

THE BEACON



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Dear First Baptist Family,

We (you and I) are beginning our sixth month together as (Pastor/Minister/Interim/Transitional One). I have enjoyed working with you all and hope to continue until the Search Committee is ready to make a recommendation to the church for a new minister. My thoughts and prayers are with you all as you go through this process.

I see growth in all areas of the ministry here at First. Let us not let down as the summer months are upon us. We all need to relax, get away, visit family, go places, a change of pace and go on a good picnic! But, in the midst of all this, the work and ministry of the church continues.

I've planned for us to do some different things during the summer, not for the sake of being different, but for allowing God to speak to us in different ways or happenings. For example, we will begin our informal Sunday Worship with a "Hymn Sing" - members of the congregation can call out the number of a favorite hymn and we will sing a verse or two of several hymns. A very informal time of gathering ourselves together in worship.

I will also be teaching a Bible Study Class for adults during Vacation Bible School June 12 - 16 from 6:30 to 7:30 p. m. Sunday evening through Thursday evening. The Adult Bible Study will follow the same theme each night as the children. Here's our agenda:

Sunday - "*Jesus Had A Family*"

Luke 1:26 - 38

Monday - "*Jesus Is Born - And Named*"

Luke 2:1-40

Tuesday - "*Jesus' Family Escapes to Egypt*"

Matthew 2:13-14, 19-23

Wednesday - "*Jesus Goes to The Temple*"

Luke 2:41-52

Thursday - "*Jesus Does Miracle in Cana*"

John 2:1-12

It will be a great time for those adults not involved in VBS with the children. I have some other things that will help us grow in love and grace. Come to church during the summer months and let us grow together.

In the Love of Christ,

The Pastor (Interim), Gerald

NURSERY WORKERS' NEEDED

We need your help in caring for children in the nursery. If you are interested in working in the nursery, please contact Rachel Davis (525.1944). Thank you.



CARING TOUCH WORKERS

June 07 – Cindy Arnold and Dorothy Mossor
14 – Cindy Sams and Joan Taber
18 – Chris Casto and Jeff Silloway
21 – Bob Bumgarner and Doug Mallett
28 – Dixie Brown and Joyce Miller

GREETERS

Our greeters for the month of June are members of the **Singles and Doubles Sunday School Class**.

ALTAR FLOWERS TO OUR SHUT-INS



The altar flowers will be delivered to our shut-ins this month by members of the **Marcia Binkley Circle**. The Board of Deacons will deliver the flowers the first Sunday of the month.

ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES SHARES MENU FOR MAY

The Second Congregational Church, 1855 Greene Street, Marietta, has posted its menu of food offered this month through the *Angel Food Ministries Food Program*. Check the bulletin board next to the church office for more information.

JUNE JUNIOR CHURCH HELPERS

Those assisting with Junior Church this month are as follows:

June 12 – TBA
19 – TBA
26 – Nathan McVicar

Candle lighters for the month of June are:

June 12 – Jayde Prescher
19 – Anna Jones
26 – Carrington VanDyk

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Our *Deacons of the Month* for **June** are Gib and Wanda Miller (**373.5821**).

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE



Articles or announcements for the July issue of The Beacon, are due in the church office by June 8th (**this is due to our secretary being on vacation**) by calling Charlene at 373.1273 or e-mail charlene@fbcmarietta.org.

JAMIE FOX PLANS MISSION TRIP TO HONDURAS

Jamie Fox is making a Mission Trip to Honduras July 16. This trip is sponsored by FBC Williamstown. If you would like to be a part of Jamie's mission, please look at the **Supply List** posted on a box that is on the coat rack shelf on the elevator side of Fellowship Hall. July 1st is the last day to bring in supplies. If you have any questions, please speak with Jamie or give her a call (373-3502).

PASTOR TO TEACH ADULT CLASS FOR VBS

Pastor Morgan will teach an adult class for Vacation Bible School - June 12 - 16, Sunday, through Thursday, from 6:30 - 7:30 p. m. The class will meet in the Singles and Doubles Classroom on the third floor of the Education Building.

* * * * * LESSONS * * * * *

Sunday	Luke 1:26-38
Monday	Isaiah 43:1 - Luke 2:1-40
Tuesday	Matthew 2:13-14, 19 - 23
Wednesday	Luke 2:41-52 - Psalm 122:1
Thursday	John 2:1-12 - Galatians 5:13

Please mark this on your calendar. Let us come together to share and fellowship and study! Bring your Bible. The Pastor has prepared a booklet to use each evening.

We will have a great time together while our children are also learning about "*Hometown Nazareth - Where Jesus Was A Kid.*"

DAY OF PENTECOST



Sunday, June 12, during morning worship, we will celebrate the *Day of Pentecost*. Acts 2:1-13 tells us about the spirit coming upon the gathered (the church by the sound of a *mighty wind* and the *appearance of tongues like fire* - thus the color for Pentecost is "*Red.*" We are all asked to wear something red (e.g. tie, scarf, shirt, dress, etc.) See what you can find to wear and celebrate the coming of the Spirit upon those gathered that day!

FATHER'S DAY - June 19

We will recognize all of our men present that special day in Morning Worship. **All** of our men will receive a book of inspiration from the Church because we all had a father and by the grace of God we have children who call us father and we have a heavenly father that we pray to every Sunday morning in worship - "*Our Father who art*"



Please join us in worship.

MEN AND BOYS - BREAKFAST

Please come to and don't forget we are sharing in an 8:00 a. m. breakfast at Lowell Bonnette's, 114 Sunnyhill Drive (Harmar Hill) this Saturday, June 4. Bring someone with you and your appetite - Call the church office (373.1273) if you haven't signed up yet.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



We are happy to welcome Bob and Lydia Donnelly to our church family. They both come through letters of transfer from another church. They have two daughters, Elena and Carmen.

Congratulations

To: **Hannah Miller** on being inducted into the National Junior Honor Society at an assembly held recently at the Marietta Middle School.

(Note: If you have something you would like to share about your child or grandchild, please notify the church office.)

We welcome into God's world, Tanner Ross Suerken, born May 15, 2011, to Pete and Cheryl Suerken. Paternal grandparents are Pete and Anna Suerken.



Defibrillator Purchased

The Board of Trustees recently purchased a Public Access Defibrillator to be used should an emergency occur. The defibrillator is located on the outside of the closet door directly across from the Communion Room at the top of the stairs leading to the education building. Those people interested in learning to operate the unit are asked to contact John Hambrick or Bunk Hall.

THANKS TO OUR CHOIR

Sunday, May 22nd, was the last day our sanctuary choir will be singing until the fall. We express our thanks and appreciation to Choir Director, Dean Cummings, and all members of the choir for their dedication each week in providing special music for our worship services. Our thanks, also, to Elizabeth Cummings, who serves as pianist/organist for the choir.



A NOTE OF

The following "note of thanks" was received in the church office:

Thanks so much for the wonderful dinner you prepared for us. We really appreciated it. It helped to relax a little, during this tough time for my family – Monna Little and family

UP-DATE SOLES4SOULS PROJECT



We wish to thank everyone for their donations of shoes for the Soles4Souls Project. As of this writing, over 800 pairs of shoes were collected and \$674 donated for the shipping of the shoes to places where they will be needed. Our thanks to Lisa Miller and her "team of helpers" for taking on this worth-while project.

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

By Ginnie Grant, Mission Advocate



Moment for Missions is being written by Ginnie Grant until we can find someone who will volunteer to write the articles for The Beacon.

One Great Hour of Sharing is the special offering opportunity for June. This is the offering that helps everywhere in time of disaster.

This past year, it has been given and given to those who really need help. Tornados have no respect for buildings. Churches and schools go just as easily as houses and trailers. Tsunamis, floods, earthquakes, fires, no matter what or where, *One Great Hour of Sharing* is there almost immediately to help *Relocate, Rebuild, or Re-establish*.

Let us remember this year has been hard on the supply. We need to restock the supply line. If everyone helps a little, we can make a **Big Contribution**.

"CARING TOUCH" UP-DATE

The following is a report of "Caring Touch" activity for the period April 21, 2011 through May 27, 2011:

Beginning Balance		\$ 800.52
Receipts:	Deacon's Fund	\$1,797.00
		<u>\$2,597.52</u>
Less Expenditures:		
	Utilities	\$1,244.52
	Rent	<u>\$ 525.00</u>
		<u>\$1,769.52</u>
Ending Balance		\$ 828.00
(Assisted 25 families/individuals)		

AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMENS' MINISTRIES



NOTES FROM ANNA!

By: Anna Suerken, President

On May 1st, we had a lovely ABWM Women's Sunday at First Baptist. Many of you took part in the service to help make it very successful. Thank you so much for your time and effort that morning. Our speaker, Dr. Sharron Tucker, blessed us with her message, "*It's O.K. to Laugh.*"

She and her husband attended the Singles and Doubles Class and were very impressed with the new study George Harris was starting that day. Some of us took them to lunch at DaVinci's which was a nice time of fellowship. After lunch someone mentioned that she should come to the Spring Retreat again and she said that she would love to come. I now have a confirmation that she will do the Bible Study at the Spring Retreat at Parchment Valley on April 21-22, 2012.

On May 26, at the General Meeting, there were many decisions made about the future of the ABWM. Those have been detailed for you and given to your circle leaders. This letter was written before that meeting which made it necessary to write the account separately, so you could have that at your Thursday, June 2nd, meeting.

The ABWM of Ohio 77th Annual Conference will be held on Wednesday, June 29, through Friday, July 1, 2011, in Dayton, OH. Ginnie Grant and I have registered to attend this event. If anyone

else would like to go with us, let me know soon. June 15th is the registration deadline.

The *Energizer Meeting* will be hosted by the First Baptist ladies on August 11, 2011. We will need to have several ladies to help in the kitchen with this. We will have coffee and goodies for the morning about 9:00 a. m. All ladies attending will bring a dish to share, so at lunch, we will need to have drinks, set tables and organize and set out the foods. This is not a large group, usually 20 or so attend this from the association churches. Because most circles do not have meetings in July and August, it will be necessary for me to reach you by phone, email, or see you at church to arrange for you to help with the *Energizer Meeting*. I'll probably not do this until the first part of August. If you can volunteer, that will be great.

The Bible book for the month is Numbers. The Book of Numbers is an account of a people who were often discouraged and afraid in the face of hardship, and who rebelled against God and against Moses, the man God appointed to lead them. It is the story of God's faithful, persistent care for His people in spite of their weakness and disobedience, and of Moses' steadfast, if sometimes impatient, devotion both to God and to His people. The name of the book refers to the census which Moses took of the Israelites at Mt. Sinai and again in Moab about a generation later.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

A scholarship fund has been established by the church for students pursuing post high school education and career training. The seed money for the scholarship fund principal is from the estate of Mamie Pittman.

Persons wishing to receive a scholarship should complete the form on the next page and return it to the church office by June 12, 2011.

A minimum amount will be given to all qualified applicants (see guidelines below) and additional aid, depending on the amount available in the fund, will be given to those who show need. *Even if there is no special need, the form should be completed and returned.*

SCHOLARSHIP FUND GUIDELINES

1. The First Baptist Church has set aside a sum of money in a high interest-bearing account (C.D.'s, etc.) to be granted on an annual basis for general scholarship use. The principal will remain intact and the interest will be used for granting scholarship aid to students of our church family (minimum dollars for all students, increased amount for financial need to be determined each year).
2. A Scholarship Sub-Committee of the Board of Christian Education shall administer the fund, and will include a trustee and a deacon.
3. Criteria for eligibility:
 - The student must be a member of First Baptist Church or a member of a family who is/has been active within the church.
 - The student must be enrolled in a college or school approved by the state agency for higher education or the state agency for post secondary education.
 - The student must be pursuing undergraduate course work in any course of study or a graduate degree for full-time vocational Christian service.
 - The person may exhibit financial need through the Financial Aid Form or other criteria determined by the Scholarship Sub-Committee in order to receive more than the minimum scholarship.
4. Guidelines for administering the fund:
 - Personal interviews may be conducted with each applicant after the completion of the application to determine scholarship amount, if the request is for an amount beyond the minimum.
 - The candidate should share vocational objectives. Interviews should test the seriousness of the educational purpose of the candidates.
 - Scholarship checks are to be made payable directly to the candidate. Candidates should then keep a record of their scholarship expenditures.
 - Candidates are encouraged to view this as a gift of career and educational encouragement from the Church. If the candidate ever wants to repay the gift, a gift in kind to the Scholarship Fund would be appreciated.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____ Birth Date _____

Address _____

Parents' Names _____ Phone # _____

High School _____ Date of Graduation _____

Post Secondary Schools Attending or Planning to Attend _____

Major or Course of Study _____

Two-Year Program _____ Four-Year Program _____ If other, what? _____

Career Plans _____

Church Activities _____

Parent's Employer (Father) _____

(Mother) _____

OPTIONAL--(Seeking More Than Minimum Scholarship)

Financial Need: Expenses _____

Financial Aid Resources: _____

Student Income (summer work and college) _____

High School Grade Point Average _____ Rank in Class _____

High School Activities _____

If now attending post secondary institution, grade point average _____

Number of children in family attending college or graduate school _____

To be completed by Church Office:

Date of church membership _____ Date of Interview _____

Approved _____ Amount \$ _____ Date _____

Amount \$ _____ Date _____

Disapproved _____ Amount \$ _____ Date _____

Amount \$ _____ Date _____

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 12 - 16, 2011

6:00 p. m. to 8:00 p. m.

HOMETOWN NAZARETH,

WHERE JESUS WAS A KID!

Closing Program on Thursday, June 16, starting at 8:00 p. m.
for friends and family of the children participating in VBS.

We hope all of you will be able to come and join in with us, seeing where Jesus lived as a kid.

The registration form (which follows this page) should be filled out and returned to the church office. Please complete both sides. If you need a form for a friend, contact Becky Mallett or Charlene in the church office.

We will be decorating for Vacation Bible School on Saturday, June 11, beginning at 9:00 a. m. until we are finished. Please contact Becky Mallett (373.4031) or Rachel Davis (525.1944) if you would like to help us decorate (or just show up on the 11th). Please bring a sack lunch with you.



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

The following people will be celebrating their birthdays in June. We wish to thank Wanda Miller (and her assistant) for compiling this list. If you, or a member of your family, are not listed, please call the church office (373.1273).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

June 02	Betty Beardsley Bunk Hall Mary Nowery Jackie Powell
June 04	Edna Chapman
June 05	Susan Vessels
June 06	Denny Dimit
June 07	Lisa Miller
June 10	Bill Mason
June 12	Geneva Brooks Patricia Croston
June 15	Dixie Brown
June 17	Sharon Frye
June 19	Elaine Mason
June 20	Ethan Vessels
June 21	Sherrie Miller
June 22	Helen McKenna
June 23	Marian Davis
June 28	Scott McVicar
June 29	Charlotte Binegar Phyllis Holley Anna Suerken
June 30	Dean Cummings Liam Nuzum

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>June 2011</h1>						
			1 6:30 Adult Study	2 11:30 Morning Glory Circle -- DaVincis 12:30 Susan Harding Circle 1:00 Marcia Binkley Circle	3	4 8:00 Men's Breakfast (Bonnette Home) Biker's Spaghetti Supper - Dining Room
5 OGHS Offering 9:30 Worship 10:45 Sunday School 1:30 Communion to shut-ins 4:00 Middle Hi and Sr. Hi Youth Group	6	7 6:30 Caring Touch	8 6:30 Adult Study	9 6:00 Board of Trustees	10	11 9:00 Set up/Decorate for VBS 11:00 <i>From Caring to Sharing Our Lunch</i>
12 OGHS Offering 9:30 Worship 10:30 Sip 'n' Chat 10:45 Sunday School 6:00 - 8:00 VBS 6:30 - 7:30 Adult VBS	13 12:00 Republican Women's Club Luncheon/Meeting 6:00 - 8:00 VBS 6:30 - 7:30 Adult VBS	14 6:00 - 8:00 VBS 6:30 Caring Touch 6:30 - 7:30 Adult VBS	15 6:00 - 8:00 VBS 6:30 - 7:30 Adult VBS	16 6:00 - 8:00 VBS 6:30 - 7:30 Adult VBS	17	18 10:00 Caring Touch
19 OGHS Offering Father's Day 9:30 Worship 10:45 Sunday School 4:00 Middle Hi and Sr. Hi Youth Group	20	21 6:00 Board of Christian Education 6:30 Board of Deacons 6:30 Caring Touch	22 6:30 Adult Study	23	24	25
26 OGHS Offering 9:30 Worship 10:45 Sunday School 4:00 Middle Hi and Sr. Hi Youth Group	27	28 6:30 Caring Touch	29 6:30 Adult Study	30		