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Dr. Scott Harrison,
Senior Pastor

Worship Preview

June 15

AM Services:
Youth Choir presents
"Made to Worship"

June 22

AM Services:
Sanctuary Choir
Praise Team
Kayla Ellis
Angie Keeting

PM Service:
Youth Choir
Ladies Trio
(Barbara MacMillan,
Sharon Irwin, JoAnne
Carter)
Kelly Marrs



Patriotic Service
Sunday, June 29, 2008

Bible Fellowship Classes - 9:15-10:15 AM

Worship Celebration - 10:30-11:45 AM

Dinner on the Grounds -

After worship service in Fellowship Hall

Come and celebrate with our First Baptist Church Family the freedoms we have in our country. On this special Sunday, we will have one Bible Fellowship Hour, one worship service and dinner on the grounds. Please bring a salad or vegetable dish and dessert.

The church will provide meat and drinks.

Come and and be a part of this wonderful day!



Vacation Bible School
July 14 - 18
Sign-ups will begin soon.



Associate Pastor

Dr. Gary Snowden, Associate Pastor

While I trust that no one reading this actually bet and lost money on Big Brown's failed quest to win horse racing's famous Triple Crown this past Saturday at Belmont, it's interesting to note that 30 years have passed since a horse has won all three major races—the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness, and the Belmont Stakes. The longest previous stretch without a Triple Crown winner was 25 years, which ended with Secretariat's record run in 1973. Secretariat won all three races in record time that year, winning the Belmont by an astonishing 31 lengths. The "horse of the century" was retired later that year and was euthanized in 1989 after falling ill. An autopsy revealed that Secretariat's heart was two and a half times the size of an average horse's heart—perhaps accounting for his amazing endurance. In thinking about Secretariat's unusual heart, I was impressed with the fact that we really need some big-hearted Christians in our world today. When on a national level Baptists are best known for what they are opposed to rather than what they stand for, it's time to remember that Jesus summarized the entire law in two statements—loving God with all our being and our neighbor as ourselves. Wouldn't it be wonderful if when someone delivers our funeral eulogy at some future date that the comment could be made that we were characterized by an enlarged heart with a great capacity for loving God and others?

SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION

We are collecting school supplies for the poor and homeless children of Kansas City connected with City Union Mission for the 2008-2009 school year. You can find a list of requested items in your Bible Fellowship class, on the Missions bulletin board (across from the Library) or on the kiosk. Please stick to the list as closely as possible. You may drop off your items in the City Union Mission box in the church office through June 22. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kelly Carleton at 554-3059.

VETERANS PHOTOS

We are collecting pictures of veterans past and present so we may honor them in our Patriotic Service on June 29. If you have not provided one in years past, please bring a picture to the church office or email it to office@fbcls.com by June 20. Include the name and branch of service.

Children

Janis Mansker, Minister of Children

Kids Recreation – Wednesdays, June 11 and 18, 6:00-8:00 PM are kids recreation nights in our gymnasium. Wear your athletic shoes.

Kids and Adults – Help us get ready for VBS on Wednesday evenings, June 25, July 2, and July 9, 6:00-8:00 PM. We will make prayer reminders on June 25, decorations on July 2 and 9, and put decorations in place on July 9.

Preschool Splash and Picnic – All preschoolers and their siblings and a parent are invited to play in water and enjoy a sack lunch picnic on Tuesday, June 24. We will play from 11:00-11:30 and eat at 11:30. If it is raining we will play in the gym.

Vacation Bible School 2008 will be July 14-18. Family night is Thursday, July 17. Call or email Sharon Byers to volunteer (524-3447 or sgbyers@yahoo.com). Directors who requested supplies by May 28 may pick them up on Wednesday, June 11 beginning at noon.

Sixth Grade Retreat (for those who have completed 6th grade) July 25-26. We will be going to Jefferson City. Cost is \$25.00. Sign-ups will begin soon. Please do invite 6th grade friends.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

We are in need of 20 oz. empty water bottles with lids for our upcoming VBS in July. If you have any to donate, please drop them off in the church office. Thank you for your help.

Youth

Jeff Arnold, Minister of Youth & Recreation

“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.” Oh how I love this great proverb. What a privilege it is to be able to watch our students grow and help train them up into the Godly men and women they will become. June 8 – 14 our students will be growing and serving the Lord as they travel to Pueblo, Colorado to put on five youth choir concerts and perform over 30 hours of manual labor to help local boys' homes and churches. What a great opportunity for our students to learn what it means to be Christ like. I ask that you would continue to pray for us during this trip as well as our camp trip which is coming up June 23 – June 27. We know that the prayers and training that our students are receiving now is what will guide them not only today but for the rest of their lives.

Education

Allen Baker, Minister of Education

Do You Feel “Stuck” Spiritually?—Part 3

A church family is filled with people that have various needs and crises. One way we can grow spiritually is to focus less on ourselves and serve alongside fellow followers of Christ—it feeds our soul. Your church is full of ministry and service opportunities. Maybe your service is hosting youth fellowships, or teaching preschool Bible Fellowship, or providing food for members who have lost a loved one. It takes all of us working together for the church to function as God intended. He empowers us to serve, and multiplies our efforts in exponential ways.

Depression/Anxiety Support Group Update

The Depression/Anxiety Support Group will begin meeting on June 22 for a special “*Summer*” study. The group will be looking at how developing Spiritual disciplines (Bible study, Prayer, Worship, and others) can aid in recovery and draw each one into a closer, more intimate relationship with the Lord. The group will meet at a confidential location on Sunday afternoons, 4:30-6:00 pm. Please contact Caroline Cooper at 524-1393 for more information.

Next “Welcome to FBC” Orientation Planned

All FBC guests and new members are invited to attend our next one-hour orientation on Sunday morning, June 15 at 10:45 AM in the Chapel. This orientation will help acquaint people with the history, doctrinal beliefs, purpose, ministries, and staff of our church. It will also answer the question, “How does one join this church.”

New ABF Studies Begin

On June 15, the 9:30 AM Ladies’ Bible Fellowship Class taught by Kathy Strickland in AUD-046 will begin a brand-new study entitled “*Living a Life of Balance.*” Many people yearn for balance in their lives: emotionally, mentally, and spiritually. This study will help you to experience that! “*Bringing Up Boys*” is a new study to begin on Sunday, June 22 at 10:45 AM in AUD-042. Led by Todd and Angela Bredehoft, this study provides practical advice and encouragement from a biblical perspective on raising the next generation of men!



IN SYMPATHY

Our sincere Christian sympathies go out to Evelyn Barnard whose brother passed away and to Ray Sutterby whose niece passed away.

Music

Randy Buffington, Minister of Music

YOUTH CHOIR PRESENTATION, June 15

I hope you will come on FATHERS DAY to help us celebrate our Youth Choir! We will be presenting our Choir/Mission Trip program just for YOU! We will also thank the Lord for our Fathers on that day! Bring a friend and bring your DAD!

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

August 10- Link Family, Bluegrass Gospel
August 17- One Time Blind, Drama Group
August 24- JOURNEYBOUND, Gospel Quartet

KIDS PRAISE MUSIC CAMP

July 28-August 1, 9-11:30 AM

All children who have completed Kindergarten through 6th grade are welcome to participate in the Music Camp. We will be praising God through instruments, drama, art and song. The children will then lead in worship on Sunday, August 3 at 6:30 PM. Pick up a yellow flyer on the kiosk and return to the office by June 15. Children must be pre-enrolled to attend. Questions can be directed to Ginger Birch at ginger.birch@fbcls.com.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Chris & Ashley Boucher on the birth of their new daughter, Reagan McKenzie Boucher, born on Friday, May 23. Proud grandparents are Mark & Donna Boucher.



WELCOME NEW MEMBER!!



Danny Layton

Budget Receipts 2008

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| Needs Each Week | \$28,779.00 |
| Gifts Given 6/1 | \$44,439.87 |
| Gifts Given 6/8 | \$25,060.20 |

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| Needs Year to Date | \$661,917.00 |
| Gifts Year to Date | \$648,741.78 |

Finish the Work

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| Given 6/1 & 6/8 | \$5,579.00 |
| Total Indebtedness | \$864,407.56 |

KIDSHEART Africa

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| Given 6/1 & 6/8 | \$2,994.31 |
| Given to Date | \$121,977.27 |

Featured Homebound Person

Nedra Mitchell

600 NW Pryor Road #112
Lee's Summit, MO 64081-1104

Please pray for and/or send a note to our Featured Homebound Person to let them know they are in your thoughts and prayers.

Bible Fellowship Attendance

| | 6/1 | 6/8 |
|-----------|-----|-----|
| Preschool | 68 | 91 |
| Children | 49 | 60 |
| Youth | 48 | 61 |
| Adults | 363 | 360 |
| Total | 528 | 572 |



Youth Choir Presentation

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9:30 & 10:45 Worship Services

