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### **Sunday Schedule for May 7**

**8:45 a.m.** Small Groups and Sunday school

Here ([fbccenterton.org/#/connect/small-groups](http://fbccenterton.org/#/connect/small-groups)) is a list of our Groups for Adults

**10:00 a.m.** Worship

**11:30 a.m. "First Family" Picnic ("Dinner on the Grounds")**

### **May 7, Picnic!!**

Hope you brought a lawn chair or blanket, a picnic lunch, and your game equipment for today's picnic or "dinner on the grounds." The south side of the church property will be the location. The playground will be open, athletic equipment will be on the soccer field and baseball field, and space will be available for flying kites and organizing other picnic games and competitions. Senior adults are invited to hang out under Pastor Bob's tent for relief from the elements. If you forgot to come prepared, make a quick trip to one of our local fast food establishments, and come on back for the fellowship.

Water, tea, and lemonade are available from Shelby's tables.

### **Mission Support Opportunities**

- **Habitat Offering:** With what had already been given for the Habitat "Apostles Build" prior to last Sunday, we stand about **\$2,400** short of our goal for supporting one share in the Habitat for Humanity home at 368 N. B Street in Centerton.  
We hope that you will agree that this is a worthy use of the Lord's money, and will participate with us by giving an offering over and above your tithe that goes to the general budget of the church.
- **Habitat for Humanity:** Our Habitat project turns into "sweat and tired muscles" for 19 of our members who have signed up to help build the home, and another crew of volunteers who will

help **Shelby Borgerding** provide them with meals Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. We will install the cabinets, do inside trim work, and touch up painting; and by the end of the week, move outside to form up the driveway for pouring. Each crewmember gets a project t-shirt.

A schedule is available at the Habitat table in the Atrium today to remind you of the time we are expecting you to work. Please contact **Pastor Bob** at [bob@fbccenterton.org](mailto:bob@fbccenterton.org), or by phone at 479.381.9978 if you have any questions.

### Staff Anniversaries

- **Jim Daniel** is celebrating his 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary with First Baptist Church as our Worship Pastor. Not only does he plan and lead our music ministries, he also discipled men who serve in a variety of leadership roles in the church, teaches classes many semesters at Life Way, teaches our college Sunday School life group, and guides our discipleship strategy.
- **Darlene Shimer** is celebrating her 12<sup>th</sup> anniversary on our buildings maintenance team. She has primary responsibilities with the weekday care of Building B but is the first to volunteer to do whatever is needed from painting to preparing meal dishes for a funeral or teacher recognition day.
- **Pam Varnell** is also celebrating her 12<sup>th</sup> anniversary as our Church Secretary. In addition to being the first voice one hears and the first smile one sees when they call or visit the church offices, Pam has served as the administrative assistant to several of our pastors over the years. Not only does she do the amazing things all secretaries do to keep things humming along, Pam is a trusted counselor and greeter for people coming forward during invitations, or meeting with one of our pastors for counseling.

Please join us in expressing your love and appreciation for these servants of the Lord said yes to our church when we called them into service to the Lord at Centerton.

### Spring Life Way Christian School Events

You are invited to attend any of the following Life Way events this spring:

- **Choir Concert** on May 11 at 6:30
- **Graduation** on May 12 at 7:00
- **Band/Orchestra Concert** on May 15 at 6:30
- **Preschool End of Year Program** on May 25 & 26 at 8:30 a.m.

Thank you for your prayers and continued support of Life Way Christian School!

### Wednesday Night Schedule for May 10

**4:00 p.m.** MAX for 1st-6th Graders

**5:00 p.m.** Wednesday Night Meal: Menu—Taco salad, dessert;

**6:00 p.m.** Mission Friends, GAK, Student Worship, Choir and Orchestra Practice

**6:30 p.m.** Adult Bible Study and Prayer in Fellowship Hall, Ladies Bible Study in the Library

\*\*\*\*\* All Wednesday night Family Night activities conclude by 7:30 p.m. \*\*\*\*\*

### Kitchen Volunteers Needed

Our Church Hostess, **Shelby Borgerding**, needs **three men** to be on a substitutes' list for helping with dishwashing on Wednesday evenings. If you want to volunteer or have questions, please contact Shelby at 479.936.4058.

### Sunday Schedule for Sunday, May 14

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**10:00 a.m.** Worship

### The STUDENT Section

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Email: [kenny.wieda@fbccenterton.org](mailto:kenny.wieda@fbccenterton.org), Website: [www.fbccenterton.org](http://www.fbccenterton.org).**

- **At-A-Glance Announcements**
  - **STUDENT WORSHIP**- We meet Wednesday nights from 6-7:30 in the Student Center.
  - **WEBSITE/TEXT MESSAGES** - Our webpage is a great source for parents to see what is going on in the Student Ministry. We generally send out a text to let you know when updates have been made. Also, if you or your student wants to receive text messages, please respond to [students@fbccenterton.org](mailto:students@fbccenterton.org) with your name, cell phone number and cell provider (AT&T, Verizon, etc.) and we will make sure you begin receiving our text message updates.
  - **Student Ministry Summer Calendar** (click [here](#) if you have the digital version of the e-Newsletter)

### Children's Ministry Update

**Laura Tidwell, Interim Director of Childhood Ministries, Phone: 479.883.2137  
Email: [ltidwell@lwcsar.com](mailto:ltidwell@lwcsar.com)**

- **GAK Verse for May** "The Lord is my light and my salvation; I will fear no one. The Lord protects me from all danger; I will never be afraid." (1John 1:5)
- **At-A-Glance Announcements**
  - **Camp Siloam**

We're excited to take our kids to Camp Siloam again this year! Our church is going June 19-23. You can already register your kiddos (3rd-6th grades completed) by going to [www.campsiloam.com](http://www.campsiloam.com). On the site, look for the "**Registration, Summer Camp**" tab at the top right of the page. Then, choose "Centerton First Baptist" on the list of churches. If you prefer not to register online, we have some paper registrations and an informational table at church in the atrium. Cost of camp is \$235 per camper. Payment can be made by putting it in the offering and marking it "Camp Siloam." You can also pay on the church's website, at [fbccenterton.org](http://fbccenterton.org) by clicking the "Give Online" icon (\$) and choosing "Camp Siloam" on the pull-down tab.
  - **Mondays in July (except VBS week)**

We will have our annual FBC Day Camp! The camp is for 1st-5th grades (completed) students. We will have bible study, crafts, games, and activities in the morning and then go on a field trip each afternoon. We've already started planning our trips, and I am pretty excited! Cost will be \$10 per student per day, and students will need to bring a sack lunch.
  - **Vacation Bible School is July 10-14 from 9:00-11:45 daily**

We will have classes for PK4-6th grades completed. VBS is always a major outreach for our church, with hundreds of kids participating. I am in need of workers for the week. If you are available to work VBS this year, please let me know. We'll have a role for you! (We also have a nursery available for the children of workers.)

### Attendance Recap from Past Week

Connect Groups (April 18–April 30, 2017) .....	69
Sunday Small Groups.....	276
Sunday AM Worship Gathering.....	380
Lord's Supper.....	137

### Focus on Giving for April 30, 2017

#### **General Fund:**

Weekly Receipts .....\$25,104.58

#### **Designated Funds:**

World Mission Weekly Receipts .....	\$764.00
World Mission YTD .....	\$23,861.76
Building Forward.....	\$90.00
Building Forward Balance.....	\$72,547.99
Love Offering—Athens .....	\$1,000.00
Benevolence.....	\$955.92
Seattle .....	\$675.00
Ecuador—Morris Family.....	\$350.00
Love Offering—Robert & Rhonda Walker .....	\$125.00
Ivy Memorial .....	\$50.00