

This Week @ FBC

Sunday, May 27

- 9:30 am Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 10:55 am Morning Worship Celebration - Heritage Sunday
- 6 pm No Evening Worship Service

Monday, May 28

Happy Memorial Day!
Church Office Closed

Wednesday, May 29

- 5 pm Wednesday Evening Meal
Chili Slaw Dogs Potato Salad
Potato Chips Dessert
- 5:45 pm **ONEIGHTY Student Worship**
- 6 pm Group Bible Studies
Kids' Club House Friends
- 6:15 pm Worship Orchestra Rehearsal
- 6:30 pm Pastor's Prayer Service
- 7:15 pm Worship Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, June 2

11:30 am Women's luncheon

Find more info online at www.fbcfo.org

Our Volunteers

Deacons of the Week

May 27-June 2
Paul Overlin
Nolan Richardson
Luke Daniels

June 3-9
Marlin Paulson
Jean Stone
Jeff Fletcher

Wednesday Meal

May 30
Donnie Lindsay
Donna Lindsay
Jean Stone
Brenda Jones

June 6
Scott O'Steen
Dana O'Steen
Charles Tant
Dolores Tant

Security

May 27-June 2
Bob Rogers
Paul Overlin

June 3-9
Paul Overlin
Kris Kubler

Greeters

May 27
R. Nicholson
Luther Nicholson
Louise Stinnett

June 3
Louise Stinnett
Barbara Poole
Marlin Paulson

Sunday, May 27 LaunchPad Next Sunday, June 3

Babies	Phillip Everett	Babies	Kim Flegal
	Sue Everett		Callie Stookey
1&2 yr olds	Jenny Pitts	1&2 yr olds	Marcy Mead
	Madison Stookey		Kim Flegal
3 yr olds	Cathy Cox	3 yr olds	Mary A. Paulson
	Ray Cox		Marlin Paulson
Welcome	Tiffani Brady	Welcome	Jane Hogsed

Prayer Concerns

Home	Sharon Mullins	Maeriol Minter	Nursing Home
Patrick McCullough	Ruth Wagoner	George & Faye Smith	Lila Archer
Wanda Kitchens	Brian Wagoner	JoAnn Davis	Dale Kinnison
Wayne Honeycutt	Barbara Poole	Wanda McArthur	Eva Williams
Libby Page	Sarah Delzell	Beth Daugherty	Norma Carpenter
Louise Stinnett	Tommie Brock	Ken & Betty Goodner	Eunice Mosman
Amanda Pobieglow	Larry Shipp	Helen Epperson	Bertha Pennington
Ray Cox	Betty Phillips	Sam & Mary Lou Brown	Jean Wilson
Pat Medearis	Jeanette McKay	Lou Brown	
Linda Sikes	John Stewart	Sandra Little	
Jerry & Angela Gann	Nell Smith		

Birthdays

Dewayne Scudgins (1st)	Raymond Pendley (4th)
Fletcher Humphrey (2nd)	Lindsay Brooks (5th)
Donnie Lindsay (2nd)	Josh Strange (5th)
Barbara Fuller (3rd)	Brittani Williams (7th)
Scott O'Steen (3rd)	Nell Smith (8th)
Donna Dowis (4th)	Jo Hill (9th)

Staff

Pastor - Jason Thomas
Worship Pastor - Brad Lewis
Discipleship Pastor - Andy Atkinson
Youth Minister - Kevin Stone
Children Minister - Nichole Stookey
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Education Assistant - Sandra Mullins
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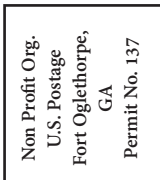
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Christ Chapel
Items of the Month:
Crackers & Pasta



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 ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



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Upcoming

Heritage Sunday

This Sunday we honor our legacy that dates back to 1952, when a daring group of believers planted this church to reach the Fort O community. Some of our current senior adults were part of that original mission. We thank God for you and the ongoing mission of reaching new people with the gospel. Our Joyful Praise Singers will help lead us in the morning Worship Celebration, followed by a special lunch for our senior adults.

VBS "Game On" 2018

Our super colossal VBS 2018 is just around the corner, happening Sunday, 6.24, through Thursday, 6.28. The BIG theme this year is "Game On!" using the fun of sports to help kids learn about Jesus. Every kid in our community matters and we're praying for our VBS to reach as many kids as possible. Get ready to join us in June. Register online at fbcfo.org or in our main Welcome Center.

The Butterflies are Back

Our Freedom Butterflies are making a "return flight" and will be available at our main Welcome Center beginning this Sunday, 5.27. This season, we encourage you to purchase your very own colorful, butterfly to place in your flower garden or sun porch. Each butterfly is only \$5, and all proceeds go to our Free to BE building loan.

How Many Ministers?

How many ministers do we have? The answer may surprise you. It is not the number of leaders on staff. It is actually every person who is part of our church family. The word "minister" simply means to serve the needs of people. Even Jesus said in Mark 10:45 that He did not come to be served, but to serve. Imagine if we were an army of Jesus-loving servants? Let's make this happen as our Nominating Team begins a new season of recruiting volunteers and servants!

May 23 - June 2

Word From Our Pastor

Jason Thomas

The key word is "Go!" A few months ago, my oldest daughter was performing a lead role in her school theatrical drama. After I experienced the first show, and how awesome it was, I could not help but tell other people about it and invite them to it. (By the way, my youngest daughter is performing this week in her elementary school drama and I am sure it will be awesome as well). And here's the point, because God is doing some really good things in and through our Church Family, we should be excited to go and tell new people about them!

As we take this next step in our newsletter series on Growing Pains,

the key word is "Go!" Go is one of our major platforms for being a church that connects well with people who are un-churched. Wouldn't it be amazing if every member of our church family became a faith multiplier by connecting with new people and sparking a healthy curiosity about Jesus? One of the ways we can become that is simply by inviting others to Sunday morning.

Consider these "Go Tips" this week: (1) Begin to see every person in the community as important to God; (2) Smile and be friendly as you engage with others; (3) Use our "Be My Guest" cards to offer a friendly invite; and (4) Come to the book study I am leading on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm where we are learning a more personal, conversational approach to sharing our faith. Together, we can be the hands and feet of Jesus with daily lifestyles that connect well with people who are un-churched. -Jason

The Sunday Report

Bible Study Attendance 235
11 am Worship Attendance 299

Annual Budget 598,953.33
YTD Budget Needs 230,366.54
YTD Budget Giving 206,337.08

Total Receipts for the Week: 13,624.78
Weekly Budget Giving 10,431.19
Weekly Freedom Giving 860.00
Weekly Missions Giving 599.00

This Sunday's Message:

Heritage Sunday
Special Message
Rev. Mickey Bane

Next Sunday's Message:

The Deception Series:
"When Ambition Goes too Far"
Genesis 11:1-9

Announcements

Meet the Staff

We are inviting all guests and new members to our next Meet the Staff Lunch happening Sunday, 6.10, right after the morning Worship Celebration. This is one of the ways we like to connect with new people. Email churchoffice@fbcfo.org to participate.

Loving Thanks

We praise God for His goodness to us and for our Church Family who prayed and blessed us during Wayne's recent heart surgery. We truly thank you.

The Honeycutt
Family

Giving in May

Your tithes and gifts to our General Budget have a special purpose during the month of May as we get ready for VBS 2018 and special Youth ministry moments throughout the summer. Thank you for helping us make ministry possible for the glory of God and the good of our community.

Discipleship

Andy Atkinson

One of our greatest preventions of sin is the life of another Christian. Much of the discussion, I believe gets a bad stigma because of the actions of a few. But this aspect of our faith must be redeemed if we are to live in community well. Some Christians maintain that it is none of their business if another chooses to sin. They are convinced that they are being judgmental if they respond to someone. **But love risks and apathy is never the answer.** The world persuades them not to get involved, but this inaction prevents us from being effective. But what if our words of encouragement and wisdom flow so naturally from our hearts that **we become magnets for Christ.**

Sin kills relationships, dismantles lives, stifles joy, and destroys peace. When we see someone wandering, how should we respond? When Jesus saw the love of pride, power, and position, it broke His heart. He prayed fervently for His disciples to be strong when their hearts

strayed (John 17). He warned those who were heading toward spiritual failure. Do not underestimate the power of positive investment. Jesus was even willing to die to save people to reveal an alternative way of pride, power and position. Jesus never stood idle as those around Him were led astray. Jesus engaged. He always took an active role in turning them back to a genuine picture of God.

"Minding your own business" will save you some discomfort, but it will not help a brother or sister who needs to the Lord. Love, encouragement, concern are always expressing a concern for their relationship with God. Pray fervently for your friends and family and ask God to **safeguard your motives and prepare you to minister.** Be alert, in the event that God asks you to address your friend. If you do so, **be loving and gentle** lest you, too, be tempted (Gal. 6:1).

Student Spotlight

Kevin Stone



Wednesday Evenings: Our Wednesday Night experiment now has a name: **Oneighty** (180). We desire for Wednesday nights to be a movement in the lives of our students and schools that turns them toward a relationship with Jesus.

Parents: Ask your student to show you the **Student Summer 2018**

Children's Headlines

Nichole Stookey

"As one piece of iron sharpens another, so friends keep each other sharp." Proverbs 27:17

Kids Camp: Our kids will be headed to SL4K Camp June 19-22. You should be receiving up-to-date statements of your balances. We have 1 more fundraiser lunch on June 3 and remaining balances will need to be paid no later than June 10. We will have a quick parent meeting at 9am on June 3. Please make sure at least one parent is present for each kid going to camp.

VBS: I have put volunteer sign up sheets in both Welcome areas, or you can sign up online at fbcfo.org. We need all hands on deck to make this ministry opportunity a success!!

Clubhouse Friends: Our Wednesday night kids program, Clubhouse Friends, will take a break throughout the summer. Calendars will be passed out this week outlining all our special Wednesday night activities.

Worship & More...

Brad Lewis

Our final leg of ministry in India is winding down, and my son and I are finishing our task here. We have been ministering alongside of my friend Kelu, whom I call my **hero** in ministry. Every day he puts his life on the line as the only Christian voice bringing the Gospel to the people of a city of 1.3 million Muslims.

As a former Muslim himself, when he gave his life to Christ his father told his older brother to beat him to death. Kelu survived, but carries a permanent crippling injury. A year later, Kelu went to his father again, this time to give him a bible. Kelu's father ripped-up and burned the bible, and then ordered his other son to again beat Kelu to death. This is the culture we must face as I partner with Kelu to spread the Gospel.

Again, we ask God for **Open doors!** And we ask you to

pray for those open doors. Remember the verse that I am asking you to pray along with me during this trip: Revelation 3:7: These are the words of Him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. **What He opens no one can shut**, and what He shuts no one can open.

As my wife likes to say, "When Brad goes to India to minister, God shows-off and Brad gets to be a part of it!" **Worship Well!**

-Brad

Women's Ministry

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

LUNCHEON: Please note that the final date to purchase your luncheon tickets will be this Sunday, 5.27. If you still need to purchase a ticket and will not be here on Sunday, please contact the church office or Laura Jones (423-605-1816) to reserve your spot. Final food count has to be turned in on Monday, 5.28. We hope you are planning to attend!

Women & Mens Camp Lookout

Retreat is scheduled for the weekend of September 28-29. If you are interested, come to the event table in the main Welcome Center to complete the form and pay the \$20 deposit.

Men's Ministry

Calling men of all ages to our upcoming special events during the month of June. There will be a Prayer Breakfast in our Fellowship Circle on Saturday,

6.16, at 8:30 am, followed by a motorcycle ride at 11 am. Stay tuned also for a Lookouts Baseball game happening this summer.

BE the Spark!

As a church family, we are beginning to ask this question: How can we connect well with people who are not in church? Our big goal for 2018 is for each one of us to BE a SPARK for Jesus in our North Georgia

Community. God has a place for YOU in His mission, especially as we look forward to this Sunday. Together, we will BE the SPARK that God has called us to BE!