

## WORSHIP

**Sunday, August 29**

10:30am

Sanctuary and via FBG Website,  
Facebook and Radio

**Proclaimer:** Jim Dant

**Sermon:** The Words of Comforters

**Scripture:** 1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11

**Service Choir:** Sanctuary Choir

**Soloist:** Ellen Wilson

### Sanctuary Flowers

Flowers return to worship on  
September 12. Contact Kimberly at  
kimberly.coates@firstbaptistgreenville.  
com or 233-2527 ext. 128 if you would  
like to place flowers in the Sanctuary on  
September 12, 19 or 26.

**Access FBG Website here:**  
<https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/>

**Access Facebook here:**  
[https://www.facebook.com/  
fbcgreenvillesc/](https://www.facebook.com/fbcgreenvillesc/)

**Access Radio here:**  
89.3-HD4, 89.7 FM, 91.9 FM

If you are having trouble viewing  
this stream or have had trouble  
in the past, please email [live@  
firstbaptistgreenville.com](mailto:live@firstbaptistgreenville.com). Include  
your name, email and description  
of your problem. Thank you for your  
continued support.

—Will D.

### AYMC Hours

AYMC Walking Track and Fitness  
Room

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday,  
8:00am-8:00pm

Wednesday and Friday, 8:00am-  
2:00pm



## Rustlings

BY JIM DANT

It was a common refrain during  
the pandemic-laden days of  
2020. We miss gathering. People  
missed gathering in restaurants,  
in theaters, at concerts, at  
weddings, at dinner parties, and  
of course, at church. Gatherings  
are beneficial—essential—to our  
personal psychological health  
and the health of our community.  
In the coming months, we are  
focusing our thoughts and actions  
on the rebuilding of the church. An  
essential component of this effort  
will be the simple act of gathering.  
It allows us to ‘get to know one  
another’ again and also become  
acquainted with new members  
who have joined us.

In addition to our regular gathering  
for worship, Sunday School,  
committee meetings, mission  
education and musical rehearsals,  
we’re inviting the church  
membership—the whole church  
membership—to these special  
events:

Thursday, September 9, 6:00pm  
Fall Kick-off Gathering  
Yee Haw Brewing Company  
A Celebration of Our Past and Our  
Future

Wednesday, September 15,  
6:15pm  
Kyle Matthews in Concert  
A MidWeek Gathering Celebration

Sunday, October 3, 6:30pm  
Blessing of the Pets

Sunday, October 24, 4:00pm  
Annual Churchwide Picnic

Sunday, December 19, 6:30pm  
Christmas Candlelight Service

I hope you will put each of these  
on your calendar. Be present as  
we rebuild friendships, rebuild  
community, and rebuild the  
church.

—Jim

### Instructions for In-Person Worship Services

First Baptist Greenville has returned to in-person worship on Sundays at  
10:30am. Services take place in the Sanctuary, masked and socially distanced.  
Please enter free of COVID-19 symptoms.

# Happy Birthday!

Please remember these members of our congregation celebrating a birthday in September who are not always able to be out and about:

<b>September 3</b> Miriam Faress 102 Stonehaven Drive Greenville, SC 29607	<b>September 3</b> Lore Johnson (96) 7 Hathaway Circle Greenville, SC 29617	<b>September 4</b> Sharon Lewis 316 Claybrooke Drive Greer, SC 29650	<b>September 5</b> Darrell Corder 103 Lancelot Court Simpsonville, SC 29681
<b>September 6</b> Jim Keller Rolling Green 2 Hoke Smith Boulevard Room 124 Greenville, SC 29615	<b>September 11</b> Wayne Weaver Woodlands at Furman 50 Arboretum Lane Apartment 308 Greenville, SC 29617	<b>September 12</b> Gene Morin 36 Stillwood Drive Greenville, SC 29607	<b>September 13</b> Annabelle Kennedy 11 Merimac Court Greenville, SC 29609
<b>September 15</b> Todd Milford 122 Hummingbird Ridge Greenville, SC 29605	<b>September 18</b> Paula Cargill 1 Kenilworth Drive Greenville, SC 29615	<b>September 26</b> Jessie Godshall 107 Rockingham Road Greenville, SC 29607	<b>September 30</b> Barbara Christopher (91) 7 South Warwick Road Greenville, SC 29617

## Missions Connections

From time to time, congregation members stop me on Sunday mornings or contact me during the week to ask about our CBF missions field personnel and what specific prayers we can pray for them. Others of you may be asking, what is CBF? CBF is the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, one of our three main

Baptist affiliates for missions. Our church's annual Lula Whilden World Missions Offering, along with a portion of our annual church budget, goes to support the ministry work of CBF, as well as the Alliance of Baptists (AOB) and CBFSC (Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of South Carolina). Through them and with them, we are able to minister around the world and very close to home.

Here are a few easy ways you can stay up to date on what is happening in the life of missions in CBF, AOB, and CBFSC. You can also find these affiliates on social media and follow them there for updates.

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| 1) Subscribe to CBF's weekly e-newsletter, which includes a link to <i>Prayer Associates</i> —personal updates and prayer requests from field personnel, as well as a list of birthdays of CBF field personnel, staff, chaplains and pastoral | counselors to hold in prayer. Sign up at <a href="http://www.cbf.net/subscribe">www.cbf.net/subscribe</a>                               | partners: <a href="https://allianceofbaptists.org/partners/">https://allianceofbaptists.org/partners/</a>  |
|   | 2) Download a new CBF <i>Prayer Associates</i> at the beginning of each month at <a href="http://www.cbf.net/pray">www.cbf.net/pray</a> | 4) Visit the CBFSC website to read about the state missions supported by our offering: <a href="https://cbfsc.org/missions/">https://cbfsc.org/missions/</a> |
|   | 3) Visit the AOB website to learn about the various ministry  |  |

—Laura

### “So You Wanna Go Back to Egypt?” Friday Morning Bible Study

- Facilitated by Michelle McClendon
- Fridays, beginning September 17, 10-11:30am
- Lower Level AYMC (An online participation option is also available this semester.)
- \$50 per participant
- Recommended (but not required) reading:  
*Exodus for Normal People* by Peter Enns  
*Defiant: What the Women of Exodus Teach Us About Freedom* by Kelley Nikondeha
- To Register, contact:  
 Becky Bouton: [beckybouton@gmail.com](mailto:beckybouton@gmail.com) or  
 Michelle McClendon: [michellemc216@gmail.com](mailto:michellemc216@gmail.com)
- Make checks payable to **Michelle McClendon** or pay online through VENMO, ZELLE, or PayPal. Contact Michelle for routing information for online payments.
- Please register by September 14.

# Youth Family Activities

Merge 2021 was beautiful. We spent an entire day at Asbury Hills Camp and Retreat Center with our newest 6th and 12th graders. We have a tremendous group of seniors this year who jumped right in and went out of their way to help our newest Youth Family members feel welcome. We completed a scavenger hunt, learned about our Youth Family, ate good food, overcame difficult team-building activities involving a ropes course, played games, and made s'mores! Our 6th graders had an awesome time and are so excited to join our Youth Family and come to Rockmont!

Yesterday was Promotion Sunday, and the Youth Family held a Block Party outside the Fellowship Hall to celebrate! There was a giant inflatable, a popcorn machine, our favorite games, and Henry's BBQ. This provided an opportunity for our Youth Family to gather together before Rockmont and have an evening of fun! Parents were able to ask questions they had about our year, and the youth were able to run around and enjoy the festivities together.

—The Youth Staff



YOUTH

# Celebrate with Us!

Join us on Sunday, September 19, 2021, from 9:15am to 10:15am to celebrate the reopening of our building to IHN families. Plan to stop by the Fellowship Hall for some breakfast goodies and a time to celebrate. Bring a friend who wants to learn more about this ministry. You will have the opportunity to meet Alexandra Harris, United Ministries IHN Program Co-Manager.

Our congregation volunteers our hospitality and our facilities to host three guest families with children for a week at a time several times each year. We provide emergency shelter and meals during their week with us. United Ministries provides integrated services for these families to help them achieve financial stability and find more permanent housing.

Company is coming, so let's get ready! RSVP [ihnfbg@gmail.com](mailto:ihnfbg@gmail.com) to let us know that you are planning to attend.

—Cam McDade, IHN Hosting Committee Chair



MISSIONS

## Upcoming Events

(service links on church website)

- 8/29 **10:30am** Family Dedication  
Proclaimer: Jim Dant  
**2:00-4:00pm** Michelle Icard  
(Fellowship Hall)
- 9/4-6 Youth Fall Retreat at Rockmont
- 9/5 **10:30am** Proclaimer: Kyle Matthews
- 9/6 AYMC and Church Offices  
Closed in Observance of Labor Day
- 9/9 **6:00-8:00pm** Kickoff of Fall Activities (Yee-Haw Brewing Company, 307 East McBee Ave., Ste. C)
- 9/10 **4:30-6:30pm** Senior Adults Picnic (AYMC Terrace)
- 9/12 **10:30am** First Grade Recognition  
New Member Recognition  
Family Dedication  
Proclaimer: Jim Dant  
**11:30am-1:30pm** Acolyte Training  
**4:00pm** Vocare Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
**5:00-7:00pm** Sunday Night Live for Youth (AYMC)

- 9/15 *Wednesdays at First Activities*  
9/17 **5:30-8:30pm** Children's Ministry  
Event: Movie and Pizza Night

### Wednesdays at First Schedule

Exceptions and details noted in calendar.

- 3:00-6:00pm Youth Hang Time and Supper
- 4:45-6:00pm Supper Serving Lines Open
- 5:30-7:00pm Preschool and Children's Music and Missions
- 6:00-7:00pm First Baptist 101 (Clemons Conference Room)
- 6:15-7:00pm MidWeek Fellowship: Faith Outside These Walls—A Conversation with Elizabeth Davis

## Senior Adult Picnic

September 10, 4:30-6:30pm,  
on the AYMC Terrace  
(Fellowship Hall, if rain)

No charge for meal. Call Amy Joye at 233-2527 ext. 111 for required reservations by Wednesday, September 1. Specify chicken or ham boxed meal.

### LIVING GENEROUSLY

Financial Needs as of 8/21  
\$1,776,918

Receipts as of 8/20  
\$1,542,502

### Pastoral Care On Call Nights and Weekends

August 23-29

Jim Dant  
478-737-7298 (m)

August 30-September 5

Matt Rollins  
346-0971 (m)

If you are unable to reach this minister at the above number, please call the Church Office, 864-233-2527, and leave a message by pressing the number "199" for "Pastoral Care Emergencies."

## Care List

### Care List as of Morning, 8/23

#### Hospital

Bill Albert, Tom Maddox

#### Rehab

Barbara Alexander, Brenda Ballard, Claudia Caldwell, Margaret Faile, Dan Williamson

#### Discharged

Carole Austin, Cora Hewitt

### CBF Silent Auction

Noon on 8/23 until 3pm on 8/27  
[www.cbf.net/auction](http://www.cbf.net/auction)

The auction showcases high quality, hand-made art and highlights the stories of people around the world where CBF field personnel serve.

Proceeds from the auction go directly to support the ministries of CBF field personnel.



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Dear First Baptist Members,

Thank you so much for your supportive and kind recognition of my retirement as a director of First Baptist Day School. Your thoughtful cards and generous love gift are very much appreciated. It has been a joy and pleasure to be part of FBCK and FBDS for 25 years. I will forever treasure the relationships I have developed with children, teachers and parents (and grandparents!) over the years. I look forward to seeing FBDS continue as an outstanding early childhood program. I also look forward to whatever my retirement years bring.

With gratitude and affection,  
Kathy Stewart