

The Tidings

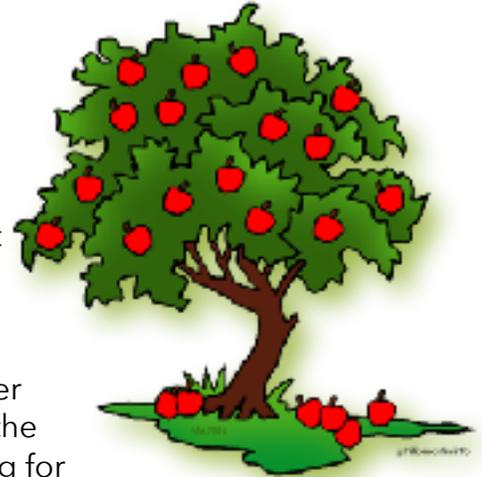
FBC's monthly newsletter

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This Summer: Adam & Eve & the Trees

10 am Summer Worship begins Sunday, June 17

In 1895, Elizabeth Cady Stanton published *The Woman's Bible*, in which she examined classic scriptural stories, placed them in their historical context, and attacked the religious orthodoxy of her time that strove to keep some people subordinate to others. When she took on the story of the first people in the garden, eating from the forbidden tree and setting in motion the "sin" story that has defined (still!) so much of Christian thought, she wrote that if we could get to a better understanding of that story, we might finally be able to "exonerate the snake, emancipate the woman, and reconstruct a religion" more fitting for our time. A lofty goal . . . but that's what we're after this summer in worship at FBC. We'll be reading from the earliest parts Genesis, considering the myriad interpretations of this story and their consequences, and seeing how it might speak to questions and issues we face today. And we'll have a special brown bag lunch series in July where, with the help of artists and scholars, we'll delve into some fascinating details about these stories that we just won't have time for within the worship service. We hope you'll join us for this summer in the Garden!



Our Focus on **BUILDING COMMUNITY** continues!

Events planned each month are designed to deepen our relationships with one another and our community. All are welcome! Join in, bring family and friends as we reach out together to our neighbors near and far. Please mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

Friday, June 1
7:30 pm (Social Event)
Organ Concert

Renowned organist Heidi Kohne will present a concert whose pieces have been carefully selected to "show off" the capacity of FBC's 1929 organ. Come for an evening sure to delight your ears!

Saturday, June 16
9 am - 12 n (Service Event)
A Family Place Work Day

We'll spend the morning working at the Transitional Treatment Recovery Service houses, which are addiction rehab shelters here in McMinnville. AFP serves a number of children & families from these homes. The backyards are connected so our whole group will be in the same area. We hope you will join us!

Saturday,
June 23
2 pm to dusk
(Social Event)

Picnic at Proposal Rock!
on the beach at Neskowin
Bring a picnic, blankets and chairs, and a beach game to share. SGM will provide Smore's and wood for a camp fire. Come for a fun time with your church family!



Financial Report: January - April, 2018

June 2018

	Actual for Period	% of Amount Budgeted
Contributions Income:	\$107,660	102.5%
Total Income:	\$121,487	101.4%
Total Expenses:	\$117,494	98.0%
Net Income:	\$ 3,993	

Financial update --

It will be very helpful to have a positive net income as we move in to the summer months. We appreciate your faithful support of our FBC ministries. If you have any questions, please contact Don Watson, Treasurer (503-510-2816, donjw@comcast.net)

-- Finance Team, Roger Dell, Judee Kunze, Jane Apel, & Don Watson, treasurer

Special Church Meeting - Sunday, June 10, 2018 - after the 9 am & 11 am worship service, in the sanctuary. A short congregational business meetings for the Church Board to give an overview and hand out copies of proposed revisions to the Bylaws and Constitution.

Church Board Notes for June:

In my last few Tidings notes about the Church Board I've been describing proposed organizational changes. These revisions have involved substantial changes to the Bylaws and some minor (name changes) to the Constitution. The proposal includes keeping 13 members on the Church Board with revisions from four Council Chairs and four At-Large positions to six Ministry Team Leaders and two At-Large positions.

The Church Board will be holding two short business meetings on June 10, immediately following the 9:00 am & 11:00 am worship services, in the Sanctuary. There will be a few Power Point slides to give an overview of the proposed changes and printed copies of the changes available for folks to take home to review. If you are unable to attend one of the

business meetings on June 10, there will be printed copies of the proposed changes available in the Church Office beginning Monday June 11.

At the June 13 Church Board meeting, members will be finalizing the agenda for the Semi-Annual Meeting on June 24, including nominations for open board positions, election of the Church Board, a recommendation to bring the proposed revisions to the Bylaws/Constitution for congregational vote, and, like we always do at our June meetings, reports on the engaging programs and ministries of our church.

A Recap: See meetings noted above & below.

Thanks in advance for your presence at these meetings. As always, let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully, SusanChambers, Moderator



SEMI ANNUAL MEETING of the Congregation

Sunday, June 24, 2018 - 11:00 am

(after the 10 am Worship service, in the sanctuary)

Semi-Annual Meeting: To vote on proposed changes to the Bylaws/Constitution, nominations & election of Church Board members, and to hear reports of programs and ministries.



Sunday Worship Highlights

June 2018

June 3, June 10 - 9 & 11 am services / June 17, June 24 - 10 am service

*FBC is a Matthew 25 church, inspired by the words of Jesus,
"Whatever you do unto the least of my sisters & brothers, you do unto me."*

9 am-12 pm - Nursery care for Infants through Preschool

June 3 **Communion Sunday / 11 am Graduate Recognition Sunday**
"Calls and Answers"

1 Samuel 3:1-10; Rev. Erika Marksbury preaching

June 10 **"Coming to Life"**

Ezekiel 37:1-14; Rev. Erika Marksbury preaching

◆ **10 am - Combined Summer Worship service begins** ◆

June 17 **Father's Day**
"Back to the Garden"

Genesis 2:4b-25, Rev. Erika Marksbury preaching

June 24 **"Taken from Each Other"**

Genesis 2:4b-25, Rev. Erika Marksbury preaching

Thoughts from Pastor Erika

On May 6, the staff and board of FBC hosted a luncheon for those who have been members of this church for 50 years or more. There were 27 people on the invite list, whose combined years of membership totaled more than 1600!

On the tables were some conversation prompts. One of them asked, "What brought you to FBC, and what has kept you here all these years?" I was lucky enough to overhear some of the answers shared to these questions, and my favorite was when Anne Engen tugged on Mickey Howard's sleeve as Mickey was headed out the door, and said to her, "You're the reason I'm still here. Did I ever tell you that?"

Mickey looked surprised, so Anne reminded her that decades ago, when Anne's children were young and restless and she worried about the noise they'd make during prayers, or the fidgeting they'd do in the pews, she retrieved her mail one day and there was a card from Mickey. And Mickey had written Anne just to tell

her how glad she was that Anne and her family had found FBC, and how delighted she was by Anne's children. As Anne talked, Mickey began to remember that small kindness she'd performed so long ago, but

it was clear she'd thought of it as just that - a reaching out to extend some friendliness, nothing out of the ordinary.

And I was struck, listening to the two of them, at how (of course, again) the little things just really, truly, aren't. A moment of thoughtfulness, maybe a twenty-two-cent stamp, let someone know that she was welcome, helped

someone feel she was beloved, created a space for someone that she and her family could call sanctuary for their lives. I'm full of good intentions for things like this. Listening to Anne share with Mickey reminded me of the life-changing difference it could make if I acted on those good intentions. And it made me wonder: what are the (not-so-) small ways we, as a congregation, can offer that kind of assurance of welcome to all we encounter?





**Sean P. Williams,
Children &
Youth Minister**

For a few days at the end of April, I attended the Movies & Meaning Experience in Asheville, NC. While there, I watched multiple films - films about children discovering their potential, the history of Northern Ireland, people living in true community with one another, rehabilitation work in prisons, an ordinary man who used TV to do extraordinary things, and more. Before and after each movie, we were blessed to hear from the directors, writers, theologians, poets, authors, and supporters who helped make, and were passionate about the messages of, these films. In addition to having multiple remarkable films to recommend, I was reminded of the power the big (or little) screen has to build community and bring about social change in our lives, and world.

I'll be thinking about and working on meaningful ways for our FBC community to engage with these and other films, as a continuation of our work to tell stories, gather around art and activism, invest in dialogue across boundaries, and hopefully be a part of building a better world.

Thank you, First Baptist Church, for all the personal and professional support, and for making the resources available to allow me to have this experience.

Erika Marksbury, Senior Pastor - In mid-April, I attended my third Women Pastors' Colloquium, this time in San Diego. The colloquium is an annual gathering where participants generate the content, always centered on a particular theme. This year's theme was Sabbath, and our time together reflected a sense of sacred rest, remembrance, healing, and wholeness. We immersed ourselves in the Jewish story of Sabbath, engaged in sensory-rich worship, and shared stories of how congregations we've been a part of have observed Sabbath in ways that have brought them delight, blessing, or transformation. I look forward to sharing some of those ideas, and maybe borrowing some of those practices, with you all.

The colloquium is always helpful and inspiring to me, because pastors come from all over the country and from all kinds of ministry contexts. Some have been pastoring for 30 years and have a wealth of wisdom to share. Some come from churches a lot like ours and their stories resonate with me. Some are just beginning journeys we've already taken, so I'm able to share with them from our experience. It is an honor to go, carrying all I'm learning from you, and to come back, hopeful that I can share with you what I learn while I'm with them.

I'm thankful to FBC for allocating resources for the continuing education of its staff, and I'm hopeful that this is an investment that benefits all of us. I appreciate it so much.

JP Bierly, Music Minister - January 27, I attended a one-day choral reading session. I've attended this reading session several times over the years and found it to be a valuable event, in terms of discovering new anthems for the choir (you've heard some of them this spring) and it gives me an opportunity to speak to my colleagues from other congregations and get a sense for what they are doing in their churches.

There is always a clinician for the session and they are always authors of choral music themselves. I feel like by attending and talking about the fun things that we have going on here at FBC, about the challenges that we face, and about the music that we create, we are sharing that knowledge with churches locally and nationally.

Thank you for supporting my own continued choral education.

It helps to inspire and refresh my spirit.

Get to Know FBC's Newest Member: Frances Huff

I live twelve miles outside of McMinnville in Sheridan. I like living there because we have a river that runs through town where I walk down and throw rocks with my family. We have a coffee shop managed mostly by volunteer youth (my brother works there). I love having friends over and walking to the coffee shop on Saturday mornings with them. We have tennis courts at the end of my street that I like playing at occasionally. The best part about where we live is that a parade comes right passed our house every summer! We have a big cookout and friends stop by to chat as the floats and marching bands go by in front of our house. My Dad will walk out to the floats and give them food right off the grill and they love it, all the while tossing candy off the floats for my brothers, cousins and I to scoop up! It is a great place to call home.

I value honestly, loyalty, my family and my faith. I always try hard to do the right thing for others as well as myself. In my free time I enjoy, volleyball, track (100, 200 and long jump), drawing, writing, reading, and music. I have been involved at FBC in the following ways: youth group, lock out, winter camp, singing and speaking at service. I look forward to being old enough to go on the Mexico Mission. I enjoy the diversity within FBC; I love that all are welcome and all are treated equally.



Mission Moments



During May you may have noticed lots of blue ribbons and pinwheels around the county, publicizing National Child Abuse Prevention. Those were put out by Juliette's House - the community agency that since 1997 works with abused children, where they are seen or assessed for what has actually happen to them and what treatment plan can be developed to help them and their non-offending family members begin to heal and move on in their lives. They work with over 200 cases a year and help these families for up to a year, working collaboratively with Law Enforcement, the DA's office, Child Protective Services, and amazing community service partners to ensure that each child is safe and has every opportunity to heal.

Juliette's House also provides a wide variety of abuse prevention education programs to help stem the tide of abuse and serious neglect. Often they work in schools; it takes a two-year cycle to hit every one in the county at least once. In that time they educate up to 10,000 students, parents and educators! There is more extensive trainings for families and for adults, as well as workshops on issues like cyber bullying or what is safe behavior on the Internet. Juliette's House continues to build new bridges to reach every potential audience with the message that **together WE CAN PREVENT CHILD ABUSE!**

Juliette's House continues to promote this broad spectrum of services and campaigns - yet, none of this is possible without extraordinary volunteers and donors, like this church. We are very proud to say that \$.86 on the dollar of donations goes directly to programs, which keeps all our programs free of charge. Thanks for your support and please let me know if you have any questions. - Russell Mark

More details on their website -
www.julietteshouse.org.



Cultivating Leaders Equipping Disciples Healing Communities

Your JUNE America for Christ offering will make life-changing impact through ministries & resources that vitalize our congregations & communities across the United States & Puerto Rico.



Mylinda Baits is our Global Minister through International Ministries of American Baptist Churches USA.

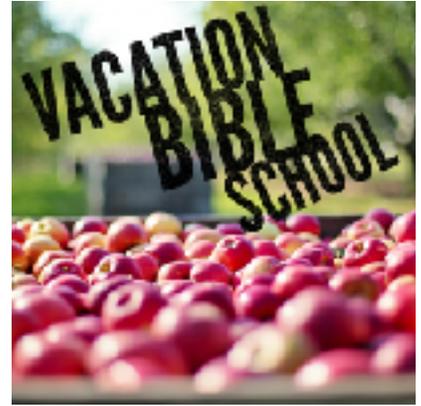
She has recently been to Cuba and Kenya. Mylinda brings training in Peacemaking through the Arts to all parts of the globe. During her Cuba visit she wrote of a personal transforming experience while modeling healing and reconciliation during the workshop.

Mylinda writes: "For the generous gifts that made these moments possible, I am grateful! For the prayers and renewed purpose in peacemaking, I am grateful! For your courage to learn, grow and change for grace and for good, I am grateful! For your prayers as I head to Kenya for Healing Arts Trainings this week, I am depending and grateful!"

FBC is grateful for Mylinda's faith and actions in our peacemaking partnership!



Do you like to knit? Would you like to learn? **Do you know about FBC's KnitWits?** The KnitWits meet every Thursday 9:30-11:30 am and the First & Third Tuesday, 7:00-9:00 pm. We knit and crochet and donate hats, scarves, prayer shawls, prayer squares, hand warmers, baby hats, sweaters, & other things that might appeal. We encourage each other, learn from each other, solve the world's problems, and love each other. We always have room for one more. -- Gina Foster



Graduate Recognition
at the 11 am worship service
honoring all high school & college graduates

Summer Parents Meeting
following the 11 am worship service
lower level rooms #101/#102
lunch provided, childcare available

FINAL Youth Group
5-6:30pm @ FBC
messy games night, come prepared to get dirty

JUNE 10
End of School Family Gathering
5-6:30 pm at Parkview

JUNE 20: Hiking for Children/Youth

JUNE 24: Youth Trip to Portland
Camp Arrah Wanna Summer Camps
High School: *July 9-13*
Middle School & Elementary:
July 23-27
All Church Campout: July 20-22

**Where Faith Grows
and Hungry People Are Fed!**

For VBS this summer we are doing Year Two: New Testament of the Abundance Orchard curriculum from the Society of St. Andrew! It's all about God's abundant, and often unexpected, welcome.

We hope you will join us August 6-10 (including Friday!) from 9am to noon each day @ FBC.
Online registration will begin soon.

Sunday Mornings @ FBC
JUNE 2018

JUNE 3 & 10

NURSERY: Infants through Preschool, FBC Nursery, 9am-12pm

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Children (Kindergarten to 5th Grade)
10-10:50am, Second Floor Children's Classroom

YOUTH & PARENTS: NO Classes in June

WORSHIP @ 11AM: *Children* June 3 - Full Worship Service

June 10 - Children's Chapel (after Children's Story)

Youth Sit with your family or other youth in the balcony

JUNE 17 & 24

NURSERY: Infants through Preschool, FBC Nursery, 9:30am-11:30am

SUNDAY SCHOOL: NO Sunday School for the Summer

WORSHIP @ 10AM: *Children & Youth* - Stay in the Sanctuary for the Full Worship Service

LUNCH ON CAMPUS - Wednesday, June 6 at McMinnville High School

COMMUNICATION

Email: Email sean@fbcmac.org to be added to our weekly enews list

Text: Via Remind, text @seanpw to the number 81010 for updates

Facebook: Join us at FBC McMinnville KIDS and FBC McMinnville Youth

Instagram: Follow us at @fbcmacyouth

Small Group Opportunities

"For where two or more come together in my name, there am I with them." –Matthew 18:20

Meditation Practice

2nd Floor Meditation Room
Every Wednesday @ 12:00 noon
Using silent Christian Prayer & Buddhist Traditions
Contact: Lynn 503-472-8196

Hiking Group



Saturday, June 16 - 8:30 am,
meet at the church to carpool.
Destination: Hiking at the COAST
Great FUN - Good Exercise - Exciting locations!
Contact: Gloria LaFata, 503-931-4846,
glowml1@gmail.com

AM Knit Wits

Every Thursday
9:30 am
Contact: Linda,
971-237-6828



PM Knit Wits

Tuesdays,
June 5 & 19
7 pm - Contact: Gina,
971-237-2789

Together Works



LGBTQ monthly gatherings
2nd & 4th Mondays (Fireplace Room)
Mark your calendar for these fun summer events!
June 11, 7pm - **Pride prep and planning**
June 25, 7pm - **Game Night**
July 9, 7pm - **Movie Night**
July 23, 7pm - **Group Birthday Party**
Social & Educational time together, fun & food
Contact: deerocksmoore@gmail.com, 971-241-8256

Gluten Free Friends Gatherings

Monthly Support Group meeting
1st **Saturday, June 2 - 9:30-11am**
June topic: Tips for making gluten free bread
Contact: Barbara Burr, 971-241-6112
barbaracoleburr@gmail.com

Get ready for the FBC summer CAMPOUT! Sign-Up for your space -
Every SUNDAY starting June 3rd - at the CAMP Table in the Gathering Room.

SOUTH BEACH STATE PARK July 20-22, 2018

Be sure to mark your calendars!
For more information, contact Dave King
kaveding@earthlink.net



Thanks to all the volunteers who showed up and pitched in at May's Building Community service event partnering with Habitat for Humanity. That house on Turner Way is taking shape, thanks (in part) to you! Look for another partnership with Habitat coming this fall.



JUNE at FBC

June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 9-10:30a - STAR 7:30 pm - Pipe Organ Concert	2 9a-1p - Free Medical Clinic 9:30-11a - Gluten Free Friends
3 9 & 11 AM WORSHIP 10 AM - Classes 12:15p Parent Class 5-6:30p - Youth (last gathering)	4 9-10:30a - STAR 7p - Boy Scouts	5 6:30p - Cub Scouts 7p - Knit Wits	6 12n - Meditation	7 9:30a - Knit Wits 6:30p - Choir 7:30p - Worship Team Pastor's Day Off	8 9-10:30a - STAR	9
10 9 & 11 AM WORSHIP After each service - Special Meeting of the Congregation 5-6:30p - Family Gathering, Parkview	11 9-10:30a - STAR 7p - Boy Scouts 7p - Together Works	12 6:30p - Cub Scouts	13 12n - Meditation 7p - Church Board meeting	14 9:30a - Knit Wits 6:30p - Choir 7:30p - Worship Team Pastor's Day Off	15 9-10:30a - STAR	16 9a-1p - Free Medical Clinic HIKING Group Service Event AFP Work Day
17 FATHER'S DAY 10 AM WORSHIP	18 9-10:30a - STAR 7p - Boy Scouts	19 7p - Knit Wits	20 12n - Meditation Hiking for children & youth 7p - Theology of Star Trek	21 9:30a - Knit Wits 6:30p - Choir 7:30p - Worship Team Pastor's Day Off	22 9-10:30a - STAR	23 Social Event Picnic at Proposal Rock on the beach at Neskowin
24 10:00 AM WORSHIP 11 AM Semi-Annual Meeting Youth Trip to Portland	25 9-10:30a - STAR 7p - Together Works	26	27 12n - Meditation	28 9:30a - Knit Wits 7:30p - Worship Team Pastor's Day Off	29 9-10:30a - STAR	30

JUNE Birthdays:

Kyle Davis 1
Emma Perkins 1
Sherill Roberts 1
Josue Dominguez 2
Barbara Burr 3
Keegan Cassidy 4
Lilly Kind 4
Sally Martin 4
Michelle Park 4
Don Gilbert 5
Gail Williams 7
Dakota Swaney 8
Heidi Reinker 10
Dylan Weaver 10
Kena Avila 13
Irene Stewart 13
Bob Crawford 14
Jorge Dominguez 15
Paige Benner 16
Debbie Harmon Ferry 16
Bailey McManus 18
Marilyn Crouser 20
Charles Walker 20

Laura Park 21
Rachana Skowrup 21
Lillian Weaver 21
Sunshine Fugit 22
Aaron Garmon 22
Emily Poh 23
Jackie Painter 24
Rick Page 25
JoAnn Sims 25
Marvin King 26
Ella Anderson 30

JUNE Anniversaries:

Bill & Donna Millar 6.10.61
Larry & Joann Sims 6.13.64
Art & Anne Engen 6.17.67
Wayne & Kathy Beckwith 6.24.67
Paul & Linnette Studebaker 6.12.71
Les & Kathleen Toth 6.11.77

Stewart Stout & Jennifer Cleveland 6.25.88
Stacy Martin & Rob Higgins 6.11.96
Heidi & Matt Reinker 6.23.98
Ed & Millie Boggie 6.1.03
Erika Marksburry & Rick Page 6.18.05
JP & Amelia Bierly 6.9.07