#### MUSICAL NOTES 5

Since my arrival at FBC in 2018, I've dreamed of offering to our community the gift of a summer concert highlighting the music of America, both from our sacred heritage and popular culture. I am excited to announce that concert will finally happen Sunday, June 26, at 6:00

p.m. in our sanctuary. Our Choir (with some friends) along with a professional orchestra. will present America, the Beautiful: A Celebration of American Music.



an energetic musical fantasy of early American hymn tunes by the orchestra and ends with Mack Wilberg's stunning arrangement of Amazing Grace sung by the choir and audience accompanied by the orchestra and bagpipes.

#### Yes, bagpipes!

The second half of the concert will be

a delightful time of sampling music from America's leading popular music composers and arrangers. Aaron Copland is represented with a selection from Appalachian Spring, and then we'll swing into the sounds of Duke Ellington. You'll want to hold your loved one tight

when you hear the theme from Jaws in the tribute to John Williams. And of course there has to be a John Phillip Sousa march, so get ready to tap vour toe to The Stars and Stripes Forever! Closing out the concert will be a stirring arrangement of America, the Beautiful presented by choir and orchestra.

I encourage you to use this event as an opportunity to invite your family and friends to attend and get to know our church. There are postcards in the narthex and hallways for you to use to spread the word about the concert. Help us fill our sanctuary for a time of inspiration and fun, all to the glory of our loving God.

> Grateful, Randy











FBC Youth Ministry wrapped up Wednesday night activities with an axthrowing party at Ax Armory in downtown Cornelia May 11. Even Pastor Nathan and Kristen LaShoto came out for the fun. Wednesday nights have been filled with worship, games, food and video-driven Bible discussions. Join us through the summer on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM.







#### **Goodbye Jameson!**



We will miss Jameson Deering, Interim Children's Minister, as he moves on in his professional life to work with Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and as a youth pastor at Oak Grove Baptist Church in Gainesville. Jameson is making big plans in his personal life as well. He and girlfriend Kylie Williford got engaged recently and are planning a 2023 wedding. Congratulations Jameson and Kylie! Jameson and Kylie are pictured above with some of our Wild Kingdom Kids at the end-of-year party May 11. "I just want to thank each of you for supporting me in this opportunity at First Baptist Cornelia; it has been an honor," said Jameson.

In this time of transition, Leigh Thomas will be directing children's ministry. In addition, Kaley Irvin will be working with children's ministry as an intern again this summer.

We are still in need of volunteers for Mosaic Arts Camp and Sunday mornings. If you can help this summer, please contact Leigh at the number or e-mail on the infographic at left.



Photo above left: Jameson Deering gives a children's sermon during worship. Above right: Special thanks to Cele LeBlanc for leading Children's Choir this year.

The Ladies Laugh & Learn Luncheon May 1 was a big success with over 30 women in attendance. After a light lunch provided by Women's Enrich-

> ment Ministry, Bridget Hilliard, bottom middle photo, shared a devotion with her usual good

Gail Denny, photo left, then led the group in making a unique piece of art by pouring acrylic paints on a canvas, then swirling the paints through a number of techniques. Special thanks to Kathy Crowe for coordinating this event. Photo bottom left: Claire Tanneberger swirls paint by blowing through a straw. Photo bottom right: Loretta Dalton, left, Heather Carter, middle, and Emi Evans, right, work on their creations.







#### **Caught You Doing Good!**



Recently Pastor Nathan visited FBC members and friends serving at the Cornelia Soup Kitchen, left. Nathan caught up with the Tuesday Crew as they pressure washed the lower patio. Mitchell Trotter

is pictured at right.





# April. 2022

Receipts:.....\$35,448.92 YTD:....\$150,104.27 Expenses:.....\$41,001.48 YTD:....\$183.773.56 Net:....(\$5,552.56) YTD:..... (\$33,669.29)

Average SS Attendance: 61 Average Worship Attendance: 102

#### **UNIFIED MISSION OFFERING FUND**

#### April, 2022

Beginning Balance: .\$33,091.92 YTD:..... \$19,531.57 YTD:..... \$35,897.66 Receipts: ..... \$7,317.00 Investments:....(\$3,710.00) YTD:.....(\$18,730.11) Ending Balance: ..... \$36,698.92 YTD:..... \$36,698.92

#### Special Gifts: April, 2022

**Memorials: Missions -** Hoyt & Helen Bryson

Honoraria: Ministry Budget - Rvan & Marlee Fleming

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1**

6:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 5**



No First Sunday Breakfast this month. 10:00 AM - Sunday School - all ages 11:00 AM - First Sunday Family Worship 12:15 PM - MOSAIC ARTS CAMP VOLUNTEER **LUNCHEON MEETING. FELLOWSHIP HALL** 

#### **TUESDAY. JUNE 7**

7:00 AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast, Stew & Que 8:00 AM - Tuesday Crew 9:30 AM - Quilting Ministry

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8**

6:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 12**

10:00 AM - Sunday School - all ages 11:00 AM - Worship 12:15 PM - DEACON'S MEETING, **FELLOWSHIP HALL** 

#### **JUNE 13-17 MOSAIC ARTS CAMP**

8:00 AM - 12 Noon

Church office will close at 2:00 PM Monday-Thursday during camp.

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 14**

7:00 AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast, Stew & Que

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15**

6:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 19**

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

10:00 AM - DOUGHNUTS WITH DAD BANQUET ROOM, EVERYONE INVITED

10:00 AM - Sunday School - all ages 11:00 AM - Worship

#### **MONDAY. JUNE 20**

Book Club - more details to come

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 21**

7:00 AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast, Stew & Que 8:00 AM - Tuesday Crew 9:30 AM - Quilting Ministry

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22**

6:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 26**

10:00 AM - Sunday School 11:00 AM - Worship

6:00 PM - America the Beautiful, A Celebration of American Music

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 28**

7:00 AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast, Stew & Que 8:00 AM - Tuesday Crew 9:30 AM - Quilting Ministry

#### **WEDNESDAY. JUNE 29**

No Activities

OF NORTHEAST GEORGIA

INDEPENDENCE

Next Month...

Monday, July 4th **Church Office Closed** 

Dear First Baptist Church,

Thank you for your Mother's Day love gift of \$400 to Prevent Child Abuse Habersham/Family Resource Center of Northeast Georgia. We

appreciate your support for families in our community.

We continue to offer eight programs to our northeast Georgia community. We have seen a tremendous increase just last month in the num- Thriving Families. Nurtured Children. ber of families needing

our services. We offer services at the Visitation Center and the Counseling Center seven days a week. Because of the number of requests, we have also extended our time each day to provide early evening family services throughout the week. By extending

services, more families are able to receive services each week.

Our organization has achieved a great milestone as we have been accepted into the Healthy Families

America Program. This is a highly respected national program supporting families. Our program is called Healthy Families Northeast Georgia. Through this initiative we are partnering with Habersham Mountain Education Center

and Family Connections to provide services to teen mothers in our county for the first three years of their babies'

We thank you for your support.

Sincerely, Linda Johnson

#### **June Service Reminder**

# 5th

# **PATROL**

Wade Hasty

Ushers Phil McClain

Dennis Tedder

Patsy Vaughn

Ed Vaughn

Ushers **Grant Bentley** Bill Chandler Myra Chandler Steve Doran Larry Whitfield

12th

PATROL

Ed Vaughn

#### 19th PATROL

**Donald Crowe** 

Ushers **Donald Crowe** Kathy Crowe Jack Irvin FBC Youth

# 26th

**PATROL** 

Mitchell Trotter

#### Ushers

Al Carter Jason Hughes Richard McMullan Mark Reed

#### DEAC®N OF THE WEEK

DONALD CROWE	-	JUNE 5
KATHY CROWE	-	JUNE 12
STEVE DORAN	-	JUNE 19
JANE FERGUSON	-	JUNE 26

# PASSING THE PLATE

Our Ushering Ministry Team will take up offering during the worship service by



passing the plates beginning Sunday, June 5.

You may also give online anytime at www.fbccornelia.org. On the home page, scroll down to the green Online Giving button. This is a convenient way to support the ministry of the church as we are reminded to do as faithful followers in 2 Chronicles 31:12a "God's people faithfully brought in the contributions, tithes and dedicated gifts."

Thank you for giving.

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First Baptist Church Cornelia, Georgia

#### **MINISTRY STAFF**

# Nathan LaShoto

Pastor

#### Randy LeBlanc Minister of Worship & Music Interim Administrator

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#### Kaley Irvin

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# GOOD TIDINGS

#### OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CORNELIA

325 Oak Street, (706) 778-4412 Newsletter Volume 41, #6 **June 2022** 

ear Church,

How much will your summer plans shape you this year? Maybe the beach will relax and rejuvenate your tired spirit. Perhaps a cabin in the mountains will expose you to the beauty of creation and invoke wonder and awe! If you attend a concert or show, you might be inspired by how so many people can come together in unity and support rather than anger and violence. Our sum-

mer plans can definitely have a positive impact on our year and our faith.

**On June 13 - 17. First Baptist Cornelia will host** Mosaic Arts Camp. This is something new to me and I am so excited for the energy, joy, and creativity that will invade our church. Our God is a creative and creating God, and we are made in His image. Therefore, tapping into that creativity that we all share with God often becomes





a catalyst for spiritual formation. During Mosaic Arts Camp children will be exposed to more than creativity, but our hope is that each child (and volunteer), has an encounter with the God of the universe!

There will be a Volunteer Meeting on June 5 at 12:15 p.m., lunch will be provided. If you are unable to volunteer I would love to encourage you to still participate through prayer. You can dedicate yourself to praying for the children who will be entering our church. You can also pray for the volunteers that will be planning, organizing, and mentoring children. Finally, you can pray that the memories and lessons will build off the good news of Jesus Christ.

Our music minister, Randy LeBlanc, has been working for some time now to bring our church a music experience. On June 26 at 6:00 p.m., our choir will lead an American Music Concert and you do not want to miss this. Due to the pandemic, many of us have learned how good it is to be together in unity. I would like to encourage you to mark your calendar with this date and make a special effort to invite someone with you. Not only will they hear wonderful music, but they will be reminded how good it is to be in community with each other. For more information concerning this concert please see Randy's article on page 2.

Will you be intentional with your summer plans? How will your plans and desires this summer shape you this year?

> Your friend and pastor, Pastor Nathan