

**Lord's Supper**  
*June 30*  
 During Morning  
 Worship (10:30 am)

Please call the Church Office at (409) 384-2527 to request a chalice to be delivered to any home-bound members wishing to participate.



**SPECIAL**  
**Prayer NIGHT**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
**JUNE 26, 2024**

Come join us as we come together for an extended time of prayer. Different from our usual Wednesday Night Prayer meetings, people will be asked to come together and pray with one another.



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**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH JASPER**

# THE COMPASS

**FBC KIDS**  
 K-6th GRADE

**Splash Kingdom Waterpark**  
**Saturday, July 13, 2024**  
**9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**  
 Bring \$15 for your ticket and extra money for snacks in the waterpark.  
**Sandwich makings and chips will be provided for lunch.**

Splash Kingdom Waterpark  
 401 N. University Dr.  
 Nacogdoches, TX



*Build a Shoebox!* **OCC 2024!**

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A variety of options are available to you through Build a Shoebox Online! Skip shopping and select items from our collection online to bless the heart of a child.




Please join us for a

# Church Wide Lunch

Church will provide **Sliced Brisket, Rolls & Tea**  
**Immediately following Morning Worship**  
**Sunday, July 7th** - Family Life Center

*We ask that dishes are contributed by Sunday School Class assignment:*

**Desserts:** Early & Later Families  
**Sides (vegetables, salad, etc.):** His Followers, Choir Room Class, Esther, Joy/Hope, Good Fellowship

**RSVP in the foyer or email [fbcj@fbcjaspertx.com](mailto:fbcj@fbcjaspertx.com)**

**Our Vision:**  
 To see every life in Jasper transformed by Christ resulting in an impact in His name felt to the very ends of the earth.

**Ice Cream Social**

You are invited to come join us for an Ice Cream Social  
**Sunday, June 30th**  
**5 pm**  
 FBC Jasper Family Life Center



• HAPPY •  
**Birthday!**

JERRY FOLSOM	JUNE 21
CALEB HICKS	JUNE 23
LIBBY BOSTICK	JUNE 26
WYATT GIBBS	JUNE 26
COLT MOSS	JUNE 26
JOHN MCADAMS	JULY 1
PARSON HERRINGTON	JULY 3
MATHILDA RICHARDSON	JULY 3
JOHNNY WOOD	JULY 3
CHARLOTTE NEAL	JULY 5
IRA BEAN	JULY 7
WOODY WADE	JULY 7
MYRA CAMMACK	JULY 9
LIZ SIMPSON	JULY 10



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**June 23: No Children's or Youth Activities**  
**June 24-28: Youth Purpose Week at East Texas Baptist Encampment**  
**June 26: Special Prayer Meeting at 6 pm (no Kids or Youth activities)**  
**June 30: Lord's Supper during Morning Worship**  
**June 30: Ice Cream Social at 5 pm (no Evening Worship)**  
**July 3: No FBC Kids activities**  
**July 4-5: FBC Church Office Closed**  
**July 7: Church Wide Luncheon (following Morning Worship)**  
**July 13: Men's Ministry 2nd Saturday Breakfast at 8 am**  
**July 13: FBC Kids Water Park Trip at 9 am**



# I've Been Thinking...

Dear Church Family,

We worked in preparation for months (especially Judy Matthews) and then – bang – it's done! Of course, we're talking about Vacation Bible School. Every morning from June 10 to June 14, at just before 9:00 a.m. children, teachers, and helpers poured into the building. We all filed into the sanctuary and did what children have done for a dozen decades – we said the pledges, sang our VBS songs, memorized Bible verses, and prepared for the activities of the day. Each day our kids studied the Bible, did crafts, played games, learned about missions, had snacks, and sang in choir. All these activities grounded our children deeper into the Word of God and drew them toward Jesus. I am grateful to everyone who helped (a bit over 30 of you) and all 70+ of you kids who participated.

My main duty for the week is sharing the gospel with the older students. I always get about ten minutes to do this. In that ten minutes we learn that the death and resurrection of Jesus makes the way for us to receive forgiveness from God and a new life in Christ. This year seven students stayed with me after the presentation. Some of those children were ready to make first time professions of faith in Jesus. Some of them had made that decision previously but wanted to pray and reaffirm their Christian faith. It was a really sweet moment as we prayed together. If anyone wondered why we put some of time and energy into VBS, all they needed to do was hear the prayers of these children and then they would know.

Coming to Christ is a first step for these children. A lifetime of growing in the faith is what comes next. I would like to put a solemn charge upon you as the people of God and the members of First Baptist Church – help these children grow to become mature followers of Christ. This, dear church, is what we must be about – disciples (you and me) making disciples (these kids and others).

I can hardly wait . . .

*Brother Donnie*

## FBC Jasper Library

Have you ever wondered which room in our church is used the least? It's our library! We have a wonderful library and a former school librarian (Carol McKay) who keeps everything organized and has ordered some wonderful books over the years.

A recent library purchase, The Secret Thoughts of an Unlikely Convert by Rosaria Butterfield, is on my reading list this summer. It has proven to be one that has made me think about how we as Christians deal with people who sin the "BIG sins" (I'm pretty sure that God doesn't judge sins as "big" or "little" – sin is sin!). Rosaria, an English professor and a leader in the gay community, had written a critique of the Promise Keepers movement. Her newspaper article allowed a pastor to begin dialoguing with her; he and his wife invited her to have dinner at their home. She stated that they "invited the stranger in – not to scapegoat me but to listen and to learn and to dialogue." Now I don't know about you but I'm a whole lot better at talking than listening (both to people and sometimes to the Holy Spirit's leading). But it was through listening and presenting the Gospel, as lead by the Holy Spirit, that Rosaria was lead to the Lord over the years. I wonder if we (or ME on a personal level) welcome people to join us in their struggles without our condemnation? This book is very challenging both spiritually and mentally (you may need a dictionary in some places to look up words!), but I promise you that it will be worth the read if you take the time. It will be available as soon as I finish it and check it back in! - Brenda Juby

# JULY 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	01	02	03 6 pm: Prayer Meeting 6 pm: Youth Bible Study 7 pm: Choir Rehearsal No FBC Kids Activities	04 FBC Office Closed	05 FBC Office Closed	06
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**Vacation Bible School June 10-14**