

The Family of God in Worship

August 17, 2025 11:00AM Worship

Please silence all electronic devices as we prepare for worship.
Hearing impaired devices are available at the Welcome/Information Table.
A Nursery is available for children ages birth through three years.



Worship Song	House of the Lord	
Welcome & Invocation		John Smith
Hymn 511	The Solid Rock	
Fellowship Greeting 120	Made Me Glad	
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Amanda Monroe
Worship Song	Graves into Gardens	
At the end of this song, all children ages 4 years to 3rd grade are invited to join us at the back of the sanctuary for Kids Worship in Room E104 (Kids Corner).		
Ministry of Music	People of the Cross	Selah
	Dan Piner, Solo	
Message	Living God’s Way in a World That Does Not Understand	
	Rev. Linza Layman Coffee	
Response Song	His Mercy Is More	
Benediction		Linza Layman Coffee
Postlude		Sarah DeLuzio

Ministry Opportunities and Activities

Starting Point

Our next **Starting Point** will be held on **Sunday, August 24 at 9:45am** in the **Family Life Center**. Starting Point is the first step in getting connected at First Baptist. Whether you’re new to our church or have been attending for a while, this informal brunch with Pastor Nate and another pastor on staff is a great opportunity to learn more about who we are—our beliefs, our vision, our purpose—and to discover your next steps on the journey with us.

If you plan to attend, please sign up using the connection card.

Wednesday Small Groups

Sign-up online or on the commitment card.

Philippians—How To Have Joy

Sept 3rd at 4:00pm, Location TBD

Join Bill & Susan Dyson Wednesdays at 4pm for a 9-week inductive study on Philippians. Discover Philippians’ themes of joy, unity, humility, and perseverance through Paul’s encouragement to the believers in Christ.

Living Crazy Love

Sept 3rd at 4:30pm, Location TBD

Join Pastor Frank Jarman on Wednesdays at 4:30pm for a study of Francis Chan’s *Crazy Love* and *Living Crazy Love* workbook—a 10-week journey into a deeper, more passionate relationship with God. Discover how falling in love with Him changes everything.

Hearing God

Sept 3rd at 6:30pm, Location TBD

Join Pastor Nate on Wednesdays from 6:30—7:30pm for Dallas Willard’s *Hearing God*, a study on developing a conversational relationship with God as a natural part of the Christian life.

Exodus (Women’s Study)

Sept 3rd at 6:30pm, Location TBD

Join Danielle Leach on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm for a powerful study of Moses’ leadership, God’s deliverance, and the practical truths of redemption, the Law, and the Tabernacle.

Apologetics for Parents, Grandparents, Guardians & Relatives

Sept 3rd at 6:30pm, Location TBD

Join Doug Simpson and Ryan Pursley Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:30pm (Sept-Dec) for Apologetics for Parents, Grandparents, Guardians and Relatives, a small-group study using 10 Questions Every Teen Should Ask and Answer about Christianity. Space is limited to 10-12 adults.

Financial Peace University

Sept 3—Oct 29 at 6:30pm, Location TBD

Join TJ Wolfe, take control of your money, and discover practical steps for financial freedom in this 9-week class led by Dave Ramsey’s Financial Peace University. **Sign Up:** <https://www.fpu.com/44EB64>

Fall Women’s Bible Studies

Sign-up online or on the commitment card.

Luke in the Land by Kristi McLelland

Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm, beginning September 9

Join **Heather Lamp** for this 12-week study at 107 Bay Court, Morehead City. Explore the Gospel of Luke through video sessions filmed in Israel, gaining historical and cultural insights into Jesus and His Kingdom.

It’s All Under Control by Jennifer Dukes Lee

Friday mornings at 10:30am, beginning September 12

Join **Maria Davis** in the Conference Room for a 12-week study on trusting God’s plan and letting go of control.

Senior Adult J.O.Y. Ministries

While all activities are planned for senior adults, anyone may join us.

Pick up the Summer newsletter for information on all of our summer activities & a look ahead to the rest of the year.

Game Day & Watermelon

Tuesday, August 19 at 2pm

Join us for a great time of fellowship as we play board games and enjoy some delicious watermelon and snacks. Bring your favorite board game to play. Sign up via the website or the commitment card. Please let us know if you can bring a board game.

Tryon Palace & Lunch in New Bern

Tuesday, September 23

Join us as we travel to New Bern and visit Tryon Palace’s 21 acres of gardens with a tour of the 1st & 2nd floors, cellar, and the Kitchen Office. We will also visit the exhibits and museum galleries at the NC History Center and tour the Historic Dixon House. We will have lunch at Lawson’s on the Creek that is located in the History Center. We will leave the church at 9am and should return around 4pm. Cost (not including lunch) will be \$25. Sign up with payment via the website or on the commitment card or sign-up table and pay Carol in the church office before September 16.

Faith and Fun

September 20, 4:00-7:00pm

The Mission Council is preparing for our annual community outreach event (formerly Fall Festival) and needs volunteers, baked goods, (cupcakes, brownies, cookies, or Little Debbie cakes), and individually wrapped candy for game prizes. Sign up or drop off donations in the Gathering Place (you can also sign up via the commitment card or online).

Questions?
Contact **Mary Willis** at marydwillis1980@gmail.com.

Fort Caswell Men’s Retreat

Sharpening Your Faith

Men, we invite you to join us in attending the Fort Caswell Men’s Retreat for a weekend together discovering the value of comradery and community on our journey following Jesus Christ. The focal passage is Proverbs 27:17, “Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.”

Dates: October 17-19, 2025

Cost: \$205—includes two nights lodging, five meals, and a program fee.

Location: Fort Caswell, North Carolina

Sign up today in the Gathering Place.
Contact **Mark Knight** at **725-5934** for more info.

Church Pictorial Directory

Dates: September 2 & 12 from 2pm-8:30pm

September 13 from 10am-4pm

September 23 from 2pm-8:30pm

A heartfelt thank—you to everyone who’s helped make our new directory come together!

A new photo date has been added! Sessions for *Tuesday, September 23rd* have been added online. You can sign up at **ucdir.com**, Church code: **NC567**, Password: **photos**.

We are still in need of volunteers to help check in families. If you are available please reach out to Frances Gooden or sign up in the Gathering Place.

Our **church directory** is a *wonderful way to stay connected* and put names with faces. **Please note: only those who are photographed will receive a printed copy.** Every participating family will also receive a **free 8x10 portrait** and a **copy of the directory**, with the *option to purchase additional portraits*.

Family Back-to-School Bash

220 Trailwood Drive, Newport

Sunday, August 17 | 5:00-7:00pm

Join us as we celebrate the start of a new school year and the memories of a great summer! We’ll provide the hamburgers & hotdogs—just let us know you’re coming by signing up online.

Enjoy outdoor games, indoor board and card games, kayaking, and fishing (don’t forget your pole!). It’ll be a fun evening for the whole family!

Nursery & KidsWorship

Volunteers Needed

Please visit the sign-up table in the Gathering Place or visit the church website to sign up directly through Sign-Up Genius.

Please contact Alyssa Day (757-241-0134 or alyssa.b.day13@gmail.com) or Emilee Graham (252-342-5715 or ekathleenr@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

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11:00am Nursery: Emilee Graham

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Commitment Card

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Tear Off & Place in the Offering Plate

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Philippines Mission

GIVE

☐ I would like to financially support the Philippine Missions.

☐ I would like to sponsor someone who can **GO**.

GO

☐ I am interested in joining the 2026 Mission team.

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