

The Views

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
OF LEES SUMMIT
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A Note From the Pastor

Dear FBCLS Family-

I'm so thankful for my church family!

Many of you know that my dad passed away September 19. The last several months have been quite a challenge as he has declined. Several times I wished I could clone myself so that I could be with him and also be in Lee's Summit with my family and my church. Your support has been lifesaving through this difficult season. You have been patient with me as I have been absent more than usual, and as I have been a little distracted even when physically present. I'm blown away by people who drove all the way to Little Rock for the visitation or the funeral, people who sent flowers, and people who sent cards (my mailbox is overflowing every day). We've been blessed by meals, gift cards, cash, and other extremely practical and generous expressions of sympathy. I can't count the number of hugs I get every Sunday. It is wonderful to be the recipient of the ministry of the FBCLS family. Thank you for caring for me! These tough days are much more manageable when you make it so obvious that I'm not in it alone.

We'll count on you to keep lifting up those prayers. In addition to our grief for my dad, Gayla's mom's health is declining daily.

It is such a blessing to be your pastor!

Grace and peace,
Blake



- ~Oct 1 - Preschool Family Fun Event
3:30-5:30 Church Parking Lot
- ~Oct 3 - Joy Club
11 AM Fellowship Hall
- ~Oct 4, 11, 18, 25 - Women's Bible Study
10-Noon & 7-9 PM
- ~Oct 6, 13, 20, 27 - Preschool Playday
10-11:30 AM Church Gym
- ~Oct 9 - Ordination Service 6:30 PM
- ~Oct 12 - Business Meeting 6:00 PM
- ~Oct 15 - Men's Cookout in Lone Jack
5:30 PM
- ~Oct 16 - Lord's Supper (All Services)
- ~Oct 23 - Welcome to FBCLS Orientation
Class 11:00 Chapel

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Please pray for and/or send a note to our Featured Homebound Persons to let them know they are in your thoughts and prayers.



Monday, October 31

FBCLS Gym & Parking Lot

We need donations of prepackaged snack cakes, individually wrapped candy and 2 liter bottles of pop. We also need people to help with an activity in the gym or handing out candy in the parking lot. Sign up sheets to help out will be in the Welcome Center and donation boxes will be at church entrances beginning October 9.

“Abundantly More”

Our church is going to try a little experiment called "Abundantly More" to encourage generosity. Each quarter of the 2016-2017 church year, we will have a special project. Any money we receive above the basic amount needed for the church budget will go to a special project. Those special projects will include things like facility improvements and local and international missions projects. Our first project is called "Future Generations." That means that if the church gives more than is needed for the basic operation and ministry functions of the church between now and December 31, the "more" will be evenly divided among our youth, children, and preschool ministry for some special dream projects in those areas. Give generously, and we will find that God really can do abundantly more than all we can ask or imagine.

**Couples Weekend Getaway
November 4-6
Branson, Missouri
Cost \$365.00**

Information brochures are available on the Info Rack, foyer tables and the Welcome Center. Please turn in registration form and \$100.00 deposit by Sunday, October 9.



Our Christian sympathies go out to Blake McKinney whose father passed away; to Roy Begemann whose father passed away; and to the family and friends of Carol Strickland who passed away.



Scripture Readings for October

- Oct 1 - Prov. 10:1-13
- Oct 2 - Prov. 11:1-14
- Oct 3 - Prov. 12:1-18
- Oct 4 - Prov. 13:1-25
- Oct 5 - Prov. 14:1-18
- Oct 6 - Prov. 15:1-22
- Oct 7 - Prov. 16:1-20
- Oct 8 - Prov. 17:1-17
- Oct 9 - Prov. 18:1-24
- Oct 10 - Matt. 12:1-14
- Oct 11 - Matt. 15:21-28
- Oct 12 - Matt. 20:1-16
- Oct 13 - Matt. 25:31-46
- Oct 14 - Mk. 5:25-34
- Oct 15 - Lk. 4:14-21
- Oct 16 - Lk. 14:15-24
- Oct 17 - Matt. 8:18-27
- Oct 18 - Matt. 10:24-39
- Oct 19 - Matt. 16:13-28
- Oct 20 - Matt. 18:1-11
- Oct 21 - Jn. 10:22-30
- Oct 22 - Ps. 2:1-12
- Oct 23 - Mk. 1:9-15
- Oct 24 - Ps. 18:1-19
- Oct 25 - Ps. 27:1-14
- Oct 26 - Ps. 30:1-12
- Oct 27 - Ps. 40:1-17
- Oct 28 - Ps. 46:1-11
- Oct 29 - Ps. 47:1-9
- Oct 30 - Ps. 33:1-22

There will be an ordination service for David Maddron, Aaron Smith and Beth Garner on Sunday, October 9 at 6:30 PM.



“The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?”

PSALM 27:1, NRSV