



The Messenger

First Baptist Church Hilton Head Island • August 2018



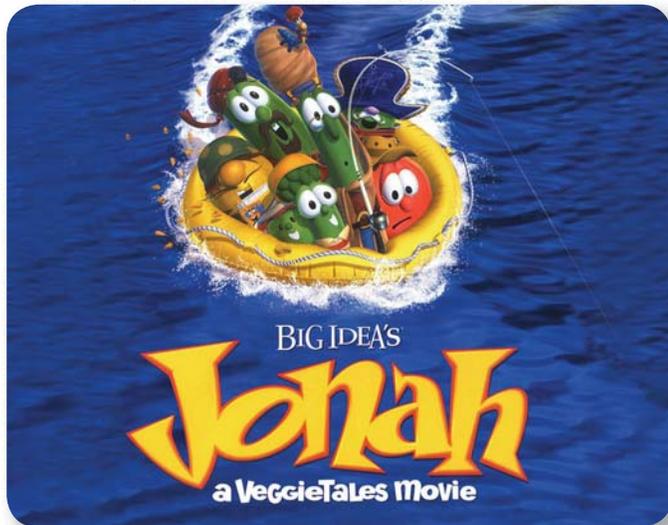
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Your Family, Friends and Neighbors Are Invited!

First Baptist Church Hilton Head Island

Family Movie Night & Back-to-School Event

Showing "Jonah" - A VeggieTales Movie



Sunday, August 5th
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

100 South Forest Beach Drive

Fun for the Whole Family!!!

Parents are to accompany their children.

Free of Charge

Hot Dog Dinner, Candy, Popcorn, and Sodas
Are Included

Reservations are appreciated.

Call Paulette @ 843-785-4478
to reserve your place.

Read more about this event on pages 2 & 3.

FBCHHI Welcomes Wendy Gudz Our new Children's Ministry Director



FBCHHI is so very happy to announce that Mrs. Wendy Gudz has accepted the position of Children's Ministry Director. Her first official day on the job is Monday, August 6, following her trip with our mission team to Calgary, Canada. Wendy has been a member of FBCHHI since 1999. She and her husband, Ken, are active in many areas of church life and always do an outstanding job. She not only has a heart for Jesus, but also a huge heart for children.

We offer a very big thank you to everyone who has assisted in our Children's Ministry while we were without a Children's Director. Our Children's Ministry volunteers, under the temporary leadership of Jean Smith, kept our Sunday School and Awana programs running smoothly until our Personnel Committee could replace Anna Garduce. Anna and her husband, Chris, left to complete training to become international missionaries. We continue to pray for them and their future ministry. Please pray for Wendy and our children's ministry as well.

Promotion
Sunday,
August 19



From the Pastor...

Church Family,

I am so excited about all we see God doing right now in the life of the church! God has so richly blessed our church in the past, and I believe we have such a bright future as well. It is such a privilege to be your pastor, and I want you to know that I love you all and am honored to serve alongside you.

New Children's Ministry Director

Praise God that He has brought us a Children's Ministry Director! On Sunday, July 22, I announced that our Personnel Committee has called Wendy Gudz to fill this part-time position and that she will begin on August 6, 2018. I communicated then how God orchestrated this. On the very morning I was going to call Wendy on behalf of the Personnel Committee to ask her to consider the position, Wendy came to the office after a sleepless night of God telling her to put her name in for the position, with no knowledge that our committee was feeling led to her. God has made it clear that she is HIS choice for this position.

Children's Ministry Volunteers Needed

We need you! As God is speaking to Wendy and our leadership, we are making plans to significantly expand the ministry to our children. This ministry is one of vital importance! 85% of people who accept Christ do so between the ages of 4 and 14, so we must do all that we can to engage these children both inside and outside of our walls. Our plan is to build on the great ministry we already have, in which so many of you have served and led, and develop it into the best children's ministry around. To accomplish this vision, we will be needing more teachers and assistants as we expand our Children's Church to include an exciting and engaging full worship service for the children. If you can serve once a month on a rotation, or want to volunteer in other ways, please email Wendy at wgudz@fbchhi.org.

Good News Clubs

Another praise regarding children is that we are in the planning process of beginning a Good News Club (GNC) at Hilton Head Prep in September! Good News Club is a ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship that partners with local churches to conduct Bible studies in elementary schools. We are recruiting volunteers for Good News Club and will give more details as that time approaches. For now, we know it will be one day per week (either Tuesdays or Thursdays) from 3:15-4:00 PM, for 6-7 weeks in the fall and 6-7 weeks in the spring. We need roughly 8-12 volunteers each week. To volunteer, email Wendy Gudz.

Summer Youth Camp - DNOW

Our youth had an amazing weekend with SWAT (Students With A Testimony) Ministries for their DNOW Weekend. I got to hear their testimonies about the impact of the weekend

on Sunday morning during the Sunday School hour, and I was so encouraged to get a glimpse of what God is doing in their lives. We have such amazing young people, and I know God will use them in incredible ways as they continue to follow God. Pray for our search for a Youth and Young Families Pastor, as our Personnel Committee is receiving and reviewing resumes. Pray for clear guidance too; again, not the "good" choice, but the "God" choice.

Calgary Mission Trip

Pray for our Calgary mission team as they minister to The Junction Church, the church plant God allowed me to start in Calgary. Their trip is from July 28-August 4. Pray that God uses them to reach people in Calgary, and to come alongside this church to support what God is already doing there. Pray for their safe travel.

FBCHHI's Family Movie Night - Back to School Event, showing "Jonah" - A Veggie Tales Movie

Make plans to be with us on Sunday night, August 5, for our Family Movie Night. This will be a fun time as we watch the Veggie Tales rendition of the story of Jonah. Though Veggie Tales is geared toward an audience of children, this movie is fun for all ages. We will have a hot dog dinner and movie snacks. The reason for this particular selection is that we will begin a sermon series on Jonah that same morning, so you don't want to miss this fun time of fellowship with your church family.

In the Fall

Get ready to plug back into our fall schedule, as our Wednesday nights resume after Labor Day in September. Though I only caught the tail end of the Spring semester, I already see so much impact this time of fellowship and Bible study has in our church. Invite your friends and neighbors to come with you, as this is a great time to build relationships. If you aren't already plugged into a Sunday School class, I urge you to get involved in one. We have some very gifted teachers, and God does so much through this ministry as people walk through the Word together. This is a great place to build relationships and ask questions about Christianity. You are missing out if you aren't in a class. If we can help you find a class, feel free to call the church office.

Live Sent

Finally, let's live sent. As we conclude the summer season, which is heavy with outreach, the temptation is to "let our breath out" and cease efforts to reach out. Fight that temptation. Continue to live sent. God has commissioned us and given our lives purpose. Let's live according to that purpose, and then watch to see what God does through your life and through our church.

I love you church!

Brett Myers

From the Minister of Music and Education...

For the church body, September is always a time of new beginnings for all kinds of ministries within the life of the church. However, we also have some events and “beginnings” of a kind during the month of August as our summer charges on and as our students prepare to go back to school. Check out these happenings that are a part of our ministry together at First Baptist Church this month!

➤ **“Family Movie Night” – Sunday, August 5th at 5:00 PM**

Our summer movie night is back as a fun time for our church family before school begins. We will meet in the Family Life Center at 5:00 PM for a meal of hot dogs, chips, drinks, and fellowship. After supper, we will adjourn to the Student Building to watch “Jonah: A VeggieTales Movie” together with movie candy and popcorn!

➤ **“Sunday School Launch Weekend Training” – Saturday, August 11th at 9:00 AM**

All of our Sunday School teachers are invited and encouraged to attend our annual Sunday School Launch Weekend Training this year as we conclude our study of Allan Taylor’s leadership study “Sunday School Matters.” We will end our time with three sessions entitled “Growth Matters,” “New Groups Matter,” and “Now Matters.” As always, your facilitator will be sure to provide some great snacks for our time together!

➤ **“Sunday School Promotion” – Sunday, August 19th**

August 19th will be the official Sunday for promoting kids within our childrens and youth ministries as we begin a new Sunday School year. We will also be recognizing and praying for all of our teachers in the morning worship service at 10:30 AM.

➤ **“Music Ministry Survey” – Sunday, August 26th**

Toward the end of the month we will be including a Music Ministry Survey in our bulletins for the morning worship service. This is an opportunity for you to indicate your interest in participating in one or more of the areas of service within the scope of our music ministry at First Baptist Church. I would encourage you to pray about this possibility during the month of August as we look for new people to join us!

We have already had a summer full of activity and blessings at FBCHHI. Be sure to take the opportunity to be a part of these new things that are on the horizon this month. God has truly blessed our church in many ways, and we are looking forward with great excitement and anticipation of following God’s direction in the days ahead.

Richard Wade

FBCHHI Membership Class for New and Prospective Members

According to our bylaws, new and Watchcare candidates for membership need to complete a three-week "FBCHHI Discovery" class before officially being named members. This class is designed to explain Southern Baptist doctrine using the "Baptist Faith and Message" as a guide so new members can fully understand the beliefs and ordinances of the church and ministries of the church.

Classes will begin Sunday, September 30, and will be held during the Sunday School hour beginning at 9:15 AM, meeting in Room #7 of the Children's Building. It will continue for three consecutive weeks. If there is a reason why you are unable to attend these classes during these specific times, Pastor Brett will try to make other arrangements with you.

This class will provide you with a wealth of information. If you are already a member, someone thinking about joining, or are just interested in finding out more about our church, her beliefs and ministries, feel free to join. Please call Lynda Hopkins at 843-785-4478 to register so enough materials will be available on the first day of class.

For your review, Article V regarding Membership from our bylaws is printed below.

ARTICLE V Membership

Section 5.01 – General

The New Testament presents a picture of definable groups of people who, once committed to the Lord, identified themselves with and committed themselves to a particular local body (Acts 2:42-46; Romans 16:1; 1 Corinthians 1:2; 2 Corinthians 8:1; Philippians 1:1; Acts 11:26).

Membership is open to people who have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior, have been baptized, and who are united together by covenant as one body in Christ.

The members of the Corporation shall mean the membership of the Corporation as a local church. Persons becoming members of the local church congregation shall be members of the Corporation, and persons ceasing to be members of the local church congregation shall cease to be members of the Corporation.

Section 5.02 – Candidacy

Any person may offer oneself as a candidate for membership in this church and shall be presented to the Church at any regular Church service in any of the following ways:

- By profession of faith and for baptism as demonstrated by Jesus in scripture;
- By promise of a letter of recommendation from another Baptist church;
- By statement of faith and believer's baptism; or

d. By restoration to Church membership after having been removed due to disciplinary action (See Section 5.07).

New members are expected to participate in the Church's New Member Orientation Class, followed by an interview with pastoral or deacon leadership.

Section 5.03 – Watchcare

Part-time residents in the local Church area are encouraged to seek Watchcare membership. Watchcare members are involved in the activities, functions, financial support, and worship of the Church while residing in the local Church area. Watchcare members are entitled to vote.

Section 5.04 – Expectations

The expectations of membership are as follows:

- Protect the unity of the Church by acting in love toward other members, building one another up, following Church leaders, and refusing to gossip (Romans 15:5 & 19; 1 Peter 1:22; Ephesians 4:29; Hebrews 13:17).
- Share the responsibility of the Church by praying for its growth, inviting the unchurched to attend, and by warmly welcoming those who attend (1 Thessalonians 1:2; Luke 4:23; Romans 15:7).
- Serve the Lord through the ministry of the Church by discovering individual gifts and talents, being equipped to serve alongside pastors, and developing a servant's heart (1 Peter 4:10; Ephesians 4:11-12; Philippians 2:3-4 & 7).
- Support the testimony of the Church by attending faithfully, studying God's Word, living a godly life, and tithing regularly (Malachi 3:10; Hebrews 10:24-25; Philippians 1:27; 1 Corinthians 16:2).

Section 5.05 – Voting Rights

Except as provided herein, every member shall be entitled to vote at all elections and on all questions properly before the Church, provided the member is present (proxy voting is prohibited). Each member who desires to vote will receive written ballots when they indicate their presence at the meeting by marking their name on a membership list. Those who desire to vote have also agreed in their heart that they are following the expectations of prayer, service, attendance, and gifts as outlined in Section 5.04 - Expectations. Members under the age of eighteen may not vote on matters concerning personnel, contracts, banking, large purchases, or amendment of the constitution and bylaws.

Welcome New Member

Dr. Larry Isaacs

Joined by Letter - 7/16/2018

From Far Hills Baptist Church

Dayton, OH





Know your target

Businesses must know their target market. Writers must know their target audience. And we all make better decisions when we consider the target of our actions.

A college religion teacher set up a cardboard target in his classroom. "Draw someone who has upset you," he instructed. Students sketched ex-boyfriends or - girlfriends, coworkers who'd mistreated them, childhood bullies. Each, in turn, then placed their drawing over the bulls-eye and took aim with a bow and arrow. Afterward, the bulls-eye was riddled with holes. The students congratulated one another ... until the teacher pulled back the target, revealing Jesus' scarred, torn face.

Silence fell as he read: "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these ... you did it to me" (Matthew 25:40, NRSV).

In choosing actions — no matter the human target — remember who else will be struck by your arrows. Let's take aim with love, not hurt.



"Looks like I'm going to have to get Mom to let me cross the street."



Wednesday, September 5

Wednesday Night Dinner

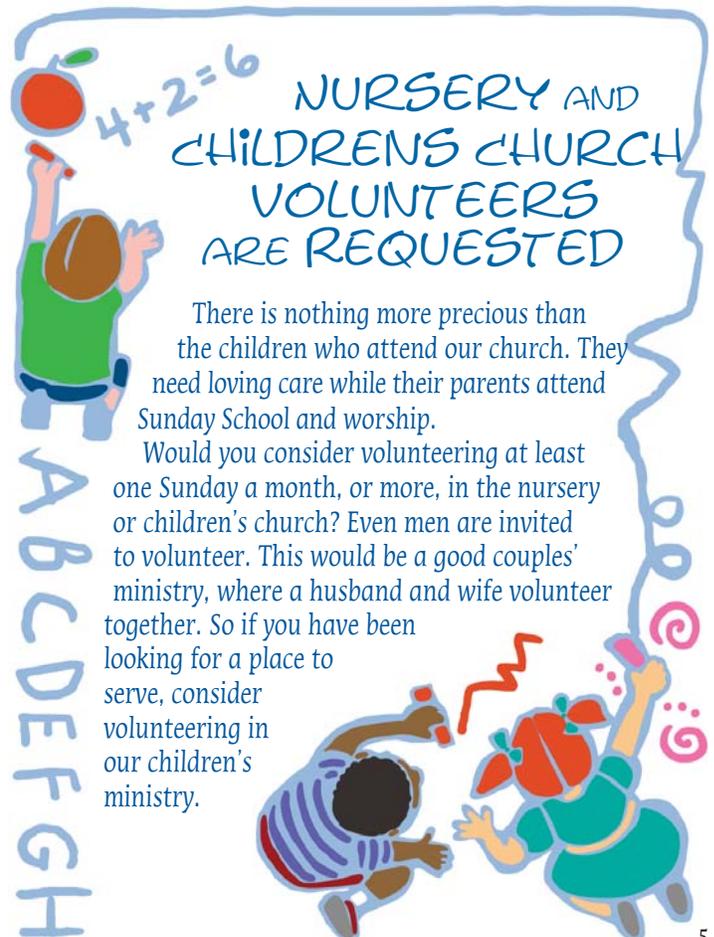
Awana

Choir Rehearsals

Youth Activities

Adult Bible Studies

Why Not Make
Wednesday Night -
Family Night
at FBCHHI?



There is nothing more precious than the children who attend our church. They need loving care while their parents attend Sunday School and worship.

Would you consider volunteering at least one Sunday a month, or more, in the nursery or children's church? Even men are invited to volunteer. This would be a good couples' ministry, where a husband and wife volunteer together. So if you have been looking for a place to serve, consider volunteering in our children's ministry.



Youth DNOW Weekend

High Tide Youth Summer Camp 2018 is in the hisbooks! It was an amazing time of connection with each other and God through His Word. We kicked off our weekend by serving those in the community who sacrifice for us on a daily basis - the awesome firemen and sheriff department of Beaufort County. The girls cooked up some delicious home-cooked meals, and we delivered them just in time for supper on Thursday evening, and they absolutely loved it!!

The rest of the weekend was focused on understanding that what is in our hearts flows out to the rest of our lives, and ultimately we want the world to see Jesus through our hearts and lives. When we dive into the Word of God, our actions begin to show that Jesus is in our lives!! Our time together culminated on Saturday night with a sunset praise and worship service on the beach where we were able to soak in the beauty of God's creation.

We loved having SWAT (Students With A Testimony) on our campus for the week, from the praise and worship to their Bible studies, but most of all the youth loved having the college leaders to connect with and look up to and just chat with into the wee hours of the morning!

The youth are especially appreciative of all those who gave their time to come and serve meals and set up the buildings so they could have an awesome week of worship, fellowship and studying God's Word!

Our youth are incredibly passionate and knowledgeable about Jesus, and it is our prayer that the church continues to come alongside them, support them and encourage them to be leaders not only in the church but also in their community and to make a lasting impact for Jesus!!



July & August Mission Project Backpacks for the Homeless

You've heard the expression "Divide and Conquer". Well, that is exactly what we are going to do this year with our "Backpacks for the Homeless Mission Project". *Divide*: dividing the list of items that go into the backpacks among the Sunday School classes; and *Conquer*: so we will hopefully have enough of each item to go into the backpacks, avoiding having an overabundance of one item and not nearly enough of another.

Sunday School leaders have been given a specific list of items for their class to concentrate on getting together, and making those purchases now, avoids the "Christmas Rush." Hopefully, it should be easier to find the requested items now. Check with the Sunday School leaders on how they plan to divide up their list of items and when they are due.

Monetary gifts are acceptable as well. The money collected aids in purchasing the backpacks, purchasing items (not on the Sunday School lists) that may be on sale, and orders from the Internet of gloves and scarves which are not readily available in our area during the summer months. Any money that is left over goes directly to the Old Savannah Mission to help them with their homeless ministry costs.

Last year we took around **80 fully-packed bags** to the Old Savannah City Mission to be handed out to the homeless at Christmas time. This year we plan to beat that record, but we need everyone's help in purchasing the many supplies that fill these bags. **Let the shopping begin!**

P. S. You will see this mission project advertised again at the end of November and first of December. This is to allow our part-time winter friends to have an opportunity to participate in this worthy mission project as well. We hope you will not feel obligated to participate again after you have participated this summer.

Thank you for participating! To God Be the Glory!



Mission Trip to Calgary

Our church has sent another mission team to Calgary, Canada. As in the past two summers, a mission team from FBCHHI traveled to Canada to help with some outreach camps for children. This year's trip is from July 28 through August 4. Pray for them and for the lives they will touch with the Gospel asking our good Lord to continue to work in their lives. We will have highlights of their trip in the September Messenger.

Calgary Mission Team

Hannah Fedor, Lauren Gardner, Sheila Kelca, Mikayla Kelca, Mary Seubert, Ron Seubert, Wendy Gudz, Tommy Myers, Sherry Myers, Dick Sanders, Chuck Staab, Nancy Staab

New Steps and Ramp

We are closer to having new steps and a ramp between the Family/Student Building and Children's Building. The concrete has been poured and now we are waiting for the handrails. We thank our Building and Grounds Committee for working so hard to keep our campus in good working order.



Concrete was poured for the new steps and ramp.

Financial Statement

Year-to-Date Budget Receipts Goal thru 06/30/2018	\$465,775
Year-to-Date Receipts thru 06/30/2018	\$470,945
Year-to-Date Expenses 06/30/2018	\$436,686
Budget Receipts Goal for July 2018	\$93,155
Month-to-Date Receipts thru 07/25/2018	\$75,361
Month-to-Date Expenses thru 07/25/2018	\$68,319



July 28 - August 4	Mission Trip, Calgary, Canada
Wednesday, August 1	Summer Wednesday Schedule 5:00 PM - Deacons' Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #8 6:30 PM - Adult Bible Study, Family Life Center, Rm #4 6:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite
Sunday, August 5	Regular Sunday Schedule FBCHHI's Family Movie Night - Back to School Event, showing "Jonah" - A Veggie Tales Movie 5:00 PM - Free Hot Dog Dinner - Family Life Center 5:45 PM Movie - Family Student Center
Tuesday, August 7	12:00 Noon - Administrative Council Meeting, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
Wednesday, August 8	Summer Wednesday Schedule
Saturday, August 11	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon - Sunday School Launch for all Sunday School Teachers - Children's Building, Rm #7 9:00 AM - Safety Team Training - Family Life Center, Rm #5
Sunday, August 12	Regular Sunday Schedule
Tuesday, August 14	12:00 Noon - Personnel Committee Meeting, Church Library
Wednesday, August 15	4:00 PM - Stewardship Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2 Summer Wednesday Schedule No Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, August 16	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon - Kitchen Cleaning, Volunteers Needed
Sunday, August 19	Regular Sunday Schedule 9:15 AM - Sunday School Promotion Day 10:30 AM - Sunday School Teacher Recognition during the morning worship service
Tuesday, August 21	4:30 PM - Building and Grounds Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2
Wednesday, August 22	Summer Regular Wednesday Schedule No Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, August 28	2:00 PM - Connection Leadership Team Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2
Wednesday, August 29	Summer Wednesday Night Schedule 6:15 PM - 7:45 PM - Sanctuary Choir, please make a note of the new beginning time - Moved up 15 minutes.
Monday, September 3	Labor Day Weekend, Church Offices will be closed for the holiday
Wednesday, September 5	5:00 PM - Deacons' Meeting Fall Wednesday Night Programs Kick-Off

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 Richard Lewis - Custodial/Maintenance
 Dennis Matson, Jr. - Custodial/Maintenance

Summer Wednesday Night Schedule

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite (except August 15 & 22)
 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Adult Bible Study in the Family Life Center, Room #4

Summer Sunday Schedule

8:15 AM - 8:45 AM - Open Prayer Time and Devotional, Family Life Center, Room #7
 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM - Coffee Fellowship Time, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM - Sunday School For All Ages, Various Buildings
 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM - Worship Service, Sanctuary

