



The Messenger

First Baptist Church Hilton Head Island • June 2018



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Sunday, June 3

New Sunday School Class for College and Professional Adults

Begins Sunday, June 3, 9:15 a.m. - 12:15 a.m., Children's Building, Room #7

Sunday School Quarterly Teacher Training

Sunday, June 3 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Children's Building, Room #8

All Sunday School teachers are welcome to attend!



Two Summer Music Ministry Educational Opportunities!

1. **Summer Handbell Camp** - will meet every Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the Choir Room during the months of June and July. Open to youth and adults who are interested in learning how to ring handbells and handchimes as a part of the Handbell Ministry. No previous experience or music-reading ability is required.

2. **An Introduction to Sight Singing** - will meet every Wednesday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:20 p.m. in the Choir Room during the months of June, July and August. Open to youth and adults who are interested in learning to read music and/or improving their music reading skills through singing.

If you are interested in either one of these opportunities, please contact Richard Wade at the church office at 843-785-4478 to express your interest in participating this summer.

40th Week of Champions

Thank you to the many FBCHHI volunteers who have made this annual community event possible once again.

Week of Champions



If you would like to volunteer for the Week of Champions, put this information into your web browser and follow the directions on the web page.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0b4daea92caaff2-volunteer>

Come "Celebrate" 40 years of the Week of Champions!

The Week of Champions invite you to our "Dessert Night" for Week of Champions. It will be held on **Tuesday, June 5th**, from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. at in the Family/Student Center of First Baptist Church Hilton Head Island. We will be celebrating the wonderful work of Gary and Wanda Wetherington who started this amazing

ministry 40 years ago. God has kept His hand on this camp and even when times were tough, He provided! All of the professional athletes and coaches will be there with their families. There will be music, time for testimonies, a mini-sermon from our dear friend, Derrick Moore, and wonderful fellowship time!

Vacation Bible School Leader's Meeting

Sunday, June 10, 2018

Immediately following the morning worship service in the Family Life Center Multi-purpose Room. Lunch will be provided.



Happy Father's Day! Sunday, June 17

Annual Missions Sunday

Sunday, June 24, 2018

9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

All adult Sunday School Classes are to meet in the Sanctuary because the classrooms are decorated for VBS. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Jairy Hunter. Details are on page 5.

Vacation Bible School

Monday - Friday, June 25 - 29, 2018

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon



Both children attending and volunteers can register via our website at www.fbchhi.org. Click on the Ministries Tab>Children's Ministries>Vacation Bible School. This page will have information about this year's Vacation Bible School. Scroll down the page to this link: <https://kideventpro.lifeway.com/myChurch/?id=45897>. Select Volunteer Registration or Participant Registration, and complete the form.

From the Pastor...

Dear Church Family,

I want to thank you so much for the way you have accepted and welcomed our family into yours. We have felt so loved and appreciated in our first few weeks here with you, from our children's Sunday School teachers to committees I have the opportunity to sit in during meetings. So, thank you from the depths of our hearts for your love, affection, and prayers as we settle in here on Hilton Head Island.

Pray for Fallen Leaders

I am heart-broken at the news as of late reporting church leaders who have misstepped and fallen morally. Some of these men have been incredible instruments to help shift the Southern Baptist Convention toward conservative values. Their missteps do not erase all the good they have done, and I encourage you to pray for them as they heal and learn from their mistakes and prepare to be used by God in other ways in the future. I am reminded of the words I preached just a few weeks ago from James that there is a very real temptation within our flesh to be "baited" away toward sin. I encourage you all to never think that you are somehow above failing morally. I'm sure that these men never planned to misstep. So, stay contrite, stay close, and stay clean.

Busy Summer

We have a very busy summer kicking off now, full of ministry and outreach opportunities, and we need all hands on deck as we take this wonderful season of opportunity to make disciples who, in turn, make disciples. This is a wonderful opportunity to put into practice what we are studying on Sunday mornings, as James challenges us to put our faith to work as we communicate the Gospel and seek to glorify God with our lives.

Week of Champions, Vacation Bible School and Youth

Coming up, we have the Week of Champions June 4-8, and our *Game On* Vacation Bible School June 25-29. All the surveys and statistics tell us that most people accept Christ when they are children, so these children's camps are incredible opportunities for us to reach and raise the next generation to love and to serve God. This newsletter will tell how you can plug in with either of these ministries. However, we all can do something to help...as we have these families visit the church in the weeks following these ministries, let's do a good job welcoming them into our family. Don't fall into the mentality of "Well we have so

many vacationers that we don't know who is local and who is not." Everyone needs to feel welcomed into the family of God, Everyone needs to feel welcomed into the family of God, including members, snowbirds, visitors, one-week vacationers, and locals looking for a church home.

The youth will also be holding a youth camp on the island this year, as they could not manage to line up their normal camp with their busy summer schedules. So, they have an exciting few days planned for July 19-22 as they camp out here in our buildings, minister to the needy, worship together, study Scripture, and have fun. The Becks, Heddons, and Cals are heading up this weekend, so ask one of them how you might get involved and minister to our youth during this event.

Summer Music Ministry Opportunities

Richard Wade has several opportunities for you to plug into our worship ministry, as we seek to expand many of these teams and ministries. See those opportunities in his article in this month's Messenger.

Live Sent!

Finally, I want to encourage you to Live Sent! Understand that our sovereign God has you where you are for a purpose. As you dine out, as you play, as you work, and in whatever you do seek to live sent, on mission for God. We will never see the growth that is possible in our church or in God's Kingdom if we are not living on mission for Him. So, as you wake up each day and spend time with the Father, choose to give that day to Him, asking Him to guide your steps and give you opportunities to be salt and light to those you encounter. As you come across people, notice the color of their eyes. If you are more focused on getting a task done than ministering to people, you will never notice the color of their eyes. To notice a person's eye color, you have to actually see them. So slow down and see people. Don't miss opportunities to minister to people because you are trying to complete the task. Study Christ's prayer in John 17 and answer this: If Christ had not yet gone to the cross, and yet could pray that He had finished the task that God gave Him, then could it be that the cross was not the sole reason He came? Could it be that discipling people was, at a minimum, a great part of His task? That's not at all to minimize what He did on the cross, but just to say that the effect of what He did on the cross was maximized because of the evangelism and discipleship investment He made in people; and by the way, it still is. Now, WE get to take part in maximizing His glory as we make more people aware of what Christ has done for them.

Enjoying the journey,
Brett Myers

From the Music Ministry...

I recently read an interesting, music-related devotional in Daily Guideposts by a contributor named Gail Thorell Schilling. During this particular season of the year, as we are seeking to find new prospects to join our Sanctuary Choir family, I thought it was very appropriate and timely. In the hope that it may speak to some of you who may have been “holding out” on us by not joining the choir yet, I would like to share this brief devotional writing with you.



As a little kid, I would swing on my swing over the garden and belt out songs from “Jambalaya” to “Jingle Bells.” We lived far out in the country, so no one heard me. I sang for pure joy. Over the years, I’ve sung hundreds of lullabies to my children and later learned to read music well enough to join choirs. My joy surged exponentially. By my forties, I had developed enough confidence to sing solos, mostly at church and for weddings and funerals.

Now a retiree, I had been back in New Hampshire from my month-long winter sojourn in Florida and still hadn’t rejoined the church choir, opting to curl up with a book on my couch. Nor had I picked out, much less practiced, a song for the church musical fund-raiser. As for the invitation to sing with the faculty choir for commencement, well....

I might have contented myself with just singing in the shower until my friend Robin roused me from my lethargy. As we left church together, there in the stairwell I burst into the “Wishing Well” song from Snow White.

“How do you do that? You just open your mouth and that comes out! That’s your gift, Gail. You need to sing more. If you didn’t, you’d be selfish.”

Selfish? My gift, it seems, isn’t just for me. Guess who went to choir practice this week and signed up for the faculty choir? Now I need only find a song for that musical.

We are admonished in Scripture to use our gifts for the work of the Kingdom – to glorify God through service to Him. I believe that sharing the gift of music with God’s people is a privilege and a high calling – one that should not be taken lightly. And when it comes to sharing our “light” with others, whether that be in the community or in the life of our local church, may we not be found “hiding it under a bushel.”

Singing for the Savior,
Richard



Join the Sanctuary Choir for the Summer



Summer is a good time to try singing in our Sanctuary Choir. We don’t use robes and the music is easy. We want you to give it a try. You are invited to rehearsal on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m..

An Introduction to Sight Singing

You are invited to join a music class that will meet every Wednesday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:20 p.m. in the Choir Room during the months of June, July and August. Open to youth and adults who are interested in learning to read music and/or improving their music-reading skills through singing.

Learn to Play Handbells This Summer



Richard Wade will be holding a weekly workshop this summer for handbells. Adults and youth from 6th grade and older are invited to attend once a week on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m., in the Music Suite, for an hour each session. If you have ever wanted to learn how to play handbells, this is a great opportunity.

Contact Richard Wade at 843-785-4478 for more information about either of these music ministry opportunities.



FBCHHI's Vacation Bible School Is Headed Our Way



Monday - Friday
June 25 - 29
9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

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All VBS Volunteers are asked to attend a meeting about VBS after the worship service on Sunday, June 10, in the Family Life Center and will include lunch.

Please call Wendy Gudz to let her know you will attend at 843-422-1723.



GEAR UP 2 PETER 1:3 GET READY GAME ON



Congratulations to Our High School and College Graduates



High School Grads: Alex Davis, Chloe Kelley, Matthew Rasmussen, Olivia Workman, College Grads: Drew Davis and Rachel Wade
Also pictured: Kim Davis, standing in for Drew Davis; Heidi Beck, Youth Leader; and Rev. Brett Myers, Pastor

Summer Missions at FBCHHI

Annual Missions Sunday, June 24 during the Sunday School Hour in the Sanctuary at 9:15 AM

Dr. Jairy Hunter, from Charleston Southern University, will be with us on Sunday, June 24, as guest speaker for our annual Missions Sunday. Mission Sunday always falls on the Sunday before the first day of Vacation Bible School because Sunday School classrooms across the campus are already set up for the children who will be attending VBS. This gives our church family a great way to understand more about the mission work of our church or to hear from a missionary or guest speaker. This year, we welcome Dr. Jairy Hunter, who has just recently retired, as our Missions Sunday Guest Speaker, President of Charleston Southern University.

Beginning June 1, 2018, Dr. Jairy Hunter will have transitioned from being the President of Charleston Southern University to President Emeritus after 34 years of service. As President Emeritus, he will provide consulting and assistance in key areas such as strategic planning, external relations, resource development, enrollment and financial affairs. Additionally, he will continue to teach in the Graduate School of Business.



Dr. Jairy Hunter

May Mission Project

God's Gift Baby Bottle

Money was collected in baby bottles for the Pregnancy Center and Clinics of the Lowcountry during the month of May.

The total of the proceeds will be reported after the Pregnancy Center has a chance to count the money from the bottles.

We must return all the baby bottles - empty or full. If you have not returned your baby bottle, please do so soon, so they can use them again without having to spend any money on more baby bottles.

Thank you to everyone who supported this annual mission project and please pray for all the babies that will be helped by your generous donations.



Mission Trip to Calgary, Canada



Photo of children at the camp operated with FBCHHI Volunteers last summer in Calgary, Canada

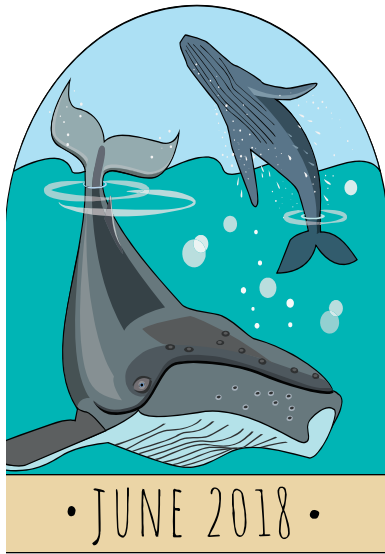
Our church has scheduled another mission trip to Calgary, Canada, this summer. As in the past two summers, we will send a mission team to help with some outreach camps for children. The dates for the trip are July 28 through August 4, 2018. We ask that you keep our Mission team in your prayers for a safe trip and more importantly, that their witness will touch many lives for Christ while there.



Financial Statement

Year-to-Date Budget Receipts Goal thru 04/30/2018	\$316,727
Year-to-Date Receipts thru 04/30/2018	\$316,180
Year-to-Date Expenses 04/30/2018	\$242,953
Budget Receipts Goal for May 2018	\$74,524
Month-to-Date Receipts thru 05/28/2018	\$74,839
Month-to-Date Expenses thru 05/26/2018	\$120,108**

**Annual Property & Worker's Comp Insurance Paid



Sunday, June 3 *Regular Sunday Worship Schedule*
 9:15 AM - New College and Young Professionals Sunday School Class Begins, Children's Building, Rm #7
 10:30 AM - Mission Moment during the Worship Service, Week of Champions Athlete, Derek Moore
 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM - Sunday School Teachers Training, Children's Building, Rm #7

June 4 - 8
 Tuesday, June 5 **Week of Champions**, Various Workshops, Various Locations on the Island
 10:00 AM - Summer Handbells Camp Begins, Music Suite
 12:00 PM - Administrative Council Meeting, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM - Dessert Party for Week of Champions, Family/Student Building

Wednesday, June 6 5:00 PM - Deacons' Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #7
Summer Wednesday Night Schedule
 5:30 PM - Music Sight Reading Class, Music Suite
 6:30 PM - Adult Bible Study, Family Life Center, Rm #4
 6:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite

Sunday, June 10 *Regular Sunday Schedule*
 11:45 AM - Vacation Bible School Leaders Meeting, Lunch Provided, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room

Tuesday, June 12 10:00 AM - Summer Handbells Camp, Music Suite
 12:00 Noon - Personnel Committee Meeting, Church Library

Wednesday, June 13 4:00 PM - Missions Committee Meeting
Summer Wednesday Night Schedule
 5:30 PM - Music Sight Reading Class, Music Suite
 6:30 PM - Adult Bible Study, Family Life Center, Rm #4
 6:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite

Sunday, June 17 **Happy Father's Day**
Regular Sunday Schedule

Tuesday, June 19 10:00 AM - Summer Handbells Camp, Music Suite
 4:30 PM - Building and Grounds Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2

Wednesday, June 20 *Summer Wednesday Night Schedule*
 5:30 PM - Music Sight Reading Class, Music Suite
 6:30 PM - Adult Bible Study, Family Life Center, Rm #4
 6:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite

Sunday, June 24 *Regular Sunday Schedule with ONE EXCEPTION*
9:15 AM - 10:15 AM - Missions Sunday
All Adult Sunday School classes will meet together in the Sanctuary because the classrooms in the Sunday School rooms are decorated for Vacation Bible School which begin Monday.
Dr. Jairy Hunter will be the guest speaker.

June 25 - June 29 **9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon - Vacation Bible School, Monday - Friday, Begins in the Sanctuary and continues throughout the campus. Pick up children from the Family Life Center classrooms at noon.**

Tuesday, June 26 **No Handbell Camp due to Vacation Bible School**

Wednesday, June 27 *Summer Wednesday Night Activities*
 5:30 PM - Music Sight Reading Class, Music Suite
6:30 PM - Adult Bible Study, Family Life Center, will meet in the Sanctuary instead of the Family Life Center
 6:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite

Sunday, July 1 **Patriotic Sunday - Regular Sunday Schedule**

Staff

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Summer Sunday Schedule

8:15 AM - 8:45 AM - Open Prayer Time and Devotional, Family Life Center, Room #7
 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM - Coffee Fellowship Time, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM - Sunday School For All Ages, Various Buildings
 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM - Worship Service, Sanctuary

Tuesday

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM - Handbell Camp, Music Suite

Wednesday Night Schedule

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM - Introduction to Sight Singing, Music Suite
 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite
 Open to anyone who would like to join our choir for the summer months or anyone who would like to just try singing with the choir to see if you would like to join permanently
 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Adult Bible Study in the Family Life Center, Room #4
 Will meet in the Sanctuary on June 27.