Good Tidings

of First Baptist Church Cornelia

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Logo Refresh Inspired by Church Inside & Out







Sometimes, change is good! Over the past few months First Baptist Church has partnered with Piedmont University to revive and renew our church logo. As a staff, we decided that our logo should represent our church, our community, and our goal to connect life and faith. Art Department Chair, Dr. Santanu Majumdar, was immediately interested in our project and provided a graphic design student, named Lily Phillips, to handle the task. At our first meeting, she promptly began sketching the small round windows, which are located throughout our campus. They remarked on the iconic colors of our stainedglass windows and made several sketches and templates. Months later, we received a logo which speaks to First Baptist's heritage, while incorporating our setting in the North Georgia mountains. Our new logo reminds me of Isaiah 52:7 "How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!"

You will begin to see our new logo on our publications, media and merchandise. Let's advertise to the community who we are. Purchase a t-shirt (we'll take orders soon) and start a conversation with someone. Invite them to church!

Your friend and pastor,

Nathan

Girls of Grace Enjoy Summer Fun!

The Girls of Grace Bible Study held this summer was a huge success! We met new friends and had lots of fun, but MOST IMPORTANTLY we learned lots of characteristics from *Biblical Girls of Grace* that we can apply to our lives. We grew closer to each other and to Christ! We learned the importance of sharing our blessings and our concerns and learned the importance of praying for each other. Oh! And we LAUGHED! A LOT! - Bridget Hilliard







Special thanks to Bridget Hilliard for organizing Girls of Grace this summer, a Bible study geared to "tween" girls aged 9 to 12, and their mothers. The group met at homes and even enjoyed some outdoor adventure!

AUGUST DATES TO REMEMBER

JOIN US EACH SUNDAY!

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



TUESDAYS | AUGUST 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

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



8:00 AM - Tuesday Crew, retired gentlemen enjoying coffee & cake, and doing tasks around FBC. Join the crew!

9:30 AM - Quilting Ministry 👔



BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS | SUNDAY, AUGUST 6



Students and educators bring your bookbags to worship for a special blessing as we prepare for the new school year. We will also recognize students moving into new age groups.

ALL COMMITTEES WORK SESSION | 5:45 PM, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

We'll begin in the Fellowship Hall. Committees are encouraged to review their annual budgets and plan for the new year. Pizza will be available, or bring a brown bag. Open gym for kids.

SUNDAY | AUGUST 13



12:15 PM - DEACONS' MEETING, FELLOWSHIP HALL

WEDNESDAYS | AUGUST 16, 23, 30



10:00 AM - Coffee & Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

5:15 PM - Fellowship Dinner, reservations required. Make reservations at fbccornelia.org by Monday at Noon, or bring a brown bag supper.

5:45 PM - 2D Fusion, Fellowship Hall. Join us for a time of worship and a devotional message from Pastor Nathan!

6:15 - 7:15 PM - Children & Youth Small Groups

6:30 PM - Choir Rehearsal

Notes:

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the cards, the phone calls, and the prayers during the illness and passing of my brother Charles. All the cards that Charles' wife Dinah received from our church was very much appreciated.

Thank you from our family for your caring spirit. Donald & Kathy Crowe

JENNA LEIGH HERRIN

BORN, JULY 13, 2023 8 POUNDS, 15 OUNCES **PROUD PARENTS:** JESSICA & JOSH HERRIN **BIG BROTHER, JOHN GRANDPARENTS: LORETTA & ANTHONY DALTON**



JACKSON DEAN STEVENSON

BORN, JULY 7, 2023 6 POUNDS, 9 OUNCES PROUD PARENTS: **CLAIRE & TAYLOR STEVENSON GRANDPARENTS: JANE & JOE KITCHENS**



August Service Reminder

AUGUST 6

Deacon of the Week Dennis Tedder

Patrol

Wade Hasty

Ushers

Phil McClain **Dennis Tedder** Ed Vaughn Patsy Vaughn

AUGUST 20

Donald Crowe

Doug Burrell

Kathy Crowe

Jack Irvin

Donald Crowe

Patrol

Ushers

Deacon of the Week Larry Whitfield

AUGUST 27

AUGUST 13

Rhett Weaver

Grant Bentley

Myra Chandler

Larry Whitfield

Bill Chandler

Steve Doran

Ed Vaughn

Ushers

Deacon of the Week

Deacon of the Week Rick Bridgeman

Mitchell Trotter

Ushers

Al Carter Jason Hughes **Richard McMullan** Mark Reed

*More volunteers are needed for patrol and usher duty. If you can help, please contact Wade Hasty.

MINISTRY BUDGET FINANCIAL STATEMENT I JUNE 2023

YTD: \$237,573.24 Receipts: \$33,513.00 YTD: \$284,730.53 Expenses: \$51,210.23 YTD: -\$47,157.29 -\$17,697.23 Net:

Average Sunday School Attendance: 60 Average Worship Attendance: 89

UNIFIED MISSION FUND | JUNE 2023

Beginning Balance: \$24,224.50 **YTD:** \$15,325.90 Investments: **YTD:** \$22,607.94 \$3,892.34 -\$6,277.79 **YTD:** -\$16,094.79 Receipts:

Ending Balance: \$21,839.05

SPECIAL GIFTS

Memorials: Unified Missions - Dianne Moss Honoraria: Ministry Budget - Steve Doran



Pastor Nathan, left, looks over World War II weaponry and memorabilia from the collection of Anthony Dalton, right, at the July meeting of the NEGA Brotherhood of Veterans & Patriots.

Welcome Amelia Moeller!

Amelia will be working as our Children's Ministry Intern. She has been faithfully serving as a volunteer for almost one year. Amelia was an active member of the FBC Youth Group before completing her homeschool program in May.

