

JUNE 2024

The Flame

FAIRVIEW CHURCH



FROM PASTOR BARRY TAYLOR

DISCIPLESHIP AND VBS...

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." - Matthew 28.18-20.

These words of Jesus, spoken to His disciples after His resurrection and prior to His ascension into heaven, have come to be known as the Great Commission. Churches talk a lot about the Great Commission, but any honest assessment of contemporary Christianity in North America must acknowledge that making disciples has not been a strength of most congregations. I tend to think this is due to a faulty understanding of what a disciple "looks like in real life."

For much of the last century, churches have focused on discipleship by making members, which is not altogether a bad thing. Membership in a local congregation is certainly an important avenue for growing in grace as a disciple of Jesus. However, membership and discipleship are not synonymous; a member focuses on an organization, while a disciple focuses on a relationship with his or her teacher. Often churches tend to define a "good church member" as someone who is an asset to the congregation; however, a disciple is also an asset to the Kingdom of God. A disciple is an individual who has received Jesus Christ as Savior by faith and who follows Him as Lord in a living day-by-day relationship. As a part of following Jesus in faith, a disciple seeks by God's grace to glorify Jesus by gathering with other Christians for worship and fellowship, by growing in the knowledge of God and of His Word, by giving of God-given abilities and resources to further Jesus' ministry, and by going into the community and the world to participate in Jesus' mission of making even more disciples.

Our Vacation Bible School is coming up June 16-20, and the goal of every VBS event is to help make disciples of the children in our congregation and of the children God sends us from our community. Vacation Bible School IS discipleship in action! If discipleship is to take place, disciples need to be IN PLACE in terms of leadership. VBS needs disciples in order to make disciples! So, to all the disciples of Jesus within the Fairview Church congregation: **WE NEED YOU AT VBS!**

One of the most important lessons I learned in seminary was from a simple off-the-cuff statement by a classroom professor: "Remember, shepherds don't make sheep...sheep make sheep!" In other words, it takes the hands and feet of people being discipled to be the hands and feet of Jesus in order to impact and disciple the hands and feet of the upcoming generations. Being willing to serve in VBS is no small matter: it may mean turning around a calendar or schedule for a few days, but it fills a vital role in Christ's ongoing work of "turning the world upside down" (Acts 17.6).

As always, it's a joy and a privilege to serve as your pastor!

Grace and peace in Christ,

Barry



CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



“CHILDREN ARE A GIFT FROM GOD. THEY ARE HIS REWARD.” --PSALM 127:3

MARGARET SNIDER
INTERIM DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

GODLY PLAY

We are looking forward to exploring parables during the Month of June. Our parables are held in gold boxes because they are gifts to us. We can't buy them, or earn them, they have already been given to us. Their boxes are gold because they are so precious to us. As we explore the parables each week we wonder about the most important parts of each story and what each story could really be. We will be growing in our faith as we understand more about who Jesus is and more about the Kingdom of God.

We need servants willing to help on the 4th and 5th Sunday each month. If you are interested in being part of this worship experience, please sign up at the Servant Opportunities table in the lobby. For more information, contact Margaret Snider (336) 963-5935.



WORSHIP BAGS

Children's worship bags are available for our children each Sunday morning in the lobby. The bags contain activity pages connected to the message for that day for younger children and special note-taking sheets for older children to use as they listen to the message.

J.U.M.P NEWS

This month our J.U.M.P. service project was painting cans to hold the signs at the May Family Fun Day. Thanks to Mary Betterton for including us in this special project.



This summer we are planning special events and activities for our J.U.M.P fellowship. Our Wonder-filled Weekdays calendar will be finalized soon. We are looking forward to nature explorations, art projects, picnics, swimming, movies and more. Stay tuned for a complete schedule.



We will need adults to serve with us on these special days. If you are interested in joining the fun, please sign up at the Servant Opportunities table in the lobby or contact Margaret Snider.



SPECIAL THANKS

Special thanks to all who helped with the KIDS ZONE at May's family fun day! You made it a special place for kids to create, explore and challenge their memory skills!



JOSH MARLOWE
DIRECTOR OF STUDENT
MINISTRIES
& CONTEMPORARY
WORSHIP

Hello Fairview Family!

I hope you are ready for summer because it's here upon us!

The Youth will be busy this summer. In June we will be wrapping up our Sunday Night series "Pursuing Jesus" and starting a new 10-week series "Knowing Jesus as King". It's a 10-week study through the gospel of Matthew. Another part of summer is baseball starting back up in Danville, and we will be planning on going to some Otterbots games this Summer, so stayed tuned to the bulletin for game dates.

Looking ahead to the future, we have a mission project week coming up July 21st – 25th. If you would like to be part of that to help chaperone, please let me know ASAP. We have a week filled with local projects, and fun filled activities each evening for the Youth. If

you have a child grades 6th – 12th that wants to be a part of that week, also please let me know ASAP.

The Youth Ministry also has a Facebook page now where we will be posting event dates and other info for the Youth. If you would like to follow it, the page is "Fairview Church Youth." We also have an Instagram page "Fairview Youth" if Facebook isn't your thing.

Also, don't forget VBS is coming up this month! The Youth will be assisting with the games, so if your Youth wants to participate, let me know ASAP so I can get a list together.

Thank you all for your love and support!

In His Service,

Josh

THANK YOU

Dear Fairview Church,

Thank you so much for the kindhearted graduation gift! I love my Bible and my blanket. Please continue to keep me in your prayers next year.

Thank you,

Hallie James Holt

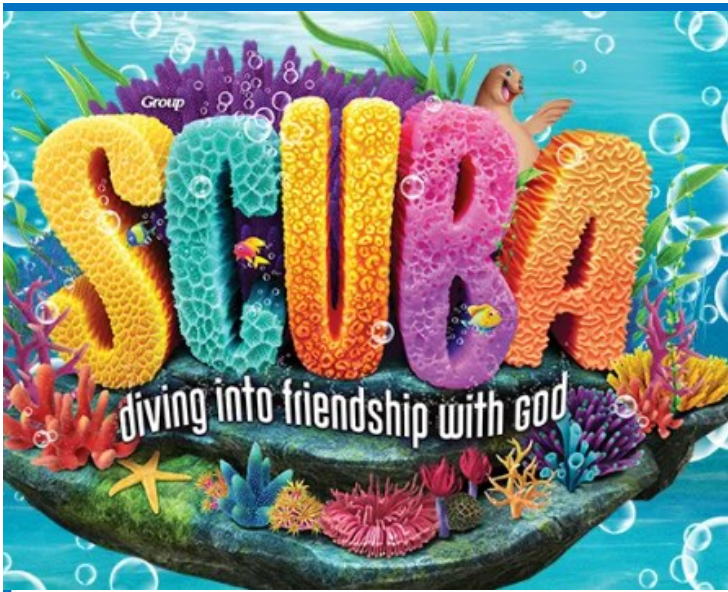
To my Fairview Family,

Thank you all so, so much for your kindness in thinking of me and my graduation from Averett.

Y'all have seen me grow over many years and I feel truly blessed to have such an amazing source of love and support. Your recognition of this most recent accomplishment means so much to me! I'm looking toward and forward to the future, and I'm very excited to find out what the next chapter has in store for me.

Much love, and may God bless all of you always,

Jennings Deane



First, let me THANK YOU for the amazing donations made to our SCUBA deco box. I know you are going to be amazed at how your items were used to construct a coral reef!!

Our VBS week is quickly approaching and our VBS team is so excited to share with you the amazing things that are being planned for all that enter our doors the week of June 16-20.

We are still looking for volunteers for the week of VBS. We need YOU! If you can't commit to the entire week, could you commit to one or two days?

There are open spots for crew leaders, assistant leaders, and support staff for registration. Let me or Margaret know if you are available. Or scan the QR code on your mobile device:



And just in case cooking is more your style.....

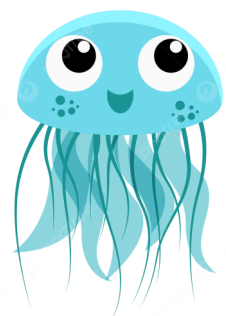
We would like to offer a light meal for our VBS volunteers who may be coming straight from work to be a part of our VBS. The meal should be something quick to grab and eat. Most will only have a few minutes to eat. Sandwiches, pizza, chicken tenders are some of the meals that have been served in previous years. Let me know if you or a group of you would be willing to prepare a meal on one of the evenings. The meals would be needed Monday through Thursday. The mealtime would be from 5:00-6:00pm.

Please see the SCUBA VBS bulletin board to sign up.

Thank you for your support!

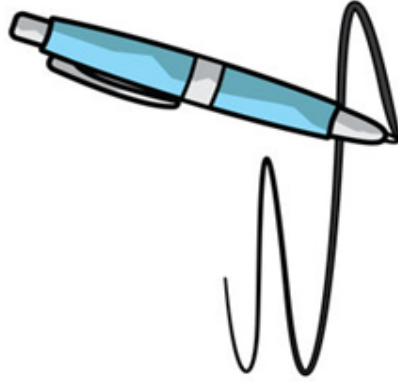
Blessings,

Jackie Stevens



Father's Day Pens

We are selling pens for Father's Day. These pens may be purchased for \$5 each in honor or in memory of a special man in your life. Please fill out one form per pen and turn in to the office by Monday, June 10. Extra forms can be found in the narthex. All proceeds will go toward the Pastor's Fellowship Fund.



In Honor:

In Memory:

Message (optional):

From:

Phone #:

MISSIONS MOMENT

For June we will be participating in the "Baby Bottle Boomerang" for Transition Pregnancy Solutions. We will be collecting **change, cash and/or checks** for this important non-profit crisis pregnancy center. Please place your full baby bottles around the Tree of Giving. Your change can change lives!

As we are looking ahead, July will be a month when we will collect school supplies for back to school and in August we will again collect funds for the Pastor's Fellowship Fund in honor of Pastor Barry's first anniversary as part of our family. Please keep Martha Mitchell, co-chair of Missions, in your prayers as she undergoes surgery and recovery in Charlotte, NC.

Thanks again for making our Monthly Missions such a huge success.

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE WISHES TO THANK...

To all the volunteer workers, cake bakers and prayer warriors, we give you a profound thank you for each and every one of you. Family Fun Day was a success because of the grace of God and your working hands. The turnout was amazing! To all the donors and sponsors, you were essential to help us make this event the best. Please see a list of donors and sponsors on the Family Fun Day page. God bless you all!

FAMILY FUN DAY



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Thank you all so much!

Class of 2024

Fairview Church Graduates



Hallie James Holt

Tunstall High School
Plans to attend University
of Virginia



Thomas Shaffer Boles

Tunstall High School
Plans to attend Auburn
University



Jennings Deane

Averett University, Department of Aviation with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Aerospace Management with a concentration in Flight Operations

Jennings will continue to receive flight instruction while pursuing his goal of flying for a commercial airline one day.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

<u>Date</u>	<u>In-Person Worship</u>	<u>Online Worship* (Vimeo)</u>	<u>Offering</u>
May 5	48/111	69	\$13,865.00
May 12 Mother's Day	56/101	98	\$7,405.00
May 19 Graduate Sunday	39/131	74	\$9,158.26
May 26	43/118	83	\$4,052.00

*Denotes views of online worship videos for the first week available for viewing.

Vimeo views are multiplied by 1.5 to account for families watching together.

Average Weekly Giving in May 2024:
\$8,620.06

2024 Budget approved by Admin Board :
\$545,817.00

Average Weekly Giving Year to Date 2024:
\$10,566.56

2024 Weekly Contributions Needed to Meet Budget:
\$10,496.48

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1 Linda Jarosz	13 Kayren Turner	27 Carolyn Roberts
5 Kathy Soyars	16 Hallie Holt	Mike McGuire
8 Jim Jennings	18 Jackson Boles	29 Bethany Dillion
9 Bobbie Nordon	25 Steven Ashworth	
11 Francis Berger	26 Bonny Shelton	
David Clark	27 Acie Brooks, III	

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

1st Vic & Lindsey Brooks	16th Jerry & Peggy Soyars
3rd Jamie & Michele Holt	21st Saunders & Wendy Brooks
3rd David & Heather Perryman	28th Sam & Barbara Swanson
15th Marvin & Holly Fuqua	

Fairview Church
Vacation Bible School
Scuba

June 16-20, 6-8:15 each evening
For Children in preschool - rising 6th grade

Child's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code _____

Phone #: _____ T shirt Size: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth _____ Age: _____ Last Grade Completed _____

Home Church: _____

Allergies/Medical Information/Other:

Emergency Contact Information:

Name: _____ Phone # _____

Name: _____ Phone # _____

Name of People who may pick this child up: _____

I understand that while participating in church affiliated events, photographs and videos may be taken of my child. By initialing and signing within the appropriate place I am agreeing or disagreeing to allow these photos and/or videos to be used for display or use in the church bulletin, newsletter website or during online or in person services. Please initial your choice below and sign.

_____ I agree to allow Fairview Church to use my child's photograph/video

_____ I DO NOT agree to allow Fairview Church to use my child's photograph/video

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

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