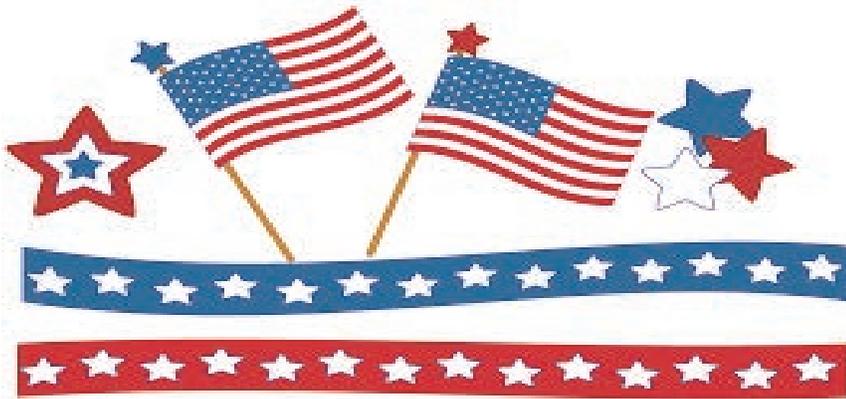


FBC
High Point

THE HERALD

WORKING WITH GOD'S BLUEPRINTS



Happy
Fourth
of July!

Stewardship report

Greetings First Family,

I am happy to report, for the first six months of the year **our giving has exceeded our expenses**. This is a definite praise. Attendance and giving are historically down in the summer months.

The stewardship committee would like to encourage our church family to make a concerted effort in the month of **July to catch up on our personal tithing**. Through your gifts we hope to finish the summer months on a strong note. On behalf of the stewardship committee, we thank you.

Cy Brooks, chair of Stewardship Committee

(See the Financial Report on page 3 for more information.)

Church Conference July 17

There will be a brief Church Conference following worship on July 17.

The only business on the agenda is directed by the bylaws: organizational directors and Committee to Nominate Deacons will be elected.

Deacon Committee nominees are Mike McGaha, Betsy Hines, Alicia Hunnicutt, T.L. Smith, and one more.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

405 N. Main St., High Point, N.C. 27260-5088

336-883-0178

www.fbchighpoint.org – www.facebook.com/firstbaptisthighpoint

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship at 11 a.m. in person in the sanctuary or via Facebook Live.

Offering and Income

May 29, 2022

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,602.00
Building Use/ Recreation/ Parking	\$2,570.00
Total Budget Receipts	\$25.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$2,595.00
Budget Receipts to Date	\$145,244.00
	\$138,528.06

June 5, 2022

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,602.00
Total Budget Receipts	\$1,653.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$1,653.00
Budget Receipts to Date	\$151,846.00
	\$140,181.06

June 12, 2022

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,602.00
Building Use/ Recreation/ Parking	\$4,205.00
Total Budget Receipts	\$600.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$4,805.00
Budget Receipts to Date	\$158,448.00
	\$144,986.00

June 19, 2022

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,602.00
Total Budget Receipts	\$3,365.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$3,365.00
Budget Receipts to Date	\$165,050.00
	\$148,351.00

June 26, 2022

Weekly Budget Need	
Tithes & Offerings	\$6,602.00
Total Budget Receipts	\$4,024.00
Budget Needs to Date	\$4,024.00
Budget Receipts to Date	\$171,652.00
	\$152,375.06

There are several ways you can support FBC with your monetary gifts.

Online, go to www.fbchighpoint.org, and click on the word "GIVE" in the blue bar. Instructions will appear for giving online with credit and debit cards using Tithe.ly. There are also instructions for setting up an automatic bank draft.

You can still mail checks to 405 N. Main St.

Gathering together

"What can we be the very best at?" That is one of the three catalyzing questions in organizational transformation in *Good to Great: Why Some Companies Make the Leap and Others Don't* by Jim C. Collins. A church can do any number of things well. But the answer to the question, "What do we do best?" is a first step in the direction of "finding our focus" as we face forward into the future that God has in mind for us.

That was the central question put to the 36 participants in the congregational conversation on Sunday, June 26. The "things we do best" they identified are building use by outside groups, congregational care/ministering to senior adults, feeding people, missions, stepping up when the chips are down, strong support of women in leadership, Sunday School, and traditional worship/music ministry. When the participants were asked to identify which of these 10 things we do "very best," three percolated to the top: congregational care/ministering to senior adults, Sunday School, and traditional worship/music.



I want to call your attention to an important feature of the first of those three: "congregational care" rather than "pastoral care." Whether by design or necessity or some combination of the two, this is a congregation that actively engages in care for one another instead of delegating that care to a professional minister by whom to be served rather than

to serve. As evidence of this "best thing," the participants identified tangible actions such as providing transportation, meals, financial assistance for members, contacts and visits from congregational leaders, watch-care packages, communication by cards, calls, and letters, church fellowships, and reaching out to members in difficult times. That's "congregational" care. Lean into it as we face forward together. I hope to see

you at our next scheduled conversation on July 24!

– Jeff Rogers, Interim Minister

Scripture readings for Sunday worship

July 3 – 2 Kings 5:1-14; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 Nails and Gold and Everything Bold

July 10 – (John Adamcik preaching) Psalm 139:1-18; 23-24; Mark 6:30-44 Jesus Cares

July 17 – Amos 8:1-12; Luke 10:8-42

A Tisket, A Tasket

July 24 – Genesis 18:20-32; Luke 11:1-13 Praying for Sodom

July 31 – Hosea 11:1-11; Luke 12:13-21 A Higher Love

Prayer Needs

Email heather@fbchighpoint.org or call Heather Absher at 336-883-0178 when you or someone in your immediate family is in the hospital and/or is in need of prayer. Please provide their address so we may mail the prayer sheet to them. Please get permission to publish their names on our prayer chain and email and Phonetree notifications. Also please let us know when it is time to remove their name from the list.

Sympathy

... to the family of Barbara Ann Payne.

Thank You

Dear First Family,

Thanks to everyone for the Bible, book and lunch you gave me to celebrate my graduation. I will always appreciate the positive influence you have had on me and the encouragement you all have given me from my years in the nursery thru to today. Thanks to all of you for caring about me so much.

Sincerely, Hunter Eddinger

Dear FBC Friends,

My family has been blessed by the many acts of kindness shown to us during the passing of my mom, Eloise Parks. We sincerely appreciate the prayers, cards, calls, and donations given to the church in her memory. Blessings to each of you.

Joni Brooks

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Financial Report for May 2022

May was a very generous month. We received a particular gift that was above and beyond the normal that will be of great assistance to us as we go into the summer months. We also received the annual payment from HPCA for the gym usage. So these two bonuses to the bank will make a big difference as we seem to be otherwise stuck on receipts averaging \$22,000 and spending nearly the same \$22,000 month to month. There's not much room for surprises otherwise.

Because of the extra receipts in May, we have deposited \$139,000 year to date and spent only \$111,000 on budget. Even though this gives us a good surplus number it does not include the payment to settle the cost of the engagement with the Wesley group (which is paid from PPP money outside the budget and not in the sum of the spending referenced above.)

So it is encouraging to report that our debts are settled as we head into the summer. It is also a time when the

Stewardship Committee knows there is typically a drop off in receipts. Please keep in mind that the needs do not take time off for the summer.

To have a surplus at this point in time is something we all should be grateful for. We seem to always have an answer open up before us at just the time we need it. All we need – and more.

Don Myers, treasurer

A Simple Gesture



Please remember to pick up a Simple Gestures bag, fill it with non-perishable food items and return it to the Recreation Lobby. Hunger is real in the High Point area and your “simple gesture” can make a difference in many lives. Empty bags may be picked up in the RMC lobby. Full bags may be returned to the same location. The next green bag pick up is **July 31**.

Thank you for participating in this mission!

Linda Winslow, Missions Director

Totes by John

On Tuesday mornings a group meets from 9-Noon in the sewing machine room to make tote bags for patients that are being discharged from High Point Regional Hospital. Patients receive a bag with an encouraging note to assist in their discharge. Nearly 20,000 totes have been made. We also make walker bags. We would love to have you join us. No experience necessary. Don't know where the sewing machine room is? Ask the receptionist they will be glad to assist you.



Parking Lot Repainted

Thanks to members of the Hoi Thanh Bap-tit Vietnamese Mission for re-painting the lines in our parking lot recently. The church met at First Baptist for many years and still considers us home.

Those participating were Grace Vo, Bryan Cao, Daniel Cao, Andrew Cao, Adam Nguyen, Austin Pham and Duy Tran.

Thanks you to Pat Johnson for providing lunch and Kerry Jones for the tools and supplies.



Front Row (L-R) Maria Trevino, Laurin Kues, Celeste Richter, Melissa Young

Back Row (L-R) Julie Weaver, Carol Briley, Pam Bradberry, Cindy Annan

Christ's Little Acorns

This is our very dedicated and talented preschool staff. They teach our precious Little Acorns about the love of Jesus through their everyday lessons and actions. Our teachers prepare our students academically, socially, and spiritually for their journey ahead. What a wonderful team of educators we have! We celebrate the many ways they share the love of Christ.

If you are interested in becoming part of our team of educators as a substitute or teacher, please let us know by emailing Carol and Cindy at Office@Christ'sLittleAcorns.org.



**Christ's
Little Acorns**

Preschool Registration

Registration is now open for the 2022-23 school year for Christ's Little Acorns Preschool.

Free tours are available.

Registration forms may be found at <https://christlitttleacornspreschool.org>.

For more information, call 336-889-6169.

Greeters

July 3

Adele and Don Myers

July 10

Rick and Nanette Cornwell

July 17

Pam Myers Linda Swan

July 24

Barbara and TL Smith

July 31

Bill Logan, Cynthia Eddinger

Deacons on Call

July 3

Jeanneen Adamick, Alisha Hunnicutt

July 10

Donna Willis, Teena Reddeck

July 17

Wayne Perdue, Linda Winslow

July 24

T.L. Smith, Joy Key

July 31

Linda Causby, Rob Fincher

Pastoral Care Line

881-6480



Pictures from the Ice Cream Social June 12

Everyone had a lot of fun and went home full!



Parking Lot

Baseball parking volunteers needed. Tuesdays-Saturdays 5:30-7. Sunday 3-4:30. Please contact Mike McGaha or Bill Logan if you can help.

RMC Doors

Please note, for safety reasons, the doors to the Recreation Ministries Center will be locked at 10:45 Sunday mornings. If you arrive after that time, please use one of the doors to the sanctuary.

Deadline for information for the AUGUST Herald is July 22. Please email your information to Carol Brooks at cab1@northstate.net.

Sunday Worship

Live Stream Every Sunday

at 11:00 a.m. on



Midweek Prayer and Bible Study:

The Virtual Edition

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

via Zoom. We will share our cares and concerns and praises, pray together and then engage in a Bible study.

Instructions, the phone number for calling in, and the link for Internet users will be distributed by email prior to each meeting.

Stan Holt	July 1	Joni Brooks	July 19
Pat Johnson	July 4	Bruce Hartgrove	July 21
Darrell Meredith	July 4	Peggy Wilson	July 25
Morgan Mayson	July 15	Thomas Folk	July 29
Adele Myers	July 16	Ben Anderson	July 30
Ben Adamcik	July 18	Elizabeth Clark	July 30