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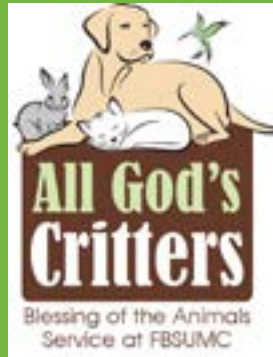
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Join us for *All God's Critters, A Blessing of the Animals Celebration* at First Broad Street - October 1, 2017

“In God’s hands is the life of every creature and the breath of all mankind.”
Job: 10 (NIV)

On Sunday, October 1, 2017, First Broad Street will again host All God’s Critters, a Blessing of the Animals Celebration, and you and your pet/s are invited!

From 2:00 to 2:45 p.m., our current and former ministers will bless both you and your pet/s. At 2:45, a brief service, led by Harrison Bell, will conclude the celebration. The event will take place on the lawn between the church building and E. Church Circle. The streets surrounding the church will be closed to traffic, but FBS parking lots will be accessible.

All God’s critters, large and small, are welcome. Dogs should be on their leashes, cats in carriers, and other animals contained as appropriate. Stuffed animals, a photograph of a pet, or an article belonging to a pet (such as a horse’s bridle or a cow’s bell) also may be blessed. What’s that you say? You don’t currently have a pet?—Come anyway and share in the excitement of wagging tails, contented purrs, and joyful tweeting.

Those who attend will have the opportunity to give back by donating spare change to Heifer International. Additionally, you and your pet may have your photo taken by one of our photographers, your pet will receive a goody bag and a kerchief, and you may win a door prize!





Be a Bucket

“Sir,” the woman said, “you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep.” John 4:11

When Jesus was talking with the woman at the well, she pointed out the perfectly obvious: he didn’t have a bucket. How in the world was he going to get to the living water he was telling her about?

Sometimes—if we are open to it-- we can become the conduits, the vessels—the buckets, if you will—for people who long for the living water that Jesus offers. When we are filled to overflowing, we can bring others to the well and be God’s instruments in helping them to reach the refreshment they seek.

If we love others with true love, we are empty of ourselves, leaving our own self-centered interests. We become full instead with the beauty of God’s love—that in turns spills out all over everyone around us. “Whoever believes in me... rivers of living water will flow from within them.” John 7:38

When people are in pain or lonely or grieving, the church and its people can seem awfully hard to connect with. It is up to us to reach out a hand of tenderness and compassion. How can we be better “buckets” for others in our church family and beyond?
- Joy Eastridge

Thanksgiving Meal



On Thanksgiving Day, November 23, from noon until 2:00 p.m., we will have a potluck meal in our Fellowship Hall here at First Broad Street UMC. Retta and Brad Overturf have graciously agreed to host this event.

Congregational Care will provide the turkey, dressing, gravy and drinks. Bring a side to share and come to enjoy celebrating this holiday with us. Please call 224-1502 to let us know you are coming. Reservations are not required, but they do help in the planning!



Grief Seminar

On Saturday, September 9, our church will host a one-day Grief Seminar from 9 to 3 in room 141. Jessica Owen, professional counselor with Covenant Counseling, will be the leader of the seminar. Please call her at 247-4536 to make a reservation (required). The cost is \$20. Lunch and snacks provided.



FLU SHOT

September 20, 4:00-6:30 in room 143 (old library room). Cost: \$25. Covered by insurance. Administered by Gina Pinney, pharmacist, Pinney’s Prescription Shop

Alzheimer’s Conference

On **September 19**, from 8:30-4:30, the Kiwanis Club is once again sponsoring its popular one-day seminar on Alzheimer’s. The keynote speaker is Teepa Snow, an engaging and highly-qualified authority on the topic.

If you have questions or want to register, go to kingsportkiwanis.org or contact Jim Cornell who is part of the planning committee for this event.

Medicare 101

If you are turning 65 or simply have questions about Medicare, plan to attend our Medicare 101 session on Wednesday, **September 27**, from 4-5:00 p.m. Presented by Melody Conkin from the Area Agency on Aging and Disability, this presentation is guaranteed to be fully informative. Melody is a true expert! Let Joy know if you plan to attend by contacting her at jaestridge@fbsumc.org. We must have at least 5 people interested in order to bring in our speaker.



Sympathy is expressed to . . .

Clay Smith on the July 20 death of his sister,

Betty Jean Painter;

Russell Taylor on the August 17 death of his brother,

Carson Evan Taylor



Congratulations to **John McCord and Lydia Sabatine**, who were married on August 5 by Rev. Harrison Bell; and **Louis Joseph Potente and Annie Carroll**, who were married on August 19 in Houston, TX.

Congratulations to Recent Graduates

Allison Fritz, PHD, University of Nebraska

Will Frye, PHD, Auburn University

Ross Ramsdale, JD, Belmont School of Law

In Memory of Our Church Family Member . . .

Janet M. Donnelly - August 16

Sympathy is expressed to her husband, Pat Donnelly.



Congratulations to **Lucas and Sarah Henderson** on the August 13 birth of their son, **Levi Wood Henderson** (grandparents: **Scott and Tricia Taylor** and great grandparents **Phillip and Jane Skeen**); **Tom and Sarah**

Cech on the August 14 birth of their daughter, **Scarlett Josephine Cechova** (grandparents: **David and Julie Johnson**); and **Bryan and Casey Johnson** on the August 16 birth of their daughter, **Lucy Elizabeth Johnson**

WOW, Happy Birthday!!!

Helen Overbay will celebrate her 105th birthday on September 7! Congratulations, Helen.



Our Newest Members



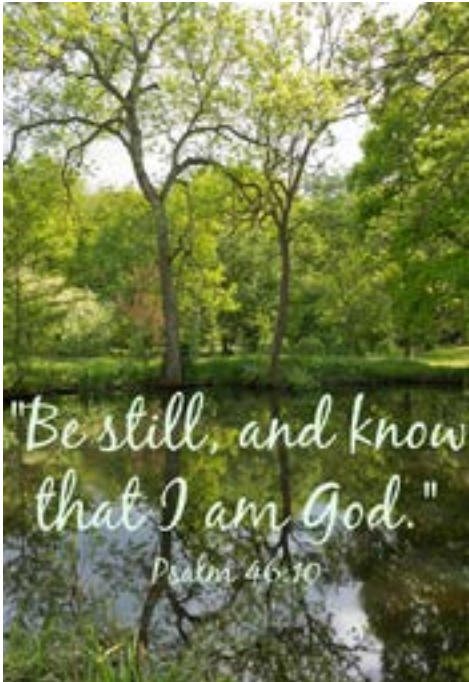
Linda Thomas Danko transferred from Dunbar UMC in Dunbar, VA, on July 30. She is the daughter of Jewell Brooks.



Cathy Bailey transferred from another local church on August 13.



A Word from Our Lead Pastor . . .



We live in a noisy world. Moments of absolute silence are rare. In fact, some folks actually sleep better with a noisemaker. We have grown so accustomed to noise that total silence is eerie and makes us uncomfortable. But have you ever considered that the word “listen” contains the same letters as the word “silent?” Just a thought.

One of the best ways we can worship God today is to get alone, turn the noise off, and rest in the silence. Psalm 46:10 puts it this way: “Be still, and know that I am God!” It is in the stillness that we hear and recognize His voice.

When life gets stressful, focus on God. In Isaiah 26:3 we’re reminded, “You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!” Stress, in today’s world, is predictable. So when it hits, find peace and comfort and rest in the Lord. Worship God in the midst of it all, and you’ll find that He helps you through it all. Listen for His still, small voice in your heart today whispering words of peace.



8:30, 9:40, & 10:45 a.m.
Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
Rev. Joe Green unless otherwise noted*

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| Sept. 3 | <i>Contentment</i> |
| Sept. 10 | <i>*Misti McCreary</i> |
| Sept. 17 | <i>Learned Anything Lately?</i> |
| Sept. 24 | <i>Growing Through Change</i> |

8:30 and 10:45 a.m.
Encounter (Fellowship Hall)
Rev. Harrison Bell unless otherwise noted*

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| | <i>Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope</i> |
| Sept. 3 | <i>Friendless and Alone?</i> |
| Sept. 10 | <i>Fear of Mental Illness</i> |
| Sept. 17 | <i>Fear of Failure</i> |
| Sept. 24 | <i>The Sky Is Falling</i> |

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| Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Radio Broadcast: 10:00 a.m., WKPT (1400 AM) |
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Kingsport District Conference
Sunday, September 10 @ 3:00 p.m. @ Mountain View UMC
(4405 Orebank Rd., Kingsport)
All are invited to attend.
Voting members:
local church officers, ministers, district officers
For more information, contact the District Office
at 423-224-1533.

Exploring FBS Class September 17
Join us in the Welcome Center at 9:40 a.m. on September 17 if you would like to know more about FBS or joining the church. Call 224-1514 to attend.

**A Church Circle Christmas
A Special Advent Open House**
On December 10, 2017 from 2 to 4 in the afternoon, you are invited to visit the beautifully decorated sanctuaries of five downtown churches. During the self-guided tour of each sanctuary, you will enjoy music and light refreshments. Participating churches in addition to First Broad Street are First Christian Church, First Presbyterian Church, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, and St. Paul’s Episcopal Church. For your convenience, a First Broad Street van will shuttle among the churches and you may choose to visit all or some of the churches.

A Church Circle Christmas is a joint project of Altar Guild and Creative Souls and is offered as part of Kingsport’s Centennial Celebration. The event is free and open to everyone.

Children's Ministries



LAMBS will meet every week in September from 6-7:30. We will learn stories from the Old Testament.



Sunday School

Bible Story Focus: When God is with me, I can be brave.

Memory Verse: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid . . . for the Lord your God goes with you." Deuteronomy 31:6, NIV

Key Question: Who is always with you?

Bottom Line: God is always with me.

Basic Truth: God loves me.

Elementary Sunday School

August Focus: Friendship

Jesus demonstrated friendship in the most generous way possible. He showed us the greatest love when He laid down His life for His friends. He went to the cross, not on principle or for a cause, but because of love and wanting to be with us forever.



Important Upcoming Dates

- September 17: Third Grade Bible Sunday
- October 1: Blessing of the Animals
- October 4: Children do Firewood Delivery
- October 8: Family Picnic noon-2:00 at Wimberly Woods
- October 25: Church Circle Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat
- Dec. 13 & Dec. 17: Children's Christmas Program

Kids JAM Wednesday Night Program

Kids JAM (Jesus And Me) is a wonderful opportunity for kids to form close relationships with church friends while learning about God's plan for them through Bible stories. Each week kids will participate in games, music, Bible stories, and free time. Come and join us from 6-7:30 each Wednesday!

Attention Parents: There are Wednesday Night Opportunities for you too! Choose to participate in a LOGOS Bible Study with Misti McCreary, a Bible study with the Bogarts, or a small group just for parents like you!

Last Thankful Thursday



Promotion Sunday



Mark Your Calendars for Over 70's Luncheon

October 24, 2017 @ 11:00 a.m.

Theme: *Miracle on 1st Broad Street: We Can't Picture Us without You*

Program: Beth Green, funny & uplifting entertainment

Menu: Party Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Asparagus, Carrots, Rolls, Tossed Salad, and Dessert

Watch the mail in late September for your invitation.

Those who wish to attend who are younger than our guests, please call the reservation line at 423-224-1502.

The meal will be \$7 per person for anyone under age 70.

FOREVER YOUNG

Forever Young Fellowship

September 19 program with Marjorie Sheefer, a professional storyteller, who is involved with the local Quilt Turning events. Call 224-1502 to make reservations.

October 24 FY will be the Over 70's Luncheon.

Due to holidays, we will **not** meet in November or December for FY Fellowship.

January 16, 2018, Rick Currie will share photos from his travels.

SingleVision -an interdenominational Singles Ministry providing Christian fellowship and worship opportunities. For detailed event schedules, contact Jane Adams at 246-1727. Note: Programs at the church begin at 7:15 and no reservations are required to attend only the program. Locked door policy: All church doors will be locked at 6 p.m. on Mondays. Enter through the 1st door of the Fellowship Hall. Meal reservations are binding. To cancel, call 423-224-1502 by 8:30 a.m. on Monday.

September 4, 6:30 p.m. Labor Day Potluck Picnic, Shelter 9, Eastman Bays Mountain Recreation Area. Bring a food item to share (with serving utensil) and a beverage for yourself. Ice and paper products will be provided. For fellowship time bring your musical instruments and favorite items for outdoor recreation, board or card games, or just sit and chat. Children and grandchildren welcome. Dinner at 6:30 p.m., but the shelter is reserved from 4-10 p.m. if you wish to come early.

Tuesdays in September, 2:00 p.m. Casual Afternoon Walks, Greenbelt parking area across from Netherland Inn (2114 Netherland Inn Rd.) Attend when you wish and those who show up will determine the direction and duration of walks. Coffee/ice cream afterwards.

September 11, 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall. 9/11 Remembrance and Kingsport 100 Anniversary Video. If you have a special remembrance to share with the group, call Jane at 423-246-1727 or John Powers at 423-335-5697. Menu: Lasagna (meat and vegetable), salad, garlic bread, and beverage. Cost \$7. Reservations are due by noon, Friday, September 8 (423-224-1502).

September 16, 10:30 a.m. Bus Trip to Historic Rogersville for Tour of Hale Springs Inn and Pressman's Home. Depart FBS Wanola St. parking lot at 10:30 a.m. The trip will include: 11:30 a.m. shopping at the Shepherd Center Retail store or other shops in downtown Rogersville with a 12:30 p.m. stop at O'Henry's for lunch. At 2 p.m. we will tour the historic Hale Springs Inn built in 1824. At 3 p.m. we will be joined by Hawkins County historian George Webb, who will be our guide for a tour of the Printing Museum in the Train Station and then the Pressman's Home site. AT 6 p.m. we will have dinner at the Brick Oven Mountain Kitchen in Rogersville (specializing in, but not limited to, Italian fare). Return to Kingsport around 8 p.m. Bus cost \$2; meals and other purchased items on your own. Sign up on Monday nights or call Jane at 423-246-1727. Host: John Powers (423-335-5697).

September 18, 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Get ready for some traditional, old time blue grass favorites with the Alexander Creek Band. Menu: Meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, green beans, salad, bread, dessert, and drink. Cost \$7. Reservations required by noon, Friday, September 15 (423-224-1502).

September 21, 6:30 p.m. Putt-Putt (346 W. Stone Dr. at Teasel Dr.) Join hostess Joyce (423-245-7734). Both courses \$3. Stay later for card games.

September 25, 6:30 p.m. Greenbelt Walk and Dinner at McAlister's Deli (2003 N. Eastman Rd.) Meet in the lower parking lot beside PetSmart near the Greenbelt sign (East Stone Commons). Walk at your own pace (there are lots of benches along the way). After an approximate hour walk, we will meet at McAlister's Deli at 7:45 p.m. for dinner. Join us for dinner if you do not wish to walk. In case of heavy rains or storms, meet at McAlister's at 6:30 p.m.

September Lunch Bunch

September 15 - Pig and Chick (Highway 11 between Surgoinsville and Rogersville)

Meet in the Wanola parking lot at 11:00 a.m.

Call Mary Jane McVey for reservation (392-4229).

FBS Read 'em and Reap Book Club

A writer only begins a book, it is the reader who completes it; for the reader takes up where the writer left off as new thoughts stir within. ~David Harris Russell The Read 'em and Reap Book Club at FBS meets the third Thursday of each month (January-May, September-November) from 4:15-5:30 in the Parlor. Mingle and munch begins at 4:15. Lively discussion of the month's book selection is from 4:30-5:30. New participants are always welcome! Contact Kay Ann Smith or Beth Geno for more information.

Fall 2017 Book Selections:

September 21 *From Sand and Ash* by Amy Harmon
Beth Geno discussion leader

October 19 *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein
Myra Danehy discussion leader

November 16 *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate
Kay Ann Smith discussion leader

FBS Travelers

December 5 - Barter Main Stage to see *White Christmas*. Tickets will be \$34. You can begin signing up any time by contacting Nancy McIntosh (239-6782 or foy@mounet.com).

Offering Our Gifts

Art Show and Wednesday Night Live Program with *Appalachian Express Chorus*
 Presented by *Creative Souls*

4-8 p.m. Arts Show and Demonstrations/Wesley Wing (cash or checks only)
 5:30 p.m. Create Your Dinner and Dessert/Fellowship Hall/Reservations Required
 6:15 p.m. Program: Members of *Appalachian Express Chorus*/Fellowship Hall



Creative Souls invites you to attend *Offering Our Gifts* on **Wednesday, November 1** at FBS.

Offering Our Gifts begins at 4:00 p.m. with an art show. Members and friends of First Broad Street will display a variety of handmade crafts such as wreaths, stained glass, fabric arts, pottery, woodworking products, baskets, paper items, paintings, and baked goods. Many of the display items will be available to purchase. Throughout the art show, visitors of all ages will enjoy watching several craft demonstrations. The art show will close at 8:00 p.m. (To purchase items, please pay with cash or checks only. A portion of every sale will be donated to funding *Creative Souls*.)

At 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, you are invited to create a delicious dinner at the potato and chili bar and craft something sweet at the dessert bar. Reservations are required (224-1502) and normal charges for Wednesday Night Live dinner apply. While eating, artwork created by members of *Creative Souls* will be shown on the large screens. Then at



6:15 p.m. on the main stage, some of the members of *Appalachian Express Chorus*, one of the most popular singing groups in the region, will entertain us with a fun program of four part Barbershop harmony. The talented men who comprise *Appalachian Express* come from all areas of the greater Tri-Cities, and two of their members also are members of First Broad Street. *Appalachian Express* is part of the Barbershop Harmony Society.

Creative Souls is a ministry at FBS whose members seek to explore spirituality through art. The group meets as needed and members stay informed of creative opportunities via an email distribution list. If you are interested in joining *Creative Souls* or would like more information about the ministry, please

contact Sue Hopkins, Kay Ann Smith, or Roger Hanz.

Wednesday Night Live 5:30 p.m.

Make meal reservations by calling 224-1502. Reservations are accepted until Tuesday at noon. For your convenience, you may make standing reservations. Standing reservations need to be renewed each August when WNL resumes by calling the reservation line. We only ask that you cancel the reservation if you cannot come on a certain date.

Adults: \$7; Children 5-11 years: \$3; Under 5: Free; Family Max: \$25

Programs begin at 6:15 p.m.

September 6 Program: Spurgeon McCart

Menu: Beef Stroganoff with noodles, Mixed Vegetables, Salad, Roll, Dessert

Kids: Regular Menu or Ham and Cheese Sandwich with Chips

September 13 Program: Spurgeon McCart

Menu: Taco Salad with trimmings, Dessert

Kids: Regular Menu or Hot Dogs with Fruit

September 20 Program: Church Forum

Menu: Chicken Divan with Rice, Salad, Roll, Dessert

Kids: Regular Menu or Chicken Nuggets with Celery Sticks with Peanut Butter

September 27 Program: Mission Update

Menu: Philly Cheese Steak or Chicken Hoagie, Chips, Pasta Salad, Dessert

Kids: Regular Menu or Chicken Patty Sandwich with Carrots and Ranch Dressing

September 2017

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| <p style="text-align: center;">Recurring Sunday Activities</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, (F) Traditional Worship, (S)</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Sunday School Classes and Confirmation Class</p> <p>9:40 a.m. Traditional Worship, (S)</p> <p>10:45 a.m. Contemporary "Encounter" Worship, (F) Traditional Worship, (S)</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Godly Play, Rm 240 and Preschool Worship, Rm 137 <small>*no GP or Preschool Worship on 1st Sundays</small></p> | | <p style="text-align: center;">Recurring Wednesday Night Activities</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Children's Bells, Rm 235</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Live, F Art & Soul, 232-233</p> <p>6:00 p.m. AMP 6th-8th, Rm 305</p> <p>6:15 p.m. Orchestra, S Men's Ensemble, 108 Gospel Group, L15</p> <p>7:15 p.m. AMP 9th - 12th, Rm 305*</p> <p>7:30 p.m. Sanct. Choir RhrsI, 108 Encounter Band Practice, FH</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Location Abbreviations</p> <p>BH Bright Hall C Chapel F Fellowship Hall L Library P Parlor S Sanctuary WC Woodyard Center WW Wimberly Woods Wel. Ctr. Welcome Center</p> | | |
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My Notes

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| <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">3</p> <p>6:30 a.m. Friendship Diner Bkfst, BH</p> <p>9:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Checks, Chapel</p> <p>9:40 a.m. Logos Study, Rm L36</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Strictly for Hunger Table Ends Sept. 3 </div> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">4</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;"> Have a safe Labor Day holiday! Church Offices Closed </div> <p>6:00 p.m. SingleVision Potluck Picnic, Bays Mountain, Eastman Shelter</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">5</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study, Brogdens'</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Logos Study, Rm 143</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Advanced Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Intermediate Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Circle 2, Rm 141</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Nominations Committee, Rm L36</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">6</p> <p>7:45 a.m. Contem. Prayer, Rm 236</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Furniture Min., Wel. Ctr.</p> <p>noon Caregiver Support, Rm 141</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Rm L37</p> <p>6:15 p.m. Parent or Guardian Life Group, Rm 143</p> <p>7:15 p.m. Logos Study, Rm L30 Men's Bible Study, Rm L06</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">7</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Tolson Bible Study, Rm L44</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Thurs. Morn. Prayer, Parlor</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Advanced Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>11:45 a.m. Intermediate Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Logos Study, Rm 143</p> <p>KEEP Foster Parent Training, Rm 141</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">8</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Food Ministry, Wel. Ctr.</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">9</p> <p>6:30 a.m. Friendship Diner Bkfst, Bright Hall</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Grief Seminar 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Rm 141 </div> |
| <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">10</p> <p>6:00 a.m. Friendship Diner Bkfst, BH</p> <p>9:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Checks, Chapel</p> <p>9:40 a.m. Logos Study, Rm L36</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Young Adults Second Sunday Lunch noon, Rm L06 </div> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">11</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Halo Haircuts, Rm 108</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Food Ministry, Wel. Ctr.</p> <p>9:45 a.m. Monday Morning Bible Study with Josie Reid, Rm 141</p> <p>noon Circle 6, Rm 241</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Missions Committee, Rm L06</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Circle 1, Rm 143</p> <p>7:00 p.m. SingleVision, Fellowship Hall Boy Scouts Troop 51, Rm 303</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">12</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study, Brogdens'</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Logos Study, Rm 143</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Advanced Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Intermediate Yoga, Rm 239</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">13</p> <p>7:45 a.m. Contem. Prayer, Rm 236</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Furniture Min., Wel. Ctr.</p> <p>4:00 p.m. Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study, Boggans'</p> <p>6:00 p.m. UMW Board Mtg, Rm L06</p> <p>6:15 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Rm L37</p> <p>7:15 p.m. Parent or Guardian Life Group, Rm 143</p> <p>Logos Study, Rm L30 Men's Bible Study, Rm L06</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">14</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Tolson Bible Study, Rm L44</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Thurs. Morn. Prayer, Parlor</p> <p>11:00 a.m. SingleVision Planning, 241</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Advanced Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>11:45 a.m. Intermediate Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>4:00 p.m. Logos Study, Rm 143</p> <p>Circle 4, Rm 302</p> <p>Circle 5, Parlor</p> <p>5:00 p.m. KEEP Foster Parent Training, Rm 141</p> <p>5:30 p.m. UMW General Mtg/Dinner, F</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Circle 3, Parlor</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Crossroads Medical Mission 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., parking lot </div> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">15</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Food Ministry, Wel. Ctr.</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Lunch Bunch - depart at 11:00 a.m., Wanola Street Parking </div> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">16</p> <p>6:30 a.m. Friendship Diner Bkfst, Bright Hall</p> <p>8:30 a.m. SingleVision Day Trip</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Third Saturday Home Repairs 8:30 a.m. </div> |
| <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">17</p> <p>6:30 a.m. Friendship Diner Bkfst, BH</p> <p>9:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Checks, Chapel</p> <p>9:40 a.m. Logos Study, Rm L36</p> <p>4:00 p.m. Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet, Rm 143</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Exploring FBS Class 9:40 a.m., Welcome Center </div> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">18</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Food Ministry, Wel. Ctr.</p> <p>9:45 a.m. Monday Morning Bible Study with Josie Reid, Rm 141</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Growing Together Team, L06</p> <p>6:30 p.m. SingleVision, Fellowship Hall</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 51, Rm 303</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">19</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study, Brogdens'</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Logos Study, Rm 143</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Advanced Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Intermediate Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Lay Involvement Team, 241</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Nominations Comm., L36</p> <p>6:00 p.m. No Other Gods Bible Study, Rm 302</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Loving God Team, Rm 241</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Forever Young Fellowship 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall </div> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">20</p> <p>7:45 a.m. Contem. Prayer, Rm 236</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Furniture Min., Wel. Ctr.</p> <p>6:15 p.m. Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study, Boggans'</p> <p>7:15 p.m. Parent or Guardian Life Group, Rm 143</p> <p>Logos Study, Rm L30 Men's Bible Study, Rm L06</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Flu Shot Clinic 4 to 6:30 p.m., Rm 143 </div> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">21</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Tolson Bible Study, Rm L44</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Thurs. Morn. Prayer, Parlor</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Advanced Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>11:45 a.m. Intermediate Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Logos Study, Rm 143</p> <p>KEEP Foster Parent Training, Rm 141</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Bays Mtn Dulcimer, Rm L45</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Read 'em & Reap Book Club 4:15 p.m., Parlor </div> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">22</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Food Ministry, Wel. Ctr.</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">23</p> <p>6:00 a.m. Friendship Diner Bkfst, Bright Hall</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">24</p> <p>6:30 a.m. Friendship Diner Bkfst, BH</p> <p>9:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Checks, Chapel</p> <p>9:40 a.m. Logos Study, Rm L36</p> <p>4:00 p.m. Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet, Rm 143</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">25</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Food Ministry, Wel. Ctr.</p> <p>9:45 a.m. Monday Morning Bible Study with Josie Reid, Rm 141</p> <p>1:30 p.m. Kpt District UMW, Rm 241</p> <p>4:00 p.m. Worship Design, Rm 302</p> <p>6:30 p.m. SingleVision, Fellowship Hall</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 51, Rm 303 CMC-LT Meeting, Rm 302</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">26</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study, Brogdens'</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Logos Study, Rm 143</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Advanced Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Intermediate Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>6:00 p.m. No Other Gods Bible Study, Rm 302</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">27</p> <p>7:45 a.m. Contem. Prayer, Rm 236</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Furniture Min., Wel. Ctr.</p> <p>3:30 p.m. Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study, Boggans'</p> <p>6:15 p.m. All God's Critters Mtg, L36</p> <p>Parent or Guardian Life Group, Rm 143</p> <p>Logos Study, Rm L30 Men's Bible Study, Rm L06</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Medicare 101 4:00 p.m., Rm 141 </div> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">28</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Tolson Bible Study, Rm L44</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Thurs. Morn. Prayer, Parlor</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Advanced Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>11:45 a.m. Intermediate Yoga, Rm 239</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Logos Study, Rm 143</p> <p>KEEP Foster Parent Training, Rm 141</p> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">29</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Staff Retreat Church Closed </div> | <p style="text-align: right; color: #800000; font-weight: bold;">30</p> <p>6:00 a.m. Friendship Diner Bkfst, Bright Hall</p> <div style="background-color: #800000; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> Oklahoma Mission Trip September 30 - October 7 </div> |

Bring One Items

- Sept. 3 Cash or checks for communion offering
- Sept. 10 Beef stew and/or chicken and dumplings
- Sept. 17 Peanut butter, jelly, and/or canned fruit
- Sept. 24 Spaghetti sauce and noodles



September Third Saturday Home Repairs

Our Third Saturday Home Repairs is scheduled for Saturday, September 17. We will begin at 8:30 am in the Chapel at the church with a short devotion and then travel to the location we will be working, normally finishing around noon. This is a great opportunity for families, individuals, and small groups to be in ministry and develop relationships. For more information about this mission opportunity, please call the mission office at 423-224-1531.

Mission Faith Promise Update

Your Generosity Transforms the World

The heart and generosity of First Broad Street in response to the mission ministries and opportunities we are called to respond to continue to reach out in heal brokenness and share the love and compassion of Jesus Christ in our community and around the world. Through the summer months, you have responded to opportunities totaling just over \$23,000.00 dollars.



Young Adult Lunch September 10

All young adults are invited to network and mingle. Free lunch immediately following the 10:45 a.m. service in Room L06.

Furniture Ministry Seeks Small Tables

Many of the residents that the Furniture Ministry delivers to each week are small with minimal room for furnishings. One of the frequently requested items of furniture is kitchen tables and chairs. Due to the small size of the homes and apartments, many times a standard size table will not fit. We need card table size tables with or without chairs. A card table or a similar size table will work. If you have tables you no longer need, you may call the Mission Office at 423-224-1531 to schedule pick up or bring them by the church. Thanks for your support of this ministry that meets a critical need for an average of 300 families and individuals a year.



Local ministries supported include Providence Medical Clinic, H.O.P.E. (Help Our Potential Evolve, a ministry with at-risk children and youth to break the cycle of poverty), Raceway Ministries at Bristol Motor Speedway, Shepherd Center of Kingsport, and Small Miracles Therapeutic Horseback Riding.

Regional and National Ministries supported include Holston Conference Mission Emphasis of Ministry With Children In Poverty Within Holston, Project Crossroads in Southwest Virginia, Strength For The Journey (A Ministry With HIV/Aids Victims and their families), Missionary Support for Anderson Mack Jr. at Rural Mission on Johns Island, SC, and Southeast Jurisdictional Volunteers In Missions.

Globally, you have supported Operation Classroom in Liberia, Ashley Dukart with Christian Missionary Fellowship International stationed in England, The Baltic Mission center in Tallinn, Estonia and Scholarships to Seminary Students at the Baltic Methodist Theological Seminary.

Terrific Tuesday Looking for Volunteers

Terrific Tuesdays, a ministry to children and youth in our community through Community United Methodist Church, is seeking volunteers to work with children and youth in the classrooms on Tuesday evenings. This is a wonderful opportunity to engage in ministry through sharing the gospel in presence and activity. The children who attend Terrific Tuesdays are in the neighborhoods immediately around Community UMC on Gibson Mill Road, only a short distance from our doors. You may find out how you can become involved in this ministry by calling the mission office at 423-224-1531.

This brings the total provided for mission and ministry through Faith Promise to \$45,805.00 since the new Faith Promise budget began in April. We appreciate your commitment and generosity to the mission ministry of First Broad Street UMC. Truly, each and every day, wholeness replaces brokenness and hope replaces despair through the love and grace of Jesus Christ in our community and around the world. May God continue to bless you as you so generously bless so many others! To find out more about this opportunity of supporting and participating in the mission ministries of First Broad Street, and our denomination, please call the missions office at 423-224-1531.



Mission Opportunity in Oklahoma

Fairview UMC in Maryville, TN is planning a mission trip to Durant, Oklahoma to continue work on the church facility of Chihowa Okla UMC. This is the congregation that First Broad Street has partnered with in construction of a new church, and the location of our mission trip last September. Work continues on the inside of the church, and volunteer teams are needed to finish the facility.

Fairview has invited members of First Broad Street to join them for this trip that is scheduled for the week of September 30 through October 7. The cost per person is \$250.00, which covers food, lodging, travel, insurance, and supplies.

This is an excellent opportunity for continuing in our relationship with the congregation of Chihowa Okla as well as the congregation of Fairview UMC. Please watch for applications in the hallway, or call the Mission Office at 423-224-1531 for more information.



Cherokee Woodcutting Mission Trip

The annual woodcutting trip to Cherokee, North Carolina is scheduled for November 4 through November 10. We will be partnering with Cherokee United Methodist Church, Cherokee Tribal Council, and people from all over the southeast in preparing wood for the senior citizens of The Qualla Boundary to heat their homes with during the winter. The "early bird" cost per person is \$175.00. "Early bird" registration ends on October 7. All registration received after October 7 will have a cost of \$200.00 per person and the final deadline is October 20th. All applications received by "Early Bird" deadline will be placed in a drawing. The winner will receive reimbursement for the trip. We hope you will plan to join us for this mission opportunity and time of spiritual renewal and fellowship.

College Mission Trip to Johns Island

The College Mission Trip to Johns Island is scheduled for December 27 through January 3. We will join Rural Mission in repairing homes and facilities on the Sea Islands, along with our partner churches, St. Johns Parish and Rockville Presbyterian. This is a wonderful opportunity for the college aged young adults to share in fellowship, spiritual renewal, and service to those we are called to serve. Please call the mission office at 423-224-1531 for more information about this mission opportunity.

The Summer Of 2017: A Time of Mission and Outreach...A Season Of Transformation

The summer months offered multiple opportunities for mission and outreach, in our community, throughout the region, and around the world. Each day of the week provided opportunity for personal interaction and ministry with families and individuals in the Kingsport community. At the same time, individuals and groups traveled to be in mission and ministry at great distances while partnering with diverse cultures. Life opportunities were made better, emergency needs were met, despair was replaced by hope, and "hearts were strangely warmed."

The Furniture, Home Repair, and Firewood Ministries all continued to provide for the systemic needs of residents in our community or to prepare for the seasons of need ahead. The Food Ministry was available each Monday and Friday, a place where emergency food needs were met, while relationships continued to develop through life stories and spiritual guidance. Halo Haircuts provided that "touch of grace" while enabling participants to leave feeling refreshed, renewed, and in relationship with others. Crossroads Medical continued to set up in our parking lot each month, providing free medical care through volunteer clinicians and FBS volunteers. Family Promise provided overnight housing, meals, and the promise of a brighter future through FBS hosting with space and volunteers. The Friendship Diner continued to offer a hearty breakfast, a place of fellowship, and an opportunity to encounter Jesus each Saturday and Sunday morning.



Raceway Ministries provided cookies, Bibles, and compassionate guidance to many who attended Bristol Races. The congregation provided much-needed financial assistance through contributions to Communion Offering that are made available to Kingsport Community Ministry Center to provide financial assistance to many who come to the doors of area churches for assistance at critical times. Our relationships with Community United Methodist through Terrific Tuesdays and with Jackson School continue as the school year begins and opportunities are available for interaction and ministry.



At the same time the local mission ministries were active through our congregation, countless teams and individuals traveled to share the love and grace of Jesus Christ through construction projects, VBS, and simply being present in the lives of others struggling daily to care for themselves and their families. A team of 18 traveled to Estonia in June to remodel a portion of the Viitka UMC Church, while also providing VBS and attending the first ever "Friends Of Estonia" gathering actually held in Estonia. At the same time, 90 high school youth and adult leaders traveled to Johns Island for the annual High



School Mission Trip, providing repairs and renovations on six homes and continuing a 37 year relationship with the people of the Sea Islands of Charleston County. Later in June, a Young Adult Mission Team of 9 traveled to Costa Rica and assisted in renovating a home, providing VBS, and visiting a women's shelter and prison for women. The Middle School Mission Team returned to Saltville, Virginia in July with 30 youth and adults to partner with Project Crossroads in installing vinyl siding to a home. Upon return, First Broad Street hosted a mission team of 26



from St Johns Parish on Johns Island. St Johns, the host for our High School team in June, assisted our Home Repair Ministry in installing a new bathroom and vinyl siding on a home in Kingsport as well as providing a new roof on a porch and ramp to a Bloomingdale home. In addition, a number of individuals participated in mission opportunities to Jubilee Project in Sneedville, TN, Jamaica, England, and Gatlinburg, while over 80 buckets of food were collected and combined with Holston Conference shipment of food items to Zimbabwe to provide meals for the children and staff of Ishe-Anesu, a home for orphans. Additionally, two box trucks full of clothing items donated by FBS members were delivered to Henderson Settlement in Kentucky to provide items for the thrift store there on the mission compound.

It has been an active season with multiple opportunities to share the love and grace of Jesus Christ physically, financially, in prayer, presence, and spirit. As we reach out into our community and around the world, we become transformed people ourselves, having fulfilled God's calling on our individual and collective lives. We celebrate together with "hearts strangely warmed," knowing it is not over, but only the beginning, as we continue to journey together hand-in-hand and heart-to-heart with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

To give a memorial in honor or memory of friend or a loved one, please mail your check to the Finance Office at 100 East Church Circle, Kingsport, TN, 37660 and mark "memorial" on the memo line of your check.

In Memory Of

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Ben Taylor-by Mr. and Mrs. Rick Currie, Ted and Lucie Hagen

GENERAL

Ronnie Starnes-by Jan Stair and Kathy Huff

FRIENDSHIP DINER

Dolores Dobyans-by Ann Addington
Will McHorris-by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Montford
Ross Kern-by Thelma Evans

HAY HOUSE

Bob Brown-by Nathan and Elizabeth Bright, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Harris

LIBRARY

Kathy Harris Reed-by Billie Chesney

ORGAN

Bob Brown-by friends

SCHOLARSHIPS

Kathy Harris Reed, Louise Griffith, Leonard Jones, Hubert Gilliam, Owen Steinman, Marvin Jones, Tim Meinrath, Reece Jenkins, Shane Stubblefield, Erma Shanks, Helen Patrick, Wesley Umberger-by Darres Carter

September 1

Darres Carter
Joyce Rolston
Nancy Tate
Taylor Pendleton
Lauren Lemons

September 2

Eula Holland
Ralph Wingett
Richard Thomas
Dale Rogers
Harry T. Morris
Michael Mack
Nathan Flora
Ross Ladley
Brody Ketron
Adam Bays
Kenzie Haney

September 3

Liz Allen
Linda Lamb
Sarah Pietruska
Victoria Cooper
Aiden Oliver

September 4

Chap Hale
Linde Hanes
Madi Codisopoti

September 5

Zena Tholstrup
Russ Jackson
Ann Conklin
Harry Turner
Rebecca Scott
Rick Wright
Holly Hopson
Justin Murphy
David Broach

September 6

Laura Bussey
Lisa Hilton
Tibby Tesfayohannes
Nathan Lodien
Trevis Cleary
Lexi Keese
Raegyn Collier

September 7

Helen Overbay
Pat Basinger
Lois Dobyns
Brian Himelwright
Alan Still
Jimmy Hale
McKenzie Todd
Drew Vetter

Bejamin Shafer

September 8

Lenora Ferguson
Mary Louise Carroll
Dwight Debow
Bert Hale
Cinnamon Thayer
Bennett Little
Dylan Sanchez
Daniel Pond

September 9

Walter Miller
Doris Ahern
John Johnson
Charles Ladd
John Jewett
Meaghan Wolfe
Jessica Newhart
Katie Johnson
Shannon Sparks
Miles Chase
Hannah Greene
Hayden Collier
Abbey Gilly
Evelyn Rose
Oliver Walden

September 10

Cathy Forrester
Jim Mercer
Alice Page
Robert Lin
Josie Musesengwa
Clay Carter

September 11

Betty Mathieson
Jimmy Dexter
Janie Jarvis
W. Michael Thomas
Lucas Higgins
Megan Duncan

September 12

Helen Grills
Anne Sorrell
Kitty Howe
Linda Price
Kevin Cooley
Mason Carver

September 13

Frances Stras
Fred Howe
Susan Dukart
Donna Carver
Brooks Pond
Charlie Browder

September 14

Benjamin Dobeck
Claudia Tustin
Libbie Jester
Deborah Goodman
Theo Minani
Chris Torrence
Ryan Hammonds
Robert Hogg
Myles Gamble

September 15

Maynard Tedder
Vivian Todd
Wylie Geska
Brent Day
Ruth Leonard
Alan Hobbs
Jacy Richardson

September 16

Barbara Johnson
Marilyn Hammonds
Amy Roberts
Adam Metzger

September 17

Sherry Spadafino
Jim Cornell
Fred Hilton
Duke Dukart

September 18

Joe Jefferson
Bob Vincent
Bob Vincent
Celia Cox
Beverly Thetford
Danny Hutchins
Jessica Cox
Emerson Sharpe
Gavyn McGhee

September 19

Nancy East
Jim Wallin
Liz Jones
Hannah Marcello
Bonnie Irvin

September 20

Lillian Guenther
Frances McConnell
Linda Martin
Tim Edwards
Tony Valk
Shari Williams
Joel West
Caroline Mason
Elizabeth Flora
Val Giaudrone

Laylie Haney

September 21

Linda Larkey
Jack Greene
Ford C. Quillen
Sue Cumbow
Susan Taylor
Leslie Ridings
Julie Eldridge
David Haseltine
Stephen Cawood
Cory Seguin

September 22

Florence Clemens
Jerry Dotson
Kristy Williamson-
Jackson
Brian Haney
Adam Dunn
Joey Carlton
Riley Morrell

September 23

Felicite Kabanda
David Lively
John D. Harrison
Owen Eastridge

September 24

Dorothy Knierim
Robert Montgomery
David Findley
Jim Cobaugh
Elise Egan
Trish Crawford
Greene
Hannah Baker
Grace Collins
Caitlyn Heglar
Grant Simmers

September 25

Ethel Hobbs
Cathy Rose
Lee Ann McConnell
Bobby Reynolds
Brad Bounds
Emma Anthony

September 26

Alice McKee
Barbara Cogliano
Mike Morley
Jennifer Bingham
Chet Guest
Lea Cooley

September 27

Blanche Patterson
Fred Lawrence
Josh Wood
Toy Reid
Tori Baldock
Elise Rogers
Hannah Yarosh
Rebecca Carter

September 28
no birthdays

September 29
Dorothy Shepherd
Ralph Buck
Samantha Smawley

September 30
Betty Koffman
Ron Coven
Bob Edmisten
Russ Parise
Martin Rogers

A Message from the Executive Director . . .



A Saint, A Servant, & A Good Ole Boy: My reflections with Fred Howe

On Monday, August 14, 2017, First Broad Street announced that Fred Howe would be retiring after 24 years of service. We encourage everyone to share your appreciation for Fred, with him, as you have opportunity. We also invite those who wish to contribute to a love offering for him to do so between now and his retirement date of September 1, 2017. I took some time to sit down with Fred and reflect with him on his time at First Broad Street and wanted to share with you some insights I gleaned from our conversation and reflection together.

A Good Ole Boy

Fred had rich and varied work experience prior to serving at First Broad. His prior experience included serving in the US Air Force ('74-'77), working construction and attending college ('78-'81), taking time off to serve as a family caregiver ('81-'83), serving as lead maintenance technician for a hotel ('83-'93) and then coming to FBS from 1993 to present. These experiences uniquely positioned Fred for the dynamic variety of skills needed to serve on the facilities staff at our church. Whether it was from his Air Force training in environmental health and safety to maintenance and construction experience, or care giving; Fred had opportunity to apply all of those acquired skills in his work at a church. Church work often requires a multidisciplinary approach and this was no less needed in Fred's role on our team.

Fred and I discussed a great deal of highlights and a few lows from his history with our church. The lows were due to the headaches that arose from the both occasional and curious leaks or floods that old buildings like ours can have from time to time. However, those lows were far outnumbered by highlights he shared, some of which were experiences that I was not previously aware of. Highlights for Fred and his involvement at our church include, being on the choir's Europe tour, going on mission trips to Oklahoma, climbing up our church steeples, singing and acting with the choir during its performance of Scrooge and attending the annual Mission's Celebration. Everyday favorites for Fred included general maintenance repairs, and complex, tedious mechanical tasks. When others might shake their head or lament the task or time involved, Fred was eager to rise to the challenge.

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FBSUMC Financial Report: YTD Ending July, 2017

| Revenue | Actual | Budget |
|--|--------------|------------------------------|
| Pledges | \$ 964,127 | \$ 989,917 |
| Other Offerings | \$ 751,988 | \$ 774,038 |
| Total Revenue (includes Child Center, Kitchen, etc) | \$ 1,716,115 | \$ 1,763,955 |
| Expenses | \$ 1,721,277 | \$ 1,766,350 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) | \$ -5,162 | \$ -2,395 |
| Capital Debt | \$ 0 | *(41,614) more than required |
| Cash on Hand (Working Capital) | \$ 545,613 | \$ 503,999* |

All newsletter articles must be submitted for consideration by the first Monday of the previous month for the following monthly newsletter. The deadline for the October newsletter will be 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5, by contacting Meredith Brown at mbrown@fbsumc.org or 423-224-1522. All articles are subject to editing.

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Fred also has been able to exercise his artistic side during his time at First Broad Street. His devoted participation in the choir and orchestra, he said, was a nice outlet to keep him fresh and focused on how it all works together in church work. He found serving communion to be a rich and meaningful opportunity. Fred even stretched his theologian legs by preaching in evening worship on occasion and writing Bible studies which he shared with many pastors and others.

A Servant

I asked Fred to offer some words of wisdom to both those of us who attend FBS and those of us who work on staff. To those who attend, he said, that through serving here he learned more deeply what it means to be a humble servant. As you get to know Fred you will learn that he is a tinkerer and both enjoys and excels at fixing things. This is what he enjoyed most about working at FBS. However, at times he says, he was called to tasks that were less enjoyable and less pertinent to his skill set. At first, he was reluctant to perform those tasks but he came to realize that sometimes it is those tasks that matter most in the big picture. It was in doing those less desirable tasks that he felt like he understood Jesus who wrapped himself in a towel and washed the disciple's feet. He also felt in those tasks that he was responding to God's calling.

For those of us on staff, he wished to express that we not lose sight of working together. He urged us to embrace the joy in being cooperative and avoid being too busy to

help our fellow coworkers in their work arenas. Some of his best memories of being on staff were when people from different areas came together outside their areas of work to pull off an event in the life of the church. He said it may not be your job description but crossing those lines to help, helps the team.

Soon after retiring Fred plans to take a trip to Charleston with his wife Kitty for a little R & R. He hopes to finish off some lingering projects at home in the near future as well. Over time he says, he might see himself doing something new but hopes to join up on some future FBS mission trips.

A Saint

If you have ever greeted Fred, you know that if asked how he's doing, he will likely respond by saying, "fair to partly cloudy." This is, of course, Fred's friendly and humorous way of saying, "things are good, maybe not perfect but no complaints here." This reflects Fred's balanced and humble approach to life and work. Fred has left a positive mark on this church and each one of us. His presence will be missed and his service remembered as it was characterized by love, devotion & diligence. Fred indeed walked the extra mile with all of us at First Broad Street, and we will always be grateful to him.

Fred, on behalf of all of us, here's to the sunny skies we wish to you in your future. Thank you – you've been a good and faithful servant.

--Nathan Flora