



# STEEPLE VIEWS

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## Loving Beyond Event at the Cotton Street Apartments

On Saturday, June 8 from 10:00 a.m. to noon the Board of Missions is sponsoring an open air market for the residents of the Cotton Street Apartments

They need your help in providing all types of **canned goods** ... vegetables, fruits, meats, etc.

Donations may be left in the Gathering Area no later than Wednesday, June 5. If you would like to go and help with this event, meet the board members at the church at 9:00 a.m.

*Thank you for helping these older adults in our community!*

### Blood Drive

Friday, June 7, 2:30-7:00 p.m.

Family Life Center

If you can help with checking people in, please contact Harvey or Diane Whitley

### Boards to Meet

The Boards of Trustees, Deacons, Missions & Christian Ed will meet on Wednesday, June 5 at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center to review the 2024-25 proposed Church Budget



### May Focus

#### *Vision—Loving Within*

During the month of May, we'll be praying for Vision for this FBC church family. This is essential in the life of every church family; especially, if we hope and plan to be relevant today. Without vision, we'll potentially die, but we can choose to get out of our comfort zones and be willing to imagine something new for how God needs and wants us to serve Him. God calls us to Vision; let's pray that He'll give us clarity and the resources required to serve Him better and make a positive impact in our community.

### From the Board of Deacons ...

Over the next few weeks the Deacon Board will be requesting updated contact information from each of you. This collection of information coincides with a new business software conversion taking place and will be used to set up a new online directory for our church families.

Access to this site will be limited to church roll only and not accessible through random outside searches. All financial information and history are protected and will only be accessible by the appropriate church staff.

Contact information forms will be made available during morning worship and in the church office. They can be returned by dropping them in the offering plate, leaving at the church office, or through one of the deacons.

We will be hosting future photo opportunities for updated directory photos as well so watch for more information regarding those times. Should you have a photo you would like to use, you can submit that as well. Once the system is set up and made available, users will be able to upload photos of their choosing along with any updates to their contact information.

Thank you for your assistance in making this a successful endeavor and a valuable tool for staying connected to our church family.

### Passport Camp ...

Some of our children will be attending Passport Kids Camp in Brevard June 18-21. Please begin praying for the children and chaperones during this special time.

### Facts & Figures:

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Weekly Budget Requirements .....	\$	6,884
Budget Receipts .....	\$	3,306
Budget Receipts to Date .....	\$	263,795
Expenses to Date .....	\$	262,361

### Memorial ...

**In memory of:** By Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hawkins, Jr. in memory of Stephanie Kirkley.

# CHURCH CALENDAR

## Sunday, May 26

9:30 am Bible Fellowship - Room 308  
 10:30 am Morning Worship - Sanctuary/Facebook

## Monday, May 27

Church Offices Closed

## Wednesday, May 29

6:30 pm Adult Bible Study - FLC  
 7:30 pm Chancel Choir - Choir Room

## Church Offices Close

The church offices will be closed this coming Monday for Memorial Day

## Prayer Concerns

Dean Baskins - Sylvia Baker - Reggy Gaddy  
 Katherine Cox - Ed Varney - Tex O'Neill  
 Nancy Thomas - Pauline Funderburk  
 Marty Sexton, husband of Marsha Sexton  
 Sharon Hardin, daughter of Evelyn Cassels  
 Ross Randgaard, brother of Carol Findley  
 Gary Clontz  
 Lisa Simpson, niece of Joey Forbes  
 Amy Jung, wife of Dr. Andy Jung  
 Randy Shute, son of Joy Shute  
 Gwen White, friend of Harvey/Diane Whitley  
 Beverly Miller, daughter of Carol & Sylvia Baker  
 Ted Baron, husband of a Sew Faithful Quilter  
 The leaders and people of Ukraine and Russia, and  
 for peace to replace war  
 For peace between Israel and Hamas

## Worship - Sunday, May 26 10:30 AM

Words of Welcome	Dr. Chris Dawson
Call to Worship	Dr. Chris Dawson
Gathering Music: "Spirit of the Living God"	
Scripture: Isaiah 6: 1-8	Dr. Chris Dawson
Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy!"	
Scripture: Romans 8: 12-17	Michelle Dawson
Sharing of Prayer Concerns	Michelle Dawson
Prayer for the People	Michelle Dawson
Lord's Prayer	
Hymn: "I Will Sing of My Redeemer"	
Centering Piece: "New Born Again"	Chancel Choir
Sermon Text: John 3: 1-17	Dr. Chris Dawson
Sermon	Dr. Chris Dawson
Prayer	Dr. Chris Dawson
Hymn: "Revive Us Again"	
Stewardship of Tithing and Fellowship	
Sending Song: "As We Leave"	
Closing Voluntary	Elaine Potter

## This Week's Committees

**Livestreaming Equipment for Worship:**  
 Tyler Holsonback

**Nursery:** Brittany Potter

**Ushers:** Kathy Cole, Lorey and Carolyn White

**Lay Leader:** Michelle Dawson

**Money Counter:** Susan Bales



## Steeple Views

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**Vision Statement:** "First Baptist Church Monroe exists to Love God, Love Within, and Love Beyond"