

First Thoughts

Well, we did it—we had a “Monumental” VBS (Awesome God)! It was wonderful having so many children take part in this week of worship and learning. Thanks so much to Lauren for her leadership and energy, as well as our staff and volunteers for all your time, energy, and preparation. We welcomed people into our Family Life Center that had never been in a church building and invested in the lives of precious young people. I’m hopeful we’ll see families connect with our church as a result of this experience with us.

For the month of July, I will be on sabbatical. I realize this may be a new concept to this church, so I’m aware it could be an unfamiliar topic for some of you. Sabbaticals are common in academic life, and churches have for some time now been incorporating this practice into the life of the fellowship.

The Southern Baptist Convention and Cooperative Baptist Fellowship have been elevating the importance of sabbaticals, especially in light of the stressors on Pastors connected with the COVID19 pandemic. Sabbaticals can be helpful not only for the minister but also for the congregation. It also offers a good example for other churches to follow.

According to my Pastoral Call Agreement, I’m eligible for a one month sabbatical after my first three years. I’ve obviously been a Pastor longer than three years and my prior church had a sabbatical policy. So, I am very grateful for your understanding and support. Depending on my length of tenure, I would receive future sabbaticals along similar lengths of time.

Our church staff along with our Deacon Chairman will coordinate and handle any ministry and pastoral care needs. And, you’ll hear different proclaimers from the pulpit each Sunday. I appreciate each of them and know you’ll support their efforts.

Per our church council, we won’t meet for Wednesday night Adult Bible Study but will have our monthly business meeting. It’s also not unusual for us to take a break like this during the summer months.

I’ll be spending some time with family, taking part in some wellness related activities, doing some reading, and completing sermon preparation for the remainder of this year. I’m also excited to have received a scholarship to attend a conference at the Billy Graham Retreat Center. I’ll also be giving attention to the Lord’s leadership as it relates to FBC Clinton as we embrace a post-pandemic mindset and approach to ministry.

Again, thank you for your prayers and support as I seek to recharge a little bit. I’ll look forward to being with you all again soon.

Pastor Danny



Fall Schedule begins
Wednesday, August 17.

Stay informed!
Youth Fb Page

Parents & Youth are encouraged to scan this QR code to stay connected with youth activities and events.



crumbl
cookies

Youth Summer Fun Day!

Wednesday, July 6
2:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Drop off at 2 p.m. and pick up at 9:30 p.m. in the church parking lot. Transportation provided, Trip to Crumbl Cookies (1 cookie per youth), “Dr. Strange” Movie and Cookout at Garry & Angela Whitley’s home (514 Mariner Pt. Dr.) If you wish to purchase additional cookies, please bring money. RSVP to the Church Office by June 29.



Youth Trip to AC Fair

Wednesday, July 20
5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Meet at 5 p.m. in church parking lot. Transportation and Wrist Bands provided. Bring money for dinner and snacks or eat before you arrive. RSVP to the Church Office.



Youth Trip

laser tag bowling games

Monday, July 25

4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Meet in the church parking lot at 3:15 p.m.

Cost: \$10 each (includes:

Transportation, admission, pizza and a drink)

Bring additional money if you wish to purchase snacks. RSVP to the Church Office by July 20.

Youth Ministry
Volunteer Interest
Meeting

Sunday, July 31
6:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in volunteering in the Youth Ministry is invited. There will be refreshments.

Youth & Parent Meeting

Monday, August 1
6:30 p.m.

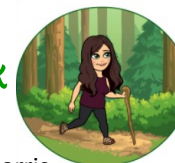
Family Life Center, Youth Room. Join us for pizza and drinks and learn about a new check-in/check-out system, Fall plans, more about Kris, and who we have volunteering.

ACS School
Registration Day
AND THEN
DROP-BY THE FLC
Enjoy Games and Food
with Kris!
Wednesday, August 3
Anytime between
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



Fall Schedule begins
Wednesday, August 17.

FBC Kids
Nature Walk



Friday, July 1
9:30 a.m.

Storybook Trail, Norris
11:00 a.m. Lunch & Ice Cream at Chunky Monkey. Bring money for lunch! Ice cream is our treat!

Contact Lauren or Katrina and let them know if you’re coming!

**Parents: Please plan on having an adult stay with your child for the hike and lunch, as well as transportation. ** Storybook Trail is a relatively easy trail with some uneven footing. The trailhead is located at the roundabout before you go over the dam.



Friday, July 22
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Ages 3 - 5th Grade
*must be potty trained

Parents, drop off your kiddos in the Family Life Center and enjoy a night out! Free dinner provided. We’ll enjoy games, dinner and a movie! Scan the QR code to register.



Movie at the Towers

Saturday, July 16

7:00 p.m.

Movie TBD

Popcorn and Drinks provided. Volunteers needed! Please contact the church office if you can help.

Christian Service Center
May Report

Served 234 individuals

38 Children

125 Adults

71 Seniors

6921 food items were distributed.

622 clothing items

113 miscellaneous items such as kleenex, toilet paper, soap, toothpaste, laundry and dishwashing detergents and adult incontinence items.

CSC volunteers greatly appreciate your generous donations.

Senior Adult Ministry
Planning & Luncheon

Sunday, July 10
12:00 p.m.

Family Life Center, Hearth Room. This planning meeting and luncheon is for anyone who would like to share their thoughts and ideas about a Senior Adult Fellowship/Ministry that will begin this Fall.

Please contact the church office to make reservations for lunch so that we will have plenty of food! Hope to see you there!

Gift Cards for
Mackenzie Earle

FBC is one of the drop off locations for gift cards for Mackenzie Earle. Call the office if you have any questions. Thank you!



Welcome Kristofer Hicks

Kris Hicks joined FBC by letter on June 5. Kris is serving as our Minister of Youth. He graduated from Johnson University in 2022 with a B.S. in Preaching and Youth Ministry. He has been a Youth Leader since 2017. He has a passion for those with special needs. Kris enjoys watching baseball, playing basketball, cornhole and connecting with people. His favorite movie is “The Iron Giant”.

Christian Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to family of **Billie Loveday** (5/27).

Sympathy is extended to Betty and Jana Darnell, whose granddaughter/niece, **Meghan Darnell Kovach**, passed away 6/26.

Memorial Flowers

The flowers on the altar Sunday, July 3 are in loving memory of **Joe Magill’s** birthday, which was July 3, given by his wife, Mary.

The flowers on the altar Sunday, July 10 are in loving memory of **R.L. and Wilma Daugherty’s** Wedding Anniversary which was July 16, given by Terri and Stuart Brabston and family.

The flowers in the baptistry on Sunday, July 10, are in loving memory of **Wanda Abner’s** birthday, July 14, given by the Abner Family.

The flowers on the Sanctuary altar, July 17 are in loving memory of **Freda Widener** whose birthday was July 11, given by the Widener Family.

The flowers in the sanctuary on July 24 are in loving memory of **Maxine Ownby’s** birthday, July 26, given by Terri King, Melissa Flanagan, and Anne Marie Ivey.

Spirit Sisters

(Widows Support Group)
Meetings are the **1st Monday, monthly at 6:00 p.m.** in the FLC Hearth Room. Social outings will be on the 3rd Monday monthly.

From the Pulpit

Sundays in July
8:30 a.m. Family Life Center
10:40 a.m. Sanctuary
7/03 Dr. Vicki Violette
7/10 Rev. Mike Aiken
7/17 Rev. Ben Neal
7/24 Rev. Amanda Taylor
7/31 Rev. Jason Taylor

Women’s Bible Study

“Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World”
Mondays, July 11 and 25
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Family Life Center
Led by Jessica Temple

Rev. Paul Turner Booklet

The Turner Memorial Committee has provided booklets and they have been mailed out to our people. This effort is to educate and elevate Rev. Turner’s contributions and leadership during a tumultuous time in our town and nation. The dates of his life (1923-1980) as they appear on the application for the state marker have been confirmed by the committee, but were incorrect in the booklet.

Sundays Online & On the Air

Services are also online via the First Baptist Clinton, TN Facebook page or YouTube channel.

The Traditional Service is aired on WYSH AM 1380 and WYSH FM 101.1 at 11:00 a.m., Sundays, and is on a 1 week delay.

• **May Financial Summary**
Budget Receipts \$ 55,648
2022 Receipts/Wkly Avg. \$ 14,744
2022 Weekly Budget Req. \$ 17,732
Budget Expense \$ 67,222
May Deficit/Income (\$ 11,574)
2022 Deficit/Income (\$ 7,619)
TOTAL May 31 (\$ 19,193)
Thank you for your generous support of our church. You may continue to give online via the church website, by direct mail (P.O. Box 268, Clinton 37717) or by giving in person in the worship services.



Scan the QR Code to Connect with online giving.

Business Meeting Report

The May Financials and Minutes were approved. We added **Kristofer Hicks** (by letter) and **Fischer Neal** (by profession of faith) to the church roll. **Larry Hurley** moved his letter to Hollow Springs Community Church, Bradyville, TN.

Business Meeting

Wednesday, July 20
6:30 p.m.
Lower Auditorium

Deacons Meeting

Tuesday, July 12
5:30 p.m.
Lower Auditorium

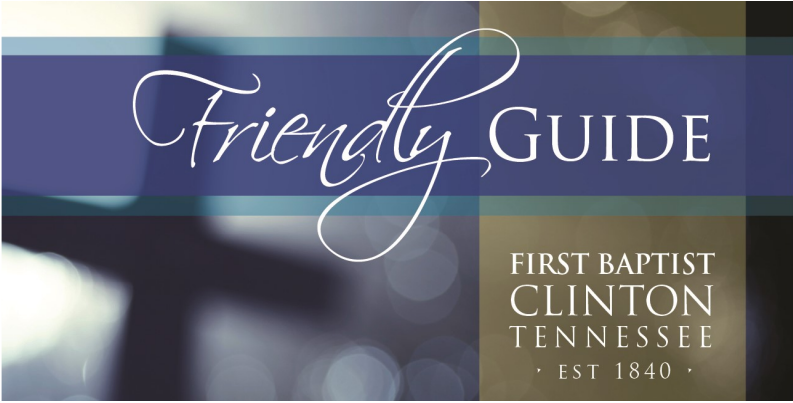
Nursery Workers Needed

If you are available to be a Nursery Worker on Sunday mornings or Wednesday nights, please contact Lauren Neal at Lauren@fbclinton.org or call the church office at (865)457-9353. The hours for this paid position are Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. and on Sundays from 8:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

UT Mobile Mammogram

First Baptist Church, Clinton
Friday, July 22
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
For appointment, call 865-839-7416 or email Lking@utmck.edu.

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Vacation Bible School – Monumental



Special thanks to all the kids who participated in our Monumental VBS this year and to all of our Volunteers!

Schedule Changes:

The Church Office, Family Life Center & WEE Ministry will be closed on Monday, July 4.

There will be no Wednesday Night Bible Study during the month of July.
(there will be Business Meeting on July 20)

Church Trip to a Braves Game!

Wednesday, July 13
Leave FBC at 7:00 a.m. - Game is at 12:20 p.m.

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Includes: Game Ticket, Transportation and Lunch Provided.
Anyone is welcome to attend, please call the Church Office to RSVP.

