

First Baptist Church Weekly Newsletter

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August 3rd-9th, 2025



Birthdays this Week

August 6th Gary Allmendinger

Wednesday Night Bible Study

NO Bible Study on Wednesday
August 6th.

Will resume with new study on
Wednesday, August 13th.

Youth Group Updates

We are still in need of another 5th grade volunteer and two for the 4-5-year-olds.

We are also looking for welcome center people.

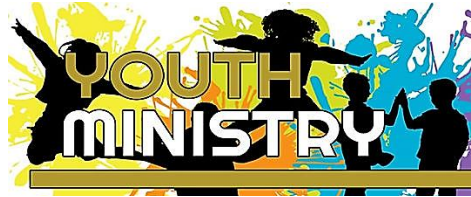
There will be volunteer training on August 17th from 12-3 pm at Bismarck Baptist Church.

Lunch will be provided.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact Kaise Huether.

Kasie@bb.church

Cell is 701-330-8029.



Community Prayer Focus

This week's focus:
The Lonely

Strategic Plan

Last weekend 12 members of our congregation joined together for six hours on Friday night and Saturday morning under the leadership of Aaron Kilbourn, our Region Executive Minister, to create a strategic plan for our church that will be implemented in the next 12 - 24 months.

They worked hard together in both small and large groups, prayed, looked at scripture, listened to one another, acted in faith, and developed four goals for moving forward. Each goal has 3-4 specific strategies that the CLT will be working on over the next 12 - 24 months. The goals are:

1. Organize a team to coordinate, provide resources, and implement outreach to our community.
2. Identify areas of need in the community to evangelize and determine the appropriate amount needed for the evangelism budget.
3. Create an outreach event for Northridge Elementary School.
4. Create a youth program that incorporates the needs and wants of the youth in our church.

The prayers and support of the congregation are greatly appreciated as we move forward with these goals in the months to come. If you have any questions, please contact the Pastor or the Church Moderator.

Thank you.

For Sunday, August 3rd

Greeter:

Tom Feser

Communion Preparers:

Leo & Mavis Heinz

Fellowship:

Deb Smith

Bible Study Update

Beginning **Wednesday, August 13**, we will begin a new Bible Study on How We Got the Bible. Have you ever wondered where the Bible came from? Who wrote the books of the Bible and how did they end up together? Dr. Timothy Paul Jones will guide you through all the important questions about the Holy Bible to show you why it can be trusted. Discover the following:

*Three ways the Bible is unlike any other "Holy Book."

*What it means when we say that the Bible is inspired.

*What people did to preserve the text of the Bible over the centuries.

*How we know that the Old and New Testament are reliable.

Please join us on Wednesday, August 13, at 7:00 pm for this fascinating study.

