

Hands & Feet

The monthly newsletter of Salisbury First Baptist Church



Life Around the Fire

Life together is always better.

One of my all-favorite things to do is sit around a camp fire with people I love and just be there in the moment. There is something about the presence of those you care about and a fire burning. The conversation goes from laughter and small talk, always to something much deeper. Around the camp fire something nearly magical happens; time slows down and life becomes simple and people grow together.

You and I were made for things like this, we were made for community. In Genesis 2:18 we see that being alone was not good, "Then the Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him." In Proverbs we are told that it is unwise to isolate yourself, "Whoever isolates himself seeks his own desire; he breaks out against all sound judgment." Proverbs 18:1

Mankind was meant to be in community. We were meant to be united as one in Christ, even Jesus surrounded himself with 12 men, not just to teach them his way, but each of them had jobs within the group and ministry that they would carry out. Loneliness plagues our society and that scourge has infiltrated itself into the churches of today.

Coming This Month

CBA Camp Forms Due June 30th

Ladies Bible Study Thursday at 9:30am

Men's Devotion and Soul Check Each Wednesday morning @6:30am during the month of July

Celebrate Recovery Every Sunday at 6pm

June 28-July 5 Pastor Kurtis Vacation

July 4th Gebhardt Independence Day Celebration @6pm

July 11th Communion Deacon Meeting @6pm Quarterly Business Meeting @7pm

July 10-17 CBA Mission Trip

July 26-30 CBA Youth Camp

July 31 CBA Day Camp

August 1-4 CBA Children's Camp

People are more connected than ever and yet this is the loneliest point in the history of mankind. In China you can buy a friend for a day. I'm not kidding. You pay someone to be your friend for the allotted time. They can shop with you, go out to eat with you, or watch tv together. Imagine this, loneliness has lead us to have to buy someone to be our friend.

I believe that you and I were made to be in community. It can look like a lot of things. It does not need a fire, though I highly recommend it, but it does need people. For far too long the American false thought was that, "I don't need anyone." In reality we do, we need others to help us fulfill our Kingdom purpose here on earth as we prepare for that glorious day when we will be in communion with God and those who love Him.

While God did not need us, Father, Son and Holy Spirit lived in perfect communion, he chose us to need himself and others that He puts in our paths.

I encourage you to find friends that will sit around the fire, or wherever it is you find the world slows down, and choose to do life together. Hey, Salisbury First Baptist is a great place to start!

Serving Him, Pastor Kurtis

Steak Festival 2021 - Day of Community Worship

This years Steak Festival was a great success. It was great to be back into the groove of summer events and to see our community come together in so many ways. This year was especially good as the weekend of events ended on Sunday with a community wide time of worship and performances. Thank you to all who made that day a great success as we worshiped the Lord together as one.



Steak Festival Parade

Thanks to everyone that made the Church float a success. We received second place for our Me-MOO-Rize God's Word float.





What a week it has been here on Adventure Island at Salisbury FBC. This week the kids learned that their light was guided by Jesus and his Word as a Lighthouse Keeper guided them by using a reference book, the Bible, on a quest to find the five infinity lanterns; love, trust, faith, joy, and hope.

We could not have had a better week with these kids, and one of the neatest things was to see the joy on the volunteers faces as they served God by leading the kids on a journey of a lifetime; working together for the Kingdom of God.



Discovery On Adventure

Island

VBS Leaders 2021

Director

Debbie Bachtel

Bible Lessons

Melissa Estes

Brynn Bachtel

Morgan Sellers

Crafts

Elda Carothers

Madalyn Bartholomew

Missions

Carla Cooper

Allie Wales

Music

Ashtyn Carothers

Lydea Britt

Recreation

Abigail Gebhardt

Zander Munden

Science

Becca Britt

Lena Schluter

Snacks

Regina Emmerich

Grace Gebhardt

Group Leaders

Preschool

Tasha Cruse

Carol Ratliff

Grades K-1

Kim Reynolds

Grades 2-3

Rachel Nissing

Grades 4-5

Brooke Sellers

Quinn Nugent

Registration

Frances Kothe

Audio/Tech

Lydea Britt/Zach Munden

Other helpers

Kathryn Bachtel

Diane Cooper

Also, thanks to our prayer warriors for giving us prayer cover for the week and a big shout-out to our housekeepers for cleaning up after us.

- Debbie Bachtel



Be sure to get your camp forms turned into the office or completed online by June 30th.



How to pray this month

There are several ways you can be praying this month.

1. Pray for families as they go on vacation and spend much needed time with their kids and extended families.
2. Pray for the kids in our community that may be left without basic needs during the summer months.
3. Pray for your Southern Baptist Missionaries both here in the country and abroad as they minister to those in need.
4. Pray for our homebound people, that God would work mightily in their lives and that they would feel a part of the church body.

