singing Jerusalem and Heaven's Jubilee, two great southern gospel songs. I invite anyone who wants to sing with us to come each Sunday at 4:30 p.m. We will meet in the sanctuary.

Summer Night of Worship — We have a great lineup already for our N.O.W. schedule for Sunday, July 29, 2018. There will be a variety of music, so there will be something for everyone. Please make plans to come to enjoy this wonderful evening of praise

Hebrews 13:15 — By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of (our) lips giving thanks to his name.

For His glory,
Debbie Anderson

YOUTH NEWS

POD Awards

Finally! I can now write about our POD Group awards. This past Wednesday night our students had their award program to celebrate their achievements over the last 2 plus months through their POD groups. I must say that even I was surprised at the outcome! So, without further hesitation, I give you the results. When the POD group challenges began we have a total of 15 students in attendance, that number has now grown to 42. POD groups gave a total of \$133.95 in mission offerings and learned 99 memory verses! Five mission trips were taken in this time without the help of a signup sheet or church directed. These trips were organized and followed through by the POD groups. A staggering 1,690,525 points were awarded to the POD groups! The following is a breakdown of individual and POD group awards.

Largest POD – POD2 @ 13, Mission Giving- POD2 @ \$108.73, Guest Relations- POD4 @ 7, Memory Verses- POD2 @ 38.

Individual Awards – Attendance- Adrienne Cunningham, Austin Stuart, Tyler Bailey, and Brandon Milstead. All Star Leaders – Jacob Cunningham, Austin Stuart, and Tyler Bailey. TOP POD male – Cameron Brooks. Top POD Female- Madison Ju-neau.

POD Games Winner – POD 1 @ 145,000 Points
OVERALL CHAMPION POD2 @ 543,648 Points,
POD1@ 487,397, POD3 @351,189, POD4@ 308,289

Congrats to all groups and individuals on a Job well done. We have already begun to set up our next POD Group challenge with the addition of POD # 5, as well as elected new POD Leaders. We will have a draft on Wednesday the 27th, which leaders will draft their new groups! Our New POD Leaders, who have been confirmed by their parents are- POD1- Ethan Morgan, POD2- Tyler Bailey, POD3- Austin Stuart, POD4- Brandon Milstead, and POD5 Madison Ju-neau! Leaders were chosen based off their attendance records over the last two months!

Be Intentional
Aaron

CHILDREN'S DIRECTOR

VBS is just under two weeks away, and we still have a need for leaders! We are looking for someone to teach the music class for the younger (Pre-K to 1st grade) and a recreation leader! These are such fun classes to teach and easy too! If you would like to teach either of these classes, please get with me a.s.a.p.

This year we will be the only ones doing a superhero themed VBS, and because of this, we are hoping to have a really "SUPER" TURNOUT AND WILL NEED ALL THE HELP THAT WE CAN GATHER! Also, this Sunday, I will be sending out prayer sheets to begin prayer for VBS. I believe this is an important way to begin preparing for this amazing community outreach!

This coming Friday, June 8th, we will be hosting our first Summer event! Our 'Parents Night Out' will begin at 6 p.m. in the gym. We will be serving pizza and watching the movie "Moana". Parents are asked to pick up their children at 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 23rd at 10 .am., we will be holding a Baptism class for children and their families. This class is to help new believers to understand what it means to follow through in Baptism, as well as take a tour of the baptistery area. A light lunch will be served.

For more information on this or other upcoming events, give me a call at the church! That the next generation may know.

Chris

DEACON NOMINATIONS

We are preparing for electing **potentially four deacons** to serve FBCBC. A list of all male church members of First Baptist Church Bridge City and important information regarding qualifications/procedures will be made available beginning May 9th. These will be available at the Welcome Center, Foyer, and Church Office to aid church members in selecting one's candidate. **Each church member will be able to nominate one individual to serve as a deacon between the dates of June 4th – June 17th.** Please take time to prayerfully review the church expectations, the biblical qualifications, and consider the candidate you would select. Below is the expected schedule we will be following during this process.

NURSERY WORKERS June 10, 2018

Sunday School Brittany Ernst
Connie Claus

Worship Service Thelma Wheelis

Volunteers always needed. Please call
Brittany Ernst at 409.313.1215.

LOOK AT THE RECORDS

June 3, 2018

Projected Budget Need:	\$231,456.06
Actual Budget Receipt to Date:	\$213,272.74
Actual Budget Spending to Date:	\$224 763.38

Digital Sign Goal	\$20,000.00
Digital Sign Receipts to date	\$12,084.00

ATTENDANCE:

Sunday School Goal	225
Sunday School	151

WORSHIP SERVICE:

Worship Service Goal	300
Worship	154
Nursery	6
TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	160

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Sunday, June 10, 2018

9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Worship Service
Youth-led service
Children's Church
for 4 yr. old — 2nd grade
4:00 Deacons Meeting
NO PM ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

10:00 Ladies Prayer Meeting
7:00 Men's Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

6:30 Mid-week Worship Service

THANK YOU

I am deeply grateful and very thankful for
your prayers on my behalf.

With brotherly love,
James "Buster" Scales

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
8:00 — 4:30
MONDAY — FRIDAY

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