

**YOUTH CORNER**

Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone - youth to adults who helped with the MerleFest parking youth fundraiser. I appreciate each of you so much! The AMAZING AMOUNT OF \$9,075 was raised to help fund Passport and other opportunities for the youth. Thanks for seeing the importance of our youth!! We could not have done this without you!!

Passport Missions is June 7-11 at Lees-McRae College in Banner Elk. **Sunday, May 3** will be a meeting for all campers and parents. The meetings will be held at 9:30 a.m. or 12:15 p.m in the Wayland Hall - pick the best time for you. Attending camp this year are: Charlea Abrams, Lucas Lambert, Eli Sharp, Maddie Caudill, Ainsley Young, Camden Higginbotham, Blake Huffman, Reid Huskey, James Carlson, Grayce Mitchell, Henry Welborn, Noah Horton, Julian Parsons, Lake Carver, and Kellan Barton. Chaperones will be: Rod & Tammy Watts, Evan Zelensky and Patricia Turner. Our own Gwynnie Young will be a staffer that week. Send her some mail also. Mail for encouragement and support during the week is important. If you wish to send mail please mail no later than Sunday, May 31 so it arrives in time.

Campers Name, FBC North Wilkesboro  
PASSPORT missions at Lees-McRae College  
191 Main St. W  
Banner Elk, NC 28604

May is here. With the month of May our youth will begin their final days of school and testing. Please be in prayer for them during this month. Also speak words of encouragement to them. Also comes the end of another school year where some will enter into another grade and some will end their high school experience. Pray for all these youth and their families during these days of celebrations and transitions..

FBCNW will recognize 2 Youth graduates this year, as well as 4 college grads and 2 master and doctorate grads. We will congratulate them on May 17 as they share their stories in worship. Also the youth will be leading in worship on this day. Please pray for all of them as they prepare for this special service. Most importantly I pray you will be able to attend to support, encourage and worship as our youth lead. A luncheon for the high school graduates, their families and the youth will also be held following worship. Please remember to send the total number attending to Patricia by Sunday, May 10. Youth and Graduates will meet Wednesday, May 13 at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary for final preparation for worship.

Thank you for your continuous support of our FBCNW youth! It is so needed and felt for our youth!

Blessings,  
Patricia

**ATTENTION: GRADUATES**

Graduate and Youth Sunday is on **May 17th**, and we want to celebrate your special milestone! Please submit a **photo and brief bio** that includes:

- Your name, parents, grandparents, siblings
- The high school or college you are graduating from
- Your area of study
- Extracurricular activities and awards
- Your future plans

Send your write-up to **Patricia or Katie** as soon as possible. Also, please let **Rev. Patricia** know if you will be attending on May 17th so we can plan the processional. Congratulations to all of our graduates!

**FIRST KIDS**

Can you remember the last time you got lost in a really good book? The epic quests, daring escapes, and wild adventures make it hard to put down! While our lives might not include mythical creatures or fantastical lands, we're all part of an incredible adventure—following God and helping others do the same. Each week, kids will explore the amazing and true stories about Jesus that show us what it means to live for God. In this 5-week series, kids will discover the true story of how Jesus is always with us, God helps us be righteous, God hears us when we pray, the Holy Spirit gives us power, and God helps us share the good news.



**BIG IDEAS & BIBLE STORIES**

1. True story—Jesus is always with us. (Jesus Goes Up to Heaven: Acts 1:3–11; John 14:1–7)
2. True story—God helps us be righteous. (Ananias and Sapphira: Acts 4:32–5:10; 1 Peter 3:13–22)
3. True story—God hears us when we pray. (Peter's Miraculous Escape: Acts 12:1–17; Ephesians 1:15–23)
4. True story—The Holy Spirit gives us power. (Paul and Silas: Acts 2:1–12, 16:16–40)
5. True story—God helps us share the good news. (Paul and the Shipwreck: Acts 27:13–44; Matthew 28:16–20)

**FIRST KIDS PLAYERS**

We will be meeting on Wednesday, May 13th for our next session. We will continue working on our first production, "Fruits of the Spirit" We are so excited to move forward and begin creating something for everyone to enjoy. This group is for kids (6-11) who enjoy or would like to learn more about all that goes into a theater production! Youth and adults are welcome to join to assist our First Kids. This will be an original production from start to finish including the plot, lines, props, and stage direction. Please contact Jamie if you would like to participate or have any questions! (A background check is necessary if you are a first-time volunteer, and Jamie will send a link to a secure site for you to do this.)

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First Baptist Church  
of North Wilkesboro

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We showed our gratitude to multiple local agencies during our last Intergenerational Missions project on April 12! We delivered baskets of goodies!



**First Baptist Ministerial Staff**

Senior Pastor: Dr. Bert Young  
Associate Pastor: Rev. Patricia Turner  
Music Director: Larisa Leapley  
Children's Director: Jamie Higginbotham  
Pianist & Organist: Tammy Prevette

Faith. Friendship. Community.

*"There is a seat at the table  
for everyone at First Baptist"*

DR. BERT YOUNG

Take Me Out to the Ballgame!

### A Hickory Crawdads Baseball Game

On Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at L.P. Frans Stadium.

Gametime is 7:00pm.

We will leave the church at 5:30 (caravan)

There will be fireworks after the game!

Tickets are only \$7 per person if we get a group of 30.

Deadline to sign up (call Katie 336-838-5197) and pay your money is Sunday, May 10.

We will eat supper at the ballpark.



#### THANK YOU, CHURCH FAMILY!!

The members of the Necessary Battle/Steel Magnolias Relay for Life team would like to thank you all for making our SHRED-IT event a success! We had a wonderful turn out and are so appreciative of you all.



#### Welcome, New Member!



Brandy Triplett joined our church family on Sun., April 19.

Brandy: 336-452-2144

Email: brandytriplett85@gmail.com

1904 Windy Ridge Rd.  
North Wilkesboro, NC 28659

We are so glad to have you!

#### Worship with us at First Baptist

##### Regular Sunday Activities

9:15 am Library Open

9:45 am Sunday School/Bible Study  
all ages

11:00 am Worship Service

Nursery available ages birth to 3 years during Sunday School and Worship

\*\*4:30-6:30 pm Youth Group will meet for the final time before summer break on May 3. First Kids will also meet May 3, as well as meet one additional time before summer break, on Sun., May 17th from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

#### Weekly Activities (Unless Noted on Calendar)

Mondays: 12:30 p.m. Lunch Group-See Schedule

Wednesdays: 4:00 p.m. Bible Study Wayland Hall

6:00 p.m. Choir/Handbells Small Group and Rehearsal

2nd/4th Thursdays: 11:00 a.m. CareNet Alzheimer's/Dementia Caregiver Support Group-All Welcome

#### Graduation and Youth Sunday 2026 FBC Scholarship Awards

Join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of our 2026 graduates! We are so proud of each of these young ladies and men. Graduates will process into the sanctuary and the 2026 Scholarship will be presented to the recipients.

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##### SMALL GROUP CONTACTS

God created us for community, and at First Baptist, our small groups are a wonderful way to live that out. Come be a part of a group where you can grow in faith, share in fellowship, and support one another as we journey together in Christ.

**Nursing Home Visitation**---Contact Janet Atwood (336) 452-0008.

**Current Events**---Contact Nellie Archibald (336) 528-1898

**Sermon Discussion Group**---Contact Bert Young (910) 876-4247

**Trailblazers Hiking/Walking**---Wednesdays 9am, "John Henry Groce" Trail, Cub Creek by E-chargers. Contact Donna Greene (828) 381-3433

**Reading Between the Vines**---Group Contact Tiffany Young (910) 876-4616

**Lunch Group**---We will meet at 12:30 pm on Mondays. Contact Patricia Turner (704) 473-4644

**1st Monday:** The 50's, **2nd Monday:** Moravian Falls Grill, **3rd Monday:** Cagney's; **4th Monday:** Sagebrush

**Fishing Group**---Contact Bert Young (910) 876-4247

**Board/Card Games Group**---Contact Tory Norwood (336) 469-2441

**Poverty Book Study Group**---Group Contact: Gary Newman 336-902-0343

**Happy Wanderers Small Group**---Next Meeting at 3:30 p.m. in lg. conf. room. Contacts: Jerry Swaim (336) 262-2855 or (336) 818-1450 and Jim McRae (336) 981-7082

#### NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Nursery Volunteers Needed! If you are willing and able, please sign-up for one or two spots every 3 months. This would ensure that our nursery is covered, you get to play with some adorable little humans, and enjoy the company of our Ms. Racheal! Just click the "Nursery Volunteer Sign-Up" button on the church website!

So sweet,  
so small,  
so loved  
by all.

#### Financial Report & Donations to Enduring Gifts

##### Weekly Report April 19, 2026

Designated Receipts	\$ 553.00
Budget Receipts	\$ 9,079.17
Weekly Budget Needed	\$ 11,421.46
Budget Needed to Date	\$ 182,743.38
Budget Received to Date	\$ 152,508.66
<b>Budget Deficit</b>	<b>\$ (30,234.72)</b>

##### Memorials:

**In Memory of Bobby & LaNelle Elledge:**  
Given by Christy Rhoades

##### Memorials (Cont.):

**In Memory of James "Jim" Day:**  
Given by Larry & Edith Day, and Kirby & Carol Lowe

**In Memory of Roger Trivette:**  
Given by Todd & Tammy Trivette

**In Memory of Peggy Swofford:**  
Given by Bill & Martha Myers

**In Memory of Marcella Goodman:**  
Given by Janice Earp

##### Honorariums:

**In Honor of Larisa Leapley**  
Given by Christy Rhoades

## LIBRARY NEWS

### Attention Quilters and Readers

Stop by the library and enjoy reading fiction about the joy of quilting and the shared friendships it brings. Our new display also features quilting by Nell Brookshire (mother of Janet Atwood) If you love quilting and reading, you will enjoy our collection. Stop by and check it out!

### Spring Library Book Selection

**“All the Broken Places,”** by John Boyne

This is a historical fiction companion to *The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas*. It follows 91-year-old Gretel Fernsby in London as she confronts her past as the daughter of a Nazi commandant. Shifting between her post-war escape and her present, this time she can make a different choice than before-whatever the cost to herself.

### Mother’s Day Giveaway

The church library is giving away a beautiful "Woman of Faith" mixing bowl, to a favorite mom or woman of faith on Mother's Day Sunday. Stop by and enter the name for a chance to win. While you're there, visit the library and see the display featuring the bond of quilting in Christian fiction, as well as our other collection.

[Librarycat.org/lib/fbcnwlibrary](http://Librarycat.org/lib/fbcnwlibrary)



### Special Thank You

The Family of Roger Trivette would like to extend our sincere and heartfelt thanks for the many expressions of love shown to us during this time. We are deeply grateful for every call, visit, prayer, the meal provided by Meal Group number 6, and memorial donations. Your kindness, support, and compassion have been such a comfort to our family and have reminded us how blessed we are to be surrounded by such a loving church family and community. We will always be thankful for the love shown in memory of Roger.

Love, Linda

# May 2026

**\*Regular Sunday Activities**

9:15 a.m. Library Open  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School/Bible Study all ages  
 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

**\*\*Regular Wednesday Activities**

4:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study  
 6:00 p.m. Handbell/Choir Small Group and Choir Rehearsal (No Handbells rehearsal in May)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nursery Volunteers needed for June &amp; July!</b>                      Please sign up online or reach out to Jamie to be a part of this important Ministry.</p>					<p><b>1</b>                      Youth breakfast at The 50's 6:15am</p>	<p><b>2</b></p>
<p><b>3</b>                      *Regular activities                      Last day of evening First Kids/Youth 4:30-6:30pm</p>	<p><b>4</b>                      Packing boxes for Food Giveaway—5pm in room 305</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b>                      **Regular activities</p>	<p><b>7</b>                      CareNet Alzheimer's/ Dementia Caregiver Support Group 11am</p>	<p><b>8</b>                      Youth breakfast at The 50's 6:15am                      Relay for Life at Rotary Park 6pm</p>	<p><b>9</b>                      Deacons In-House Missions: Spring Food Giveaway Portico 9-11am</p>
<p><b>10</b>                      Mother's Day *Regular activities                      Last Day to Sign Up/ Pay for Crawdads                      Baseball game on 6/5</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>12</b>                      Finance Committee meets 2:30pm                      Executive Committee meets 4:00pm</p>	<p><b>13</b>                      **Regular activities                      Youth/Grad. Sunday Rehearsal 5:00pm                      First Kids Players 6:30-8:00pm</p>	<p><b>14</b> SAM Event 5:30 pm                      Greater Vision Baptist Church—Dinner and Faith River Cost: \$5                      RSVP by 5/11</p>	<p><b>15</b>                      Youth breakfast at The 50's 6:15am</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>
<p><b>17</b> Deacons meet 8:30am                      Bible Study 9:45am                      Youth/Graduate Sunday Communion will be observed during worship.                      Lunch for Youth, Graduates, and Families after worship.</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>	<p><b>19</b>                      Wilkes Central High School Choral Concert 7:30pm, Sanctuary                      All are welcome!</p>	<p><b>20</b>                      Final 4pm Bible Study before summer break                      **Regular choir activities</p>	<p><b>21</b>                      Wilkes Central Baccalaureate</p>	<p><b>22</b>                      Youth breakfast at The 50's 6:15am</p>	<p><b>23</b></p>
<p><b>24</b>                      *Regular activities</p>	<p><b>25</b>                      Memorial Day Church Office Closed</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b>                      Church Clean-Up 9am                      No Bible Study                      **Regular choir activities</p>	<p><b>28</b>                      Team "A" St. Paul's volunteers 9:30am                      CareNet Alzheimer's/ Dementia Caregiver Support Group 11am                      Book Club meets 1pm</p>	<p><b>29</b>                      Youth breakfast at The 50's 6:15am                      Katie 11-yrs. at FBC</p>	<p><b>30</b>                      Church Clean-Up Day 9am</p>
<p><b>31</b> Fifth Sunday Fellowship (No Bible Study), Worship 11 am</p>						

**Pray for end of year testing and projects for Children and Youth and School Staff!**

# First Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro

## May 2026 Worship Volunteers & Birthdays



	May 3	May 10	May 17	May 24	May 31
Ushers	Robert Greene's Team	Bill Myers Team	Tommy Caudill's Team	Frank Day's Team	Youth Group
SS Nursery	Ashley Davis	Linda Wehrmann	Gwynnie Young	Linda Wehrmann	5th Sunday Fellowship
Worship Nursery	Ashley Davis	Adena Greene	Ashley Davis	Susan Hagaman	Ashley Davis
SS Greeters	Jim & Marie Waddell	Brian Huffman; Mickey Leapley	David & Hilda Smith	Frank Day	Jerry & Diane Swaim
Worship Greeters	Annette Battle	Patricia Alexander	Patrick Smith	Marie Waddell	Brian Huffman
Visitor's Table	Pam Greene	TBD	Marie Waddell	Madelene Johnson	Martha Myers
Open Up	Danny Stanley	Danny Stanley	Danny Stanley	Danny Stanley	Danny Stanley
Lock Up	Mike Norwood; Anthony Davis	Mike Norwood; Anthony Davis	Mike Norwood; Anthony Davis	Mike Norwood; Anthony Davis	Mike Norwood; Anthony Davis

### May Birthdays

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| <b>May 2:</b> Rayne Mae Higginbotham<br>Martha Osborne  | <b>May 10:</b> Dr. Bert Young   | <b>May 21:</b> Mary Ann Norwood                              |
| <b>May 3:</b> Ronnie Osborne  | <b>May 15:</b> Matthew Call   | <b>May 22:</b> Charles Felts<br>Edward Garvin                |
| <b>May 7:</b> Sheryl Lowe   | <b>May 17:</b> Pat Handy  | <b>May 25:</b> Sara Caudill<br>Rev. Patricia Turner          |
| <b>May 8:</b> Brittany Martin<br>Lily Kate Young  | <b>May 19:</b> Ann Dorsett<br>Bobby Province<br>Diane Swaim           | <b>May 27:</b> Marcia Conley<br>Kelly Dodge<br>Logan Osborne |
| <b>May 9:</b> Gracie Bare<br>Aileen Bentley<br>Len Brooks<br>Erica Marsh<br>Tami Dearman Newton | <b>May 20:</b> Joe Brooks<br>Lisa Lentz<br>Jim McRae<br>Tyler Norwood | <b>May 28:</b> David Johnston                                |



### June Birthdays

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| <b>June 1:</b> Hayes Necessary                    | <b>June 12:</b> Mona McRae          | <b>June 26:</b> Larry Glass  |
| <b>June 2:</b> Ryan Johnson                       | <b>June 14:</b> Caroline Williams   | <b>June 27:</b> Patricia Alexander<br>Sandy Day<br>Maggie Hagaman<br>Anabelle Higginbotham |
| <b>June 3:</b> Irmie Drum                         | <b>June 15:</b> Bert Greene         | <b>June 29:</b> Fred Graf<br>Chloe Hincer  |
| <b>June 5:</b> Loir Walsh                         | <b>June 16:</b> Frank Bright        | <b>June 30:</b> Carolyn Carpenter  |
| <b>June 6:</b> Carolyn Ashworth<br>Linda Trivette | <b>June 17:</b> Joseph Newton       |  |
| <b>June 8:</b> Annette Battle<br>Elodie Marsh     | <b>June 18:</b> Ashley Davis        |  |
| <b>June 9:</b> Trey Martin                        | <b>June 19:</b> Aurora Higginbotham |  |
| <b>June 11:</b> Grey Roope                        | <b>June 21:</b> Gordon Miller, III  |  |
|   | <b>June 22:</b> Sandra Elledge      |  |
|   | <b>June 24:</b> Helen Elledge       |  |