

MAY 2022

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21 Greenville Drive Game Murphy Rush	20 Ami Hardy	8:30am CWA Trip 2pm Knitting Group	18 5-7pm VBS Work Night (High School Youth help) 6pm Colossians Study Dale Byerly	7am Men's Group 5:30 Golf Fellowship Lakeside CC Karen Jacks James Hall	7pm Deacon's Meeting Pat Meadows Van Tumblin Jennifer Davis Dallas Pridgen	Sunday Schedule See Below Dr. David Hull preaching 6pm Youth Splash Bash 6pm Men's Group Anna Beth Martin
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TRANSITIONS

David Hull "Family"

The month of May is a time that is focused on families. Mother's Day gives us an opportunity to be grateful for our moms and to think about the important role of parenting. High School graduation marks a special season of growth and transition in families. Memorial Day is an annual observance of remembering with gratitude those in our church family who have died in the last year.

As school nears the end of another year, family rhythms begin to change. With so many families that include preschoolers, children and youth in the church, May will be a good time to look to the Bible for family guidance. This is an outline of the family themes we will be considering in worship during May.

May I The Legacy of Faith

2 Timothy 1:3-14

May 8 First Priority Parenting

I Samuel 1:21-28

Mother's Day

May 15 Will Our Children Have Faith? Deuteronomy 6:1-9
Children's Sermon with David Hull
and Elizabeth Franklin

May 22 Graduate Recognition Service
Andrew Corley preaching

May 29 Memorial Service and Communion Adair Rogers preaching

In addition to what we will be talking about in worship, Elizabeth Franklin has planned two wonderful learning opportunities for parents and other family members called "Parenting and Social Media." Invitations have already been sent to parents for evening learning events on May I and May 22. In these challenging days of navigating appropriate use of smart phones and social media with children and youth, these chances to learn from a psychologist (May I) and a retired law enforcement officer (May 22) will be invaluable for parents, grandparents and others who need some good advice and wisdom on this subject. Please put these dates on your calendar and plan to join us on these days.

I am enjoying being a part of the First Baptist family during this season, and I look forward to these family conversations that we will have in May.

Family Promise Update

FBC Laurens hosted our first family during the week of March 27-April 3. Special thanks to all who provided meals, served as host during the evening, or stayed overnight with the family . Also, a very special thanks to Keri Tumblin, who did a wonderful job coordinating everything for FBC. Our next host week will be June 19-26, and we will once again need a lot of volunteers. For more info, please contact Keri Tumblin.

Adult Studies

Wednesday Nights

Walking Through Colossians continues through Wednesday, May 18. Tommy Cox leads this study of Paul's letter to the church of Colossae at 6:00pm in the Craft Room.

Sunday Night s

Attention Men! Our Men's Groups will continue reading and discussing the book Dangerous Prayers by Craig Groeschel through the end of May. Our groups meet each week on Tuesday mornings at 7:00am and Sunday evenings at 6:00pm. Each of these groups meet in Classroom A (FLC/Gym area). It is never too late to get involved in one of our Men's Groups! For more information, contact Tommy Cox at 984-7500 or tommy@fbclaurens.org.



Members of the FBC Golf Fellowship recently visited Waterloo Elementary School to assist with Club Day. We served with the Golf Club, teaching around 40 students some basic golf fundamentals. It

was great fun with great kids at a great school. Watch your TIE, the FBC Website, and your Worship bulletin for similar opportunities that will be coming up for golfers to go and serve in our community!

Graduate Recognition Sunday

May is the month we celebrate our high school and college graduates! If you have a family member that has graduated or will be graduating from college or a higher degree, please contact the church office by May 16 so that we can include their names in our bulletin for graduate Sunday.

CWA Activities

Thursday, May 19 - Trip to Greenville Leave at 8:30am.

9:30-10:30 Shop at Hamrick's

10:30-11:30 Shop at Marshalls and Home Goods 11:45-1:00 Lunch-Southern Fried Green Tomatoes 1:00-2:00 Shop at Country Boy's Garden Center Be home about 3:00 or 3:30.

Tuesday, May 24 - CWA Meeting - 11:00am Jane Jenkins Herlong, speaker, singer and humorist, will be our entertainment. Til will prepare our lunch; cost is \$5.

Tuesday, June 28 - CWA Meeting - 11:00am
The Friendly Neighbors, a gospel quartet from Greenwood will be our entertainment. Ryland Culbertson will bring his new Italian Brick Oven Food Truck and will cook homemade Italian pizzas for us! Cost is \$5.

Sign up for the activities by calling the church office or letting Adair know.

RECREATION # MINISTRY

Summer is almost here and that means our Recreation Ministry is gearing up to provide opportunities for fun, fellowship, and renewal over the next few months. All recreation events are for all ages unless otherwise noted.

- Summer Recreation Calendar
- May 21 Drive Game
- June 13 Paintly Fun Painting Night, Cost dependent on number signed up, sign up by May 22!
- June 28 Nature Walk, Lake Conastee Nature Preserve
- July 11 Tubing, 8:30-4, \$10, Sign up by June 26
- August 5 Trivia Night, 7pm
- August 13 Drive Game

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VBS is almost here! We will have work nights each Wednesday in May! Pizza & Childcare provided — please let Elizabeth know you're coming so that she can plan ahead of time!

Parenting & Social Media

Are you constantly worrying and wondering how to parent in a digital & social media driven world? As a family of faith, let's learn together so that we can travel this road supporting each other along the way! The listening/answering sessions are geared for parents of children in our Children's Ministry, particularly Ist-5th grade; however, anyone who wishes to learn more is welcome to join us! Dinner and childcare will be provided. Sign up by completing the Google form, call 984-7500 or email elizabeth@fbclaurens.org.

- Session I: Our Children & Their Developing Brains May I, 5-6:30 with Dr. Brooke Spatta, Professor of Psychology at PC
- Session 2: Dangers of Cell Phone Use & How to Stay Safe, May 22, 5-6:30 with Todd Johnson, retired Newberry Co. Sheriff's Deputy.



Thank you to everyone who has prayed, made donations, provided meals, and supported our student ministry in any way this School Year. As we look ahead to our most "normal" summer in three years we're thankful for the love and support this church shows to its students and their spiritual development and growth

May Calendar

- May I High School Bells at 5, Choir at 5:30, Dinner at 6
- May 4 Final Worship on Wednesday
- May 8 No Student Ministry Activities (Mother's Day)
- May II Middle School VBS Work Day
- May 15 High School Bells play in Worship, Middle School Bells at 5, Choir at 5:30, Splash Bash (end of School Year Celebration) at 6
- May 18 High School VBS Work Day
- May 22 Graduate Recognition Service (10:30 Worship), Grad Dinner (5:30)
- May 29 No Student Ministry Activities (Memorial Day)

MINISTER ON CALL

One of our ministers will be on call every weekend, so if you have a need, please don't hesitate to call us! The minister on call schedule is:

May 2-8	Andrew Corley	864-923-5841
May 9-15	Adair Rogers	864-923-1631
May 16-22	Tommy Cox	864-684-7424
May 23-29	Andrew Corley	864-923-5841
May 30-June 5	Adair Rogers	864-923-1631

Financial Record - April 2022

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April Needs:	\$87,331.20
April Giving:	\$71,022.022022
2022 Giving to Date:	\$337,179.23
2022 Needs to Date	\$371,157.60

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Young Adult/College Ministry News

Recent college grads (or other folks in their 20's) and returning college students are invited to join our 20 Somethings Class this summer! Starting May 8th we'll be doing a deep dive into the Book of John, hope you'll come study God's Word with us!

Young Adult/College Student Ax Throwing Night - May 12. Contact Andrew to get signed up!

MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!



Cooper Coggins, son of Richard & Heather Coggins



Emma Welch, daughter of Jon and Holly Welch



Jack Griffin, husband of Cheri Griffin



Henry Welch, son of Jon and Holly Welch